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Primaries crowded Nearly 40 file in county races

By **Todd G. Dickson**
Las Cruces Bulletin

As of last week's filing deadline for the June 3rd Primary Election, 37 candidates filed in 16 races in Doña Ana County, five of which were uncontested.

Barring a successful write-in campaign, those winning another term without having to campaign include state District 52 Rep. Doreen Gallegos of Las Cruces, County Assessor Andy Segovia, Division 2 Magistrate Judge Conrad Perea, Division 5 Magistrate Judge Kent Wingenroth and Division 6 Magistrate Judge Joel Cano.

Four races will be determined by the primary results.

Although state District 34 Rep. Mary Helen Garcia has two Democratic opponents – Belaquin “Bill” Gomez of La Mesa and Christian Lira of Sunland Park – there are no Republicans running for the House seat covering the southern portion of the county.

Likewise, there are only two Democrats running for county probate judge – Diana Bustamante and Yolanda Lucero.

Division 3 Magistrate Judge Beverly Singleman is being challenged by Democrats Paul Rubino and Kent Yalkut. Division 4 Magistrate Richard Wellborn is being challenged by Democrat Norman Osborne.

Of the races that have both Democrat and Republican candidates, the largest field is for sheriff, with five Democrats and two Republicans running. Like county Probate Judge Alice Salcido, Sheriff Todd Garrison has served two terms and can't run for a third.

Seeking to keep the sheriff position in Republican hands are Larry Roybal and Craig Buckingham. Of the Democrats, the earliest to announce was Curtis Childress, who currently heads the county's

See **Primaries** on page A7



The “50 to 1” tour bus parked on display at the Sonoma Ranch Pic-Quik Tuesday, March 18. After a short visit by the star of the movie, Todd Lowe (“True Blood”), who spoke with Heather Gandy about the movie, the bus departed to launch its premiere tour starting in Alamogordo.

Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Christopher Belarde

Shelter sees drop in euthanasia rates Many pets still need homes

By **Todd G. Dickson**
Las Cruces Bulletin

During a walk-through of the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley (ASCMV) Monday, March 17, Director Beth Vesco-Mock was anything but cheerful.

Although there's much good news in the recently released ASCMV annual report, such as significant progress in reducing the shelter's euthanasia rates, Vesco-Mock was faced with a

large number of abandoned animals – a mix of owner surrendered and others turned in as supposed strays.

“Look at this old dog,” Vesco-Mock said as she checked on an elderly Chihuahua. “No way was that a stray.”

One of the main decisions she had to make was which dogs and cats were healthy enough to go to shelters in Arizona and Massachusetts, which have a demand for adoptable pets.

See **Shelter** on page A7

National monument alternative debated Pearce's bill detailed at forum

By **Todd G. Dickson**
Las Cruces Bulletin

While a forum Wednesday, March 19, was about U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce's bill to give national monument status to the Organ Mountains, it frequently strayed into the continuing debate over the larger national monument proposal.

However, Pearce was able to give details on his legislation and clarify some aspects of HR995.

Pearce said his bill would

grant national monument status to 54,800 acres along the Organ Mountain range, but with conditions to permit existing uses.

For example, the legislation would allow motorized vehicles on existing roads and for other needs deemed necessary by the Bureau of Land Management, such as for rescue of stranded hikers, Pearce said.

The proposal would also allow grazing permits and rights-of-way for utility upgrades, he said. Also, hunting and fishing would

See **Pearce** on page A7

NEXT WEEK

Backlot supporters kick off effort

Gun fight re-enactment planned for high noon Tuesday, March 25, in front of the Rio Grande Theatre.



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Testing recipes at the High School Breakfast Contest

Photos by Todd Dickson

Las Cruces High School student Alexis Tome, 17, melts butter in the frying pan for the spinach and egg sandwich her team would be making for the High School Breakfast Contest Friday, March 14, held in the high school's vocational wing. The contest aims to get more high school students to eat breakfast in school cafeterias, said Barbara Berger, health and nutrition specialist for Las Cruces Public Schools.



Mayfield student Thomas Arzatalo, 17, spreads out dough for sandwiches.



Oñate's winning muffin was made with apples and carrots. The dishes were judged on both taste and nutritional value.



Las Cruces High student Abrianna Contreras, 16, pours the spinach-egg mixture into a frying mold.



Oñate High School student Angelica Hernandez, 17, mixes the dry ingredients for her team's winning whole grain muffin. Dairy Max, which sponsored the contest, will bring an NFL player to Oñate before the end of the school year to debut the muffin.

Mayfield High School student Santiago Figueroa, 16, measures spices for his team's biscuit sandwich.

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From the publisher

BY RICHARD COLTHARP

Current Aggies add to legacy Lacey a cornerstone of NMSU tradition

A gift from my friend Jeff Barnet, it has occupied a spot in my office since I joined the Las Cruces Bulletin in September 2010.

It's a 1975 basketball card of Sam Lacey, then the starting center for the NBA Kansas City Kings.

Known as "Slammin' Sam," Lacey is integral to the basketball legacy at New Mexico State University, where he played from 1968-70.

The Ides of March brought two big pieces of news for NMSU basketball. The current Aggies won the Western Athletic Conference tournament, earning their third straight berth in the NCAA tournament. We also learned Lacey had passed away at age 65.

The Aggie victory marks the third straight WAC tournament title for head coach Marvin Menzies, and his fourth in five years. Throw in the Aggies' 2007 title under Reggie Theus, and NMSU has five NCAA appearances in the last eight years.

This year marks the Aggies' 21st appearance in the tournament. That's a respectable legacy many NCAA Division I teams cannot claim.

Menzies, however, is hungry for something more, as are Aggie basketball fans.

In his three previous NCAA appearances, Menzies has come away without a victory. The Aggies as a program have not won an NCAA tournament game since 1993. They came close in 2010, losing by three to eventual Final Four team Michigan State with an Aggie squad featuring Jonathan Gibson, Gordo Castillo and Wendell McKines.

"Our opportunity to win a game in the NCAA tournament is right there," Menzies said Sunday, March 16, the day after the WAC championship. "We didn't play our best against St. Louis last year, but we played hard."

"Now we've won nine of our last 10, and we've got energy, synergy and chemistry."

By the time you read this, you may know if the Aggies won. Either way, Menzies and his 151-87 record over the past seven years have added positively to the history of NMSU's basketball program, a history Lacey helped create.

Lou Henson took over as head coach of the Aggies in 1966. Henson had previously integrated the basketball program at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas. He found outstanding recruits in Mississippi that major colleges in the Southeastern Conference would not consider because of the color of their skin. Henson continued after coming to NMSU.

"A coach told me to go look at this thin kid down in Indianola, Miss., who was 6-8," Henson said.

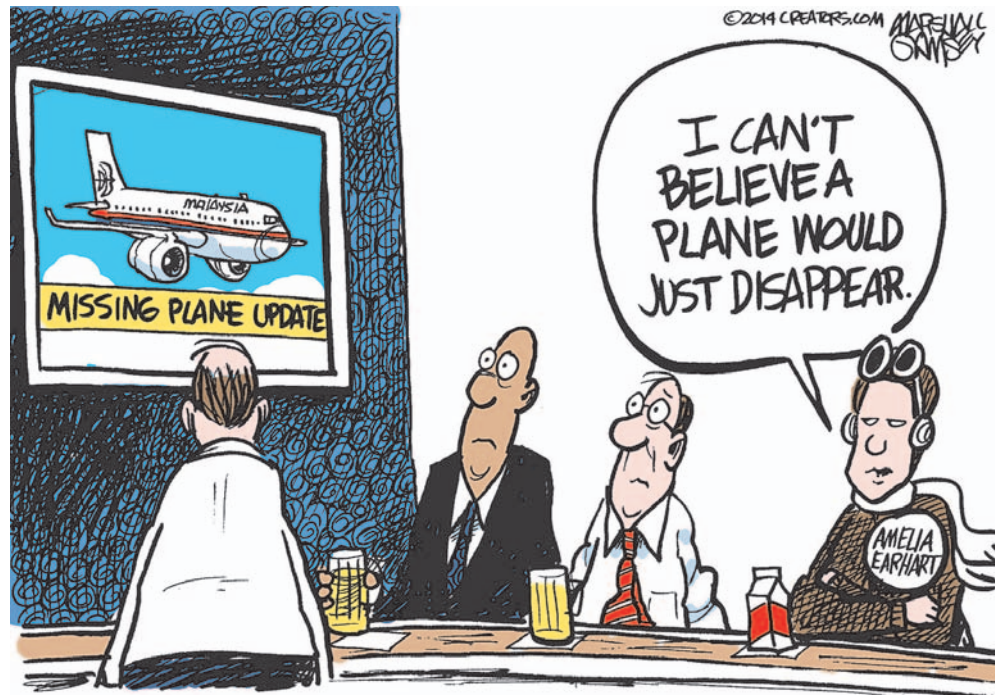
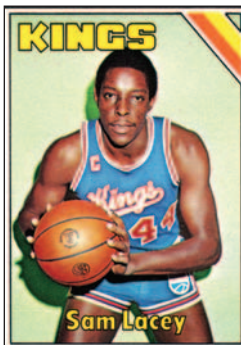
It turned out to be Lacey.

"I went down and stayed with the coach a couple of days and I signed him," Henson said. "He didn't even visit campus. But he grew to 6-10, about 240 pounds, and became one of the key players to ever play here."

Lacey remains the leading rebounder in Aggie history with 1,265 (an incredible average of 14.2 per game), despite playing just three years. Freshmen weren't eligible to play in that era. NCAA players also were prohibited from dunking, meaning Lacey could only act on his nickname after he went pro.

In 1969-70, Henson and Lacey were the central figures on a team that included the great Jimmy Collins, Charlie Criss and others. Together they reached a pinnacle most schools don't reach: The Final Four.

That banner hangs silently in the rafters of the Pan American Center, but it sends a message loud and clear. Aggie basketball means something, then and now.



Letters to the editor

Letters, letters, letters

Well, another issue of the Las Cruces Bulletin and we have been blessed with more angry, old, white guys' rants on pages A4 and A5, March 14. The key points for our weekly digestion were: "Gangsters, controlled education, lack of leadership, socialist, communist, sheep, bondage, tyranny, propaganda and, once again, communism."

Hey guys, lighten up – it's not that bad out here in the light of day. Come out of your bunkers and try to see the common good of this country. If you look for it, you might be very surprised in what you receive back. Constant hate and distrust never accomplishes anything. I feel very sorry for you two guys.

Thomas O'Connor

In praise of museums

In recent months, I have received several emails lauding the value of our museums. Such affirmations are good to receive because our community amenities are easily taken for granted. Still, they contribute so much to our abilities and to our sense of who we are, where

we are, what we can do.

Our museums, in addition to being free entertainment, can actually be educational, inspirational and sources of community pride. Despite budget cuts and curriculum changes, we must ensure classes can continue to visit our museums. Even outside of school, what is available can satisfy curiosity, expand learning, stoke understanding and increase creative abilities for families, groups and individuals.

The Las Cruces Museum of Art, slated to move someday into the building at the corner of Griggs and Church, should be a clear destination, dynamically appropriate for our community. On one side or another, that distinctive, brick 1917 structure will likely be adjacent to the plaza that is coming. What better environment to say this community appreciates art, cultivates artists and inspires creative thinking!

We cannot fully calculate all that our museums add to the Las Cruces experience, but they definitely contribute to the exploration and discovery that is enjoyed here.

Gregory Z. Smith
mayor pro tem, Las Cruces
councillor for District 2

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What it takes to get my vote

Politicians should focus on what matters

Michael Swickard
In My Opinion



This is a frightening statistic. More people vote in American Idol than in any U.S. election.
— Rush Limbaugh

It is frightening when more Americans vote in television shows than in real elections. Something must prompt them to do so; to make “American Idol” more important to them than Congress. There must be some reward to be so taken in by television and not real life. Trouble is I cannot for the life of me guess what that is.

We have 545 politicians (Congress, Supreme Court and president) who are running rough-shod over the American public while most Americans do not notice. One reason they do not notice is that media operate as part of the ruling class and not as a watchdog to freedom. Politicians love it. Why our citizens allow the media to enable politicians to lie and cheat the American public, I cannot understand.

In the coming mid-term elections, our nation teeters on the brink of disaster far more than at any time after the Civil War. We are a nation so disconnected to the news that man-made global warming is believed more

than that Americans landed on the moon and returned safely. I cannot for the life of me guess why.

As to the elections, we have people professing to have the best wishes for the teens who cannot get jobs. These same people want to raise the minimum wage even higher. The minimum wage does not let employers pay for what someone can trade productively.

That is exactly why low-skilled young people cannot find work and yet it is the very thing some political leaders are pushing. These politicians are running on raising the minimum wage, which will keep more of our young people unemployed. And, go figure, most of the young people vote for them because a higher minimum wage sounds like they will be making more money. No, they will still be unemployed and unemployable.

What unemployed workers need more than anything is to get a job, any job for any wage because any wage will be more than they are making now. But their elected leaders seem to want to keep them jobless and in poverty. Worse, the media conspired to obscure the result of minimum wages: joblessness.

Further, many politicians, perhaps unknowingly, spout principles from the Communist Manifesto: Abolition of personal property rights, a heavy progressive income tax, government controlled minimum wage, government control of banks, government control of communication and transportation and the mandatory free education for all

children in government run schools.

There are many more intrusions into our society, but the above list is shocking in that while every step into a communist idea seems good, taken all together it does seem like the government runs us, not the other way around. The idea of the U.S. Constitution was for citizens to limit government and the idea of the myriad of rules now being churned in Washington is for government to limit citizens.

So for anyone to get my vote I want two things: more jobs and a reduction of government intrusion. Notice I did not say the abolition of government intrusion, just a reduction. If there is no way to even take away a little of the government hold over the citizens,

then we live effectively in a dictatorship and it does not matter who we elect.

As to jobs, I want our legislators working at creating jobs in the private sector for Americans who want to work. I cannot force anyone to work, but we should not provide incentive for able Americans to not work. Someone has to pull the cart and we have lots of people riding and few people pulling. Unless we reverse that trend everyone will have to walk. Period.

To get my vote, forget all of the other stuff. Just push jobs and take government's foot off of my neck.

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Letter to the editor

New tax is wrong

Doña Ana County taxpayers in New Mexico should be mad as h***. Another county agency is trying to pick our pockets by increasing our taxes. This time it is the partisan Doña Ana Soil and Water Conservation District's Board of Supervisors, which wants to raise our property taxes for its group so they get an additional \$350,000 per year.

The organization will use the extra money to fight against the national monument and wolves and deal lastly with watershed management issues. It spends most of its time attacking the Federal government rather than cooperating to protect our watersheds. It is my opinion that the Doña Ana Soil and Water Conservation District has turned into a partisan group pushing a political agenda.

The Doña Ana Soil and Water Conservation District is trying to sneak

their property tax increase past voters with a referendum on April 8 with only a few polling places. No doubt they are praying for a low voter turnout. The Ciudad Soil and Water Conservation District tried this approach, and the taxpayers overwhelmingly voted against the proposed tax hike by 92.2 percent. It is now time for Doña Ana County voters to stand up and vote against this unnecessary increase in our tax burden.

State law provides a way to dissolve soil and water conservation districts. A petition from any 25 property owners can force a referendum on the issue. Maybe we should have a referendum on dissolution like that in Albuquerque and not on an unnecessary tax hike.

As President Coolidge once said, “Collecting more taxes than is absolutely necessary is legalized robbery.”

Greg Lennes

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE



A footlong prolapse

It was a Colorado winter afternoon when the boys spotted a big, crossbred cow wobbling along with her calf trailing behind and a prolapse as big as an army-issue duffle bag.

When they got closer they could see the calf had sucked but the prolapse looked a little worse for the wear. Merle and Earl were a'horseback two miles from the corrals. The cow was domesticated but certainly not tame. She was a range cow. They're like Kmart employees – you can't actually walk up to one!

Using the time-tested Temple Grandin technique, they pushed her down the trail until she wore out and sort of collapsed. Our duo dismounted and eased up on the tired cow. He also carried a small medicine bag, primarily to treat calf scours. Earl walked up to drop a loop over the cow's head.

“You won't need that,” Merle said. “There's some of that obstacle tape, that and a shot of ‘anorexic’ medicine will put her to sleep.”

Earl found a bottle with 5cc of lidocaine left in it. He drew it into a syringe and handed it to Merle who injected it directly into the prolapse. The boys knelt down and began trying to stuff the bulbous, slippery, inverted uterus back through the pelvic opening.

Note: This process has been compared to stuffing a smoked ham down a sink drain.

Four hands were thrusting, spelunking, grasping, groaning, winching, clinching ... push one galoop in and another would pop out the other side. Through 20 minutes of heaving, breathing, scooting, slewing and

trying to find something with your foot to push against, the monstrous appendage kept growling and snarling, fighting back with all its might. Merle had the best grip.

“Earl, pull off your boot and see if you can shove it in with your foot” he shouted.

“What!?” asked Earl.

“I read about it somewhere; it gives you more leverage!”

With a suspicious eye, Earl unbooted, lay back against a hummock, placed his sticky sock into the rubbery protuberance and pushed. “Slurp ...” It disappeared before their eyes!

Merle took command. He rifled in the medicine box and found a bottle of umbilical tape and a needle.

“Keep pushin’ til I git'er stitched up!” instructed Merle.

Even though she was still straining some, the cow began to relax. So did Earl, twisted in up to the knee. Merle threaded the S-curved needle and plunged into the sensitive area. “WHAAAAAAA!”

The cow rose from the ground like a missile being fired from a Titan submarine. The movement put tremendous pressure on the anterior cruciate ligament in Earl's knee joint. He didn't even make the eight-second buzzer.

Epilogue: The prolapse stayed in, the calf was not fazed, it ended Earl's potential soccer career and Merle lived to tell me the story.

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Guest column

Time running out to enroll in health insurance exchange

NMHIX deadline looms for affordable care coverage

By **Mike Nuñez**
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

The clock is ticking. Thousands of New Mexicans will lose their ability to buy affordable health insurance under the New Mexico Health Insurance Exchange (NMHIX) if they fail to enroll by Monday, March 31.

If they miss this important deadline, unless they become covered by an employer or have a life-changing event such as marriage or birth of a child, they will be unable to get health insurance coverage until January 2015 at the earliest – so sign up today!

Much has been said and written about the affordability of the insurance plans provided by NMHIX. If an individual is making less than \$45,000 a year or a family of four has a household income of less than \$96,000 a year, they may be able to afford health care insurance for the first time ever and pay no premium or a low monthly premium. Why? Because they may qualify for federal subsidies to help pay their premiums,

deductibles and out-of-pocket costs.

NMHIX has been working to make it as easy as possible for individuals to calculate what their premium subsidies would be and to shop available plans through the “NM Care Compare” tool on www.bewellnm.com. Anyone can use this tool to see their options, savings and costs without having to first complete an application. We at the Exchange are committed to giving you simple-to-use resources to find out the best option for you and your family.

There are a couple of other important points people should keep in mind when deciding whether to enroll in health care insurance this year. The first is that no one with a pre-existing condition can be denied coverage or charged more because of it. So, even if you have a serious acute or chronic health care problem, you can get health insurance.

The second point to remember is that there are penalties. This year, the penalty is \$95 or one percent of your adjusted gross income, whichever is higher.

It may not sound like much, but the penalty will go up every year from now on. And why pay a penalty for nothing when instead you can get something you actually need?

That brings us to the third point. You don't need health insurance until you need it. You break a bone, or you end up in the hospital with pneumonia or have to have your appendix taken out. Or if a member of your family gets sick.

Without insurance, hospital and medical bills can seriously impact your finances and your credit and keep you from

achieving important goals. You pay for car insurance and home owners or renters insurance. Why not protect you and your family from an unanticipated accident or illness with health insurance?

NMHIX is here to help make the process simple. We've got an army of more than 400 insurance agents and brokers statewide who, at no cost, can help you choose and enroll in a plan, as well as nearly 500 certified health care guides.

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NMHIX is seeing more interest from New Mexicans in learning how to get health insurance through the performance measures that we monitor on a daily basis, such as record-breaking call center volume, the growing number of new visitors to our website daily and an increase in applications.

We have learned a lot over the past few months about how to reach those who can most benefit from the Exchange as well as how to equip those best able to help them enroll. This is encouraging, but we aren't finished yet.

Buying health insurance isn't exciting, but it's an investment in your

future. The opportunity to enroll in affordable insurance will not come around again until 2015, so now is the time.

Insurance can be confusing, but with resources available to you 24/7, we are working to make this as simple as possible so you can feel secure in your health coverage for 2014. Don't wait until March 31. The time is now to enroll in affordable coverage.

Mike Nuñez has been Interim Chief Executive Officer of the New Mexico Health Insurance Exchange since mid-May 2013. His prior experience includes four years as executive director of the New Mexico Health Insurance Alliance. He has a total of 25 years experience in the health care industry, including serving in management positions with Mercer Health and Benefits and regional third-party administration companies working with the New Mexico Public Schools Insurance Authority and the New Mexico Retiree Health Care Authority.

“ The opportunity to enroll in affordable insurance will not come around again until 2015, so now is the time. ”

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Shelter

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Complicating that sorting is a large number of unhealthy animals, especially dogs. Working with her head kennel manager, Vesco-Mock goes over a list of about 30 and talks about moves to separate the ill from the healthy.

"We call it the 'shelter shuffle,'" she said, "but we're doing it to save them."

There are challenges to saving them. One husky dog was surrendered after breaking a leg. Because the shelter does not have enough money in its budget to repair the break, the dog will most likely have to be euthanized. This kind of decision is not easy for Vesco-Mock.

The numbers in the ASCMV annual report do show progress. Its euthanasia rate dropped

in 2013 to its lowest rate ever at 42.6 percent, according to Vesco-Mock, based on the records available to her. Better records are now kept since the city and county jointly took over the shelter, so Vesco-Mock can say with certainty that last year's rate is a more than 9 percent decrease from 2012.

When Vesco-Mock was hired in 2008, the euthanasia rate was very high, with more than two-thirds of the animals entering ASCMV euthanized. Vesco-Mock attributes the progress to a lot of different efforts, both at ASCMV and through a network of animal advocate groups. The good news in the report is that the overall number of animals brought to ASCMV dropped by 4.43 percent to 12,774 animals in 2013.

The bad news is that the total number of animal adoptions decreased from 2,655 in 2012 to 2,335 in 2013. Despite the increasing

number of off-site adoption opportunities and discounts offered throughout the year, Vesco-Mock said the community's capacity for pet adoptions may be at its saturation point.

Offsetting the leveling off of adoptions, however, has been the ASCMV's ability to find more homes for pets through rescue shelters, such as for the several huskies currently at the shelter. The ASCMV also continues to seek out foster homes for many of the animals.

The bigger picture illustrates how much still has to be done to reach the community's desired no-kill rate, according to the report.

"There are many unique challenges faced by this community," Vesco-Mock wrote in her report. "First and foremost, the number of unwanted or unclaimed animals produced by this community is staggering. There are far more animals in need of care in this community than this community is financially equipped to handle.

"Second, compared to many other communities we are, in a sense, an island. We do not have a large nearby urban center surrounded by dense, affluent suburbs. This means not only a smaller pool of potential adopters, but



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson

This is one of several husky dogs available for adoption.

also fewer and smaller private animal welfare agencies available to help address the enormous number of unclaimed animals."

Nearly 26 animals per 1,000 residents were euthanized in Doña Ana County in 2013, while the national average was 9.5 animals per 1,000 people.

Primaries

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investigations into animal abuse and hoarding. The other Democrats are Juan Stewart, Enrique "Kiki" Vigil, Ken Roberts and Steven Foldy.

In the state House races, incumbent District 33 Rep. Bill McCamley will be challenged by Republican Neal Hooks, incumbent District 35 Rep. Jeff Steinborn will be challenged by Republican Betty Bishop, incumbent District 36 Phillip Archuleta will be challenged by Republican Andy Nuñez - Hatch's mayor who formerly held state representative positions as both a Democrat and independent. Incumbent District 37 Rep. Terry McMillan will be challenged by Democrat Joanne Ferrary.

In the County Commission District 1 race, incumbent Democrat and commission Chairman Billy Garrett is being challenged by a Democrat, Arturo Uribe of Mesquite, and a Republican, Charles Wendler, who lives south of Mesilla Park. District 3 incumbent Republican Commissioner Ben Rawson - who was appointed to the opening by Gov. Susana Martinez - is being challenged by Democrat Beth Bardwell of Las Cruces.

Republican incumbent Division 1 Magistrate Judge Nelson Goodin - also a

Martinez appointee - is being challenged by Democrat Samatha Madrid.

Pre-primary conventions helped clarify some state races. For Congressional District 2 - currently held by Republican Steve Pearce - Leslie Edean-Singh of Alamogordo bowed out, throwing her support to Rocky Lara of Carlsbad.

In the U.S. Senate race, which is currently held by Democrat Tom Udall, Republicans chose Allen Weh of Albuquerque over David Clements of Las Cruces at their pre-primary convention.

To challenge Martinez for governor, Democrats picked state Sen. Howie Morales of Silver City, who won the pre-primary convention vote and the top slot on the ballot with 29 percent of the convention vote.

Attorney General Gary King came in last, getting only 11 percent of the delegate votes, short of the required 20 percent required. King, however, has vowed to stay in the race. Santa Fe entrepreneur Alan Webber and longtime government administrator Lawrence Rael of Los Ranchos de Albuquerque also earned ballot nominations with more than 20 percent of the vote. They came in second and third in the convention voting, respectively.

The fourth-place candidate, state Sen. Linda Lopez of Albuquerque, fell short of the 20 percent threshold, but it is not known if she plans to stay in the running.

Pearce

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not be restricted, he said. Mining or oil and gas production, however, would not be allowed, he said.

Pearce said his legislation would lift wilderness study area (WSA) restrictions on three WSAs in the range, but not in other parts of the county, as he said some have accused the legislation of attempting.

Pearce said his legislation was developed with input from "true constituents," such as

Mark Cox, who manages a family ranch in the Organs.

Cox said he liked Pearce's bill because it would also protect his ranch's existing water rights.

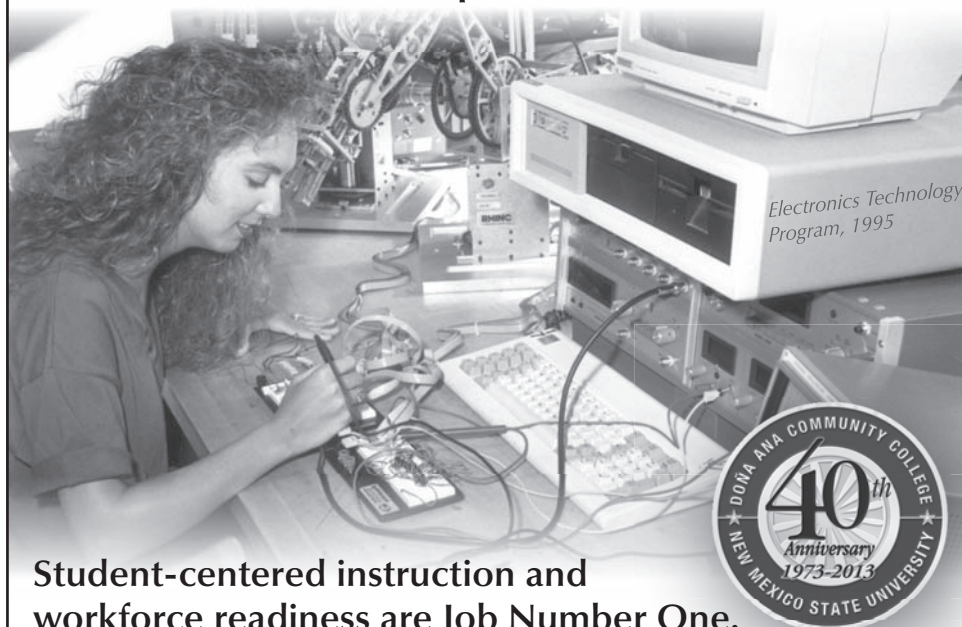
The forum frequently veered into debate over the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks national monument proposal. Pearce said the Wednesday forum allowed voices to be heard that weren't heard during Interior Secretary Sally Jewell's visit in January.

Supporters of the 500,000-acre proposal complained that Pearce's forum was one-sided about the debate.

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Group opposes large national monument

Ranchers contend designation would end grazing

By **Marvin Tessneer**
Las Cruces Bulletin

A group of Doña Ana County livestock ranchers consider the Organ Mountain-Desert Peaks Monument proposal a threat to their industry.

New Mexico Sens. Tom Udall and Martin Heinrich are sponsoring a bill to designate nearly 500,000 acres of federal land as a national monument. They are asking President Barack Obama to use his Antiquities Act

authority to declare the national monument.

A group of 12 ranchers have organized the Western Heritage Alliance to defeat the bill, according to Carol Cooper. She is the widow of the late Tom Cooper, who ran a Beefmaster-breed cattle ranch. Tom Cooper and rancher Tom Mobley organized the alliance in 2006.

The bill would establish eight wilderness areas, including 498,815 acres where ranches graze about 10,000 head of cattle, Carol Cooper said. Passage would affect parts of the Potrillo, Organ, Desert Complex and Las Uvas mountains.

Not only would wilderness areas harm cattle ranching, Cooper said, they also would restrict public access.

"Ranches see a threat because passage of the bill would bring in a lot of intruders in place of the ranchers," she said.

In January, Interior Secretary Sally Jewell visited the proposed monument.

"We never saw so many cars," Cooper said. "We think the proposed wilderness areas would have very serious consequences. We think these proposed wilderness areas would jeopardize the cattle industry that goes back here for 150 years. We think the monument would affect more people – not just ranchers – that Congress should study."

The proposed national monument with wilderness areas would restrict access to maintain the pre-World War II Civilian Conservation Corps flood control dams east of Las Cruces, Carol Cooper said. The dams were constructed to break up flooding by heavy rain from mountain slopes into lower communities.

Much of the proposed wilderness area is near the U.S.-Mexico border, Cooper said, and the Border Patrol needs access to continue patrolling the border.

Rancher Chip Johns, who runs a cattle operation for Beefmaster-Black Angus crosses, said the proposal would put him out of business.

"Many people don't understand," he said. "If I went out of business, I'd have to stop pumping water and the wildlife wouldn't have any water."



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More writing to Obama

Letters support monument status

More than 100 community and business leaders from southern New Mexico are asking President Barack Obama to establish the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument, in a letter released Wednesday, March 19, by the New Mexico Wildlife Federation.

The letter, addressed to Interior Secretary Sally Jewell, was signed by 106 southern New Mexico community and business leaders and cites cultural heritage preservation and economic reasons for the president to act.

The letter specifically

calls for the protection of the northern boundary of the Gadsden Purchase and sites along the Camino Real de Tierra Adentro. The proposed Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument would protect scores of other historical places including Billy the Kid's Outlaw Rock; 22 miles of the Butterfield Stagecoach Trail; World War II Deming bombing targets; training sites for Apollo astronauts; sites related to the Apache Wars and Geronimo's legendary battles with the U.S. Army; and as many as 5,000 Native American archaeological sites.

The letter also cites the \$7 million in new annual economic activity that a comprehensive national monument designation could catalyze through new visitor spending.

To date, more than 300 businesses, faith leaders, elected officials, Native American tribes, sportsmen groups, civic organizations, veteran groups, clergy members, ranchers and other community leaders have publicly expressed support for establishment of this national monument on public lands in Doña Ana County.

"Protecting the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks would enhance Doña Ana County's future," said Anthony Popp, owner of AVP Consulting and New Mexico State University professor emeritus of economics.

"It will improve the local economy and ensure that everything we currently enjoy about these public lands, like recreation, scenic views, economic activity, will continue and can be enjoyed by our children and their grandchildren."

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Elections 2014

Bardwell declares county candidacy Democrat seeks to unseat Republican appointee

Democrat Beth Bardwell has announced her candidacy for Doña Ana County Commission District 3. This is the seat that was held by Karen Perez, a Democrat, until her resignation in August 2013, at which time Gov. Susana Martinez appointed Republican Ben Rawson to fill the remainder of the term.

Bardwell cited her experience in public policy and her commitment to the county's future as key to her decision to run.

"We are at a critical stage in our development as a region," Bardwell said. "Decisions we make now will have an enormous impact on how we grow, the sustainability of water and other resources and the quality of life for our residents. We need the tools and perspective necessary to plan effectively for our future."

Bardwell, 55, is an attorney who has represented the Navajo Nation, served as a prosecutor for the City of Flagstaff and for the past 18 years has lived in Las Cruces, specializing in water policy and freshwater conservation.

Protecting our water resources and natural areas will be a

high priority for her work on the commission, she said.

"Careful planning is essential if we hope to preserve the farmland and open space that surround our urban areas," Bardwell said. "It will also help us preserve local culture and ensure that we use limited financial resources in the most efficient way possible."

She also intends to focus on revitalizing the regional economy and providing a platform of opportunity for every person in the county. She sees quality education, public health and safety and an integrated countywide transit system as central to this vision.

"Doña Ana County residents can choose to live in rural areas, small communities or urban settings," she said. "Developing the infrastructure to support and integrate these choices is our challenge."

Bardwell lives in the Las Alturas area of Las Cruces and is married to Jon Holtzman, an astronomy professor at New Mexico State University. They have two daughters: Tessa, a freshman at Bates College, and Gwen, a junior at Las Cruces High School.



BARDWELL

Gomez running for state House District 34 One of two primary challengers

Belaquin "Bill" Gomez has announced his candidacy for state representative in House District 34 covering Pecan Acres, San Miguel, Northern Mesquite, La Mesa, Chamberino, La Union, Santa Teresa and Sunland Park.

Gomez graduated from New Mexico State University in 1971, obtaining bachelor's and master's degrees in agricultural business and economics. He returned to work with the Cooperative Extension Service at NMSU in 1974 as a state-wide specialist working in marketing and agricultural development for more than 27 years. Gomez is in his second term as vice chair of the Doña Ana Democratic Party.

Gomez began his career at NMSU by working with Anthony, N.M., to form the Anthony Sanitation District. He was president of Tierra Del Sol during the development of the San Miguel Alto de Las Flores housing project. Gomez provided handbooks and training programs for all New Mexico elected county officials to include county commissioners, sheriffs, county clerks, treasurers and assessors for more than 20 years. He also worked with area farmers to get the Mesa Farmers Gin open and change the state law governing cotton gins to allow them to obtain a full-time air quality permit.

Gomez helped organize the Boll Weevil Association for the Mesilla Valley, obtained a \$1 million dollar loan from the federal government and managed it the first season, thus helping rid the valley of the pest in just two years.

"I will work to improve the farming situation in the Mesilla Valley to include supporting farmers' water rights and ability to farm," Gomez said. "I also plan to support the efforts of Sunland Park to obtain a Port of Entry to Mexico and support obtaining funding to improve the infrastructure in the Sunland Park and Santa Teresa areas."



GOMEZ

Gomez worked with the New Mexico Vine and Wine Society, the New Mexico Alfalfa Hay Growers Association, New Mexico Cotton Growers Association, New Mexico Food Producers and Processors Association, New Mexico Chile Growers Commission, the New Mexico Wine Growers Association and the Western Pecan Growers Association as their executive director and presented at their annual conferences.

Most recently Gomez helped form the Hatch Chile Association and has worked as executive director of the Southern Rio Grande Diversified Crop Farmers Association fighting to protect the water rights of all farmers in the Lower Rio Grande Valley of New Mexico for the past four years.

Gomez is one of two Democrat challengers to incumbent Rep. Mary Helen Garcia. The other challenger is Christian Lira.

Garrett seeking re-election Chairman touts progress

County Commission Chair Billy G. Garrett has announced he will seek re-election to the Doña Ana County Commission.

"We have made positive strides in county government over the past three years," Garrett said. "Our goal remains to be one of the best administered and best serving counties in the state."

Garrett has been a strong advocate for responsible financial management and for the development of a clear strategic plan for county activities. He helped secure funding for and leads the "Viva Doña Ana" regional planning initiative, for which he has worked to expand public participation in decision-making.

"We live in an area with significant challenges and tremendous potential," Garrett said. "The decisions we make now, large and small, will impact the prosperity and quality of life of not only current residents, but our children and grandchildren."

Garrett guided development of an updated county animal ordinance and helped create a community-wide initiative to reduce high euthanasia rates at the animal shelter. He worked to develop and secure passage of a noise ordinance for the county. He helped advance the new 911 Emergency Dispatch Center and oversaw the hiring of a new county manager.

"Every day and in every way we are building a more professional, focused and effective county government," Garrett said. "I will do everything I can to see that public funds are wisely spent and that progress is made on critical issues."

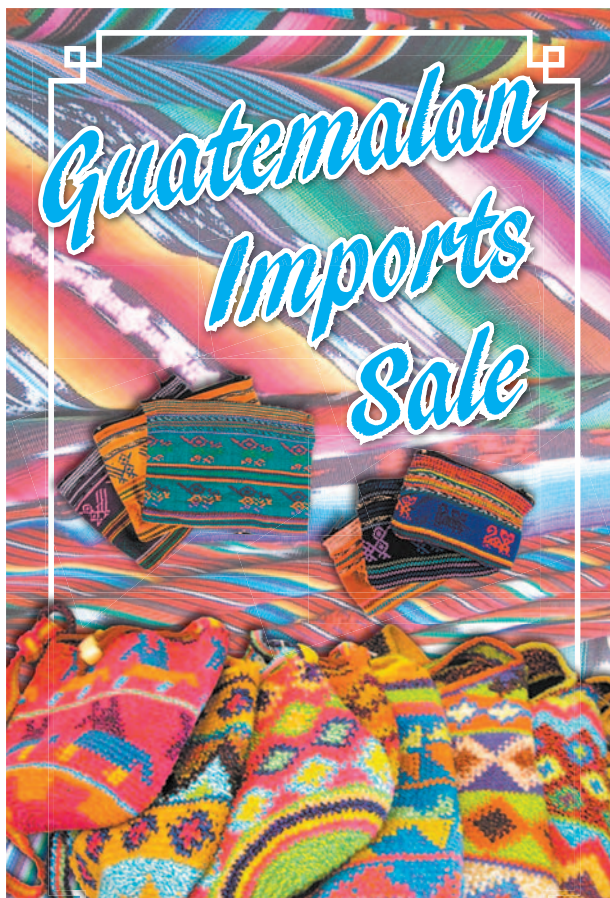
Garrett grew up in Las Cruces, and after a long career as an architect and manager with the National Park Service, he and his wife, Cynthia, returned to southern New Mexico. He will be seeking his second term as the County Commissioner for District 1.



GARRETT

Editor's Note

In the coming weeks leading up to the Primary Election June 3, the Las Cruces Bulletin will run candidate announcements each week until all are run. To send an official announcement with candidate photo – high-resolution required – email editor@lascrucesbulletin.com.



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Coming up

NMDA encourages to #felfies for National Agriculture Day

You won't find #felfie in the dictionary, but you're more than likely to find it online wherever farmers – as well as ranchers and others who work in agriculture – from around the globe are posting selfies. A #felfie is a blend of the words farmer and selfie.

To celebrate National Agriculture Day, which is on Tuesday, March 25, New Mexico Department of Agriculture (NMDA) is encouraging New Mexicans to join in the #felfie fun. To participate, snap a selfie showing how

you relate to agriculture, then upload the image to Facebook or another social media site with the hashtag #felfie.

People will be able to call up the #felfie images online by searching for the term #felfie. To learn more about New Mexico agriculture, visit NMDA's website at www.nmda.nmsu.edu or on Facebook. For more ideas on how you can celebrate National Ag Day, visit www.agday.org.

POW experience documentary

"Never The Same: The Prisoner Of War

Experience" is a new documentary film narrated by two time award-winning actress Loretta Swit.

Film screening times are at 7 p.m. Friday, March 21; 3 and 7 p.m. Saturday, March 22; and 7 p.m. Monday, March 24. Tickets are \$12 general admission and can be purchased online at www.riograndetheatre.com, at the Doña Ana Arts Council offices located on the second floor of the Rio Grande Theatre or at the door. Doors open 30 minutes before show time. The Rio Grande Theatre is located at 211 N. Main St.

All Honor Flight veterans are invited Monday showing Other honored guests will include former POWs. For tickets and more information, call 523-6403 or visit www.riograndetheatre.com.

Poppy hike in Franklins

The public is invited to join Southwest Environmental Center members on a Back by Noon hike to view Mexican poppies along the Lower Sunset Trail in the Franklin Mountains starting at 8 a.m. Saturday, March 22. Participants must register for this trip by calling 522-5552.

Details about this hike and six other spring outings are available on the Southwest Environmental Center website at www.wildmesquite.org.

Mayor's Top Teens accepting nominations

The Mayor's Top Teens program is accepting nominations for Las Cruces teens completing ninth, 10th or 11th grades (may not be an 11th grade student graduating early) and either attending a school or being home-schooled within the Las Cruces Public Schools District.

Teens may be nominated by teachers, counselors, friends, clergy or family (but not their parents, guardians or students). Nomination forms should be completed on the Mayor's

Top Teens website at www.mayorstopteens.com. The Mayor's Top Teens seeks teens who overcame a significant obstacle in their lives, perform community service, demonstrate scholastic achievement, set a good example and are positive role models.

For more information, contact Fred Martino at martinof@nmsu.edu.

NMSU to host International Festival

New Mexico State University's Office of International and Border Programs and the City of Las Cruces will host the International Festival 2014 from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 22, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave.

The event is free and open to the public. The festival offers the NMSU campus and local community an opportunity to experience different cultures from across the globe. Currently, NMSU has more than 1,100 international students from 75 countries on campus. The festival will include cultural displays with native art, textiles, artifacts, photographs, music, dancing and games.

Participating international students will be dressed in their native fashions. Food samples from the representing international population will be available for a 50-cent donation that funds an international scholarship.

For more information, call the international student and scholar services office at 646-2017.

Stolen Education

"Stolen Education" is a documentary film about eight Mexican American school children who changed education history in Texas confronting the continued inequity in public schools. The film will follow a panel discussion and keynote address by Enrique Alemán Jr., which begins at 1 p.m., Saturday, March 22, at the Doña Ana Community College east Mesa Campus Auditorium. The event is free and open to the public.

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Coming up

Seniors invited to attend monthly orientation session

The City of Las Cruces Senior Programs invites seniors to attend a new member orientation at Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St., to learn about its programs and services and to meet other members of senior programs.

The mission of Munson Center is to promote and enhance the physical, intellectual and social well-being of people 50 and older who live in Las Cruces.

The Senior Programs orientation is scheduled on the fourth Tuesday of the month. The next sessions are scheduled from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, March 25 and April 22, at Munson Center.

To register for the orientation or to learn more about membership in senior programs, call 528-3000.

Model airplane club to meet

The Mesilla Valley Model Airplane Club (MVMAC) will hold its monthly general meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 26, at Rawson's Self Storage, 1103 N. Solano Drive. Anyone interested in the sport of model flying is invited to attend. An Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) membership is required to fly with the club. MVMAC members fly electric or fuel-powered airplanes, helicopters, gliders and jets. Instruction is available. General meetings are held at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month.

For general information, contact club president Jim Caldwell, 680-8195. For information concerning electric-powered model flight, contact club vice president John Womack at 522-0785 or visit the club website at www.mvmac.org.

Spring break golf camp

The New Mexico State University Golf Course will host spring break golf camps Monday, March 24, through Thursday, March 27, at 3000 Herb Wimberly Drive.

A morning session for golfers ages 5 through 18 will be held each day from 10 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$60 per child. A full-day session for high school students will take place from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. each day for \$175. The high school price includes instruction, video swing analysis, lunch and on-course training.

To sign up or for more information, call 646-3219 or visit www.nmsgolf.com/junior.

BLM seeks Resource Advisory Council members

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Las Cruces District is seeking public nominations for four positions on its Resource Advisory Council (RAC), which advises the BLM on public land issues within the Las Cruces District. BLM will consider nominations until Thursday, March 27. To receive an application, contact Las Cruces District RAC Coordinator Rena Gutierrez at 525-4338 or by e-mail at rgutierr@blm.gov. Applications can be downloaded at www.blm.gov/nm/racs.

Science Café

"Large-Scale Ecosystem Engineering with Algae" will be discussed by Peter Lammers at the 5:30 p.m. Thursday, March 27, Science Café at the Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St.

Lammers is the technical director for the Algal Bioenergy Program at New Mexico State University. His presentation will describe algae-based technologies with a focus on the desert southwest. Sigma Xi's Science Café is presented by the Scientific Research Society, in cooperation with the Las Cruces Museum of

Nature & Science. Students and all those seeking greater knowledge of current science are encouraged to be at the Science Café.

For further information, call 522-3120.

County seeks planning and zoning commission seats

Doña Ana County is seeking applications from residents interested in serving on the Planning and Zoning Commission, a seven-member board of volunteers whose members review land-use and development matters at twice-monthly public hearings. Applications will be accepted through 5 p.m. Monday, March 31. Four open seats on the commission will be filled by the Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners at its April 22 regular meeting.

Planning and Zoning Commission meetings generally are normally held on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month in the Commission Chambers of the Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd.

Applications will consist of a letter of interest, current résumé and three references, and should be mailed or delivered to the Doña Ana County Planning and Community Development Department, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, N.M., 88007, Attention: Janine Divyak. Application packets also can be faxed to 525-6131. For more information, call 525-6130.

MLK scholarship essay deadline approaches

The New Mexico Black Lawyers Association (NMBLA) is sponsoring the Martin Luther King Jr. essay contest for high school juniors and seniors. The deadline is Monday, March 31. For the Martin Luther King Jr. Essay Contest, students should submit an essay no longer than 1,000 words, answering the

following question: "The Voting Rights Act (Act of 1965) was enacted to address racial discrimination in voting. In June 2013, the United States Supreme Court in *Shelby County v. Holder* struck down the coverage formula used in Section 4 of the Act. This section is a key provision, which includes a formula for defining which jurisdictions have prerequisite rules to voting and had low voter registration or turnout. In such jurisdictions, section 5 of the Act provides no change to the voting procedures can take effect until the procedures are approved by the department of Justice.

"If Martin Luther King Jr. were alive, would he advocate to revise Section 4 of the Act to include a new formula for deciding which states and localities warrant federal monitoring based on their histories of discriminatory anti-voting rules?" Discuss why or why not. To register, visit the National Bar Association website at www.nationalbar.org/MLKregistration.

For more information, contact Aja Brooks of the New Mexico Black Lawyers Association at 505-797-6000 or nmblacklawyers@gmail.com.

Trinity site open house

White Sands Missile Range will open Trinity Site to the public for an open house from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 5. Trinity Site is where the world's first atomic bomb was tested at 5:29:45 a.m. Mountain War Time on July 16, 1945.

The open house is free and no reservations are required. At the site, visitors can take a quarter-mile walk to ground zero, where a small obelisk marks the exact spot where the bomb was exploded. Historical photos are mounted on the fence surrounding the area.

Due to fiscal constraints within the Department of Defense, WSMR must reduce the frequency of the Trinity Site Open House from twice to once a year. The site will now only be open annually on the first Saturday in April.

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Penny McClarin is given the Kent Evans Memorial Citizenship Award for 2013 by Las Cruces Civitan Club President Andrew Trotter at the group's meeting Monday, March 10.

Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson



McClarin wins Evans award

Woman honored for volunteerism

The Las Cruces Civitan Club has awarded Penny McClarin the Kent Evans Memorial Citizenship Award for 2013.

McClarin was nominated for her commitment to all in the community – through a variety of events to raise funds and awareness for both the young and old – while attending school, raising a family and helping her husband's business.

She planned a Children Are Our Future event that provided shoes and backpacks filled with supplies to students at Washington Elementary School and has helped replicate the event around the county.

With the Senior Citizens Corp., McClarin worked with seniors to help them become involved in community activities and access resources, such as food banks and clothing assistance. She has been active in the Alzheimer's Memory Walk as well.

Club President-elect Linda Coshnet said McClarin came to the aid of an ill coworker who could only recover at home if it had a hospital bed. McClarin put on a bake sale that raised more than \$200 in a day toward buying the hospital bed.

"Penny is amazing," Coshnet said. "She sees what needs to be done and finds a way to get it done, enlisting help where she can find it and doing it herself if that fails."

Formerly an employee of Coordinated Home Health, McClarin is certified in gerontology and is currently working on her hospital administration degree.

Eligible to all residents in southern New Mexico, the citizenship award is given annually in honor of the late Kent Evans, a former Doña Ana County Commission chairman who died May 29, 2012, after a sudden illness just prior to his term as president of the Las Cruces Civitan Club. Before entering politics in retirement, Evans worked at New Mexico State University's Physical Science Laboratory for 22 years. He was always active in community affairs and long advocated for a spaceport in southern New Mexico.

McClarin was given the award at the Las Cruces Civitan Club meeting Monday, March 10.

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Early College High School



LEAD conference focus on school violence

APECHS students attend, present at youth leadership event against bullying

By **Kayla Graham**
and **Kaylee Banegas**

Arrowhead Park Early College High School

Nearly one-fourth of the Arrowhead Park Early College High School student body attended the LCPS Youth Leadership Conference (LEAD) March 14-15 in Las Cruces.

The majority of the conference was held Saturday, March 14, at APECHS. On Friday night, the opening ceremony was held at Centennial High School.

Students from every LCPS high school were

invited to participate in the conference and learn about anti-bullying prevention. This conference contained breakout sessions that were presented by average high school students, as well as Austin Trout, the famous boxer and Jeffrey Bucholz, co-director of We End Violence, co-president of the San Diego Domestic Violence Council, a teacher at Southwestern College in San Diego and a faculty lecturer at San Diego State University.

The conference workshops provided students with information to help decrease the rising epidemic of bullying throughout Las Cruces.

Approximately 89 APECHS students attended the conference, along with three presenters, two of those being students. Juniors Marina Cardon and Dhalea Macias presented workshops and were both excited to demonstrate the different ways to prevent bullying.

Students were able to experience great camaraderie with the leaders in the breakout sessions and they learned that they aren't alone when they are being bullied.

"From the leadership conference, students will learn techniques from different speakers about the fight against violence within the

schools," said APECHS teacher and National Honor Society sponsor Tracy Bennett. "Each school is responsible for implementing a program to end violence within the school's community."

The workshops provided great information and help for those willing to expand their knowledge about the topic. The participants were able to learn new things about bullying and how to reach out for help when they are the victims. Many of the students enjoyed attending the event and said they are ready to take on the challenge of bringing the knowledge they learned back to their own schools.

Honor Society doubles



Arrowhead Park Early College High School photo

Arrowhead Park Early College High School students Jake Dickens, Leonardo Escamilla III, Chase Ferrone, Cole Whittet, Taylor Hardy-Moffat and other Honor Society inductees take a candlelight pledge during the National Honor Society induction ceremony February 27. Mayfield High School's Air Force JROTC color guard began the induction ceremony for Arrowhead Park Early College High School's National Honor Society at the school. Las Cruces Public Schools Deputy Superintendent Dr. Steven Sanchez was the keynote speaker for this ceremony, which inducted 44 students into APECHS's National Honor Society.

Students head to 'Windy City'

Chicago welcomes students from Las Cruces

By **Teacher Tracy Bennett**

Arrowhead Park Early College High School

In mid-February, six students from Arrowhead Park Early College High School attended the Leadership Experience and Development (LEAD) Conference in Chicago. The LEAD Conference is a program of the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

APECHS students attended workshops on improving leadership skills, problem solving, project planning, fundraising, team building, idea sharing

and networking. In addition, APECHS students participated in special sessions presented by popular motivational speakers such as Ted Wiese.

The LEAD convention was an opportunity for students to learn leadership skills from other student leaders throughout the nation. The students participated in workshops for teen leadership and team-building skills. They also had the opportunity to interact one-on-one with Wiese. These six students were excited to share the knowledge gained from the conference when they returned to school.



Arrowhead Park Early College High School students Xitally Salmon, Cole Whittet, Jessica Garcia, Shelby Stryker, Evelyn Valles and Rembrandt Fernandez pose with Leadership Experience and Development conference motivational speaker Ted Wiese.

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Reward grows in hotel robbery, shooting

Las Cruces Crime Stoppers is offering a reward of \$1,000 and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives has added \$5,000 for information that leads to the arrest and conviction of two men suspected in the Feb. 1 armed robbery and shooting of a hotel clerk.

At around 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 1, two men entered the Econo Lodge hotel at 2585 S. Valley Drive and confronted the 24-year-old clerk. One of the men jumped over the front desk counter and threatened the clerk while the second man pointed a handgun at the clerk.

The two men then took the clerk to a back office and shot him once in the leg. The two suspects took an undisclosed amount of cash from the hotel and fled, last seen running toward the west side of the nearby Motel 6 on La Posada Lane.

The Econo Lodge clerk was airlifted to University Medical Center of El Paso with a gunshot wound to his leg.

Both suspects are believed to be Hispanic and appear to be in their 20s.

The armed suspect is believed to be about 5 feet 9 inches tall with a heavy build. He was wearing a white shirt, a dark gray

zipper-front hooded jacket and blue jeans. He was armed with a small caliber semi-automatic handgun.

The second suspect was also said to be about 5 feet 9 inches tall but with an average build. He was wearing a light gray zipper-front hooded jacket, dark-colored pants and a mask that partially concealed his face.

Anyone with information that can help identify one or both of the suspects is asked to contact Las Cruces Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477) or send a tip via text message to CRIMES (274637), keyword LCTIPS.

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A surveillance photo from a Saturday, Feb. 1, robbery and shooting incident show suspects pointing a gun at an Econo Lodge hotel desk clerk.

A blast of color



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson
Stephanie Beauregard, a science teacher at Centennial High School, gets hit with pink powder by Hannah O'Hara, 17, of Mayfield High School at the Dye-Out Drugs Fun Run Saturday, March 14, at La Llorona Park. The event was sponsored by the local chapter of Students Against Drunk Driving.

Earn a lead



Barbara Boxleitner
Keeping up

As a leadoff hitter, Alexis Dotson is supposed to get on base to put her team in a position to do well.

The Las Cruces High School graduate is delivering for the Pima Community College softball team.

Dotson entered the week playing in 26 of 27 games (9-18). The freshman hit .448, second on the team and eighth in the Arizona Community College Athletic Conference.

The center fielder had 15 multihit games, including six with three hits and one four-for-five effort. She had a nine-game hitting streak during February.

She had a team-high four triples, and her .485 on-base percentage was second on the squad. Her 12 stolen bases in 14 attempts led the squad and ranked ninth in the conference.

She has been a leadoff hitter since she was a freshman in high school.

"I've learned to like it," said Dotson, whose 12 runs batted in ranked fifth on the team. "Leadoff hitter sets the tone of the game."

Her speed makes her a natural for the top spot, though she trained harder during the summer to help her cause.

Dotson said she did more distance running and lifting to build her endurance. She also worked on quicker

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Student faces the mentor

Spokane Arena: Almost like home to the Aggies

Spokane, Wash., is not widely viewed as a popular tourist destination, particularly in comparison to its fellow northwestern cities such as Portland, Ore., Seattle or Vancouver, Canada.

For the New Mexico State University Aggie men's basketball team, however, Spokane has become a regular hangout in March.

For the fifth time since 2007, the Aggies made the NCAA basketball tournament as Western Athletic Conference tournament champions.

For the third time in that stretch, they were sent to Spokane, this time to face the Aztecs of San Diego State University in the first round.

"What's up with Spokane?" Aggie coach Marvin Menzies asked immediately after hearing of his team's destination. "This is like the third time going up there."

"Well, maybe the third time's the charm," he added, referencing the team's first-round losses at the Spokane Arena in 2007 and 2010.

NMSU was seeded 13th in the West region of the tournament; SDSU is seeded fourth.

The Aggies' game was scheduled for 8 p.m. Thursday, March 20. Some Bulletin readers will see this before the game starts, but many will read after it is over.

While Spokane is familiar territory for the Aggie basketball program, SDSU head coach Steve Fisher is even more familiar to Menzies.

In 1999, Fisher hired Menzies as an assistant coach. He served under Fisher as coach and leading recruiter through 2003.

"He's one of my best friends in coaching," Menzies said of Fisher.



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Richard Coltharp

New Mexico State University head coach Marvin Menzies, his wife Tammy at his right, the WAC tourney trophy in front and WAC player of the year Daniel Mullings at his left, addresses the crowd at the Aggies' Selection Show party Sunday, March 16, at The Game Sports Bar & Grill.

"He's one of my mentors."

Menzies said he has caught several SDSU games this season, keeping up with his former boss's team. That accelerated the preparation time for the game, he said.

"I know them like the back of my hand," Menzies said.

Should NMSU defeat the Aztecs, they will play Saturday, March 22, against the winner of the Oklahoma-North Dakota State game.

Point guard K.C. Ross-Miller, who was suspended following the Aggies' overtime loss at Utah Valley Feb. 27, will remain suspended through NMSU's tournament games.

Reflections of state basketball

High school teams yield mixed results at tournament

By **Jeff Matthews**
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Here's a wrap-up of last week's action in Albuquerque at the New Mexico high school state basketball tournament.

2A quarterfinals: Clayton 54, Mesilla Valley Christian School 46

Mesilla Valley lost to the 3-seed Clayton Wednesday morning at the Santa Ana Star Center in Rio Rancho 54-46. The SonBlazers finished the season 22-7.

5A quarterfinals: Sandia 55, Las Cruces 44

Las Cruces High School was hot going into the quarterfinal matchup with Sandia in the Pit in Albuquerque. The Bulldawgs had won nine of 10 games to get there, but the No. 2-seeded Matadors used a size advantage. They were bigger at every position, and used their height to wear down the Bulldawgs. Las Cruces got down early but fought back and cut it to six right before the half. The Matadors,

whose guards were bigger than the Bulldawg post players, opened up a double-digit lead in the third quarter.

Las Cruces seniors J.T. Romney and Malik Woods Williams played well in the loss. Romney had 14 points, 6 rebound and 6 assists for Las Cruces while Woods had 11 points and 4 rebounds. Sandia had three players in double figures, led by Adam Cumber with 16 as the Bulldawgs' 19-12 season came to an end.

4A quarterfinals: Centennial 49, Kirtland Central 40

4A semifinal: Roswell 63, Centennial 46

Centennial High School won its first game played in the Pit. The usual supporting cast came through big for the Hawks in a nine-point win over Kirtland Central. The tandem of Cesar Molina (six points) and Omar Baez (three points) struggled. The duo usually leads the Hawks in scoring. Senior guard Aaron Okinga stepped up and led the way for the Hawks with a steady 13 points. Senior center

Ben Hinds had an outstanding game with a double-double: 12 points and 10 rebounds.

Centennial jumped on top early outscoring the Broncos 15-5 in the opening quarter. Centennial's full court pressure proved valuable as Kirtland Central had trouble handling the ball, turning the ball over 18 times.

The much anticipated semifinal showdown between Centennial and 27-1 Roswell was tight early. Roswell took a 16-14 lead at the end of the first quarter but then the Coyotes began to take over. The Hawks had trouble getting their leading scorers Molina and Baez going again. Molina suffered through a miserable game, going 0-6 from the 3-point line and 0-11 from the floor. Molina, usually a sharp shooter who can hit from anywhere, anytime, just couldn't get it going. Baez also struggled but settled down to score 8. In the end, it was too little to hang with Coyotes who had three men in double figures, led by Cesar Nava's 17 points. Roswell went on to beat Los

Lunas by double digits to win the 4A state championship, finishing the season 29-1.

5A girls state championship: Volcano Vista 54, Mayfield 53

In Mayfield High School's run to the final, the Trojans drew the 3-seed and made it to the championship game, winning a couple of tough games along the way in the Santa Ana Star Center. Mayfield beat Eldorado 44-38 in the quarterfinals and upended Cibola 52-46 in the semifinals.

The fact the Lady Trojans ended up in the finals was no surprise, but the fact they didn't face nationally ranked Clovis was a surprise. Volcano Vista had the shocker of the tournament, beating Clovis 52-45 in the semifinals.

The Trojans seemingly got a break when Volcano Vista pulled the upset of the tournament, dispatching No. 1 and undefeated Clovis. Any team that beat Clovis would be

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SportsSchedule

Softball ready for WAC

Seven home games left for NMSU

By **Justin Martinez**
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

The Aggies have played UTEP twice already this season, splitting the previous two matchups. Following the UTEP matchup begins the heart of WAC play.

With more than half of the New Mexico State University softball season under way, the Aggies find themselves at the top of the Western Athletic Conference. WAC play has yet to kick off, but NMSU has an overall record of 17-15.

WAC foe Seattle University travels to Las Cruces to face the Aggies for a three-game series Friday and Saturday, March 28-29. Conference series against Kansas City, Bakersfield and Grand will follow the Seattle U series.

At the start of the season, the NMSU softball team was picked as the favorite to win the 2014 league title.

Following the Aggies series against Grand Canyon, NMSU will head to Tucson, Ariz., for two games against the Arizona Wildcats, who currently hold the No. 8 ranking in the nation.

"We were honored that the coaches in the conference selected us to finish first," head coach Kathy Rodolph said. "In order to make that dream a reality, we have a lot of work ahead of us and we have a lot to prove with this new and very talented conference."

Utah Valley will be the last WAC foe remaining on the regular season schedule for the Aggies before closing out the season against in-state rival New Mexico.

The pre-season All-WAC team was also chosen by the coaches, and junior Staci Rodriguez and sophomore Emma Adams were selected.

Starting with the March 25 game against UTEP, there are only seven home games remaining on the NMSU schedule. Following the series against Seattle U, the Aggies will travel to Kansas City, but the final home series for NMSU will be against Bakersfield Friday and Saturday, April 11-12.

The Lady Aggies have played some tough opponents thus far, including nationally ranked Florida State and Nebraska, but now the real thick of the schedule is about to begin.

On another note, the 2013-14 softball season has brought Rodolph her 500th win for her career, and her 300th win at NMSU.

Wednesday, March 19, the Aggies hosted the University of New Mexico and fell to their in-state rival 4-3 in the final inning. The loss put the Aggies at 17-15 on the season.

"I have been truly blessed to coach some great teams and some great young women athletes," Rodolph said.

NMSU will host I-10 rival University of Texas-El Paso at 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 26.

Outcome

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poured in 23 points, holding off Mayfield 54-53. Daeshianna McCants led the Trojans with 17 points and 15 rebounds in the championship game. Mayfield committed 22 turnovers in the loss.

a strong finalist, and Volcano Vista served notice right away their state championship appearance wasn't a fluke.

State champions for the boys were: Class 5A, Valley; 4A, Roswell; 3A, Hope; 2A, Dexter; 1A, Hagerman; and Class B, Hondo.

The Trojans were down 11 at the end of the first quarter, but used a strong fourth quarter to give themselves a chance.

State champions for the girls were: Class 5A, Volcano Vista; 4A, Santa Fe; 3A, Portales; 2A, Tularosa; 1A, Tatum; and Class B, Elida.

Volcano Vista, however, had all the answers for the Trojans as Hannah Fenske

Centennial High School

Saturday, March 22. Baseball Artesia High School 11 a.m., 1 p.m.
Track meet at Alamo Rolla Buck TBD
Friday, March 28 Baseball at Cobre High School 5 p.m.
Softball Kristin Griego Tourney at Rio Rancho TBD
Saturday, March 29. Softball Kristin Griego Tourney at Rio Rancho TBD



Las Cruces High School

Saturday, March 22. Baseball Hobbs High School 4 p.m., 6 p.m.
Softball Southern N.M. tournament TBD
Track meet at Alamo Rolla Buck TBD
Thursday, March 27. Baseball at Gadsden High School 4 p.m., 6 p.m.
Friday, March 28 Softball Kristin Griego Tourney at Rio Rancho TBD
Saturday, March 29. Softball Kristin Griego Tourney at Rio Rancho TBD



Mayfield High School

Saturday, March 22. Baseball at Montwood High School 10 a.m.
Softball at Loretto Academy TBD
Track meet at Alamo Rolla Buck TBD
Friday, March 28 Softball Kristin Griego Tourney at Rio Rancho TBD
Saturday, March 29. Softball Kristin Griego Tourney at Rio Rancho TBD



Oñate High School

Tuesday, March 25.. Softball at Deming High School 3 p.m., 5 p.m.
Friday, March 28 Softball Kristin Griego Tourney at Rio Rancho TBD
Saturday, March 29. Baseball Deming High school 11 a.m., 1 p.m.
Softball Kristin Griego Tourney at Rio Rancho TBD



Lead

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breaks out of the batter's box.

While her offense has come easy, Dotson said she is working to improve her defense. She had a .951 fielding average in 41 chances.

She has gained confidence in her range and her arm, noting that her routes to field balls are more precise and her throws are stronger.

"I feel I've gotten better," she said. "I can get to the ball. That's really big, knowing you can get to the ball."

Send updates about area athletes to Barbara Boxleitner at bkle3@aol.com.

ATHLETE

of the WEEK

Sim Bhullar

Sophomore, Men's Basketball

Sophomore Sim Bhullar, who was named tournament MVP for the second straight year, added 14 points on 6-of-9 shooting and 2-of-3 from the free throw line to go along with nine rebounds, three assists and a block in the Aggies' WAC Championship win over Idaho. He finished the tournament averaging 14.0 points per game while grabbing 10.3 rebounds per game and shooting 62.5 percent.

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ATHLETES

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BRIGETTE MOODY

is a 17-year-old senior at Oñate High School. She plays singles and doubles on the Lady Knights tennis team and is number one in both. Moody also plays hitter and striker on the Lady Knights volleyball team. She was number five in the state tennis tournament in girl's singles and played in the All District and All State volleyball tournaments. Moody is a leader with a great attitude and strong work ethic. She takes that same work ethic into the classroom, with a current GPA of 4.10. When not in class or on the court, Moody enjoys family, religion and friends. She was recently accepted to Brigham Young University.

BRETT WILLIAMS

is a 17-year-old senior at Oñate High School and is a long sprinter on the Knights track and cross country team. He was a medalist for the Team New Mexico at the Great Southwest All District member, four years varsity, district relay champion, recipient of the Most Valuable Sprinter Award and Fighting Heart Award. Williams is a hard working, dedicated leader who gives his best in everything. He is a true student athlete; his academic performance mirrors his athletic accomplishments. Williams has a 3.50 GPA and hopes to enter one of the United States service academies. When not running or in the classroom, he enjoys music, hiking and mountain biking.

OÑATE HIGH SCHOOL

Onthegreen

Train your brain for better golf Don't look to your sticks to find a game – it's all you



Charlie Blanchard
Golf Doctor

There is no such thing as a mental game.

That is, unless you play golf or some activity only in your head. But that's no fun. The whole idea of a mental game came from some pro who happened to tell a guy that his golf problems were all in his head. And the golf pro took it from Ralph Cramden (Jackie Gleason in the "Honeymooners") calling Norton a "mental case." Besides, mental is not politically correct anymore. It's like social health agencies and Medicaid today don't treat mental illness, just "behavioral" problems. But I digress.

You and I know instinctively that to play good golf, it's going to take more than just swinging hard at the golf ball. Naturally, it takes something inside. The whole idea of mental toughness is giving way to a broader, more sophisticated concept called emotional intelligence, or EQ.

Bear in mind there is a growing number of theoretical intelligences other than cognitive intelligence; for example there is kinesthetic intelligence, music intelligence and so on. When we apply EQ to golf, we have what I call golf intelligence.

In its most elemental essence, high golf intelligence means that you routinely master your emotions under every eventuality, while thinking sharply, behaving deftly and performing successfully under pressure.

Regardless of your actual golf handicap, you're really a bundle of excesses and deficits, strengths and weaknesses, when it comes to the role your brain plays

in your golf game. The most common mind failings and excesses I have noticed over the years are these: over-thinking, which is really self-sabotaging; roller coaster emotions with inappropriate behavior (such as tantrums); unreasonable worrying, anxiety and tenseness; reluctance to take personal responsibility for how one plays; a lot of whining, excusing and complaining; excessive self-conscious behavior with fear of social evaluation; being too impatient and impulsive, which often leads to poor decision making. That's a lot to absorb so let me simplify: Stay calm and relax.

The simple formula is play to your strengths while you play catch-up with your weak spots. But then, you ask, how do I go about accomplishing that? Before you do anything else, get some feedback on how well or poorly you manage yourself with a golf club in your hands.

Pick your resources carefully, as you don't want your rivals feeding you horse pucky, or feeding off your insecurities. Play a few rounds on the golf course with your teacher and get his or her opinion of where you need the most work. Business consultants call this 360 or 720 feedback, where they ask everybody in your organization about you, including customers, suppliers, co-workers, bosses and underlings. It can be unnerving and eye-opening.

Going back to what I advised in an earlier article, you need to analyze your inner game. It's like step four in a 12-step recovery program where you make a searching and fearless inventory of your golf game. Do some soul-searching to find your real insecurities, your shaky and vulnerable spots stemming from where your ego is most fragile.

Connecting your shadow self to your golf game isn't that complicated.

I know guys who bomb it 300 yards but who can't break 90;

they mistakenly think we're wowed by their manliness, when what we actually admire is a gross score of 69 or 72.

Want to become more golf intelligent? Get in touch with the reality of what you do and how others experience you. You have to ask around, and you might not like the responses you get back. Find your blind spots, your personality deficiencies and failures. Chances are they carry over into other areas such as the workplace.

When Herb Wimberly and I coach golfers at our golf clinics we notice folks are surprised to know they can actually practice solid golf-intelligent skills.

The very first thing to practice is an efficient, abbreviated pre-swing routine that allows you to focus your brain, visualize your shot and relax your body. When you're hitting balls on the range or working on your putting, practice specific shots for specific situations, as you go through your pre-shot rehearsal and routine.

Taking the trouble to go through your process will allow you to become disciplined when the game is on the line. Remember, emotional and golf intelligence require total awareness, discipline, confidence and creativity. The secret to taking your range game to the golf course is to take the golf course to the range – by simulating the real thing as you practice.

I'm a believer in practicing with a purpose – and a believer in playing competitive games while practicing. I love playing chipping and putting games because the situation forces you

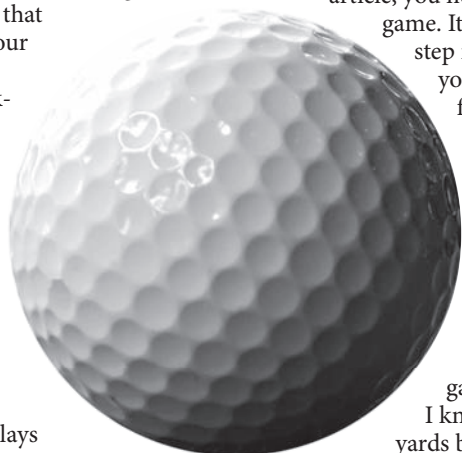
to focus and put more effort into each shot. Dropping three balls on the green and repeating the same putt doesn't do that. You don't get to drop three balls out on the golf course. You have to make the very first one count.

Hitting 25 chip shots from the same place might get you secure in that exact distance and shot, but how many times will you have the very same shot in competition? Drop balls all over the place and play them into the hole. That's practice!

The next best thing to games is drills. Make 10 in a row from four feet. Make three from 2, 4 and 6 feet before going home. You're competing with yourself and developing confidence. Most folks you see practicing around the green are trying the same shot over and over – what's the point – to finally get one right? I suggest you play six different chip shots from the fringe to six different targets and then take out your putter and get them all up and down. Simulate the golf course, with your eyes, your muscles and your brain.

If you ask me to give you just one, powerful idea that will help transform your golf game to a new higher level it is simply this: Believe in yourself. Believe that you have the potential and capability to acquire new skills and talent that will shift your own personal golf paradigm. Do you have the desire, the discipline and the stick-to-it-iveness to learn correct golf fundamentals, work out in the gym and practice long hours at the range? Then you can do it. When your patience is tested and your luck is down and the pressure is on, play your highest card – believe in yourself.

Dr. Charlie Blanchard is a licensed psychologist specializing in sports and leadership who works with PGA professionals and young golfers to enhance their performance. Contact Blanchard at performancecoach@lascrucesbulletin.com.



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Goin' to big NCAA dance March Madness spreading in town



Pistol Pete
Pete's
Ponderings

There is nothing ole Pete likes more than dancin'. Line dancin', two steppin', a jitterbug – it's all good to me. My favorite type of cotillion is the Big Dance, put on by the NCAA.

March Madness is something Marvin Menzies has been spreading around the Mesilla Valley and no one is asking for an inoculation to make it stop. Coach Menzies has taken his men's team to that dance four of the last five years, and is going back for the third straight year this weekend.

Different types of teams, fast breaking teams with Wendell McKines, Jonathon Gibson and Hernst LaRoche to this year's edition, which likes to run but has more a half court style that has been just as effective. A coach that can adapt to the tools he is given is a smart coach.

The path has seldom been one that was strewn with roses, and the thing you need to keep in mind is the Aggies have never been the favorite in any of the WAC tournaments NM State has won.

They have beaten the field and the odds in those championship runs. To educate fans about coach Menzies' overall body of work, let me give you some facts and figures.

In his seven years as head coach, Menzies has won 63 percent off all of his games. WAC tournament play has an

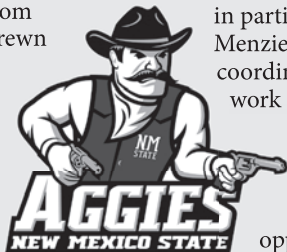
even more impressive number to ponder. His winning record is 16-3 in seven trips to the WAC tourney, which is an 84 percent victory number. The first WAC tournament championship was a true uphill battle.

After winning the quarterfinal game as a No. 3 seed, the Aggies had to beat the home team, Nevada, on their home court. It looked like the Aggies were trying to beat a full house with two pair, but Menzies drew to an inside straight and cashed out big in the semi-final round. Up next, the title game versus the top seed Utah State.

Again, the Aggies' game plan was right on the money. Coach Menzies and his 'Doctor of Defense' Paul Weir laid out the plan and the team walked off the Reno court with the championship trophy.

In each of the last three years, the Aggies defeated everyone that stood between them at the NCAA berth. This season in particular has caused Menzies, Weir and offensive coordinator Keith Brown to work on a variety of game plans to combat the zone, man, box and one, triangle and two defenses that opponents have used to even the playing field. In most cases the opponent's efforts were without success.

There is no doubt the Aggies have a rich history of success in men's basketball. There also is no doubt that Menzies has written a brilliant chapter in that history book, and will continue to as the years unfold.



Indoor season bright Outdoor track and field season begins



Chris Huff
Assistant Coach
Track and Field

My plan for rebuilding the team this year was with thoughts of capturing this and future WAC Championships. I decided to also reformat the way I run my women's tennis program.

As Persephone emerges from Hades underworld, the NM-State outdoor track and field captures the spotlight from indoor. However, for outdoor to establish its own identity will be the challenge.

The Aggies indoor season burned bright. During the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) Indoor Championships the Aggies finished fifth as a team and had two outstanding individual accomplishments.

As stage lights drew to a close on her final heptathlon, Desarae Cota pinned on her bib No. 1 for the final time in Moscow Idaho, at the WAC Indoor Championships. The battle she was about to wage, some would say seemed insurmountable. She's fighting age, time and a field of young, hungry advisories.

The crafty veteran did not crumble to these critics, or the competition. Cota competed, as there was no tomorrow. She ran, jumped, hurdled and threw her way to be crowned the 2014 WAC Heptathlon Champion.

Meanwhile, the Albuquerque native Diana Hawk, was a marked woman as she arrived at the Kibbie Dome. Being ranked No. 1 in your event definitely projects confidence on who you are and what you can do. However, anxiety and stress often accompany such a ranking.

As the starter called Hawk and

nine other ladies to the line for the 1600M run, one could hear a pin drop as they started off into the abyss.

With the crack of the gun, they were off. Utah Valley and Hawk battled through the first 1400M, changing the lead and challenging for the point.

The crying of the bell announced the final lap for the runners and the spectators alike. The stands gasped as Hawk blew into an unearthly kick from 300 meters out. Showing her counterpart a clean pair of heals as she crossed the line, claiming the 2014 WAC 1600M title.

The cast of characters that were called upon to represent NM State at the WAC Indoor Championships was truly tested. These trials and tribulations are what go in to our makeup.

Across the sporting world, adversity is found in every champion at every level. Hurdles and barriers are constantly erected to challenge you. It is how we accept these challenges that define us ... who we are and what we can be.

As we embark on the 2014 outdoor season, excitement and optimism surrounds the NM State Aggie women. When we talk about goals, we have to assume that others have the same goals.

Only one university and one individual can achieve championship's status.

We are emboldened as we begin the 2014 New Mexico State outdoor track and field campaign, the naiveté and innocence is gone. The challenges that face us, coaches and student-athletes, are apparent. What we did in the past is just that ... it is in the past. Those victories or times no longer count.

The die has been cast and we must commit. Aggie Up!

Upcoming

Friday, March 21

Men's Golf

Thunderbird Invitational
Phoenix
All day

Women's Tennis

New Mexico
Las Cruces
2 p.m.

Baseball

Texas Pan American
Edinburg, Texas
6 p.m.

Swim

NCAA Championships
NCAA Championships
Minneapolis, Minn.
All day

Saturday, March 22

Men's Golf

Thunderbird Invitational
Phoenix
All day

Outdoor's Track and Field

UTEP Springtime Invitational
El Paso
All day

Equestrian

West Texas A&M
Las Cruces
All day

Men's Tennis

New Mexico
Las Cruces
1 p.m.

Swim

NCAA Championships
NCAA Championships
Minneapolis, Minn.
All day

Baseball

Texas Pan American
Edinburg, Texas
6 p.m.

Sunday, March 23

Men's Golf

Thunderbird Invitational
Phoenix
All day

Women's Tennis

UTEP
El Paso
10 a.m.

Aggie student-athlete spotlight



Danesia Williamson
Women's basketball
Junior
San Diego

New Mexico State junior guard Danesia Williamson was named to the 2014 Western Athletic Conference all-tournament team after an impressive performance

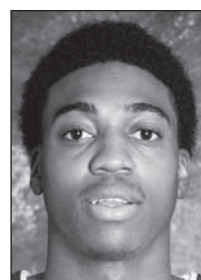
this week in Las Vegas, Nev. Williamson scored a career-high 37 points in the quarterfinals win over Texas Pan American to start the tournament. She averaged 31.5 points in the tournament with 5.5 assists and 4 rebounds.



Derek Umphres
Baseball
Sophomore
Safford, Ariz.

Umphres led the Aggies against UC Davis this past weekend. He hit .353 on the weekend, going 6-for-17 at the plate with a team-high four RBI, a double, a run scored and

seven total bases. He recorded a slugging percentage of .412.



Daniel Mullings
Men's basketball
Junior
Toronto, Canada

Junior guard Daniel Mullings led all scorers with 18 points while also adding four assists, eight rebounds and two steals to lead the Aggies to victory in the WAC Championship game versus Idaho. Mullings was

also named to the 2014 WAC All-Tournament team, posting 15.7 points and 3.7 rebounds per game while coming up with five steals, one block and dishing out 14 assists.

In the news

State land commissioner criticizes veto

Gov. Susana Martinez Tuesday, March 11, vetoed a study to assess the feasibility of the State Land Office acquiring federal Bureau of Land Management (BLM) disposal lands for the purpose of generating additional money for early childhood education.

The BLM lands in question no longer meet BLM's important conservation mission and are slated for liquidation, according to a press release from the State Land Office (SLO).

When the legislation, carried by Senate Majority Leader Michael Sanchez, was heard in the Senate Conservation Committee, it was unanimously approved with broad bipartisan support, the release stated. In the executive message vetoing the budget provision, Martinez gave no reason for killing the proposal.

According to SLO estimates, State Land Commissioner Ray Powell's proposal could have generated an extra \$45 million a year for education without relying on additional taxpayer support.

SLO would have used the new public lands for business and technology parks, renewable energy projects, oil and gas activities, affordable housing, and community recreational facilities among other uses.

"New Mexico's governor missed an important and golden opportunity to join the positive bipartisan effort, which would have provided a new sustainable way to support early childhood education without dipping into the permanent fund or raising taxes," Powell said. "While I am saddened by this lack of positive leadership, I will continue to work to create bold ideas that move New Mexico forward."

"Politics as usual in Santa Fe must end. We must be open to innovative ideas that bring New Mexicans together to solve problems and create opportunities. It is our families that ultimately pay the price for non-collaborative partisan politics. Once again, New Mexico has lost out on a great opportunity."

For a more in-depth overview of the proposal, visit www.nmstatelands.org.

Federal courts shoot down retrial

The Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals issued a ruling Wednesday, March 19, reversing the Feb. 1, 2013, order of the U.S. District Court for the District of New Mexico that granted a new trial for the owner of a gun shop in Deming, his wife and their son who were found guilty on federal firearms charges by a jury on Aug. 1, 2012.

The Tenth Circuit Court ruling upholds the convictions of Rick Reese, 58; Terri Reese, 52; and Ryin Reese, 26, on charges that they aided and abetted straw purchases of firearms at their place of business, New Deal Shooting Sports. In reaching this decision, the appellate court rejected the defendants' arguments that the United States failed to disclose material information that could have been used to impeach a government witness at trial.

In announcing the appellate court's decision, Acting U.S. Attorney Steven C. Yarbrough said, "The United States takes its obligation to disclose material information favorable to a criminal defendant very seriously. The Tenth Circuit's conclusion that my office did not violate its disclosure obligations during its prosecution of this case is, therefore, a very important one. We affirm our commitment to vigorously prosecute those who commit federal crimes and to do so in a manner that ensures that criminal defendants receive the fair trials to which they are entitled."

The defendants have a period of time to seek another appeal. Absent further appeal, the case returns to the district court for sentencing. Rick, Terri and Ryin Reese each face a maximum penalty of five years in prison. Their sentencing hearings have yet to be scheduled.

This case was investigated by Homeland Security Investigations and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Schools closed next week for spring break

All schools in the Las Cruces Public Schools (LCPS) district will be closed Monday through Friday, March 24-28, for spring break.

The LCPS administration building will remain open during regular hours throughout the week.

Students at all LCPS schools return to classes Monday, March 31.

The week is also spring break for New Mexico State University and Doña Ana Community College.

ACLU sets up 'checkpoints'

On Wednesday, March 19, the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of New Mexico Regional Center for Border Rights, along with community members and volunteers from southern New Mexico, formed a "Know Your Rights Checkpoint" to give travelers information about their constitutional rights while passing through Border Patrol interior checkpoints.

Participants gather in a rest area on Interstate 25 between Las Cruces, and Truth or Consequences.

"Normally, the Constitution protects people from arbitrary stops and searches," an ACLU press release stated. "In the border region, however, Border Patrol conducts arbitrary stops and searches up to 100 miles from the border, including at checkpoints, that disrupt everyday commutes to school and work."

"This is not a country where innocent people are supposed to have to answer to federal agents, but that's increasingly what we're becoming," said Brian Erickson, policy advocate for the ACLU-NM Regional Center for Border Rights. "If we can't assert our rights and have those respected by federal agents and the federal government, it's not a lot different than not having rights."

"Motorists in border communities report being stopped for unnecessary questioning, subjected to unwarranted searches and racially profiled," said Alyssa Telander, outreach coordinator for the ACLU-NM Regional Center for Border Rights. "We want to know the current extent of these practices in New Mexico."

The "Know Your Rights Checkpoint" is part of the Revitalize Not Militarize "Raise Your Voice" campaign about border enforcement efforts.

For more information, call the ACLU of New

Mexico at 527-0664 or email ciosso@aclu-nm.org. Reports can be made anonymously and can be made in English or Spanish.

Senators announce water projects

U.S. Sens. Tom Udall and Martin Heinrich have announced that the Army Corps of Engineers has agreed to fund eight New Mexico water projects they advocated for, bringing more than \$28 million in funding to New Mexico and ensuring important infrastructure work for the state is added to the Army Corps' 2014 work plan.

"As a member of the Appropriations Committee, I've been working to ensure the Army Corps of Engineers understands the importance of these projects, which are critical to prevent expensive and dangerous floods. This funding will prevent millions of dollars in flood damage, restore ecosystems and create jobs in the process," Udall said. "Last year's flooding is a reminder of how important it is to shore up our dams and levees and do badly needed acequia maintenance and bosque and river habitat restoration. I'm very glad the Army Corps agreed to add these projects to their work plan following our request."

"The Army Corps of Engineers has been integral in helping New Mexico's most vulnerable communities address flood and water projects, particularly those surrounding our rivers, dams, and bosques," Heinrich said. "These infrastructure investments will help protect our communities from devastating floods, restore critical environmental resources and help spur New Mexico's economy. I'm pleased the Army Corps of Engineers heeded our call to make these smart investments a part of their work plan. I will continue to work with my colleagues to ensure these water and flood management programs remain a priority."

New Mexico projects funded include \$10 million for phase two of the Rio Grande floodway project from San Acacia to Bosque Del Apache, \$6 million for flood prevention projects in Alamogordo and \$6 million for ecosystem restoration of the bosque and other habitats along the Middle Rio Grande, among others.

Educating teens



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson
Jeff Bucholtz of the We End Violence campaign, gives a lively, frank talk to Centennial High School students Friday, March 14, about negative sexual messages in media and how to communicate respectfully about intimacy. Bucholtz's appearance was sponsored by La Piñon Sexual Assault Recovery Services of Southern New Mexico.

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Looking Back

This week in the history of the Mesilla Valley



David Salcido
Reflections

100yearsago

1914

• Mrs. Hiram Hadley, it was reported, entertained with a turkey dinner in honor of her husband's 82nd birthday. "The professor at this ripe old age is hale and hearty and has more spunk and get up about him than the majority of men not half his age."

• An editorial on the front page of the Las Cruces Citizen declared that "the American people do not care for performances which entail any degree of thinking." Furthermore, "some critics say that people nowadays don't appreciate fine plays, but that is all tommyrot; they appreciate them alright, but have neither the time nor inclination to give any attention to them."

75yearsago

1939

• The Children's Guidance Group, sponsored by the Cruces Century Club, held its second meeting at the "Home Economics Cottage on the high school grounds." Mrs. J.C. Overpeck, leader of the group, discussed "the ever important question, to spank or not to spank."

• A damage suit was filed in the district court by Eluteria H. Burrola against Weldon E. Glass, of Mesilla, asking for \$26,520.40. The complaint alleged that Lorenzo Burrola, husband of the plaintiff, and his companion, Clemente Medina, while walking along Highway 85 in Anthony, was struck and killed by the car driven by Glass. Clemente Medina was also killed, the complaint asserted.

50yearsago

1964

• During the 13th Annual Religion in Life Week assembly at New Mexico State University, Rev. James Edward Jones, "a Negro minister" of the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Los Angeles addressed a group of students, faculty, staff and guests, warning them that "we have just about come to the end of non-violence." The civil rights leader further stated, "this is not a struggle between black and white, but a conflict between right and wrong," adding the plea, "You don't have to be like your parents. You can change."

• The city engineer was instructed to accept the bid of the Nelson Electric Co. of El Paso for the "installation of traffic lights at South Main and El Paseo Drive." The bid of \$5,950 was presented to the city council for the installation of the traffic lights, along with "red flashers at Picacho and the Truck Bypass, and to remove, rebuild and paint flashers at State Road 28 and the Truck Bypass."



New Mexico State University Library Rio Grande Historical Collections photo

The original Hadley Hall, named for State College's first president Hiram Hadley, is shown in this photo taken when it opened in 1909. The administration building, designed by pioneering Southwest architect Henry C. Trost, was demolished in 1957.

25yearsago

1989

• The Las Cruces Board of Education postponed action on the rehiring of Las Cruces High School principal Don Noe, who had not been among the school principals recommended for re-election by school Superintendent Bill Floyd, despite being popular with teachers, students and parents alike. Floyd had given Noe an unsatisfactory evaluation report, which meant his contract would be allowed to expire at the end of the

1989-90 school year. When questioned about why he had done so, Floyd declared it "a personal matter."

• Lt. Col. Larry E. Ivey was named the new commander of the Support Troop Battalion at White Sands Missile Range, succeeding Lt. Col. Richard J. Raymont, who had been reassigned to the Missile and Munition Center at Redstone Arsenal, Ala.

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INFORMATION ABOUT SENIOR PROGRAMS

Programs at Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St., are for those age 50 and older. The center offers a variety of classes at beginning, intermediate and advanced levels. For more information, call 528-3000.

SENIOR BREAKFAST

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Las Cruces is holding a senior breakfast at 9 a.m., Sunday, March 23, at the VFW Post 10124, 709 S. Valley Drive. Open to all seniors. Donations greatly appreciated. Call 525-5761 for more information.

SWINGING DANCERS

The Swinging Dancers will host a dance from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, March 22, at the Youth Court Center, 402 W. Court Ave. Mark coker will be the featured musician. Couples, singles and guests are always welcome. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Admission is \$6. For more information, call 649-5306.

AARP MEETS EACH MONTH

AARP meetings are held at 2 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month, except July and August, at Benavidez Community Center, 1045 McClure Road. Meetings offer people 50 and older interesting guest speakers, light refreshments and a chance to network. For more information, call Jerry at 636-5877.

AARP SAFE DRIVERS CLASSES

AARP Safe Driver Instructors will hold two courses for the month of March. The next course will be held at the Good Samaritan-Las Cruces Village from 12 p.m to 5 p.m Tuesday, March 25. The cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members and is open to anyone older than 55 years of age. For reservations, call Norm at 491-8368.

YOGA CLASSES AT AQUATIC CENTER

Yoga encourages proper body alignment and brings balance, strength and calmness. Classes are from 8:15 to 9:15 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave. Cost is \$2, or \$1 for those 60 or older.

AQUATICS FITNESS

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 at the Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave. Cost is \$2, or \$1 for those 60 or older.

THE VOYAGERS TRAVEL CLUB

The Voyagers Travel Club trips currently being booked:

- **Leasburg Dam State Park** Friday, April 11. Cost is \$22, includes box lunch.
- **Albuquerque/Gathering of Nations** Thursday, April 24, through Saturday, April 26. Cost \$325 single, \$285 double
- **San Francisco, Napa Valley and Monterey** June 2-6. Cost is \$2,200 single, \$1,730 double. \$600 deposit.
- **Cape Cod** Aug. 11-15, Cost is \$2,200 single, \$1,187 double
- **Oregon Explorer** Sept. 7-15. Cost is \$3,000 per person, double. Call for single rate.
- **Christmas Markets in Germany/Austria** Dec. 1-9. Early sign up: \$2,999 double, \$3,199 single. For more information, call Helen Glover at 805-4920.

SENIOR CIRCLE YOGA CLASSES

MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4311 E. Lohman Ave., offers classes targeted to the senior market. Senior Circle yoga classes for ages 50 and older are \$15 per year or \$2 per class.

- **Gentle yoga sessions – with and without chairs:** 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Mondays and Fridays at Encantada Park, 1000 Coyote Trail.
- **Stretch yoga – gentle:** 8:30 a.m. Wednesdays at MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4311 E. Lohman Ave., in the Marketing & Women's Resource Room 404.
- **Laughter and gentle yoga:** 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Thursdays in the Golden Mesa Activity Room, 151 N. Roadrunner Parkway. Guided by Blissful Beth. For more information, call 522-0011 or 640-7614.

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THE THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB

The Thursday Bridge Club meets for lunch and bridge

at 11 a.m. the first and third Thursday of each month at the Saratoga Room, 1763 E. University Ave.

For more information, call Judy at 373-9309 or Ann at 522-7240.

BINGO AT MUNSON EACH WEDNESDAY

Free bingo is offered from 1 to 2 p.m. each Wednesday at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Players have a chance to win a prize and have fun with friends and neighbors. For more information, call 528-3000.

BINGO HELD AT AMERICAN LEGION

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. A coverall blackout pays \$1,000 to a single winner. For more information, call 526-9139.

SHUFFLE BOARD

Shuffle board tournaments are held every Sunday at VFW Post 10124, 709 S. Valley Drive. Open to all VFW members and their sponsored guests. For more information, call 525-5761.

ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION

The Arthritis Foundation Aquatic Program is from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at the Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave.

Participants must be age 60 or older. \$1 suggested donation.

CARD AND TABLE GAMES

Anyone age 50 or older is welcome to play bridge, pinochle, canasta, Hands N Feet, chess and Mah Jongg.

Call 528-3000 for times and locations.

QUILTERS MEET

The Munson Quilters meet from 9 to 11 a.m. each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Quilters 50 and older of all levels are encouraged to participate. On Fridays, work on quilts donated to local organizations.

CHRONIC DISEASE WORKSHOPS

The City of Las Cruces Senior Programs is partnering with New Mexico State University Southern Area Health Education Center to provide MyCD Chronic Disease

Self-Management workshops for people age 55 and older with an ongoing health condition. The two-and-a-half-hour workshops are held each week for six weeks.

Conditions such as diabetes, arthritis, high blood pressure, heart disease, chronic pain and anxiety benefit from the MyCD/Chronic Disease Self-Management workshops

Attendees set their own goals and make step-by-step plans to improve their health.

The current workshop will end Monday, April 22. To sign up for the next workshop, call 528-3000. Space is limited.

Participants must be members of Senior Programs. Adult family members are encouraged to attend with participants.

THE NETWORK VOLUNTEER CENTER

The Network Volunteer Center connects individuals 18 and older to volunteer positions at more than 25 Las Cruces agencies and organizations.

The center is currently recruiting volunteers to drive seniors to and from medical appointments and for everyday needs such as grocery shopping. Volunteers will provide

Frequently called numbers

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975 S. Mesquite St. 528-3000

Henry Benavidez Community Center

1045 McClure Road..... 541-5185

Eastside Community Center

310 N. Tornillo St..... 528-3012

Frank O'Brien Papen Community Center

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Sending off the Aggies to the NCAA tournament in Spokane

Photos by Rachel Christiansen



"Voice of the Aggies" Jack Nixon interviewed Sim Bhullar at the Pan American Center before the team headed to Spokane, Wash., Tuesday, March 16. Nixon asked Bhullar if he was glad he came to New Mexico State University, to which Bhullar said, "Obviously, man!"



Aggie basketball player Renaldo Dixon waved to fans as he boarded the bus that would take the team to their first round of the NCAA tournament Thursday, March 20.



Barbara "Mother" Hubbard handed the Aggie players snacks for the road as DK Eldridge boarded the bus.

Aggie receives first award

Pervis Atkins recognizes Cazares for leadership

For his accomplishments, not only on the field but also in the classroom and inside the locker room, Davis Cazares was named the 2014 Pervis Atkins Spirit Award recipient during a ceremony Thursday, March 6.

The award was created to recognize the one New Mexico State University football player who has positively contributed the most to and for his team.

"I feel very blessed and honored to receive the first annual Pervis Atkins Spirit Award," Cazares said. "To have my name placed on the plaque, means I left my mark on this program and that's a good feeling."

Cazares is the first recipient of the award that was created to honor former NMSU football great and College Football Hall of Famer Pervis Atkins.

"Pervis Atkins was an all-time great here at New Mexico State University," Cazares said. "As far as I'm concerned, he is the greatest Aggie football player to put on the Crimson & White."

The award was created by Charlie Rogers, a close friend of the Atkins family, and his former NMSU teammates. The 2014 award recipient was selected by head coach Doug Martin and his coaching staff, based on the characteristics that Atkins exemplified while he was an Aggie. Those characteristics included leadership and being a champion on and off the field.

"This award is very prestigious and it links us back to a very successful time in Aggie football and back to one of the most successful football players in Pervis Atkins," Martin said. "We are privileged to be reconnected with that group of men. It also gives our players something to shoot for and something to emulate once they come here."

"During his time at New Mexico State University, Davis Cazares exemplified a true student-athlete, a leader and a good teammate," Martin said. "He is a true example of what hard work and dedication can achieve. We are proud of his accomplishments and happy to honor him as the first annual Pervis Atkins Spirit Award winner."

Martin explained Cazares made a difference through his dedication to others, his leadership and his enthusiasm towards everyone around him.

In 2013, Cazares was named a Burlsworth Trophy finalist. Cazares led the Aggies in tackles for the second-straight season in 2013 with 109, ranking him in the top 10 in the country in total tackles. He also led the team with two interceptions.

Cazares ended his career in the crimson and white with 245 total tackles, six tackles for a loss, six pass break-ups, two forced fumbles and a blocked kick. He also earned two player-of-the-week awards. He led his team in tackles in both his junior and senior year.

As a junior in 2012, he led the WAC with 9.7 tackles per game and was ranked 27th nationally. For his efforts on the season, Cazares was selected to the All-WAC second team. He recorded 116 total tackles, three tackles for a loss, one forced fumble, one pass break-up and one blocked kick on the season.

Cazares is on track to earn a degree in business management but hopes that his playing days aren't quite over.

"I want to have a chance to continue to play football somewhere, either the NFL or Canada or anywhere. But after football is done I want to be a part of a major company where I can use my leadership skills. I also want to start a family and be a dad," he said.

“ Davis Cazares exemplified a true student-athlete, a leader and a good teammate. ”

DOUG MARTIN,
NMSU football coach

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CARYL PORTER

It is with great sadness we announce the passing of Caryl Porter, 86, of Las Cruces, NM, Thursday, March 13.

She died unexpectedly after a short illness. Caryl was the loving wife and life partner to her husband of 66 years, Bill Porter. She was the proud mother of three daughters: Betsy, Kathy and Kristin, and warmly welcomed and loved their partners, Maurice, Jay and George. Her grandchildren, Laura, David (and dear wife Kristy), Jason, Paul and Brian as well as great-grandchildren Thomas and Lilly loved her dearly.

Caryl was a dynamic, multi-faceted person. She was an adventurer, a teacher, an activist, a caring friend, a lifelong learner. She volunteered, she painted, she sang. She had an immense zest for life and lived richly and gratefully.

Caryl grew up in Kansas and moved to Las Cruces 60 years ago. She immediately became involved in the community through folk singing, community concerts, community choirs, plays, opera, politics and volunteer work. She attended NMSU where she earned her master's degree in education. In her 30-year career as a 4th and 5th grade teacher, she influenced, inspired and encouraged countless children. In her latter years of teaching, Caryl and Bill planted an apple orchard on Valley Drive which contributed to her busy schedule.



When she retired, Caryl helped manage her husband, Bill Porter's legislative campaigns. She supported his good works as he served 8 years as a state representative. Retirement never slowed her down. Caryl and Bill travelled to every state and 6 of the 7 continents. She continued to volunteer in her community, championed worthy causes and never failed to write a generous check whenever she saw a need. She took art classes and painted prolifically. She continued taking other classes (and was currently enrolled in a NM history class and was learning tai chi) and regularly attended the Academy of Learning in Retirement. She loved people and parties and laughed and loved mightily with all of her dear family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Church Saturday, March 22, at 3:30 p.m. Immediately following, everyone is invited to a celebration of Caryl's life at the Boulder's clubhouse.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of your choice, the Parkinson's Association, the Alzheimer's Foundation, or La Casa. Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels and Sunset Crematory of Las Cruces, 527-2222. For online condolences, log on to www.bacasfuneralchapelslas Cruces.com.

JAMES ROBERT MUTH

November 12, 1937 to March 16, 2014

James Robert Muth, 76, of Las Cruces, passed away Sunday, March 16, 2014 at his home with family and friends at his side. He succumbed to cancer after an 11-year battle. He was born Nov. 12, 1937, in Indianapolis, Indiana to parents Charles and Mildred. Jim joined the U.S. Border Patrol in 1959 and was stationed in Las Cruces in 1963. He was assigned to other locations during his career, but always called Las Cruces home. He returned to the valley in 1985 and retired in 1990 after 31 years serving proudly. He began his second career and hobby as a local pecan farmer.

Jim is survived by his mother, Mildred Wenz of Mesa Ariz., his wife of 39 years, Lola; sons, Ryan Muth of San Jose, CA, Shannon

Muth and wife Karen of Gilbert Ariz., and daughter, Stacey Briggs and husband Randy of Albuquerque as well as a sister, Cindy Hughes and husband Gary of Toronto, Canada. He was preceded in death by his father, Charles.

Cremation will take place and a private memorial will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, any donations can be made to The National Border Patrol Museum or Mesilla Valley Hospice, 299 E. Montana Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88005.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels and Sunset Crematory of Las Cruces, 527-2222. For online condolences, log on to www.bacasfuneralchapelslas Cruces.com.



ASA BETTS FITCH

May 8, 1920 to March 8, 2014

On March 8, 2014, Asa Betts Fitch, 93, of Las Cruces, NM, passed from this earth and into the arms of his loving God. He was born May 8, 1920 in Hachita, New Mexico, to Albert J. and Frances Young Fitch. Asa graduated from Hachita High School then served his country in the United States Army Air Corps and received an honorable discharge. During his time in the service, he met and fell in love with Geraldine Allen and they married on February 4, 1944. Asa and Jerry are members of Saint James Episcopal Church and enjoy many friends there.

As a young man, Asa worked cattle ranches in remote areas of New Mexico. After receiving his master's degree in secondary education at Western New Mexico College in Silver City, he began his career in the field of education in New Mexico and Arizona for many years.

Survivors include his loving wife of 70 years, Geraldine Allen Fitch of the family home; a daughter, Linda Helfrich and husband Donald of Mountain Home, Arkansas; his grandson, Ken Sweetser of Springfield, Missouri; a brother, Archer Fitch of Florida; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 13, 2014, at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 5140 W. Picacho Ave. with Reverend Dr. Nicholas Funk officiating.

Asa will be greatly missed by family and all who knew him.

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

DEATH NOTICES

CHAVEZ

Elodia Gutierrez Chavez, 83, died March 1, 2014, in her home. She was born Nov. 30, 1930, in El Tule, Chihuahua, Mexico. The family entrusted care to Baca's Funeral Chapels, 527-2222. For online condolences, log on to www.bacasfuneralchapelslas Cruces.com.

MOLINA

Javier Enrique Molina, 34, of Las Cruces, NM, died Saturday, March 8, 2014. He was born August 8, 1979, in Las Cruces. The family entrusted care to Baca's Funeral Chapels, 527-2222. For online condolences, log on to www.bacasfuneralchapelslas Cruces.com.

LA COMBE

Wilfred "Ed" Leo LaCombe Jr., 81, of Las Cruces, died Sunday, March 9, 2014, at La Posada-Mesilla Valley Hospice with his loving family at his side. Ed was born Dec. 1, 1932, in Comanche, Oklahoma to Wilfred Leo Sr. and Jessie Pollock Lacombe. He served his country honorably in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War and was a recipient of the Purple Heart. The family entrusted care to Baca's Funeral Chapels, 527-2222. For online condolences, log on to www.bacasfuneralchapelslas Cruces.com.

BARRAZA

Amelia Flores Barraza, 86, of Las Cruces, died March 12, 2014, at La Posada-Mesilla Valley Hospice. She was born Sept. 11, 1927, in El Paso, Texas to Andres and Maria de Los Angeles Calderon Flores. The family entrusted care to Baca's Funeral Chapels, 527-2222. For online condolences, log on to www.bacasfuneralchapelslas Cruces.com.

MUÑOZ

Genoveva V. Muñoz, 85, of Las Cruces, died Friday, March 14, 2014, at La Posada-Mesilla Valley Hospice. She was born Jan. 3, 1929, in Rhineland, Texas, to Jesus and Antonia Ortega Valenzuela. The family entrusted care to Baca's Funeral Chapels, 527-2222. For online condolences, log on to www.bacasfuneralchapelslas Cruces.com.

ZAVALA

Jose Guadalupe Zavala Sr., 54, of Anthony, died March 14, 2014, at his home. Lupe was born Jan. 12, 1960, in El Paso, Texas to Antonio Sr. and Loreto Muñoz Zavala. The family entrusted care to Baca's Funeral Chapels, 527-2222. For online condolences, log on to www.bacasfuneralchapelslas Cruces.com.



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson

Rio Grande Rotarians Pam Lillibridge and Laura Smart hold up the opening of a Backpack Bed while Gospel Rescue Mission Executive Director Bob Jeska shows how it looks when packed and carried. The trio is standing by a mural illustrating the Good Samaritan story at the mission's chapel room.

Rotary donates Backpack Beds Gospel Rescue to give to homeless

By **Todd G. Dickson**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Weighing a little more than six pounds, the Australian-made Backpack Bed can provide portable, comfortable shelter, and the Gospel Rescue Mission is getting a chance to see if it can benefit the homeless population here. The Rio Grande Rotary

Club bought four of the Backpack Beds, costing \$85 each, and donated them to the Gospel Rescue Mission last month.

Club member Laura Smart said Rotarians learned about the tent-like beds when reading about how they were used in Hurricane Sandy recovery efforts in New Jersey and New York.

Australian Tony Clark, a Rotarian as well, created the Backpack Bed for his non-profit Swags for Homeless. Using modern, light-weight and compressible materials, the insulated fire retardant mattress is enclosed in a fabric – which is also resistant to fire, windproof and waterproof – with mesh netting that resembles a small, lean-to tent.

The tents are able to keep a person warm up to minus-20 degrees, Smart said.

After a good night's sleep, the bed easily rolls back into its bag, which resembles a small backpack. The bed can also be made into a shade shelter with corner loops for tying onto above-ground structures.

Pockets for storage can even be locked. According to Smart, Clark was won four global product design awards for the Backpack Bed.

Originally, club members wanted to buy many beds, she said, but they decided to start with four to see whether the local homeless population would take to using them.

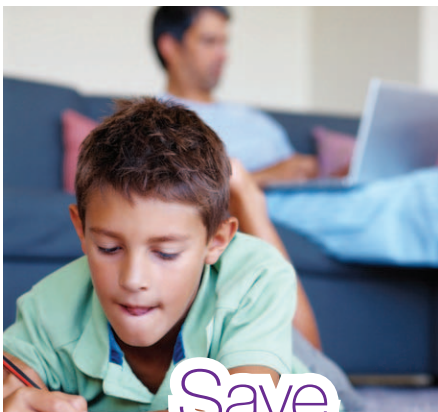
Rotarian Pam Lillibridge said she likes how the Backpack Beds provided dignified shelter for homeless people.

Bob Jeska, executive director of the Las Cruces Gospel Rescue Mission, said he hasn't worked out yet how the Backpack Beds will be distributed. He said they may be first introduced to the homeless population when the mission lets people sleep in the mess hall, when people needing shelter arrive at the mission after the dorms have been closed for the night. The mission has a total of 142 beds, with men making up the majority of the people staying there, he said.

Because people staying at the mission are encouraged to help with upkeep at the mission, the beds may be used as rewards for good volunteerism, Jeska said.

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Immigration talk



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Journalism and mass communications assistant professor at the University of Minnesota Giovanna Dell'Orto visited the Nason House at New Mexico State University to talk about journalism and immigration Tuesday, March 18. Dell'Orto has worked as a journalist covering immigration issues and written a book, "Reporting at the Southern Borders." She presented a different perspective on border issues and suggested the stories presented in today's media don't address the bigger problems of human migration. She said 17 percent of the foreign-born population in the U.S. are illegal migrants from Mexico, but said a big share of the news coverage would have people believe there are far more.

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MVEDA raises profile



Davin Lopez
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Through the joint efforts of the New Mexico Partnership, represented by Jerry Pacheco and his team, the New Mexico Economic Development Department and the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance, we were able to close on three projects in Santa Teresa:

- **ERO Resources**, a provider of container storage and mechanical services for rail-related business. The company purchased 6 acres in the Santa Teresa Intermodal Park where it will establish a terminal for business. The company will hire up to 50 employees within the next three years.
- **Transmaritime**, a third-party logistics organization that purchased 25 acres in the Santa Teresa Intermodal Park where it will construct a terminal to handle ocean freight containers for its clients. The company plans to hire 15 people for its operations.
- **Stagecoach Cartage and Distribution LP**, an El Paso-based company that provides trucking and logistical services to clients throughout the U.S. and Mexico, has purchased 10 acres in the Santa Teresa Intermodal Park where it will establish a logistics yard and will hire up to 10 employees.

We are also in the final stages of negotiations and site analysis with four manufacturing operations whose combined employment numbers would exceed 400 new jobs should all of them choose Doña Ana County. Two of those projects representing 220 jobs would be in the City of Las Cruces, while the other two projects would locate in unincorporated areas of Doña Ana County.

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Put your story to work

Business histories honor heritage, promote image

By **Alta LeCompte**
Las Cruces Bulletin

A versatile marketing tool may be lurking under a spare sock or a stack of file folders in your lower desk drawer, or in a sealed box in the storage shed out back.

Many business owners stash the documents, clippings and photos they collect over the years. These forgotten treasures are the building blocks of the story of how their business began and evolved.

That story needs to be heard by both employees and potential customers, said professional business historian Beth Morgan of Full Circle Heritage Services LLC.

"A business history can be used to share with the public who a company is and give them reasons they might want to patronize that company," Morgan said. "Customers enjoy knowing some of the history of the businesses they patronize, and they may become even more loyal when they know of your challenges in getting to where you are today."

Just as important as the external audience is the internal one, she said.

A business history can acquaint employees with the company's objectives and values, and give them a sense of ownership.

"The business history tells employees they are part of a team, rather than a commodity, and that their strengths are valued," Morgan said.

What's your story?

Morgan said the desire to tell a story is "part of the spark that makes us human."

"I believe everybody has a story to tell, and the world is a poorer place if you don't tell your story," Morgan said.

The story of a person or a business can take many forms.

A business history, for example, can become the text on the back of a restaurant's menu, a brochure at the retailer's counter or even a book chronicling the story of a ranch.

Morgan has developed a special format she uses to present the histories of local companies, including Picture Frame Factory Outlet on South Walnut Street.

She calls the text and visuals Kudos, and, yes, Kudos can be handsomely framed and hung on the wall.

The process begins with recording an oral interview. Morgan and her client together select images for the projects and she puts together the final product.

Morgan is not just drumming up businesses for her firm. She is passionate about the power of both personal and business histories and said just about anyone can write their own.

"Anybody who can string a couple sentences together can do their own business history," Morgan said.

If a business is located in a historic building, that's a great starting point. Other businesses, such as ranches, have a long and deep



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Alta LeCompte

Beth Morgan lives in the shadow of Bishop's Cap outside Vado. She currently is writing a history of Vado. In addition, Morgan works on oral histories for government agencies, museums and archaeological contracting companies as well as personal and business histories.

history Morgan especially enjoys telling.

"They're much like the people I grew up with," the Roswell native said of the ranching families she's interviewed.

A career unfolds

Early in her own history, Morgan aspired to become a visual artist. She decided art wasn't a practical career choice, so she became a journalist in order to have both a job and a creative outlet.

She earned a bachelor's degree in journalism and later a master's in English with specialties in folklore and oral history.

Morgan worked for six New Mexico papers, starting as a city hall reporter and later becoming a feature writer.

She relocated to Las Cruces in 1988. After a stint doing public relations at the New Mexico State University College of Agriculture, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, she became an oral historian and technical editor for Human Systems Research Inc.

There she met her husband, Mark Sechrist, an archaeologist who is her business partner in Full Circle Heritage Services.

"I saw the possibility through oral history of making a more significant contribution than is possible in journalism because oral histories don't end up lining the next day's trash can as newspaper often do," she said.

The career shift enabled her to continue to use the interviewing skills she had honed as a journalist.

In the early '90s, she worked on an oral history of the ranchers displaced when White Sands Missile Range was created. Morgan interviewed 24 members of the 92 displaced families for the project. The project resulted in an unpublished technical report containing

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excerpts of the interviews, a public presentation and exhibition and a book compiled by Morgan.

She and Sechrist both left HSR in 1996 to work for other cultural resource management companies. They moved to their current home in Vado in 2000.

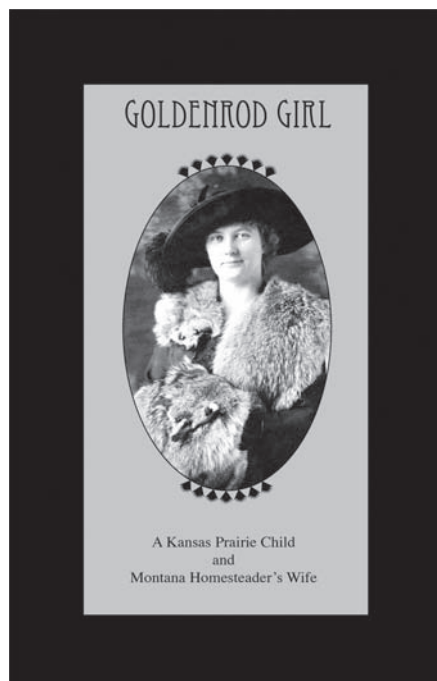
While doing Internet research, Morgan discovered the Association of Personal Historians and found the thing she enjoyed doing was an actual career field.

Personal histories she has compiled include "Goldenrod Girl," the story of the wife of a Montana homesteader whose accomplishments included helping start a local library and growing flowers for shut-ins.

Her inspiration for branching into business history and for creating Kudos came in part from a sign in Groves' store, "We will frame your story."

"Businesses realize they are not operating in a vacuum," Morgan said. "Their public image is important, and they have the power to affect the way the public sees them. They can take matters into their own hands."

The "Goldenrod Girl" cover photo is of Olive Bishop as a young woman, wearing her coyote fur collar and muff. This book was commissioned by a local woman and is on sale in the museum in Polson, Mont. Morgan compiled the material and designed the book.



Save the date

FRI. 3/21

11:30 a.m. High Tech Consortium Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces, 705 S. Telshor Blvd. Speaker will be David Thompson, associate dean for research and director of the Agricultural Experiment Station System at New Mexico State University. Meeting free; lunch \$20. For more information, call 522-3868.

SAT. 3/22

9 a.m. Consumer Debt/Bankruptcy Workshop, 1111 E. Lohman Ave. Free. For more information or to register, call the State Bar of New Mexico at 800-876-6227 or 505-797-6068.

TUE. 3/25

10:30 am to 11:30 am Ribbon Cutting, Security Specialty Training, 1705 N. Valley Drive, Suite 6. For

more information, call the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce at 524-1968.

WED. 3/26

4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Ribbon Cutting, Cavill & Co., 1155-B Commerce Court. For more information, call the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce at 524-1968.

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. WESST Enterprise Center and SCORE workshop, Keeping Records for the State and IRS, Enterprise Center, 125 N. Main St. Free. To register, call WESST at 541-1583 or SCORE at 523-5627.

THU. 3/27

5:30 to 7 p.m. Business After Hours, Armijo House, 150 E Lohman Ave. For more information call the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce at 524-1968.

MVEDA

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hosted two cabinet secretaries at separate events. MVEDA hosted the Cabinet Secretary for the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department David Martin for a listening session between industry and regulation stakeholders for the upcoming development of the New Mexico State Energy Policy and Implementation Plan.

The vision of the plan is to spur economic development through an innovative and commercial deployment of energy. The Las Cruces session focused on biofuels, renewable energy, and the water-energy nexus.

That same day, at MVEDA's monthly Business in the Borderplex Luncheon, Cabinet Secretary for the Economic Development Department Jon Barela provided a presentation on the results of the most recent legislative session and discussed the opportunities and challenges of spurring job creation through the next fiscal year.

He also addressed the state's most recent opportunity to be placed on the short list for Tesla's mega battery manufacturing facility.

Speaking of Tesla, I have received a number of inquiries over the past two weeks to find out if Las Cruces/Doña Ana County is being considered as a potential site location. Although there is confidentiality surrounding this project, MVEDA has been making efforts with our public and private partners to assure Doña Ana County is getting exposure to this project.

MVEDA's marketing efforts are in full gear.

The week of March 16, Eric Montgomery traveled to Washington, D.C., as part of the joint Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce/MVEDA advocacy trip. While support

of operations at White Sands is the group's primary objective, MVEDA uses this trip to initiate meetings with companies considering Doña Ana County as a potential site for future operations. By presenting a community supported front, we were able to attract Vangent to Las Cruces a few years back.

Meanwhile, I will be in Atlanta at the MODEX Supply Trade Expo. This is an opportunity for MVEDA to market the transportation and logistics assets in the county to continue our momentum as a major distribution hub in the Southwest.

We also officially launched a MVEDA video campaign that showcases the value of business and living in Las Cruces and the Mesilla Valley. This will be pushed out on YouTube, including industry-related websites such as Area Development Magazine. Several of our partners have asked to use the video in their marketing efforts and we're happy to have it used throughout the community. The video can be viewed and shared for your use at the following link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MdnledpjO8w>.

As we enter the final weeks of our goals for the third quarter of our fiscal year, MVEDA is in a strong position to meet and exceed a number of year end goals set forth by our board of directors.

Davin Lopez is the CEO of the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance.

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Ag census reflects diversity

N.M. adds young and minority farmers rising

There have been significant increases in the number of farms, young farmers and minority farmers in New Mexico in recent years, according to the preliminary results of the 2012 Census of Agriculture released by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS).

The census shows 24,721 farms in New Mexico, an 18 percent increase from the 2007 census. That stands in contrast to a national decline in the number of farms over the same period. The amount of farmland in New Mexico was relatively unchanged at approximately 43.2 million acres.

While in the western states the term "farm" may conjure images of crops rather than livestock, USDA's definition of farms is quite broad: The federal agency defines a farm as "as anyplace that produced and sold, or normally would have sold, \$1,000 or more of agricultural products during the census year." In other words, USDA's definition of "farms" includes farms, ranches, nurseries, greenhouses and the like.

Other New Mexico-specific highlights from the census include an increase in the number of minority-operated farms during the period between the 2007 and 2012 censuses, particularly among the Hispanic community. The number of Hispanic-operated farms jumped from 6,475 to 9,377 in the five-year span.

The average age of the principal farm operator in New Mexico continued its upward trend, rising from 59.6 years old in 2007 to 60.5 years old in 2012. However, there was also an increase in the number of farmers and ranchers under age 34, jumping from 818 in 2007 to the current tally of 1,200.

"I'm glad to see a wider diversity of people getting into farming and ranching in New Mexico," said New Mexico Secretary of Agriculture Jeff Witte. "Diversity in farming and ranching creates opportunity."

In 2012, the value of New Mexico agricultural products sold totaled \$2.55 billion, up 17 percent from 2007. Livestock, poultry and

their products accounted for 76 percent of the state total at \$1.93 billion.

"Part of what we are seeing is that more farmers and ranchers in New Mexico are taking the time to fill out the census as they understand the importance of having data that reflects agriculture trends in their communities," said New Mexico state statistician Longino Bustillos. "The Census of Agriculture is used for decision-making by producers as well as those who serve farmers, ranchers and rural communities – federal, state and local governments, agribusinesses, trade associations and many others."

Nationally, the 2012 census reported little change in the amount of farmland, a more diverse principal operator population, and several historic changes in value of sales for U.S. agriculture producers from 2007 to 2012.

At the national level:

- The United States had 2.1 million farms, down 4.3 percent in 2012. In terms of farm size by acres, the decline continued a downward trend in mid-sized farms, while the smallest- and largest-size farms held steady.
- The average age of a principal farm operator was 58.3 years, up 1.2 years since 2007, and continuing a 30-year trend of steady increase. More minority-operated farms were also accounted for in 2012 than in 2007.
- In 2012, the value of agriculture products sold totaled \$394.6 billion, up 33 percent (\$97.4 billion) from 2007. For only the second time in census history crop sales (\$212.4 billion) exceeded livestock sales (\$182.2 billion).

"The release of the preliminary 2012 Census of Agriculture results is only a first look at the data and NASS is eager to publish the final report this May," said NASS administrator Cynthia Clark.

For more information about the census, including access to the 2012 Census of Agriculture preliminary report and the full report in May, visit www.agcensus.usda.gov.

Building Las Cruces

Peppermint Shopping Center



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Elva K. Österreich

Taj & Ark Construction Co. is moving forward on its 6,500-square-foot mall project at the corner of Three Crosses Avenue and Alameda Boulevard. After a two-and-a-half year delay, the center is slated to be open for business by June. The project offers six storefront business opportunities. The location formerly housed the Peppermint Barn, a used furniture store.

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Q: Is March 31st the deadline for me to buy health insurance on my own as an individual? Whether it's through the exchange or just a regular policy?

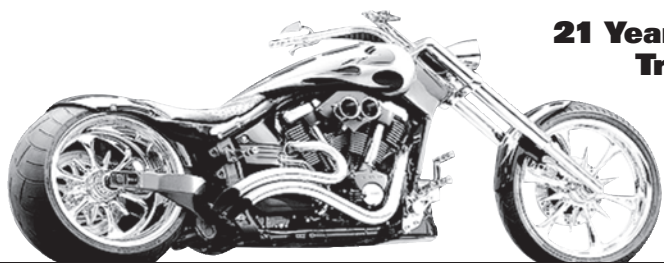
A: Yes! Insurance companies currently offer enrollment for 2014 through March 31, 2014. This is true on and off the exchange. An individual will not be able to obtain coverage for the year again until open enrollment for 2015, currently scheduled for November 15, 2014 - January 15, 2015. The only exception in which an individual may obtain coverage is if the person should experience a qualifying event. A qualifying event may include gaining a dependent through marriage, birth, or adoption, becoming newly eligible or newly ineligible for a premium tax credit, moving to a new state, or losing employer coverage. It is important to understand that coverage cannot be obtained on impulse. For more information, please contact one of our health insurance specialists at 575-647-0009.

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Fun, games and more with *Las Cruces Young Professionals*

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Kwon Ekstrom ponders his next move during a chess match with Will Barela at a Las Cruces Young Professionals event Friday, March 7, at St. Clair Winery & Bistro.



LCYP committee members Chris Lang, Hillary Brinegar, Mathew Mossburg, Kayla Jones, Wendy Zuñiga, Brandon Beckett and Rosa Bañuelos welcome guests to the social and networking event.

Briefs

Positive Energy is 2013 Residential National Dealer of the Year

Positive Energy Solar, a solar installer with locations in Las Cruces, Albuquerque, Taos and Santa Fe, is being recognized as the SunPower Residential National Dealer of the Year for outstanding performance in 2013.

"Positive Energy Solar is honored to be named a SunPower Residential National Dealer of the Year for delivering the world's highest-efficiency solar systems and superior customer service to homeowners," said Regina Wheeler, CEO of Positive Energy Solar. "Our team of employee owners works hard for our customers and our industry."

"We are proud to put New Mexico in the spotlight for renewable energy. Partnering with SunPower, a leading solar technology and global energy services provider, allows us to offer our customers the most rigorously tested, most reliable solar power systems on the market today."

The Residential National Dealer of the Year award honors SunPower residential dealers that demonstrate exceptional customer service, knowledge and leadership in the United States.

An employee-owned company, Positive Energy Solar is the largest certified Benefits Corporation in New Mexico.

Wilson Binkley promotes media director

Wilson Binkley Advertising & Marketing, one of New Mexico's largest full-service advertising agencies, has announced the promotion of Danette Nevarez to the position of media director.

Nevarez has 10 years of experience assisting the media department with placing orders and media traffic.

After earning a bachelor's degree in marketing from New Mexico State University, she joined Wilson Binkley in 2004. In addition to

coordinating orders and materials to various media outlets, she has assisted in placing media orders, auditing invoices and developing professional relationships with media representatives locally and nationally.

After years of training with the media department, Nevarez has been promoted as a full-time media director. She will be responsible for researching media options for agency clients, including both traditional and digital vehicles, as well as negotiating for the most efficient media plans.

Wilson Binkley Advertising & Marketing is southern New Mexico's only full-service advertising agency.

For more than 20 years, the agency has provided award-winning advertising and marketing campaigns for a wide range of commercial, government and nonprofit organizations. Agency services include creative design, social media, web and broadcast production to quantifiable media placement services and marketing plans.

U.S. Chamber honors Benchmark

Benchmark Business Solutions recently was named a U.S. Chamber of Commerce Blue Ribbon Award Winner for the second year in a row. The company also was named the No. 1 Xerox Agency in the U.S. for the fourth time in the past five years, an accomplishment no other agency has achieved. Benchmark Business Solutions also celebrates 20 years in business this year. The company provides office technology and document solutions to more than 85 counties in Texas and New Mexico. For more information, visit www.benchmarkyouroffice.com.

WESST hires program coordinator/trainer

Manuel "Manny" Morales Jr. has been named program coordinator and trainer for the Las Cruces office of WESST Enterprise

Center, which serves seven counties in southwestern New Mexico.

Morales received a bachelor's degree from New Mexico State University, where he is pursuing a master's degree in business management/accounting with minors in accounting and finance.

Jennifer Craig, regional director of WESST, said Morales' work experience includes years of leadership and team building, management (people and budgets), public cost and financial accounting, criminal justice, as well as developing and delivering training on various topics.

"I am pleased with Manny's military background, as well," Craig said. "He is extremely organized and appears to be results oriented, which is necessary when working with small businesses. His computer and technology skills will be an asset to his job."

WESST is Small Business Administration-approved micro lender for the state and offer business loans that range from a small credit-improving loan of \$500 to a technology loan up to \$5,000 to a regular startup loan, ranging from \$200 to \$10,000. An expansion loan caps at \$50,000.

The nonprofit is funded in part through a cooperative agreement with the U.S. SBA in Washington, D.C.

Staybridge named customer champion

Staybridge Suites is celebrating its recognition of being a J.D. Power 2014, customer champion.

J.D. Power, a global marketing information service company, requires a customer champion meet five criteria. After evaluating more than 600 brands, Staybridge Suites was selected for delivering excellence in service customer feedback, opinions and perceptions from their guests.

Staybridge is an all-suite hotel brand. The company was named as one of the top 10 brands in customer satisfaction globally by Market Metrix Hospitality in 2013.

Staybridge Suites Las Cruces is in the top 3 percent nationally. It features a new exterior courtyard with a gazebo, a flat screen TV, gas grills and fire pit.

Commercial brokers featured at MVEDA forum

In a return to its normal meeting day on the first Tuesday of the month, the Tuesday, April 1, meeting of the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance Business in the Borderplex forum will feature local commercial real estate brokers and developers addressing trends that are impacting economic development and growth in both Las Cruces and Santa Teresa.

Featured speakers at the forum from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces, 705 S. Telshor Blvd., include Kary Bulsterbaum, Steinborn/TCN Commercial Real Estate, Jake Redfearn, NAI 1st Valley Commercial Real Estate and Gilbert Mesa, IDI (recently merged with Verde Realty).

A hot entrée buffet will be served.

Advance registration is \$20 per person, payable by major credit card via the secure portal on the registration form. Payment at the door with cash, check or credit card is \$25 per person.

Due to space constraints, reservations are required. Registration closes Thursday, March 27. To register, visit www.mveda.com/blog.

U-Fix It to host open house

U-Fix-It Auto Center LLC will hold an open house from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, March 29, at the center, 311 N. Compress St.

There will be door prizes throughout the day, music, a jumper balloon for the kids and sign-ups for Kids Automotive Camp, where kids will be instructed on the basics of vehicle maintenance. There will be drawings and coupons for discounts.

Economist suggests tax alternatives

Taxing income discourages those who provide products



Chris Erickson
State of the Economy

Economists say you should tax what you don't want and not tax what you do want.

We want people to generate income. After all, income is the reward for doing what fellow citizens view as valuable. Earn a wage, it's because your work is valued. Receive rent, it's because people benefit from using your property. Receive interest, it's a reward for providing savings to finance others worthwhile projects.

Meanwhile, Americans over-consume or, more precisely, under-save.

Part of the problem is large government deficits, which amount to negative savings by taxpayers. Private saving, however, is also inadequate. For example, 60 percent of baby boomers have less than \$100,000 saved.

By taxing income, we discourage what we want. Yet we consume too much and save

“ Americans over-consume or, more precisely, under-save. ”

too little. If we could switch from an income tax to a consumption tax, that would be an improvement. As it turns out, there are a number of proposals for doing this.

An obvious way to tax consumption is by imposing a national sales tax to replace the income tax. The problem with this is that sales taxes fall disproportionately on the poor, who often have no choice but to consume all their income.

An alternative idea I favor would be to allow unlimited contributions to IRAs. Currently, IRA contributions are limited to no more than \$5,000 for those under 55 and \$6,500 for those older than 55. Under this plan, someone who earned \$150,000 and consumed \$100,000 would be taxed on only the \$100,000.

The tax code would remain intact except for the change in the limit on IRAs. The Internal Revenue Service would continue to administer it.

This is both a feature and a bug.

Our tax system is immensely complicated, with innumerable incentives built in to promote worthwhile activities from childcare to old folks' homes. All these incentives, for good or ill, would remain in place. So would the costly bureaucracy to administer them.

Another alternative that has some support is the FairTax plan, which would replace both the income tax and the payroll tax with a single national sales tax of 23 percent. The FairTax would include a “prebate” for each household, each month equal to the tax on

spending up to the poverty line, so that those below the poverty line would pay no net taxes.

The advantage of the FairTax is that it would eliminate the need for an IRS, at least in its current form, but the FairTax is less progressive than our current income tax, which many will see as a disadvantage.

Turning from the economic to the political, tax reform of the type I'm talking about is an uphill battle.

The idea that potentially someone earns a \$1 million but spends only \$30,000 and saves the rest would pay less taxes than someone who earns and spends \$50,000 can be a tough sell. That's why I think the unlimited IRA is a better prospect for passage, as it requires the least change to the current system so is least likely to offend vested interests.

Christopher A. Erickson, Ph.D., is a professor of economics at New Mexico State University. The opinions expressed may not be shared by the regents or administration of NMSU. Erickson can be reached at cherrick@nmsu.edu. He likes getting email. Indeed, the topic of today's column was suggested by a reader.

FEW holds annual meeting

Federally Employed Women (FEW), Three Crosses Chapter, will hold its annual membership recruitment luncheon 2014 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday, April 10, at White Sands Missile Range Post Chapel Fellowship Hall.

FEW works as an advocacy group to improve the status of women employed by the federal government, including contact with Congress to encourage progressive legislation. FEW national officers meet with officials at all levels of agencies to demonstrate support of the federal women's program, encourage them to support the program

and provide awareness of the effectiveness of the FWP.

Federal employees and government contractors, active or retired, or anyone who subscribes to the purposes of the organization are eligible to become a member of FEW.

Anyone dedicated to promoting equality for women and addressing concerns of women in the federal work force is welcome. For more information, contact Judy Rosco at rosco631@gmail.com, or 635-7127; Roberta Hahn at 678-2003; or Cris Foster, 679-5602.

Second annual skills update set for April 23

DACC plans professional's conference

Motivational speaker and Las Cruces businessman Jaime Castillo will deliver the keynote address on “Finding Your Passion” for the Administrative Professionals Conference from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 23.

The conference will be held at the Small Business Development Center, 2345 E. Nevada Ave.

Administrative professionals will have the opportunity to update skills and receive personal development coaching designed especially for those who keep offices running at peak potential.

Doña Ana Community College Director of Community Education and Customized Workforce Training Vickie Galindo said this conference has something to offer all administrative professionals.

“From the professionals just starting to those who have been in an administrative position for years, all will all get a great deal of knowledge from this conference,” she said. “This is a great way to catch up on the latest training and learn more about the tools needed to continue to succeed.” Galindo said.

There will be 16 breakout sessions, she said.

The breakout sessions include computer-specific workshops such as “Photoshop Tips,” “Making Friends with Windows 8” and “Creating Charts with Excel.”

Other sessions will highlight ethics in the workplace, business etiquette do's and don'ts and building trust in the office. Other sessions will inform on how

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VICKIE GALINDO,
director of community education
and customized workforce training

to make the best use of time, how to be organized and how to set realistic goals.

During lunch there will be a discussion of balancing work and family. A capstone address by Castillo will discuss how to put together all the pieces participants learned during the conference. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. The cost for the event is \$149.

For more information and reservations, contact DACC Customized Training at 527-7766. To register online visit <http://dacc.augusoft.net>.

Bowl for Kids Sake April 6



Now it's easier than ever to get involved with Big Brother Big Sister and have some fun at costume-party-themed Bowl for Kids Sake event 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 6, at Ten Pin Alley, 1201 E. Amador Ave. Options for participating include: create a team of five members and raise \$500 or more; sign up as an individual bowler or join an existing team and raise \$100 or more; become an event sponsor or make a general donation; have fun in a favorite costume; and create the best team costume theme and win a prize. For more information call Aaron Barbara at 523-9530 or email aaron.barbara@bbbsfswnm.org. For sponsorship details, visit www.bbbsfswnm.org.

Gordon named Entrepreneur in Residence

Investor earns reputation with startups

Retired businessman and New Mexico State University alumnus Brad Gordon has accepted an invitation from NMSU's Arrowhead Center to serve as its second Entrepreneur in Residence.

Gordon, who earned his marketing degree from NMSU's College of Business, built a career on both sides of the startup process – as a venture capital investor and an entrepreneur – helping launch 11 companies, mostly in the biotech field.

A recipient of the 2013 College of Business Hall of Fame award and a member of the NMSU Foundation Board, Gordon is also a generous supporter of the university.

In his new role as Entrepreneur in Residence, Gordon will volunteer his time to help guide commercialization project teams, sharing the insights he's learned over years of discovering what works and what doesn't.

"I am excited to be sharing with NMSU's students and faculty critical success and failure factors, and the rigor often separating each outcome, that pave the road every entrepreneur must travel," Gordon said. "Pressure



GORDON

testing, lateral thinking, careful product and market mapping – along with putting a lot of shoe leather on the sidewalk – are the essence of validating a new venture thesis."

Arrowhead Center was created by NMSU to be an engine for sustainable economic development. Primarily a technology commercialization hub and startup incubator, it serves as a single portal to link researchers and entrepreneurs with ideas for how to solve market problems and create sustainable growth.

Gordon described Arrowhead Center as "a rare and remarkable vehicle for bringing together human talent, bold thinking and planning rigor to launch high-impact business ventures."

Kathryn Hansen, Arrowhead Center's chief executive officer, said she's thrilled to have Gordon serve in this invaluable mentorship role.

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BRAD GORDON,
Arrowhead Center Entrepreneur
in Residence

"Brad's enthusiasm for NMSU and Arrowhead Center is really inspiring," Hansen said.

"And I think the wisdom that he brings to the table and his connections in the business world will really benefit our innovators and entrepreneurs at every level."

Gordon said this wasn't a teaching relationship, but a true collaboration with Arrowhead's clients.

"We'll be partners who share the many moments of fear, elation, setback and course correction that mark every entrepreneur's journey from raw to real," Gordon said.

In addition to his NMSU bachelor's degree, Gordon earned a master of business administration with extended studies in finance from the University of Southern California. In 2010, he received an honorary doctorate from NMSU.

He also established the Robin T. Peterson endowed chair in marketing at NMSU, named in honor of his mentor.

Arrowhead Center is located at 3655 Research Drive, Genesis Center Building C, on the NMSU campus. For more information, call 646-7036 or visit www.arrowheadcenter.nmsu.edu.

USDA expands outreach help

Connecting small farmers, ranchers with resources

Tom Vilsack, U.S. Department of Agriculture secretary, has announced new and expanded efforts to connect small- and mid-sized farmers and ranchers with USDA resources that can help them build stronger businesses, expand to reach new and larger markets, and grow their operations.

"The recent Census of Agriculture shows that there is tremendous growth potential for small and mid-sized producers in the American agricultural landscape," said Vilsack. "USDA is taking a hard look at our existing resources to ensure that they work for producers of all sizes. We've adjusted policies, strengthened programs and intensified outreach to meet the needs of small- and mid-sized producers.

"These producers are critical to our country's agricultural and economic future."

Efforts include improved access to USDA resources, revised risk management tools that better fit the needs of smaller producers, additional support for hoop houses and expanded collection of market news information.

USDA is also introducing a series of education tools focusing on opportunities for farmers engaged in local and regional food systems. In addition, USDA field staff will be boosting their outreach efforts to small and mid-sized farmers and ranchers.

More information about tools and resources available to small and mid-sized farmers that will be rolled out in the coming months, including information about access to capital, risk management, food safety and locating market opportunities. For more information, visit www.usda.gov and click on the resources link.

NM unemployment, jobs decline

In January, New Mexico's unemployment rate fell, but the state had fewer jobs than in January 2013.

New Mexico's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.6 percent in January 2014, unchanged from December 2013 and down from 6.9 percent a year ago, according to the New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions.

The rate of over-the-year job growth, comparing January 2014 with January 2013, was -0.5 percent, representing a loss of 3,700 jobs.

Four industries added employment, seven industries lost jobs and two remained unchanged. By far, government saw the largest net decrease of 3,200 jobs

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since last year.

The largest employment gains were reported in the mining industry, adding 1,700 jobs since January 2013. Employment gains in retail trade totaled 1,200 jobs. The financial activities industry added 1,100 jobs and the construction industry added 500 jobs.

Government employment registered the greatest loss with a decrease of 3,200 jobs. Most of these losses reported at the local and federal levels. Manufacturing employment declined by 1,500 jobs.

The professional and business services industry lost 1,100 jobs. Education and health services declined by 1,000 jobs.

SBA to award technology grants

Funding to encourage small, innovative companies

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has announced it will award grants to state and local economic development agencies, business development centers, colleges and universities to support programs for innovative, technology-driven small businesses under SBA's Federal and State Technology (FAST) partnership program.

Applications for the grants are open through April 11.

The FAST Program is designed to stimulate economic development among small, high-technology businesses through federally funded innovation and research and development programs such as the Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer. The project and budget periods are for a 12-month period.

FAST may provide up to \$100,000 per award to pay for outreach and technical assistance to science and technology-driven small businesses. The program places particular emphasis on helping socially and economically disadvantaged firms compete in the SBA's SBIR and STTR programs.

FAST funding awardees must demonstrate in their propos-

als how they will help support areas such as small business research and development assistance; technology transfer from universities to small businesses; technological diffusion of innovation benefiting small businesses; proposal development and mentoring for small businesses applying for SBIR grants; and commercializing technology developed through SBIR grants.

Proposals will be considered from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and U.S. territories. Only one proposal per state may be submitted. Proposals must be submitted to www.grants.gov by 11:59 p.m. April 11.

The grant requires varying levels of matching funds from each participating state and territory.

Companies supported by the SBIR and STTR programs often generate some of the most important breakthroughs each year in the U.S. For example, about 25 percent of R&D Magazine's Top 100 Innovations come from SBIR-funded small businesses.

For more information about the SBIR and STTR programs, visit SBA's website at: www.sba.gov/about-sba-services/7050.

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Legal Notice

"NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to Section 73-13-4 NMSA, the Board of Directors of Elephant Butte Irrigation District (District) will consider a Resolution to transfer water rights appurtenant to lands within the District which are not suitable for irrigation or capable of being properly irrigated to other lands within the District, if in the Board's judgement the land may be profitably irrigated and advantageously irrigated. The request is made by RALF D & ISABEL F RIVAS Trustees RIVAS LIVING TRUST who requests that the Board suspend a total of 2.02 acres of water rights from lands located in Section 31, Twp. 23S, Range 2E NMPM., and being a part of USRS Map 11-183P and transfer them to lands owned by ISABEL F RIVAS & VALERIE M SCOTT located in Section 1, Twp. 23S, Range 1E, NMPM, being a part of USRS Map 7-2B2B1. The place of the hearing is the offices of the District located at 530 S. Melendres, Las Cruces, New Mexico, and the date of the hearing is April 9, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. Protest or protests from any person or persons interested may be heard at the hearing. At the end of the hearing, the Board of Directors shall take formal action upon the Resolution. Any protestant or protestant's may appeal the decision of the Board directly to District Court within 10 days of the adoption or rejection of the Resolution."

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Date: 3/21, 2014

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

No. D-307-CV-2014-426

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF: CHARITY FAITH SAMANIEGO

TO

CHARITY FAITH DURIO, Petitioner.

Notice of Petition for Change of Name

Notice is hereby given that Charity Faith Samaniego, pursuant to Sections 40-3-2 and 40 8-3, N.M.S.A., 1978, and as provided by law, has filed her petition in the Third Judicial District Court of

Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Cause No. D-307-CV-2014-426 wherein she petitions the Court to change her name from Charity Faith Samaniego to Charity Faith Durio and that said Petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel I Arricta, District Judge, on April 17, 2014, at the hour of 9:00 am, at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

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Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 2014



New Mexico State University, an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer, will accept BIDS for the following project in the office of the Director of Purchasing.

BID Invitation: 201401024-F Large Freezers for NMSU Extension Home Economics

BID Due Date & Time: 4/3/14 2:00PM (local time)

Vendors are encouraged to register with NMSU's Online Bidding System at <https://scquest.ionwave.net/nmsu> to obtain a copy of this bid electronically and be registered for future bids for this commodity.

Date: 3/21, 2014



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Dates 1/3/14 - 12/26/14



New Mexico State University, an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer, will accept Proposals for the following project in the office of the Director of Purchasing.

Proposal Invitation: 201402021-P Pesticide Removal and Disposal

Proposal Due Date & Time: 4/23/14 @ 2:00PM (local time)

Non Mandatory Pre Proposal meeting 4/2/14 @ 1:30 PM, NMDA Conference Room 3190 S. Espina-NMSU Main Campus

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Date: 3/21, 2014



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Proposal Invitation: 201402025-P Electrical Improvements Zone 2200

NMSU Las Cruces Main Campus

Proposal Due Date & Time: 4/25/14 @ 2:00PM (local time)

Non Mandatory Pre Proposal meeting 4/1/14 @ 3:00 PM, Facilities and Services Large Conference Room 1530 Wells St. NMSU Main Campus

Vendors are encouraged to register with NMSU's Online Bidding System at <https://scquest.ionwave.net/nmsu> to obtain a copy of this RFP electronically and be registered for future RFP for this commodity.

Date: 3/21, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 14, 2014, Walter J. Ludwig, Karl O. Ludwig and Henry R. Ludwig, 699 Conway Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-00374 POD9, under OSE File No. LRG-00374, with the State Engineer for Permit to Drill and Use Supplemental Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling well LRG-00374 POD9, to a depth of 800 feet with 16 inch casing to be located within the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 36, Township 24 South, Range 02 East, NMPM, and described more specifically at or near where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32°10'56.774"N, 106°41'6.717"W, WGS84, on land owned by the applicants, to supplement wells LRG-00374 and LRG-00374-S, located on land owned by the applicants, located within the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of said Section 36, and more specifically where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32°11'0.286"N, 106°41'7.497"W and 32°10'58.04"N,

106°41'4.17"W, WGS84 respectively, 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, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, for the irrigation of 190 acres of land with ground water only, owned by the applicants, located within the following:

Subdivision	Section	Township
SW 1/4 SE 1/4 2 East	25	24 South
SE 1/4 SW 1/4 2 East	25	24 South
SE 1/4 SW 1/4 3 East	30	24 South
SW 1/4 SW 1/4 3 East	30	24 South
NW 1/4 3 East	31	24 South
NE 1/4 3 East	31	24 South
NE 1/4 2 East	36	24 South

as described in part by Subfile No.: LRS-28-004-0243 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24. The site for proposed well, LRG-00374 POD9, is located northeast of Mesquite, NM, approximately 0.48 miles southwest of the intersection of Missionary Ridge Rd. and Stern Dr., and is further identified by the physical address of 11000 Stern Drive.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify

your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 3/07, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on August 12, 2013, Karl O. Ludwig, Walter J. Ludwig, Dianne Ludwig, PO Box 1891, Anthony, NM 88021, and Farm Credit of NM (Contact: Kevin Kuper), PO Box 15039, Las Cruces, NM 88004, filed application numbered LRG-1289-POD3, OSE File No. LRG-1289-1, 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 proposed well LRG-1289-POD3 to a depth of 250 feet with a 16-inch casing, in a location within the NE 1/4 NW 1/4 of projected Section 5, Township 27S, Range 03E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near where Latitude and

Longitude intersect at 31°59'41.148"N and 106°39'39.972"W (WGS84), on land owned by Karl Ludwig, Walter Ludwig, Bybee Ludwig, Henry Ludwig, and Dianne Ludwig, to supplement existing well LRG-1289-S, located on land owned by Gadsden Independent School District within the SE 1/4 SW 1/4 of projected Section 32, Township 26S, Range 03E (NMPM). The location of well LRG-1289-S is more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31°59'54.237"N and 106°39'29.567"W (WGS84) 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, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 105.24 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within the SE 1/4 of projected Section 31, Township 26S, Range 03E, SW 1/4 of said projected Section 32, NW 1/4 of said projected Section 5, and NE 1/4 of projected Section 6, Township 26S, Range 03E (NMPM) as described in Subfile No. LRS 28-015-0026 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24. The site of proposed well LRG-1289-POD3 will be located west of Anthony, NM and may be found approximately 0.39 miles northwest of the intersection of Washington Street and S Highway 28.

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Description	Number	Pre-Bid/Pre-Proposal Meeting	Opening
Wyatt Drive Reconstruction	13-14-371	MANDATORY March 25, 2014 / 3:00 pm 700 N. Main, Room 2104, Las Cruces	April 8, 2014 3:00 pm
Safe Routes to School	13-14-391	Non-mandatory April 1, 2014 / 10:00 am 700 N. Main, Room 2104, Las Cruces	April 11, 2014 2:00 pm
Animal Transport Vehicle	13-14-397	None	April 10, 2014 2:00 pm

Please use this link to access all City of Las Cruces solicitations:
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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 3/21/14

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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 1/3 - 12/26, 2014

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the writer's complete name, phone number and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on August 12, 2013, Ludwig Farms (Contact: Karl O. Ludwig, Walter J. Ludwig, and Henry R. Ludwig), PO Box 1891, Anthony, NM 88021, filed application numbered LRG-1289-POD3, OSE File No. LRG-1289, 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 proposed well LRG-1289-POD3 to a depth of 250 feet with a 16-inch casing, in a location within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 5, Township 27S, Range 03E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31°59'41.148"N and 106°39'39.972"W (WGS84), on land owned by Karl Ludwig, Walter Ludwig, Bybee Ludwig, Henry Ludwig, & Dianne Ludwig, to supplement existing wells L R G - 1 2 8 9 and LRG-1289-S, located on land owned by Gadsden Independent School District, within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 32, Township 26S, Range 03E (NMPM) and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of said projected Section 32, respectively. These wells will be used 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, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant

Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 38.34 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 31, Township 26S, Range 03E (NMPM) and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 6, Township 27S, Range 03E (NMPM) as described in Subfile No. LRS 28-015-0025 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24. The site of proposed well LRG-1289-POD3 will be located west of Anthony, NM and may be found approximately 0.39 miles northwest of the intersection of Washington Street and S Highway 28.

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Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on August 26, 2013, David & Sylvia Wood, 7265 Doña Ana Road, Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-1980-POD2, under OSE File No. LRG-15698, 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 commencing use of a new well LRG-01980-POD2, to be drilled under separate application, which will be located at or near

where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32°24'36.909"N, 106°50'28.688"W, WGS84, on land owned by Wanda Bulger-Tamez, located within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 9, Township 22 South, Range 01 East, NMPM, to supplement well, LRG-04046, located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32°24'56.969"N 106°50'43.555"W, WGS84, on land owned by Carl L. Foster, located within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 9, Township 22 South, Range 01 East, NMPM 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, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 1.53 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located at 7265 Doña Ana Road within the S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 9, NMPM, as described in part by Subfile No's.: LRG-28-003-0090-A and LRG-28-003-0090-B of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The site for well LRG-1980-POD2, is located northwest of Las Cruces, approximately 0.27 miles northwest of the intersection of Harvey Farm Rd. and Doña Ana Rd., and is further identified by the property address of 7125 Doña Ana Road.

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Dates: 3/21, 3/28, 4/4, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 20, 2013, Coxco Farms, LLC, William Duane Cox and Marcene W. Cox, 4625 Northwind Rd., Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-14275-POD2 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-14275-POD 1, located on land owned by the applicant within the Pt. NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Projected Sec. 34 T22S R01E NMPM and more specifically described where Latitude/Longitude intersect at 32°21'27.794"N, 106°49'49.066"W, WGS84 and drilling a replacement well with a 8 inch casing at a depth of approximately 160 feet to be located within the Pt. NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 34 T22S R01E NMPM and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32°21'27.461"N, 106°49'49.099"W, WGS84 on land owned by the applicant for the continued diversion of an amount of water determined by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 2.51 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Projected Sec. 34 T22S R01E, NMPM as described by Office of the State Engineer File No.: LRG-14275-1 and by Subfile No. LRG-28-007-0090 of the Lower Rio Grande Basin Hydrographic Survey. Well LRG-14275-POD2 can be found north west of Las Cruces, NM approximately 1200 feet south from the corner of W. Taylor Rd. and Northwind Rd. Existing well LRG-14275-POD1 will be plugged.

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Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 9, 2013, Clark Collier, 217 Isleta Ct. Alto, NM 88312, Rene C. Kimball & James H. Boulton, 8612 Tierra Alegre, NE, Albuquerque, NM 87122, filed application numbered LRG-10347-POD8 with the State Engineer for Permit to Drill Supplemental Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County to supplement well LRG-10347, located on land owned by John K. & Jeanne Clayshulte within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Projected Sec. 25 T23S R01E NMPM and more specifically described where Latitude/Longitude intersect at 32°16'45.966"N, 106°47'53.59", WGS84 and drilling a supplemental well with a 12 inch casing at a depth of approximately 300 feet to be located within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Projected Sec. 2 T24S R01E NMPM and more specifically described where Latitude/Longitude intersect at 32°15'16.23"N, 106°48'50.285"W, WGS84 on land owned by the applicants, located within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Projected Sec. 2 T24S R01E NMPM as described by Office of the State Engineer File No.: LRG-10347-B and by Subfile No. LRG-28-012-0209 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. Well LRG-10347-POD8 can be found in the southwest region of the Town of Mesilla, NM approximately 1 mile southwest of the intersection of Calle Del Norte and Snow Rd. The applicant has requested

Dates: 3/21, 3/28, 4/4, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 10, 2013, Arthur Telles, Jr. & Charlene J. Telles, 720 E. Lance Dr., Silver City, NM 88061, filed application numbered LRG-6745-POD5 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-6745, located on land owned by James Jones within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Projected Sec. 36 T24S R02E NMPM and more specifically described where Latitude/Longitude intersect at 32°10'30.661"N, 106°41'57.522"W, WGS84 and drilling a replacement well with a 8 inch casing at a depth of approximately 160 feet to be located near the Section line border of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 36 T24S R02E, NMPM and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 01, T25S R02E NMPM or and more specifically described where Latitude/Longitude intersect at 39°10'13.827"N, 106°41'54.857"W, WGS84 on land owned by the applicant for the continued diversion of an amount of water determined by the

emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24

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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 4.68 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Projected Sec. 36 T24S R02E, NMPM as described by Office of the State Engineer File No.: LRG-6745-1E and in part by Subfile Order No. LRG-28-007-0001 of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. Well LRG-6745-1E can be found in the northern region of Mesquite, NM, at the southern end of the Greatview View Ct. cul-de-sac, in the southeast corner of lot 2 in the Greatview Subdivision. Existing well LRG-6745 will be retained for other rights.

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Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 30, 2013, Maria Antoinette Enriquez Revocable Trust, 555 Abital Drive, Albuquerque, NM 87123, filed application numbered LRG-8653-POD5, under OSE Files LRG-8653 and LRG-8653-C, 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 to a depth of 320 feet for 16-inch casing, to be located within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 4, Township 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31° 59' 37.07"N, 106° 38' 28.93"W WGS84, on land owned by the applicant, to supplement existing well LRG-3399, located within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 4, Township 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, on land owned by the applicant, existing well LRG-8653 located within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 33, Township 26 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, on land owned by the applicant, existing well LRG-8653-S located within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 4, Township 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, on land owned by the applicant, and existing well LRG-8653-S-2 located within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 4, Township 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, on land owned by the applicant, 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, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 153.45 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 33, Township 26 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, and within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$, the NE $\frac{1}{4}$, the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 4, Township 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, as described by Subfile No. : LRS-28-017-0015 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The site for new supplemental well LRG-8653-POD5 is located southwest of Anthony, NM and may be found approximately 0.6 mile north of the intersection of Westside Road and Vinton Road.

The applicant has requested -emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24

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Opening day 2014 for the Leadership Las Cruces class

Photos by Richard Coltharp

Wade McDowell of Memorial Medical Center and Sonia Barron of GS Roofing are two members of the 2014 Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce Leadership Las Cruces class. The class started Friday, March 14, with opening sessions and an alumni luncheon at Arabella's.



Tres Libby, Citizens Bank, class of 2008; Stephanie Armitage, Bank of the Rio Grande, class of 2014; Kelly Jameson, Doña Ana County Sheriff's Office, class of 2008; and Claire Frohs, Las Cruces Bulletin, class of 2008



Armitage and Janet Honek, class of 2012

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 Tell the chamber about a great local business. Go to www.lascruces.org/downloads.php, scroll down to Member Spotlight Nomination Form and download a nomination form. Candidates for Business of the Month will have more than 10 employees. Candidates for Small Business of the Month will have 10 or fewer employees. For more information, call the chamber at 524-1968.

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Cutting the ribbon at a Healthy new business

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Nutrishop owner Dena Curran talks with Kala Jones of the Allstate Hester Agency at the Nutrishop ribbon cutting Tuesday, March 11.



Curran, with scissors, cuts the ribbon to her new store with her helpers, Cody Eldridge, in red, and Heather Carter, holding the proclamation. Curran has been a fitness contender, taking first place in bikini classic and figure classic divisions in the 2013 Fitness New Mexico Championships. In 2009, she took the Mrs. New Mexico title.



Chamber of Commerce Conquistadores and other celebrants look around Nutrishop prior to the ribbon cutting event. Nutrishop offers nutritional supplements geared toward fitness and health and is located at 3835 E. Lohman Ave., Suite 4.



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Dates: 3/21, 3/28, 4/04, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 16, 2014, Jimmy R. Waller, PO Box 302, Mesquite, NM 88048-0302, filed application numbered LRG-10592-POD3 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-10592, located on land owned by Robert Lee Waller within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Projected Sec. 7 T25S R03E NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude/Longitude intersect at 32°25'20.826"N, 106°51'47.148"W, WGS84 and using a replacement well proposed under separate application to be drilled with a 16 inch casing at a depth of approximately 240 feet to be located within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Projected Sec. 7 and more specifically described where Latitude/Longitude intersect at 32°8'30.1"N, 106°40'38.3"W, WGS84 on land owned by Robert Lee Waller for the continued diversion of an amount of water determined by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 24.27 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Projected Sec. 7 as described by OSE File No.: LRG-10601-1 and by Subfile Order No. LRS-28-007-0087 of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, NM. Well LRG-10592-POD3 can be found approximately 10.5 miles southeast of Las Cruces, NM city limits approximately 2,100 ft. south from the intersection of County Road B-031 and S. Sunshine Ln. Existing well LRG-10592 will be

plugged. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to use the proposed well LRG-10592-POD3 under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 16, 2014, Robert Lee Waller, PO Box 300, Mesquite, NM 88048-0300, filed application numbered LRG-10592-POD3 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-10592, located on land owned by the applicant within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Projected Sec. 7 T25S R03E, NMPM and more specifically described where Latitude/Longitude intersect at 32°25'20.826"N, 106°51'47.148"W, WGS84 and drilling a replacement well with a 16 inch casing at a depth of approximately 240 feet to be located within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Sec. 7 and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32°8'30.1"N, 106°40'38.3"W, WGS84 on land owned by the applicant for the continued diversion of an amount of water determined by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña

Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 59.87 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the Pt. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ and pt. of the Projected SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Sec. 7, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and pt. NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Projected Sec. 18 T25S R03E, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 17 T25S R03E, NMPM as described by OSE File No.: LRG-10592-1 and by Subfile Order No. LRS-28-007-0086 of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, NM. Well LRG-10592-POD3 can be found approximately 10.5 miles southeast of Las Cruces, NM city limits approximately 2,100 ft. south from the intersection of County Road B-031 and S. Sunshine Ln. Existing well LRG-10592 will be plugged. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well LRG-10592-POD3 under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 3, 2014, James Salopek for Salopek 6U Farms, Inc., 5090 Snow Road, Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-06803 POD13, under OSE File No. LRG-06803, with the State Engineer for Permit to Drill

and Use Supplemental Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling well LRG-06803 POD13, to a depth of 600 feet with 16 inch casing to be located within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 12, Township 24 South, Range 01 East, NMPM, and described more specifically at or near where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32°13'54.89"N, 106°48'9.47"W, WGS84, on land owned by the applicant, to supplement wells LRG-06803, LRG-6803-S through LRG-S-9, and LRG-06803 POD 12, located on land owned by the applicant, described as follows:

Well	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
LRG-06803	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	12	24 South	1 East
LRG-06803-S	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	12	24 South	1 East
LRG-06803-S-2	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	12	24 South	1 East
LRG-06803-S-3	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	12	24 South	1 East
LRG-06803-S-4	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	7	24 South	2 East
LRG-06803-S-5	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	7	24 South	2 East
LRG-06803-S-6	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	7	24 South	2 East
LRG-06803-S-7	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	7	24 South	2 East
LRG-06803-S-8	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	11	24 South	1 East
LRG-06803-S-9	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	11	24 South	1 East
LRG-06803 POD12	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	13	24 South	1 East

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, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 706.11 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the following:

Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ & SW $\frac{1}{4}$	7	24 South	2 East
SE $\frac{1}{4}$	11	24 South	1 East
NE $\frac{1}{4}$; SE $\frac{1}{4}$	12	24 South	1 East
SW $\frac{1}{4}$; NW $\frac{1}{4}$	12	24 South	1 East
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ & NW $\frac{1}{4}$	13	24 South	1 East
NE $\frac{1}{4}$; SE $\frac{1}{4}$	18	24 South	2 East
SW $\frac{1}{4}$; NW $\frac{1}{4}$	18	24 South	2 East

as described in part by Subfile No.s.: LRS-28-001-0004 and LRS-28-003-0004 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The site for proposed well, LRG-06803 POD13, is located south of Mesilla, NM, approximately 0.62 miles southwest of the intersection of Snow Rd. and Pajaro Rd., and is further identified by the physical address of 5630 Snow Rd.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 3/21, 3/28, 4/4, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on June 19, 2013, Ramon and Norma Alvarez, 1049 Mercantil Ave, La Union, NM 88021, filed application numbered LRG-15581 POD1 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of existing well LRG-14061 POD1, also known as well LRS 18-0051, located within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 16, Township 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31°57'7.45"N, 106°38'47.09"W WGS84, on land owned by Rodolfo Maldonado, and drilling a replacement well to a depth of 300 feet for 16-inch casing to be located within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 17, Town-

ship 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31°57'15.48"N, 106°39'2.14"W WGS84, on land owned by the applicant, 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, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 10.21 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 17, Township 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 16, Township 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 21, Township 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, and within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of projected Section 20, Township 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, as described by Subfile No.: LRS-28-018-0031 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The site for replacement well LRG-15581 POD1 is located southwest of Anthony, NM and may be found at the physical address of 1049 Mercantil Avenue. Existing well LRG-14061 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.

Dates: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 12, 2013, John D. & Cynthia Lange-negger, 1270 Apple Tree Ln., Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-692-POD3 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-692, located on land owned by Heriberto D. Hernandez & Antonia Hernandez within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Projected Sec. 27 T22S R01E NMPM and more specifically described where Latitude/Longitude intersect at 32°22'18.032"N, 106°49'47.72"W, WGS84 and drilling a replacement well with a 6 inch casing at a depth of approximately 160 feet to be located within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Projected Sec. 27 T22S R01E NMPM and more specifically described at or near where Latitude/Longitude intersect at 32°22'14.864"N, 106°49'41.617"W, WGS84 on land owned by the applicant for the continued diversion of an amount of water determined by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 1 acre of land, owned by the applicant, located within the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Projected Sec. 27 T22S R01E, NMPM as described by Office of the State Engineer File No.: LRG-692-1A and in part by Subfile No. LRS-28-006-0105-A of the Lower Rio Grande Basin Hydrographic Survey. Well LRG-692-POD3 can be found approximately 5 miles northwest of Las Cruces, NM at the address of 1270 Apple Tree Ln., approximately 65 feet south of the dwelling. Existing well LRG-692 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

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Dates: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on October 12, 2011, Ramon Alvarez, 1049 Mercantil Ave., La Union, NM 88021, filed application numbered LRG-10658-POD2 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-10658, on land owned by the applicant located within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 22, T26S, R03E, NMPM and drilling proposed well LRG-10658-POD2 with 4-inch casing to an approximate depth of 150 ft. below ground surface within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 22 located on land owned by the applicant at approximately X=1,521,932 Y=377,393 ft. (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83), for the diversion of 7.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater or that amount required for beneficial use for multi-domestic and livestock purposes at a residence on land owned by the applicant within Pt. NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 22 at the physical address of 2415 Opitz Rd. LRG-10658 and proposed well LRG-10658-POD2 are located approximately 880 ft. south of the intersection of W. Joy Rd. and Opitz Rd., approximately 1.0 mile northwest of Anthony, NM. Well LRG-10658 will be properly plugged.

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 that 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

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Dates: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

NOTICE is hereby given that on September 8, 2011, Juan and Dolores Rodriguez, 766 Vinton Rd., Anthony, NM 88021, filed application numbered

LRG-15106-POD1 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-1812, on land owned by McCilli Farms, LP located within the SE¼ NW¼ SE¼, of Section 16, T27S, R03E, NMPM and drilling new well LRG-15106-POD1 to a depth of approximately 250 feet below ground surface with 12-inch casing to be located on land owned by the applicant within the NE¼ SE¼ SE¼ of said Section 16 at approximately X=1,521,331 Y=347,294 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83), for the combined diversion of shallow groundwater and surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District in that amount required for beneficial use for the irrigation of 12.58 acres of land owned by the applicant within Pt. SE¼ of said Section 16 and Pt. SW¼ of Section 15, T27S, R03E, NMPM, otherwise described as EBID Tract Nos. 30-5C TR1 and 30-6C TR1. LRG-1812 and proposed well LRG-15106-POD1 are Located approximately 2,100 ft. west and 1,300 ft. southwest, respectively, of the intersection of Vinton Rd. and Westside Rd., approximately 0.5 miles east of La Union, NM. Well LRG-1812 will be retained for other rights.

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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 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: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

The City Council of The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Adoption of The Following Ordinance at a Regular City Council Meeting Held on March 17, 2014:

1. Council Bill No. 14-022; Ordinance No. 2707: An Ordinance to Repeal Las Cruces Municipal Code 1997, Article IV, Business Registration and Licensing, Division 1, Generally, Sections 16-96 Through 16-125, and Division 2, Business Registrations, Sections 16-126 Through 16-165; and to Enact a New Las Cruces Municipal Code 1997, Sections 16-96 Through 16-165.

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 18th day of March 2014.**

Esther Martinez-Carrillo,
MMC
City Clerk

Date: 3/21, 2014

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

The City Council of The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Intent to Adopt The Following Ordinances at a Regular City Council Meeting to be Held on April 7, 2014:

1. Council Bill No. 14-023; Ordinance No. 2708: An Ordinance Repealing LCMC 1997, Chapter 7, Animals, Article I Through Article V, in Its Entirety and Enacting New LCMC 1997, Chapter 7, Animal Control Ordinance, Article I Through Article IV.

2. Council Bill No. 14-024; Ordinance No. 2709: An Ordinance Repealing Las Cruces Municipal Code, 1997, Section 27-7, Safe Traffic Operations Program, and Enacting a New Section 27-7.

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 12th day of March 2014.**

Esther Martinez-Carrillo,
CMC

City Clerk

Date: 3/21, 2014

NOTICE OF VEHICLE SEIZURE

TO REGISTERED OWNERS, SECURED PARTIES AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS:

Loan Max Title Loans, Coronado Finance, and HSBC Finance.

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 its contents will be auctioned to the highest bidder at a upcoming auction on April 27, 2014 location of 2821 Las Vegas Court Las Cruces, NM. at 12:00 PM.

VIN # VEHICLE DESCRIPTION REGISTERED OWNER

1FMCU14TXJUC66241
1988 FORD SUV BROWN DELIA FONSECA

1FAFP55SX4A192739
2004 FORD TAURUS TAN RACHEL CERVANTES

1G2WJ14T6MF243627
1991 PONTIAC 2D GRAY EFRAIN MONTES

2GCEC19R7T1126238
1996 CHEV. PK MAROON GUILLERMO ACEVES

1MELM62W0TH622902
1996 MERCURY 2D WHITE RICHARD HALL

1JCWC7560FT057859
1985 JEEP SUV TAN DOUGLAS METCALF

1FMZU73X4YZB32243
2000 FORD SUV RED MARIA NAJERA

1G1LT53T9PY241616
1993 CHEVROLET 4D GRAY DOUGLAS BARNES

1G2NF12T71M537402
2001 PONTIAC 2D BLACK SAMMY VILLAREAL

1FMDU34X4NUD32114
1992 FORD PK RED RACHEL CORICA

1GCGC24M0GJ113210
1986 CHEVROLET PK BLUE EDWARD LUCERO

1B7FE16Y0KS009772
1989 DODGE PK RED DENNIS COOK

If you do not demand judicial review within 30 calendar days from the date of the seizure and or the date of this notice, by filing a claim for the described vehicle with the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Office or filing a suit in court, you lose the right to a judicial determination of this forfeiture, and you lose any right you may have to the described vehicle and its contents.

Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 2014

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

NO. D-307-CV-2014-00421

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Alex Robert Hinders

FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Alex Robert Hinders, 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 District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from Alex Robert Hinders to Alexis Raquel Hinders, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta, District Judge, on the 17th day of April 2014, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/Alex Robert Hinders
Alex Robert Hinders
651 Watson Lane
Las Cruces, NM 88005
641-691-9672

Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 2014

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

NO. D-307-CV-2014-352

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF JOHN ROBERT NICHOLLS, II

FOR CHANGE

OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that John Robert Nicholls, II a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filled a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein he seeks to change his name from John Robert Nicholls, II to John Robert Darlin, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Douglas R. Driggers, District Judge, on the 14th day of April 2014, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. at the Third Judicial District Court, Courtroom 6, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM 88005

Respectfully submitted,
/s/John Robert Nicholls, II
3757 Damonite Ct.
Las Cruces, NM 88012
575-373-0494
719-406-0806

Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NO. D-307-CV-2013-00404

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Successor by Merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP, Plaintiff,

vs.

THE ESTATE OF WALTER N. ADLER, Deceased; MARYLOU C. ADLER, Individually and as Personal Representative for the Estate of Walter N. Adler, Deceased; MICHELLE ADLER; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR LEGATEES OF WALTER N. ADLER; JOHN DOE A (true name unknown), spouse of MARYLOU C. ADLER, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 2, 2014, 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 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 4862 Calle Bella Avenue, Doña Ana, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 96, Block B, LOS ENAMORADOS ESTATES, 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 July 27, 2006, in Book 21 Page(s) 722-727 of Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 6, 2014, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$146,319.51 and the same bears interest at 6.3750% per annum from November 21, 2013, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$3,398.92. 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 signed
/s/ Pamela A. Carmody
Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
PO Drawer 16169
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
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Dates: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-PB-2013-00086
JUDGE James T. Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARIA ESTHER MEDRANO, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that GUSTAVA AGUILAR has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate of MARIA ESTHER MEDRANO, deceased. 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 Attorney for the Personal Representative, Joshua Dwyer, of SCOTTHULSE PC, 201 North Church Street, Suite 201, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, Phone: (575)522-0765, FAX: (575)522-0006, or filed with the Court at Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Dated this 6th day of March, 2014.

/s/ Joshua Dwyer
Joshua Dwyer
Attorneys for
Personal Representative
SCOTTHULSE PC
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Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 2014

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

No. D-307-CV-2013-02296

CAPITAL ONE, N.A., as successor by merger to ING Bank, FSB Plaintiff,

vs.

SCOTT IZU, Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana Coun-

ty, New Mexico, commonly known as 1220 Alamo Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001-3702, and more particularly described as follows:

LOTS 21 AND 22 AND THE NORTH 5' (FIVE) FEET OF LOT 23, BLOCK 13, AMENDED PLAT OF VALLEY VIEW ADDITION, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 46 THEREOF, FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON APRIL 24, 1907, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 3, PAGE 44, PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **11:45 a.m. on March 28, 2014**, outside the front entrance to the Doña Ana County Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted Capital One, N.A., as successor by merger to ING Bank, FSB.

Capital One, N.A., as successor by merger to ING Bank, FSB was awarded a Judgment on February 17, 2014, in the principal sum of \$62,591.39, plus outstanding interest due on the Note through December 15, 2013, in the amount of \$1,410.59 and accruing thereafter at the rate of \$6.22 per diem, plus late charges of \$45.15, plus escrow advances of \$851.38, plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through December 15, 2013, in the sum of \$1,500.00, and costs through December 15, 2013, in the sum of \$476.50, with interest on the above-listed amounts plus attorney's fees and costs of this suit at the rate of 3.62500% per annum from date of the entry of the Judgment until paid.

The sale is subject to rights and easements of record, to unpaid property taxes and assessments, and to the one (1) month right of redemption in favor of the Defendants as specified in the Judgment filed herein.

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

/s/ Faisal Sukhyani,
Special Master

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c/o Leverick and Musselman, L.L.C.
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New Mexico 87109
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Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2013-01259

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

MANUEL R. GRANADOS AND NANCY B. GRANADOS, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 25, 2014 at 11:45 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., 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 24 in Block A of SANDHILL CENTER HEIGHTS, PHASE 4, 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 June 20, 2005 and recorded in Book 21 at Pages 237-238, Plat Records.

The address of the real property is 4423 Kingston Court, 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 October 21, 2013 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 \$148,909.26 plus interest from October 3, 2013 to the

date of sale at the rate of 6.000% 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 pay off, 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 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.

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NM13-00856_FC01

Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-201102304

U.S. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., AS SUCCESSOR TO LASALLE BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR THE MERRILL LYNCH FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-H1, Plaintiff,

v.

MARGARET HECHTER, JOHN D. WEST AND ANETTE WEST AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARGARET HECHTER, IF ANY, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 25, 2014 at 11:45 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., 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 20, Block 5, MAJESTIC HILLS SUBDIVISION, NUMBER TWO, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on Plat No. 784 thereof, filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk of said county on August 13, 1973, and recorded in Book 11, Pages 55-61, Plat Records.

The address of the real property is 3112 Risner St., Las Cruces, NM 88011. 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 February 17, 2012 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 es-

tate in the sum of \$180,367.58 plus interest from November 18, 2011 to the date of sale at a variable per year, 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 pay off, 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 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.

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NM11-00286_FC01

Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-201201996

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

v.

JORGE CARRILLO, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 25, 2014 at 11:45 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., 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 NUMBERED 438 OF AMBER MESA, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID AMBER MESA, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON OCTOBER 20, 1988 IN PLAT BOOK 15, FOLIO 326-349.

The address of the real property is 7765 Zircon 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 October 23, 2013 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 \$130,871.97 plus interest from November 2, 2013 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.500% 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 prop-

erty 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 pay off, 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 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.

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NM13-02276_FC01

Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2012-02847

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

v.

ROBERT SANCHEZ SR. AKA ROBERT VICTOR SANCHEZ SR., CHERYL ARCHULETA, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROBERT SANCHEZ SR. AKA ROBERT VICTOR SANCHEZ SR., IF ANY AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHERYL ARCHULETA, IF ANY, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 25, 2014 at 11:45 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., 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 NUMBERED 35 IN BLOCK NUMBERED A OF EL PRESIDIO - PHASE 3B FINAL PLAT, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID EL PRESIDIO - PHASE 3B FINAL PLAT, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON NOVEMBER 23, 2005 IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 421-422.

The address of the real property is 2089 San Patricio Loop, Las Cruces, NM 88011. 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 January 21, 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 \$286,613.52 plus interest from May 31, 2013 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.250% 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 pay off, 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 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.

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Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2012-00993

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, Plaintiff,

LEGAL NOTICES

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vs.

**RICHARD L. SOLIS;
ISABELA A. SOLIS,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 2, 2014, 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, 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 4628 April Place, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

All that certain parcel of land situate in the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana and State of New Mexico bounded and described as follows:

Lot 2, Block 3, DEL NORTE COUNTRY ESTATES UNIT III, in the County of Doña Ana, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on Plat No. 2336 thereof, filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk of said county on June 30, 1992, and recorded in Book 17, pages 198-199, 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 February 18, 2014, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$223,496.25 and the same bears interest at 3.875% per annum from January 1, 2014, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$2,182.92. 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 signed
/s/ Pamela A. Carmody
Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
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Dates: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 2014

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

PB-2014-009
Judge Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CESAR RODRIQUEZ, 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 Law Office of Jill V. Johnson Vigil, LLC, P.O. Box 16244, Las Cruces, NM 88004, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Suite A, Las Cruces, NM 88005.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2014.

/s/Letty Kuykendall
Letty Kuykendall
Personal Representative
of the Estate of Cesar
Rodriguez, Deceased

PREPARED &
SUBMITTED BY:
LAW OFFICE OF JILL
V. JOHNSON VIGIL, LLC

/s/Bill Kinsella
Bill Kinsella
P.O. Box 16244
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Attorney for Estate

Dates: 3/21, 3/28, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-2012-01038

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL AS- SOCIATION, Plaintiff,

v.

LINDA L. TUCKER, CHARLES E. TUCKER AND MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGIS- TRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE, De- fendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 25, 2014 at 11:45 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., 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 30 in Block E of Sandhill Center Heights, Phase 5, Las Cruces, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Sandhill Center Heights, Phase 5, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on 11/02/2005 in Plat Book 21, Folio 392-393. A.P.N. 02-33946.

The address of the real property is 4446 Hillsboro Loop, 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 October 21, 2013 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 \$140,313.81 plus interest from September 27, 2013 to the date of sale at the rate of 5.800% 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 pay off, 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.

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.

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Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2011-01694

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL AS- SOCIATION, SUCCE- SOR BY MERGER TO CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CHASE MANHATTAN MORT- GAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff,

v.

ALLEN MICHAEL TICE AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ALLEN MI- CHAEL TICE, IF ANY, Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on April 8, 2014 at 11:00 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, 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 16, AMBER MESA, IN DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE COUNTY OFFICE CLERK OF SAID COUNTY OCTOBER 20, 1988, IN BOOK 15 PAGES 326-349 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The address of the real property is 7654 Grouse Run Dr, 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 May 28, 2013 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 \$86,097.59 plus interest from August 31, 2012 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.000% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expen-

ded 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 pay off, 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.

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505-767-9444

NM11-00774_FC01

Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 4/4, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2013-01503

FEDERAL NATIONAL

MORTGAGE ASSOCIA- TION, Plaintiff,

v.

MARIA CEVALLOS AND PEDRO F. CEVALLOS, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 25, 2014 at 11:45 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., 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 Numbered 8 in block numbered F of Dos Suenos Estates, Las Cruces, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Dos Suenos Estates, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on December 23, 2004 in plat book 21, folio 84-89.

The address of the real property is 4243 Calle De Estrellas, Las Cruces, NM 88012-7652. 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 October 17, 2013 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 \$213,701.24 plus interest from August 21, 2013 to the date of sale at the rate of 3.125% 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 pay off, 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.

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NM13-00779_FC01

Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2013-01829

SUNTRUST MORT- GAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

v.

CARMEN A. FORRES- TER AND CLAUD A. FORRESTER, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 25, 2014 at 11:45 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District

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Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., 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:

Real property in the City of Organ, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, described as follows: A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE EAST OF ORGAN, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, IN SECTION 36, T.21S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS AND ALSO BEING WITHIN THE BLACK QUARTZ NO. 539 AND SHORT CUT NO. 538 AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, WHENCE THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 31, T.21S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS BEARS S. 76° 00' 10"W., 610.69 FEET; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING, N13° 52' 00"E., 259.07 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE S.76° 08' 03"E., 259.07 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE N.14° 01' 47"E., 103.78 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE S.72° 08' 35"E., 222.49 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND ON THE WEST LINE OF COUNTY ROAD FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID COUNTY ROAD, S.13° 12' 45"W., 197.21 FEET TO A CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE LEAVING THE WEST LINE OF SAID COUNTY ROAD, N.76° 40' 27"W., 29.94 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE S.13° 16' 15"W., 59.91 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE S. 76° 35' 08"E., 30.00 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID COUNTY ROAD FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID COUNTY ROAD, S.13° 12' 45"W., 90.22 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE LEAVING THE WEST LINE OF SAID COUNTY ROAD, N.78° 08' 00"W., 485.28 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGIN-

NING CONTAINING 3.327 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

The address of the real property is 6525 County Road D-087, Organ, NM 88052. 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 December 10, 2013 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 \$185,061.94 plus interest from September 26, 2013 to the date of sale at the rate of 5.250% 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 pay off, 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.

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NM13-01736_FC01

Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2012-02556

MIDFIRST BANK, Plaintiff,

v.

KENDALL B. HERNANDEZ, RENE D. HERNANDEZ AND EL MIRADOR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 25, 2014 at 11:45 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., 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 30, Block 5, of El Mirador Subdivision, located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat thereof filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on December 24, 1988 and Recorded In Book 15, Pages 376-377, Plat Records.

The address of the real property is 232 Avenida Mirador, Santa Teresa, NM 88008-9409. 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 October 9, 2013 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 \$230,161.61 plus interest from January 12, 2013 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.000% 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.

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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.

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NM12-03245_FC01

Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2014-00131

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,

v.

JASON STEEL AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JASON STEEL, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendants Jason Steel and The Unknown Spouse of Jason Steel, if any.

GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 1781 Highland Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88005, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

Lot numbered 1 of NORTH ALAMEDA ACRES Replat No. 1, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said North Alameda Acres Replat No. 1, filed in the office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on July 27, 1984 in Plat Book 13, Folio 292.

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

THE CASTLE LAW GROUP, LLC
By: /s/ Michael J. Anaya - electronically signed
Michael J. Anaya

20 First Plaza NW,
Suite 602
Albuquerque, NM 87102
Telephone: (505) 848-9500
Fax: (505) 848-9516
Attorney For Plaintiff

NM13-04038_FC01

Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 2014

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

Case No.
D-307-DM2013-236
Judge: Lisa C. Schultz

Griselda Levario, Petitioner,

v.

Ricardo Villa, Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT

TO Ricardo Villa, RESPONDENT:

Take notice that a lawsuit has been filed against you.

The subject of this lawsuit is: Divorce

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

Griselda Levario
P.O. Box 500
La Mesa, NM 88044
575-556-4864

WITNESS the Honorable Lisa C. Schultz, 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 6 day of March, 2014

NORMAN E. OSBORNE CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

BY: Jodie Castillo-Delgado Deputy

Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2012-01716

LPP MORTGAGE, LTD, Plaintiff,

v.

FERNANDO A. LOPEZ SR. A/K/A FERNANDO A. LOPEZ, M.D. AND CITIZENS BANK OF LAS CRUCES, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on April 8, 2014 at 11:00 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, 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 59, CORONADO RIDGE PHASE 2, 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 January 16, 2004, in Book 20 Page(s) 516-519 of Plat Records

The address of the real property is 8175 Constitution Rd, Las Cruces, NM 88007. 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 January 24, 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 \$590,177.90 plus interest from February 28, 2013 to the date of sale at the rate of 7.250% 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 pay off, 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.

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NM13-04266_FC01

Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 4/4, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2013-00685

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,

v.

RUDY L. ACOSTA, IRMA J. ACOSTA, THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION & REVENUE, NEW MEXICO WORKFORCE SECURITY FKA NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF LABOR EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION, TOM MARTINEZ AND GAIL NORVELL, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 25, 2014 at 11:45 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and

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interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Lot numbered 37 in Block numbered of AVALON PARK SUBDIVISION - Corrected Plat, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Avalon Park Subdivision - Corrected Plat, filed in the office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on November 28, 2006 in Plat Book 22, Folio 62-64.

The address of the real property is 2089 Briarwood Lane, Las Cruces, NM 88007. 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 November 15, 2013 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 \$214,666.30 plus interest from September 17, 2013 to the date of sale at the rate of 5.000% 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.

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NM13-00201_FC01

Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

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

No. D-307-CV-2013-02533

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.

HORACIO OLIVAS, NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY and the HOUSING AUTHORITY of the CITY OF LAS CRUCES, 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 1319 Park Drive, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 60, COLLINS PARK, 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 FEBRUARY 10, 1953, IN BOOK 7 PAGE 35 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at 10:30 a.m. on March 26, 2014, in front of the main entrance to the Third Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho, 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. dba Bank of Oklahoma, N.A. and the Housing Authority of the City of Las Cruces.

BOKF, N.A. dba Bank of Oklahoma, N.A. was awarded a Judgment on February 19, 2014, in the principal sum of \$89,649.22, plus outstanding interest due on the Note through February 1, 2014, in the amount of \$3,455.20 and accruing thereafter at the rate of \$11.36 per diem, plus late charges of \$163.08 plus escrow advances in the amount of \$819.61, plus property preservation costs in the amount of \$152.10, plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through February 1, 2014, in the sum of \$950.00, with interest thereon from date of Judgment until paid at the rate of 4.625% per annum; plus costs incurred by Plaintiff through February 1, 2014, in the sum of \$562.18, with interest thereon from date of judgment until paid at the rate of 4.625% per annum.

Defendant Housing Authority of the City of Las Cruces was awarded a Judgment on February 19, 2014, in the principal amount of \$18,080.00, plus attorney's fees in the amount of \$929.00 (exclusive of gross receipts tax) and costs in the amount of \$43.02, for a total judgment amount of \$19,052.02.

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/ John A. Darden, III
P.O. Box 578
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0578
(575) 541-6655

Dates: 2/28, 3/07, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

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

PB-2014-00011
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VICTORIA OBERLIN, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the estate of Victoria Oberlin, deceased. 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 within two months after the mailing or other delivery of this notice, whichever is later, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either (1) to the undersigned personal representative at 2145 E. Lohman Avenue in Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or (2) filed with the Third Judicial District Court.

DATED: March 21, 2014

FIRST AMERICAN BANK (TRUST AND INVESTMENT SERVICES)

By: /s/ Barbara Nelson
Barbara Nelson,
Trust Officer, Personal Representative of the Estate of Victoria Oberlin, deceased

LAW OFFICE OF KYLE H. MOBERLY, P.C.

By: /s/ Kyle H. Moberly
Kyle H. Moberly
Attorney for
Personal Representative
P.O. Box 7663
Las Cruces, NM 88006
(575) 541-1278

Dates: 3/21, 3/28, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2013-00520

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN F. VELASQUEZ, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 25, 2014 at 11:45 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., 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 numbered 55 in Block numbered 4 of Canyon Point Subdivision, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Canyon Point Subdivision, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on April 27, 1995 in plat Book 18, Folio 243-245.

The address of the real property is 4678 Rock Canyon Loop, Las Cruces, NM 88011. 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 October 29, 2013 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 \$292,941.21 plus interest from August 1, 2013 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.446% 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 pay off, 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.

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Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2013-02543

CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.

DAVID MATTHEW MORALES, KARI LYN MORALES, LAS CRUCES MEDICAL CENTER LLC DBA MOUNTAIN VIEW REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DAVID MATTHEW MORALES, IF ANY AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KARI LYN MORALES, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF New Mexico to the above-named Defendant The Unknown Spouse of David Matthew Morales, if any.

GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 2800 Sandstone Ln, Las Cruces, NM 88007, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

A tract of land situate Northwest of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Sections 33 and 34, T.22S., R.1E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys as part of U.S.R.S. Tract 5-59A24D and also part of U.S.R.S. Tract 5-59A24B and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a concrete monument found at the East line of an irrigation ditch and the North side of a 20 foot wide road for the Southwest corner of this tract said point being identical to U.S.R.S. Tract 5-59A24B: whence the Southwest corner of Section 34, T.22S., R.1E., bears S.7 deg., 30'26"E., 1182.84 feet; **THENCE** from the place of beginning and along the East side of the ditch N.23 deg. 49'20"W., 272.78 feet to a concrete monument found for the Northwest corner of this tract; **THENCE** leaving the ditch N.60 deg. 17'30"E., 160.53 feet to an iron rod set for the Northeast corner of this tract; **THENCE** S.23 deg. 49'20"E., 272.78 feet to an iron rod set on the North side of a 20 foot wide road for the Southeast corner of this tract; **THENCE** along the North side of the road S.60 deg. 17'30"W., 160.53 feet to the place of beginning containing 1,000 acre of land more or less.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

THE CASTLE LAW GROUP, LLC
By: /s/ Michael J. Anaya - electronically filed
Michael J. Anaya
20 First Plaza NW,
Suite 602
Albuquerque, NM 87102
Telephone: (505) 848-9500
Fax: (505) 848-9516
Attorney For Plaintiff

NM13-03167_FC01

Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-201100320

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS TRUSTEE FOR AMRES-CO RESIDENTIAL SECURITIES CORPORATION MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 1997-2, Plaintiff,

vs.

JOE VALENZUELA AKA JOE P. VALENZUELA, JOANNE VALENZUELA AKA JO ANN VALENZUELA AKA JOANNE D. VALENZUELA, NEW MEXICO WORKFORCE SECURITY FKA NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF LABOR EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION AND UNIFUND CCR PARTNERS ASSIGNEE OF CITIBANK, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

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A tract of land situate northeast of the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico located in Section 8, T. 22S, R.3E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. surveys and being more particularly described as follows to wit:

Beginning at a 1/2" Iron Rod found for the southwest corner of this tract; Identical to the southeast corner of Lot B of Woodburn No. 1, Plat filed January 27, 1989 in Plat Book 16, page 22 of the Doña Ann County Records;

Thence, from the point of beginning, along the east line of the aforementioned Woodburn No. 1, N. 00°09'18" W., 165.33 feet to a 1/2" iron rod with Cap No. 2091 found for the northwest corner of this tract;

Thence, S. 89°42' 19" E., 329.17 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found on the west line of Evon Drive for the northeast corner of this tract;

Thence, along line west line of Evon Drive, S. 00° 10'45" E., 165.50 feet to a 3/4" Iron pipe found for the southeast corner of this tract;

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Thence, leaving Evon Drive, N. 89°40'35" W., 329.24 feet, to the point of beginning, enclosing 1.250 acres of land, more or less. Subject to all easements and reservations of record. Information for this survey derives from Warranty Deed filed November 3, 1989 in Deed Book 336, Page 133 of the Doña Ana County Records. A plat was prepared under Job No. 96-0766 by Scanlon White, Inc.

The address of the real property is 6405 Evon Drive, 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 April 16, 2013 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 \$75,013.45 plus interest from November 20, 2012 to the date of sale at the rate of 5.000% 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 pay off, 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, ease-

ments, 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.

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Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2014-00105

BOKF, N.A., a national banking association dba BANK OF OKLAHOMA as successor by merger to Bank of Oklahoma, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

HARRY CARSON, II and BENEFICIAL NEW MEXICO INC. D/B/A BENEFICIAL MORTGAGE CO., Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO DEFENDANT HARRY CARSON, II:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named Plaintiff filed a Complaint for Foreclosure in the above Court on January 17, 2014, against the above-named Defendants. The general object of the Complaint is to foreclose a lien of Plaintiff against certain real property located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 861 Sunbonnet Lane, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 9, BLOCK C, COUNTRY ACRE PHASE 3C, 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 FEBRUARY 12, 1993, IN BOOK 17 PAGES 274-275 OF PLAT RECORDS.

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and to foreclose the interests of the above named Defendants and any other parties bound by the notice of lis pendens in the Property, all as more specifically stated in the Complaint filed in this cause of action.

FURTHER, the above-named Defendant Harry Carson, II is hereby notified that he has until thirty (30) days from date of completion of publication of this Notice in which to file an answer or other pleading responsive to the Complaint and should said Defendant choose not to file an answer or other responsive pleading to the Complaint on or before thirty (30) days from date of completion of publication of this Notice, judgment or other appropriate relief may be rendered against the above-named Defendant.

Richard M. Leverick of the law firm of Leverick and Musselman, L.L.C., whose address and phone number is 5120 San Francisco Rd. NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109, (505) 858-3303 is the attorney for the Plaintiff.

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 said County, on February 25, 2014.

(SEAL)
NORMAN OSBORNE
CLERK OF THE
DISTRICT COURT

By: /s/ Josie A. Gomez - Deputy

Dates: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2012-00196

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUZE COMPANY, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-5, Plaintiff,

vs.

CARLOS OROZCO; CANDELARIA OROZCO; DAVID BINGHAM;

TIM GRAY, Defendants.

FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 26, 2014, 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, 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 840 Frontera, Sunland Park, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Portion of Lot 1, Whispering Willows Estates, Phase One, out of Tract 46 Projected Section 6, Township 29 South, Range 4 East, N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys, Sunland Park, Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

The parcel of land herein described is portion of Lot 1, Whispering Willows Estates, Phase One, out of Tract 46, Projected Section 6, Township 29 South, Range 4 East, N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys, Sunland Park, Doña Ana County, New Mexico and is more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

Commencing at an existing Texas and New Mexico State boundary Monument No. 91; Thence, South 87° 37' 30" East, along said state line, a distance of 186.32 feet to a point lying on the southerly right-of-way line of Frontera Road, said point being a set 1/2-inch iron with SLI cap stamped TX 2998/NM 6698; Thence, South 55° 56' 45" W, along said right-of-way line, a distance of 135.87 feet to a set 1/2-inch iron with SLI plastic cap stamped TX 2998/NM 6698, said point being the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING of this description;

THENCE, South 34° 03' 17" East, a distance of 392.51 feet to a set 1/2-inch iron with SLI plastic cap stamped TX 2998/NM 6698;

THENCE, South 55° 56' 43" West, a distance of 300.62 feet to a point lying on the common boundary line between Lot 1, Whispering Willows, Phase One and Lot 1, Hacienda de Los Nogales Unit One, said point being a set 1/2-inch iron with SLI plastic cap stamped TX 2998/NM 6698;

THENCE, North 33° 57' 53" West, along said boundary line, a distance of 392.51 feet to a point lying on the southerly right-of-

way of Frontera Road, said point being a found 1/2-inch iron;

THENCE, North 55° 56' 43" East, along said right-of-way line, a distance of 300.00 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING of this description;

Said parcel of land contains 2.706 acres (117,874 Sq. Ft.) of land more or less.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on September 23, 2013, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$673,408.93 and the same bears interest at 9.350% per annum from September 16, 2013, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$33,120.65. 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 signed
/s/ Pamela A. Carmody
Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
PO Drawer 16169
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
(505) 525-2711

Dates: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2012-02895

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR HARBORVIEW MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-4, Plaintiff,

v.

ERIKA CHAMBERLIN AKA ERIKA J. CHAMBERLIN, WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE, INC. AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ERIKA CHAMBERLIN AKA ERIKA J. CHAMBERLIN, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on April 8, 2014 at 11:00 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, 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:

A portion of Section 26, Township 28 South, Range 3 East, New Mexico Prime Meridian, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to wit;

FROM a point, said point being United State Supreme Court Monument No. 75 marking the State Line between New Mexico and Texas; Thence South 61°08'45" East along said State Line, a distance of 152.40 feet to a point lying in the easterly right of way line of Montoya Lateral "D"; Thence South 19°38'42" East along the easterly right of way line of Montoya Lateral "D"; a distance of 634.63 feet; Thence South 17°37' East continuing along said right of way line, a distance of 104.70; Thence South 10°57' East continuing along said right of way line, a distance of 100.87 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING;

THENCE North 83°20' East a distance of 201.14 feet;

THENCE South 21°16' East a distance of 228.94 feet;

THENCE South 69°00' West a distance of 245.34 foot to a point lying in the easterly right along the

easterly right of way line of Montoya Lateral "D";

THENCE North 10°57' West along the easterly right of way line of Montoya Lateral "D", a distance of 283.07 feet to the point of beginning and containing in all 1.26 acres of land more or less.

The address of the real property is 780 Camino Real Drive, Sunland Park, NM 88063. 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 August 8, 2013 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 \$578,381.51 plus interest from June 25, 2013 to the date of sale at the rate of 7.500% 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.

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Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 4/4, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2013-02753

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

ISAAC VILLARREAL; GRACE VILLARREAL; and ATTENTION FUNDING & TRUST, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

Defendant(s) Attention Funding & Trust is/are hereby notified that Plaintiff has filed a civil suit against Defendant(s) in the above-entitled cause of action, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 1758 Defiance Road, in the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

LOT NUMBERED 3106 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 16 OF SUNRISE TERRACE ADDITION PHASE III, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID SUNRISE TERRACE ADDITION PHASE III, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MARCH 28, 1979 IN PLAT BOOK 12, FOLIO 246-248.

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Defendant(s) is/are required to serve upon the Plaintiff an Answer or Motion in response to the Complaint within thirty (30) days and file a copy of the Answer or Motion with the Court as provided in Rule 1-005 NMRA 2005.

If the Defendant(s) fail(s) to file a timely Answer or Motion, a default judgment may be entered against Defendant(s) for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Attorneys for the Plaintiff:

Susan C. Little & Associates, Ltd.
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(505) 248-2400
Fax: (505) 254-4722

February 6, 2014

By Electronically filed /s/ Deborah A. Nesbitt
Phyllis L. MacCutcheon
Amber G. Cash
Deborah A. Nesbitt
Attorney for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable DOUGLAS DIGGERS, 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 4th day of March, 2014.

(Seal)

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By/s/Elizabeth L Vasquez
Deputy

Dates: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 2014

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
DOÑA ANA COUNTY

CASE NO.: D-307-DM-2013-01692
Judge: The Honorable Lisa C. Schultz

BOBBY TRAVIS,
Petitioner,

Vs.

ANGELA EICHOR,
Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT

TO: ANGELA EICHOR, a/k/a ANGELA PREWITT, a/k/a ANGELA GORDON, a/k/a ANGELA STRATMAN, a/k/a ANGELA TRAVIS:

You are hereby notified that a suit has been filed against you in the said Court and County by the above-named Petitioner, requesting a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage.

You must file a Response or responsive pleading within 30 days of the date of the last publication of this

Notice or judgment by default will be entered against you and the relief requested in the Petition will be granted.

Respectfully submitted by:

YALKUT LAW FIRM
/s/Kent E. Yalkut
By: Kent E. Yalkut, Esq.
1240 Augustine
Las Cruces, NM 88001
(575) 647-8802
Counsel for the Petitioner

Witness the Honorable Lisa Schultz, District Court 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 4th day of March, 2014.

(Seal)

NORMAN OSBORNE
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
By:/s/Jodie Castillo-Delgado
Jodie Castillo-Delgado

Dates: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 2014

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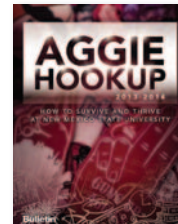
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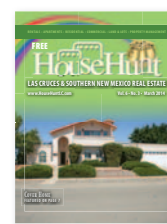
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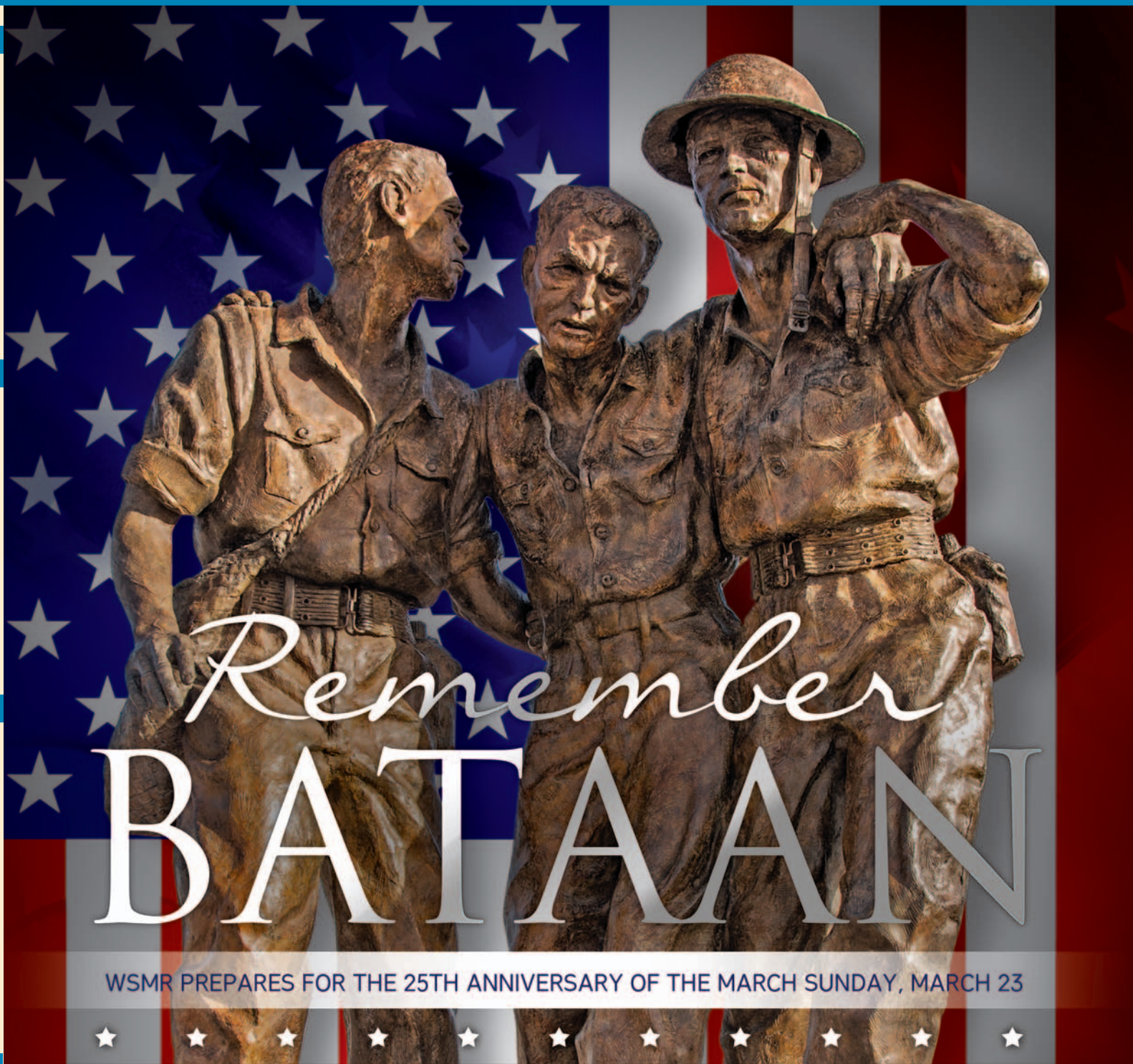
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Cutting the ribbon at the Jornada Water Tank Mural

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City Councillor Ceil Levatino joins City of Las Cruces Utilities Commissioners Jim Carmichael and William Little and City Councillor Olga Pedroza to cut the ribbon Friday, March 14, at the Jornada Water Tank mural in the Sonoma Ranch subdivision.



Artist Tony Pinnock explains the mural, which uses pictographic images to tell a story of a deer hunt.

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Supporting the arts at the *Las Cruces Arts Fair*

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Mitch and A.me Alamag of Rokoko Art Gallery in the Mesilla Mercado were some of 85 artists and galleries at this year's Las Cruces Arts Fair Saturday, March 15, at the Las Cruces Convention Center. The weekend-long event attracted a steady stream of people to check out the variety of arts and proceeds went to benefit the Doña Ana Arts Council.



Ray and Margaret Kiihne, self-described snow birds from Minnesota, were tickled by Stephen Hansen's "Anniversary Toast" sculpture, which reminded the couple they are about to celebrate their 50th anniversary.



Chris Turri of La Luz brought his sheet steel sculptures.



Betsy Shaw of Bernalillo shows how the fish on the wall sculptures by her husband, Ray, can be moved as they are attached by magnets.



Meg Harper of Arizona takes found objects, such as tin ceiling tiles and a washing machine lid, and uses them as the canvas for her colorful animal paintings.



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Galleries & Openings

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MAIN STREET GALLERY presents "Land and Light," an exhibit of the large-scale oil paintings of Linda Marbry Bridges, primarily studies of

the Mesilla Valley from sunrise to sunset. The exhibit will remain on display through Saturday, March 29.

Main Street Gallery is located at 311 N. Main St. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday. For more

information, call 647-0508.

ART OBSCURA GALLERY presents "Rude Boy's Lament," an exhibition of the work of Las Cruces artist Chaves. The exhibit will remain on display through Saturday, March 29. Art Obscura Gallery is located at 3206 Harrelson St.



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Creative Harmony Gallery & Gifts is located at 220 N. Campo St. Gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and by appointment. For more information, call 312-3040.

NOPALITO'S GALERIA presents "Objections to Realism," an exhibition of the multimedia work of Stephanie Lee Forrest, pushing the limits of reality focusing on old and new works created by the artist over the years. The exhibit will remain on display through Saturday, March 29.

Nopalito's Galeria 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, visit www.nopalitogaleria.com.

WEST END ART DEPOT presents "Arte Sin Fronteras," an exhibit of the work of artists and groups responding to violence and working for social change in Mexico, including Mark Aitkin, Morgan Smith, Alice Leora Briggs, Casa Tabor and Sister Betty Campbell, Weaving for Justice and Visión en Acción and Jose Antonio Galvan "El Pastor." Profits from sales will support community-based projects and efforts for peace and healing.

West End Art Depot is located at 401 N. Mesilla St. Gallery hours are 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, noon to 3 p.m. Sunday and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday. For more information, visit www.we-ad.org.

MOUNTAIN GALLERY presents an exhibit of the work of the Las Cruces Arts Association's March featured artist, Las Cruces pastel artist and instructor Mary Zawacki. The exhibit will remain on display through the end of the month.

Mountain Gallery is located at 138 W. Mountain Ave. Gallery hours are noon to 4 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. For more information, visit www.lascrucesarts.org.

BRANIGAN CULTURAL CENTER presents "The Building of Hoover Dam: Photographs by Winthrop A. Davis 1930 to 1934," an exhibition of 24 photographs with commentary from Davis. The exhibit will remain on display through Saturday, March 29.

Branigan Cultural Center is located at 501 N. Main St. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to

4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call 541-2154.

EL PASO ELECTRIC GALLERY presents "We Are One with the Arts," an exhibition of primarily paintings and drawings by the students of educator Wayne Carl Huber. The exhibit will remain on display through the end of March.

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.

M. PHILLIP'S GALLERY will feature the "Magiscopes" of Mexican artist Feliciano Bejar. The exhibit will remain on display through the end of March.

M. Phillip's Gallery is located at 221 N. Main St. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 525-1367.

QUILLIN-STEPHENS GALLERY presents Skyler Welch as artist of the month for March. Welch will be showing illustrations and paintings throughout the month. The exhibit will remain on display through the end of the month.

Quillin-Stephens Gallery is located at 317 N. Main St. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to noon Wednesday, 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 exhibition of the work of Las Cruces watercolorist Lu Bleveans. The exhibit will remain on display through Saturday, March 29.

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

UNSETTLED GALLERY presents "Certain Signs," an exhibit of new work of artist Carey Crane exploring color and gesture and the narrative thread that develops from familiar gesture. The exhibit will remain on display through Saturday, March 29.

Unsettled Gallery is located at 905 N. Mesquite St. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. through 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 635-2285.

MESILLA VALLEY FINE ARTS GALLERY presents Hetty Smith and Ray Baird as featured artists for the month of March. Smith is a dressmaker and works in stained glass, and Baird offers "impressionistic expressionism" in his choice of rural structures and national landmarks.

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

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AA STUDIOS presents "The Clouds and the Rain," an exhibit of the work of New Mexican painter Janette Jones. The exhibit will remain open through April 30.

Aa Studios is located at 2645 Calle de Oro. Gallery hours are by appointment only. For more information or to schedule a visit, call 520-8752.

NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY ART GALLERY presents its juried student show. The juror for this year's student show is artist Jessica Pizano. Join the gallery for one of the most popular openings on the UAG exhibition schedule and see what NMSU students are doing in their studios. The exhibit will remain on display through Saturday, April 5.

NMSU Art Gallery is located inside D.W. Williams Hall, at the corner of Solano Drive and University Avenue. Gallery hours are noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday evenings. For more information, call 646-2545.

NEW MEXICO FARM & RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM presents "Heart of the Home: The Art of Patricia Burnett," an exhibit of acrylic paintings and mixed-media works based on quilt patterns from the artist's family. The exhibit will remain on display in the museum's Arts Corridor through April.

The museum also presents "The Cowboy Way: Drawings by Robert 'Shoofly' Shufelt," a compilation of 50 to 60 lithographs from the renowned cowboy artist. The exhibit will remain on display in the Heritage Gallery.

The New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum is located at 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Museum hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors and \$2 for children ages 5 to 17. Children 4 and younger, museum friends members and military veterans receive free admission. For more information, call 522-4100.

THE TRUNK features work from 18 area artists including Mike Wyatt, Peter Knapp, Logan Howard, Saba, Karlos the Kaiju, Dave Hendrix, Luis Cisneros, Anson Archer, Lisa Cano, Trist, Jezza Belle, Crazy J, Zyme One, Shayne Baker and Luke Navarro, as well as toys and urban apparel.

The Trunk is located at 500 W. Boutz Road. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday and Sunday and 11 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday. For more information, call 915-4387.

Featured Filmmaker: *Rod McCall*

Filming outside the box

McCall's latest feature nears completion

By **David Salcido**
Las Cruces Bulletin

How does one follow up an award-winning, critically acclaimed, film festival darling like 2009's "Becoming Eduardo"? If you're the writer and director of that film, living on a ranch outside of Hillsboro and commuting to your job as a professor at New Mexico State University's Creative Media Institute, you do what you do best: You gather your resources and you make another movie.

Rod McCall is effusive when he talks about filmmaking in southern New Mexico. He believes in it. As one of the founding fathers of CMI, he took a leap of faith less than a decade ago to help create a school where the fundamentals of filmmaking could be explored by fresh young minds. It now rates, alongside Doña Ana Community College's Creative Media Technology department, as one of the top in the nation.

He regularly references works by fellow filmmakers Mark Medoff ("Refuge"), Rajeev Nirmalakhandan ("Odd Way Home") and the team of David Spence and Stephen Griffin ("Roswell FM") as examples of professional independent productions, made on shoestring budgets, right here in southern New Mexico. It helps him put things into perspective.

"It's kind of astonishing," he said. "We have a lot of film nuts here and we're all having a good time. We're a very small community, so we all know each other. It's like a family. And we're making little gems. We're making movies, albeit small movies, and that is really telling. I think independent film production is going to be the survival of the film industry, because Hollywood is just making movies out of board games, video games and old TV shows. It's become generic. The real art form is what we do, and what we're trying to do, here in the valley."

McCall's latest feature, "Jim," produced through his company Blowing Hat Productions, follows in that growing tradition. Small, character-driven and story-based, "Jim" is, according to the director, "about a young stranger who falls from the sky into a small New Mexico border village in a cardboard box. We sort of take it from there."

Realized from a script written 12 years ago, "Jim" is a story that almost didn't find its way to film. As McCall relates it, he had been working on another project that was about three weeks from the start of production when it fell apart.

"Anybody who has worked in filmmaking knows what I'm talking about," he said. "So, I said, 'Screw this, I'm going to do a movie this summer anyway.' I took this old script, made a bunch of phone calls and within two weeks, we were in production on 'Jim.'"

The resulting production was far from smooth, according to

McCall, but he made the best of the situation, using students in key positions and calling in favors where he could.

"The students were wonderful and we got some wonderful performances," he said. "I used mostly local actors; some of the best people working in New Mexico. I also had a wonderful cameraman; the same cameraman I had for 'Eduardo,' Dale Sonnenberg. He's incredible. He really knows how to capture these wonderful New Mexico landscapes we are all so in love with."

The shoot took place primarily in the towns of La Mesa and San Miguel, with extensive use of one of our more famous landmarks.

"Chope's was heavily involved," McCall said. "Both the bar and the restaurant. There are some big sequences shot in the bar."

Later, when the film ran into a financial snag, McCall made another call.

"I just called in a lot of favors," he said. "For post production, a friend of mine who has backed a few of my other films, Dan Bennet from New York, came in with post production money and now we're finishing it up. It's been a long, arduous process, but I think it's going to be a little gem when it's done. It's a very quiet, very small little film about this small community and how this stranger affects everyone."

Expecting to lock the film down by late April or early May, McCall is eager to get the final product into sound design and mix, utilizing contacts he's had in Los Angeles for more than 20 years, dating back to the time he spent creating award-winning television commercials in the land of smog and dreams.

"These people are like my family," he said. "I trust them with my life, basically. This is very important, because even though 'Jim' is a small movie, sound is a very serious storytelling element in the film, so it really has to work well."

Local actor and first-time producer for the film, Dave Edwards, agrees.

"It's a sweet little film, with a lot of local flavor," he said. "Sound and music play a big, big part in it. I can't really say how, but it's going to surprise a lot of people. It's just really clever."

To that end, the producers of the film have plans to utilize music by New Mexico-based musicians and recording artists. The hunt is currently under way to fill those needs.

Once it's completed, McCall intends to put the film directly onto the film festival circuit. Having been to Sundance twice, along with several festivals all over the world, he believes he has what organizers are looking for. Is Sundance one of them?

"Oh, definitely," he says. "I think it really, sort of, reeks of



First-time actor Gabriel Chavira makes his debut as the title character in the locally produced independent feature "Jim."

that. Why do something unless it's going to be your best work? I tell my students that all the time."

Co-produced by CMI, "Jim" is a labor of love by some of the best and brightest that southern New Mexico has to offer. McCall acknowledges this without hesitation and waxes philosophical on what the future will bring for the local filmmaking industry.

"Jim" could not have been made without a great deal of generosity from here in the community," he said. "I owe a lot to a lot of people who worked their butts off, including the students. I do think the independent film community here is going to expand and start to get some notoriety around the country."

"Eduardo" has done very well that way, sort of planning the flag in various places, as has Mark's film, and Raj's film, and Stephen and David's film. Those flags will get bigger as we get more recognition and the movies will get a little bigger. I think what we're going to see is the growth of a very serious independent film community and I find that very exciting."



Left: Script Supervisor Dan Delaney, a student at New Mexico State University's Creative Media Institute (CMI), brings director Rod McCall up to speed during the filming of "Jim." Above: Sound recordist Zachary Hale, a CMI student, confers with director of photography Dale Sonnenberg on set.

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EventsCalendar

FRI. 3/21

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Guatemalan Mercado, Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Importer Curt Porter will be back with his colorful handmade merchandise from Guatemala. Items include beaded jewelry, embroidered purses, tote bags, table linens and more. Proceeds from the sale will benefit Las Cruces Village's Well-Being Fund, which provides equipment and programs enhancing the quality of life for residents of the village. Free. Call 556-2119.

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

7 p.m. Live music with Mad Moe Zell, Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. No cover. Call 527-5310.

7 p.m. Film screening: "Never the Same: The Prisoner of War Experience," Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. "Never the Same: The Prisoner of War Experience" is a documentary narrated by two-time Emmy Award-winning actress Loretta Swit, with an all-star supporting cast including Ed Asner, Alec Baldwin, Jamie Farr, Mike Farrell, Robert Forster, Kathleen Turner, Sam Waterston and more. These celebrated actors lent their accomplished voices to celebrating and commemorating courageous men who used their ingenuity, creativity and humor to survive one of the most notorious times in history. Swit will be in attendance at screenings and available of Q & A sessions after each film. Tickets \$12. Call 523-6403.

7:30 p.m. NMSU Dance presents "Our Milestone," NMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave. NMSU dance program presents a culminating senior choreography experience, displaying the hard work and dedication of the dance program seniors. There

will be modern, flamenco, ballet folklorico and Eastern-inspired dances. Tickets \$10 advance, \$12 at the door and \$5 for children 12 and younger. Call 646-2070.

7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Contra Dance, Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago. The Southern New Mexico Music and Dance Society, a nonprofit organization that sponsors dances and music jams, will hold a contra dance featuring Jefferson Jones playing old-time traditional tunes. Lessons begin at 7:30 p.m. Cost \$6, youth discount \$1. Call 522-1691.

SAT. 3/22

6:30 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. Featuring a wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh produce and unique fine art. Free. Email fcmarket@las-cruces.org.

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10:30 a.m. Storytellers of Las Cruces, COAS Bookstores, 1101 S. Solano Drive and 317 S. Main St. This week, Douglas Jackson 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. Story Time, Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Listen to a Thomas the Tank Engine book and enjoy a Thomas video while completing a related craft activity. Free. Call 647-4480.

Noon to 4 p.m. NMSU International Festival, Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. The NMSU Office of International and Border Programs and the City of Las Cruces host the festival, which offers the NMSU campus and local community an opportunity to experience different cultures from across the globe. Currently, NMSU has more than 1,000 international students from 75 countries on campus. Free. Call 646-2018.

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

3 and 7 p.m. Film screening: "Never the Same: The Prisoner of War Experience," Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. "Never the Same: The Prisoner of War Experience" is a documentary narrated by two-time Emmy Award-winning actress Loretta Swit, with an all-star supporting cast including Ed Asner, Alec Baldwin, Jamie Farr, Mike Farrell, Robert Forster, Kathleen Turner, Sam Waterston and more. These celebrated actors lent their accomplished voices to celebrating and commemorating courageous men who used their ingenuity, creativity and humor to survive one of the most notorious times in history. Swit will be in attendance at screenings and available of Q & A sessions after each film. Tickets \$12. Call 523-6403.

5 to 6 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.

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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.

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

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

BEGINNER

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CHALLENGER

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EXPERT

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RestaurantGuide

¡Pollo arriba! Chicken tacos revisited

By **Richard Coltharp**

Las Cruces Bulletin

Probably owing to a bad experience eating Mexican food in Arkansas, I've long had trepidation for tacos featuring poultry. Yes. I was chicken of chicken tacos.

At a Thursday lunch in 2008, however, Las Cruces City Councillor Nathan Small introduced to me the chicken taco special at Carrillo's Café.

Three big, stuffed-to-the-gills tacos, a pound of chips and great salsa and a Dr Pepper later, I was hooked. To a degree.

I still limited my chicken tacos to Carrillo's.

Details

Carrillo's Café

330 S. Church St., 523-9913

Habanero's

1275 S. Solano Drive, 524-1829

Saenz Gorditas

1700 N. Solano Drive, 527-4212

Double Eagle

2355 Calle de Guadalupe, 523-6700

Nopalito's

310 S. Mesquite St., 524-0003

La Nueva Casita Café

195 N. Mesquite St., 523-5434

In my mind, tacos are the domain primarily of beef, preferably carne asada, or perhaps the deshebrada (brisket). The best tacos in Las Cruces – and probably the best I've had anywhere – are the Tacos Estrellas at La Nueva Casita Café, created with an amazingly seasoned blend of beef and pork. Tacos Estrellas translates to Star Tacos, but it's no stretch to think of them as "tacos from the heavens."

Then one day at Habanero's, I had the pollo asado. Chef Alfredo Felix served it up with some nice guacamole and fresh corn tortillas. I put one and one and one together and realized I had just made what amounted to chicken tacos. Outstanding.

Still, years went by and those were the only pollo havens I wasn't chicken of.

A couple of months ago, traveling down Solano, having missed the regular lunch hour and starving, I turned in to Saenz Gorditas. Now, ordinarily and obviously, when you go to Saenz you get – what else? – some of their delicious gorditas. For whatever reason, though, on this day I was in a different mood. Maybe because a tune from my favorite Beatle, George Harrison's "What Is Life," came on the radio as I was pulling in.

Walking up to the window I scanned the menu. To my own surprise, I ordered the taco plate. Even more surprising, I chose chicken.

Almost instantaneously, they handed me my to-go box. It was so quick that, when I got back in my car, "What Is Life" was still playing.

The chicken tacos were so good, rivaling Carrillo's even, that for some they could be the answer to Mr. Harrison's musical question.

(Eerie side note: When I went back to Saenz for chicken tacos two weeks later, this time on purpose, guess what song came on the radio, on a different station, as I pulled in? Yes. "What Is Life." And again, service was so quick, the song was still playing when I got back in the car.)

With eyes now open to the poultry taco experience, I tried some more.

You can put chicken tacos in three basic categories. One is the shredded chicken version, like Carrillo's and Saenz. Two is the chunk version, like Habanero's. Three is the shredded, seasoned version, where they take the shredded chicken and season it with salsa and other ingredients so it's like a blend.

In full experiment mode, I hit the town.

Double Eagle: The Mesilla landmark uses the blend version, with a nicely tasty crunchy shell, for their Margarita Monday



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Rachel Christiansen

Albert Guerra, cook at Saenz Gorditas, 1700 N. Solano Drive, hands out an order of the restaurant's chicken tacos.

happy hour appetizers. I liked the chicken taco and preferred it to their beef ones.

We could get into a whole other conversation about taco shells. I usually like mine soft, cooked in oil, but sometimes a crunchy one has its place. I digress.

Nopalito's: A nice soft shell, their chicken taco takes the chunk method to the extreme. You could tell the chicken was fresh, and it works well with adding both their salsa and the green chile they serve with chips.

La Nueva Casita Café: It was difficult for me to order chicken tacos here, knowing I wouldn't be getting Tacos Estrellas. Like everything else at this great little spot, though, the chicken tacos were just fine. Add some of their tasty red salsa and you're good to go.

Noting the proximity of some of these restaurants, I could easily envision a chicken taco crawl. I encourage everyone to try chicken tacos all over town and report back to me your impressions.

The moral of the story: Fear not the mighty chicken.



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A journey to redemption

'Lockerbie' an eerily well-timed production

Review by **Gerald M. Kane**
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

What an eerie coincidence it is the No Strings Theatre Company decided more than a year ago to mount a production of Deborah Brevoort's award-winning play "The Women of Lockerbie" at the same time the world is consumed with the mysterious disappearance of Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 from Kuala Lumpur to Beijing. A very sad kismet moment, indeed.

Watching the grieving families in Beijing and Kuala Lumpur on television, along with military and government "experts" attempting to figure out what really transpired, one is able to put this current tragic situation in better human perspective by attending the marvelous presentation of "The Women of Lockerbie" at the Black Box Theatre, under the exceedingly skillful direction of Nikka Gornitzka Ziemer.

For those unaware of the Lockerbie catastrophe, which occurred on Dec. 21, 1988, Pan Am flight 103, headed to JFK airport in New York from London, exploded above Lockerbie, Scotland, due to a bomb placed in a piece of luggage, killing all 259 aboard, most of whom were American, in addition to 11 Lockerbie residents on the ground.

In the ensuing days and years, a group of Lockerbie women sought the personal items strewn over miles of the Scottish countryside, laundering the clothing once they were not needed as evidence and returning them along with other items such as billfolds and pictures. The U.S. State

Department sent over a diplomat who would not release the clothing, choosing to destroy it because it was "contaminated." This is the tale of the outcome of the conflict between the women of Lockerbie, the diplomat and our government.

After Sept. 11, 2001, playwright Brevoort saw the need to put a human face on tragedy, grief, acceptance, love and moving forward. This dramatic masterpiece is an hour and 25-minute (no intermission) mini-course on Elizabeth Kubler Ross' iconic work on the stages of grief.

Also, without our knowing, it teaches us elements of Greek tragedy, which is the form of the play that Brevoort selected. This brilliant amalgam makes the play so touching, powerful, brilliant and compelling.

Without giving too much plot away, so as not to spoil your appreciation, the play tells the story of Madeline and Bill, parents of 19-year-old Adam, a student and passenger on the Pan Am plane. After seven years, they have come to Lockerbie to mourn for their son at the annual memorial service, held each year on Dec. 21. Madeline desperately seeks to find some memento or "piece" of Adam by roaming Lockerbie's hills. The parents are aided by local resident and community activist Olive and two friends – they comprise the Greek chorus – all of whom were personally touched by the tragedy that happened in their own neighborhoods and back yards.

How difficult it is to attain a flawless Scottish brogue, and yet Nancy Cline Tafoya, Nora Brown, Yvette Crofford and Virginia Ostendorf do so effortlessly and convincingly.

Hearty praise to each of you!

As the grieving parents, Karen Caroe and Jack Ullrich deliver particularly nuanced, amazing performances and elicit tremendous empathy. They tug at our heartstrings throughout the play. We feel their intense pain and anger. Together, along with Tafoya, they must be physically exhausted at the end of each performance.

Virginia Ostendorf, the cleaning woman at the storage warehouse where the remains and personal effects are kept, along with the expeditious American diplomat Eric Hadley, bring a touch of comic relief when needed and prepare us for the intense, emotionally climactic concluding section of the play.

The journey from disbelief, anger, grief, pain and acceptance to ultimate healing, resolution and redemption is one which touches each and every one of us in one form or another.

There is not a person in this world that has not grappled with issues of loss and mourning in one form or other. "The Women of Lockerbie" gives us insight, strength and wisdom to overcome whatever may be thrown down from the sky and fall at our feet.

Do yourself a favor and make reservations immediately to see this very important, impressive and special theatrical event.

Bravo to all!

"The Women of Lockerbie" plays at the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St., through Sunday, March 30. Performances are 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2:30 p.m. Sunday matinees March 23 and 30, and a 7 p.m. performance Thursday, March 27. Reservations can be made by calling the Black Box Theatre at 523-1223.

Gerald Kane has reviewed theater, film and opera for NPR stations and newspapers in New Orleans, Phoenix and Kansas City as well as for the Las Cruces Bulletin. A former member of the American Theatre Critics Association, he has taught "Jews on Screen" at NMSU. He is the Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Beth-El in Las Cruces.



Jack Ullrich, Karen Caroe, Eric Hadley, Nancy Cline Tafoya, Virginia Ostendorf, Yvette Crawford and Nora Brown star in the No Strings Theatre Company production of Deborah Brevoort's award-winning play "The Women of Lockerbie," playing at the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St., through Sunday, March 30.

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AtTheMovies

'Speed' sputters at the starting line

No need for this clunky car caper

Review by **Zak Hansen**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Built from the junkyard scraps of better – though not necessarily good – car flicks that have come before and propelled limpingly forward by a preposterous revenge narrative that never brakes for morality, “Need for Speed” is much less fun than its video-game forebears.

Instead, it sputters along like watching someone else play a video game for two hours. Cars this fast never dragged on so slow.

Based on the megahit videogame franchise – 140 million copies sold and counting – “Need for Speed” mostly stars a Shelby Mustang ... and Aaron Paul (“Breaking Bad”) as Tobey Marshall, a streetwise racer and garage owner living in the small town of Mt. Kisco, N.Y., a small, hilly burg in Westchester County that inexplicably boasts a population of hundreds of youths who all own souped-up, '60s and '70s muscle cars and hang out at a drive-in theater that shows classic car flicks – when they're not tearing up the streets in pink-slip races aided by assistance via high-tech GPS and, really, a Cessna that soars overhead giving directions.

Tobey and his mostly stock crew of grease monkeys have a reputation, not only for building some of the finest performance cars in the country, but also for Tobey's renowned street-racing

abilities. After a poorly conceived setup – the tired “We need to raise X amount of money before Y or else we lose the Z” – Tobey takes to the streets, scraping together his winnings to stay behind on the bills.

Winning a small race on home turf, Tobey is approached by an old rival, Dino (Dominic Cooper) and, after a spate of terribly written trash talk, offered a gig: to finish building the Ford Mustang that Carroll Shelby was building when he died, worth \$2 million.

Tobey rebuilds the car, tests its top speed, impressing the intended buyer who assents to the high asking price. But Dino feels slighted, because, um, Tobey drove the car.

I don't know, just go with it.

Borrowing three of Dino's uncle's Koenigsegg Agera Rs – Swedish hypercars with a price tag of a cool \$1.7 million each – Dino, Tobey and Tobey's friend Pete, the brother of Tobey's ex-girlfriend (who is now Dino's girlfriend), tear through the streets.

Predictably, Dino taps Pete's bumper and sends his car flying, tumbling rear-over-teakettle through the air.

Then the car bursts into flames, continues rolling through the air, clears the guard-rail of a bridge, misses the water, lands on the banks and explodes.

Of course, Tobey takes the fall and spends two years in jail for Pete's death – then, upon release, sets off on a 48-hour cross-country joyride from New York



NEED FOR SPEED

Rated: **PG-13**

Running Time: **132 minutes**

Starring: **Aaron Paul, Dominic Cooper**

Director: **Scott Waugh**

to California, leaving in his wake countless civilian and police vehicles crushed, crumpled, shattered and burning with no regard for the human lives they contain, all to bring Dino to justice for ... leaving in his wake a crushed, crumpled, shattered and burning vehicle with no regard for the human life it contained. The film's complete lack of moral self-awareness is staggering, but that's only one of its myriad problems.

In the gear department, “Need for Speed” is certainly well-stocked. Car buffs will have plenty to salivate over, as this film largely dispatches with the “Fast & Furious” franchise's obsession with souped-up Japanese imports in favor of two different breeds: European hypercars and old-school American muscle.

The film's ultimate race – a six-man showdown driven by Bugattis, McLarens, GTAs and Saleens – is a lot of fun, if your idea of fun is seeing things more expensive than your entire life crash and burn along the California highway. The rest of the film pans slowly and

lovingly over the hard, shiny bodies of GTOs and Chargers, Steedas and Shelybys – just before turning them into twisted steel and shattered glass. It's little more than porn for gearheads.

The acting in “Need for Speed” is flat, and that's putting it lightly. I'm not the only New Mexican rooting for Aaron Paul after his star-making turn as Jesse Pinkman, but he's given very little to work with, and gives nothing in return. Cooper, as Dino, is wasted, and Imogen Poots, as Tobey's pretty Brit accomplice, is flat and boring. Poots also starred in “That Awkward Moment,” so that's two strikes. Michael Keaton shows up with a soul-patch and a pirate radio show as “The Monarch,” and he's the only one having a glimmer of fun.

Aside from its complete moral vacancy, “Need for Speed” just isn't any fun, an egregious fault for a movie cobbled from the spare parts of “Bullitt,” the '70s camp classic “Vanishing Point” and the bad-but-fun “F&F” franchise – even the latter of which is much, much better.



Finding oneself alone at sea

'Maidentrip' a fascinating at-sea documentary

Review by **Jeff Berg**
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Occasionally, the fascinating documentary “Maidentrip” has been unfairly compared to Robert Redford's fabulous movie of last year, “All Is Lost,” since it is about one person at sea in a small boat by her or himself.

Indeed, Redford's picture was gripping and sadly overlooked by all the awards this year, but it was not based on fact, as “Maidentrip” is.

This picture is the story of Dutch sailor Laura Dekker, who wants to circumnavigate the globe by herself in a small boat. Not a terribly big deal, except for the fact that when she decides to do this and is finally, after government interference, allowed to do so, she is but 14 years old leaving port.

She had no support crew, and there was not another boat filled with filmmakers

tagging along. Rather, most of the footage in the film was shot by Dekker herself, using a handheld camera.

Luckily for Dekker, she has few harrowing events in her year-plus journey, and the most terrifying time she seems to encounter on her journey is a rough sail through the Torres Straits north of Australia.

What she does find is something more important and interesting – herself. This comes to light especially during a 40-plus-day period when she is nearly becalmed at sea, with little to do but wait for the winds to return. She has nothing that most young

people her age use on a daily basis now other than, well, herself. It becomes a time for introspection for Dekker, who calmly and proudly proclaims at one point that she loves being alone. Something she and I have in common ... if only I could achieve it without having to go to sea!

Along the way, Dekker does find some friendly co-travelers, mostly older people who are out for adventure, staying away from the staid humdrum of everyday life. It is apparent that Dekker is not anti-social, just a bit.

Dekker was born on a boat in New Zealand. When her parents later divorced,



Dekker stayed with her father, a boat builder. Her mother appears to be mostly absent and rather non-caring when Dekker meets her and her younger sister for a visit during her journey. She does not lament the fact that she doesn't have a full-time mother, but does note from time to time, missing her father, who also arranges to meet her along the route at one point as well.

Dekker's voyage is not something that was made to show us the dangers of sea. We've seen enough of that already. It is, rather, a unique and strong coming of age story, one where the main character does so in a way that she wants to do it, rather than submitting to the angst, electronica and non-sense of the everyday world of teenagers.

Upon finishing her journey, she does find a young man of interest and it is not long before they are off to see at sea together.

At this writing, Laura and Daniel are still sailing in Guppy, enjoying pancakes – her main source of grub during her solo trip – and visiting places such as Norfolk Island, east of Australia.

Sigh ...

Jeff Berg would like to retire ... send money ... jeffberg@lascrucesbulletin.com




At The Movies


Picking the Flicks




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


The Monuments Men 


Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: A World War II platoon is tasked to rescue artistic masterpieces from the Nazis and return them to their rightful owners.
Starring: George Clooney, Matt Damon
Director: George Clooney




300: Rise of an Empire 

Rated: R
Plot Overview: A Greek general leads the charge against an invading Persian force led by mortal-turned-god Xerxes.
Starring: Sullivan Stapleton, Rodrigo Santoro
Director: Noam Murro



Son of God 

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: The story of Jesus' life, from his humble birth through his teachings, crucifixion and resurrection.
Starring: Diogo Morgado, Amber Rose Revah
Director: Christopher Spencer



Non-Stop 


Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: An air marshal must save the passengers of a plane being held for a \$150 million ransom.
Starring: Liam Neeson, Julianne Moore
Director: Jaume Collet-Serra




The LEGO Movie 

Rated: PG
Plot Overview: A regular LEGO figure is mistakenly thought to be the legendary MasterBuilder, and is recruited to stop an evil tyrant from gluing the universe together.
Starring: Will Arnett, Elizabeth Banks (voices)
Directors: Phil Lord, Christopher Miller



Pompeii 


Rated: PG-13
Genre: A slave-turned gladiator must fight to save his true love as Pompeii succumbs to the eruption of Mount Vesuvius.
Starring: Kit Harington, Emily Browning
Director: Paul W.S. Anderson




Need For Speed 


Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: A street racer framed by a rich associate leaves prison bent on revenge.
Starring: Aaron Paul, Dominic Cooper
Director: Scott Waugh




3 Days to Kill 


Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: A terminally ill Secret Service agent is offered an experimental cure in exchange for one final assignment.
Starring: Kevin Costner, Hailee Steinfeld
Director: McG




The Single Moms Club 


Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: A diverse group of single mothers form a unique bond following an incident at their children's school.
Starring: Nia Long, Amy Smart
Director: Tyler Perry




A Nightmare in Las Cruces 

Plot Overview: In 1990, two killers walked into a Las Cruces bowling alley and changed the lives of seven people and their families; 20 years later, the people still seek justice with only two survivors remaining and killers still free.
Director: Charlie Minn



Mr. Peabody and Sherman 


Rated: PG
Plot Overview: A hyper-intelligent dog and his human son try to fix a rift in time they accidentally created.
Starring: Ty Burrell, Max Charles (voices)




Muppets Most Wanted 


Rated: PG
Plot Overview: The Muppets find themselves involved in a jewel-heist caper while on a European tour.
Starring: Tina Fey, Ricky Gervais
Director: James Bobin




Divergent 

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: In the future, people are divided into factions. Tris discovers she is Divergent, meaning she does not fit into any one faction, and uncovers a sinister plot brewing in society.
Starring: Shailene Woodley, Theo James
Director: Neil Burger



50 to 1 

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: A group of New Mexico cowboys find themselves on the journey of a lifetime when their underdog horse qualifies for the Kentucky Derby.
Starring: Skeet Ulrich, Christian Kane
Director: Jim Wilson



New on DVD Tuesday, March 25

<p>Chinese Zodiac Rated: PG-13 Genre: Martial arts Starring: Jackie Chan, Oliver Platt Director: Jackie Chan</p>	<p>Walking with Dinosaurs Rated: PG Genre: Family, comedy Starring: Justin Long, Tiya Sircar (voices) Directors: Neil Nightingale, Barry Cook</p>
<p>Delivery Man Rated: PG-13 Genre: Comedy Starring: Vince Vaughn, Cobie Smulders Director: Ken Scott</p>	<p>The Wolf of Wall Street Rated: R Genre: Comedy, drama Starring: Leonardo DiCaprio, Jonah Hill Director: Martin Scorsese</p>

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\$21,809,249 | 6 The LEGO Movie (Week No. 6)
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\$19,201,345 | 7 Son of God (Week No. 3)
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| 3 Need for Speed (Week No. 1)
\$17,844,939 | 8 The Grand Budapest Hotel (Week No. 2)
\$3,638,041 |
| 4 Non-Stop (Week No. 3)
\$10,615,305 | 9 Frozen (Week No. 17)
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Built during the Great Depression, the historic Rickman home sits in the heart of La Mesa farmland, with original vintage features updated to accommodate modern needs.

Where history dwells

A piece of the past in the heart of farm country

By **David Salcido**
Las Cruces Bulletin

History plays a large part in what makes the Mesilla Valley appealing to so many.

Whether recently transplanted from cooler climes or in possession of a family history that predates the United States, those who are drawn to live here are often attracted by the unique culture and historical significance of the area.

It isn't always the colorful characters who make the difference. For every Pat Garrett or Geronimo who made a mark on the landscape, there are hundreds of unspoken heroes who did the same; those who came to the valley to start a new life and, in so doing, changed the lives of those around them.

South of La Mesa, just east of the curve that takes state Highway 28 to Vado, sits a house where history dwells.

Marked by a large turquoise mailbox, bearing the initials MR welded into the pedestal, the house was built in 1936 by Mark Rickman, a man who helped bring prosperity to the farmers of the area. He was a member of the National Cotton Council and politically active in the areas of agriculture and water. His wife Francis was an educator and an accomplished painter.

Together, they created memories that are still recalled by the families who live there and which can be

felt within the walls of their former home.

"This house has had some history," said current owner Tom Baca, who has spent many hours talking to his neighbors about the couple who built the house. "The Rickmans helped the people of La Mesa get through the Depression and all the years afterwards. This house has raised kids and was the home of one of the finest teachers La Mesa elementary ever had. It's a very, very special place."

The truth of that statement can be seen almost immediately upon entering the 2,130-square-foot home.

The front door leads into what was at one time a screened porch, but has since been converted into a completely weather-proofed parlor. This, in turn, leads to a large living room and the revelation of original coved ceilings, arched doorways and hardwood floors that run throughout the house.

The 15-inch-thick adobe walls have been professionally furred out with a diamond surface finish and everywhere can be seen original elements that have survived since the 1930s.

Every door within the home is original and in the full guest bathroom, off the small hallway leading to the bedrooms, are original fluorescent lighting fixtures and a large, minimally distressed vintage mirror.

Cabinets and doorways leading to deep storage space abound

throughout the rambling structure.

But, lest you think the house is a relic from another time, and, thus, untenable, think again.

"This is one of the first adobe houses to be built with a concrete stem wall," Baca said. "A lot of these

old homes were built right on the ground. Mr. Rickman was wealthy enough to do it right. There are some really old properties here, but they aren't as well maintained."

Add to that the ministrations of the owner prior to the Bacas, local contractor Scott Whittet, who bought the property in 2001 and spent nearly seven years bringing it up to code.

"He basically tore the floor out, put all the ductwork underneath, rejoisted it then replaced the original hardwood floors," Baca said. "Most

of the hardwood is original from the 1930s. It was completely refinished. All the plumbing and HVAC is modern. We bought it in 2008 and it was all new. We had electrical put in. It goes underground. It's all up to code."

The fireplace in the living room has been converted into a pellet stove, which Baca said has brought the heating bills down from around \$200 a month to \$60. During the summer, refrigerated air can be

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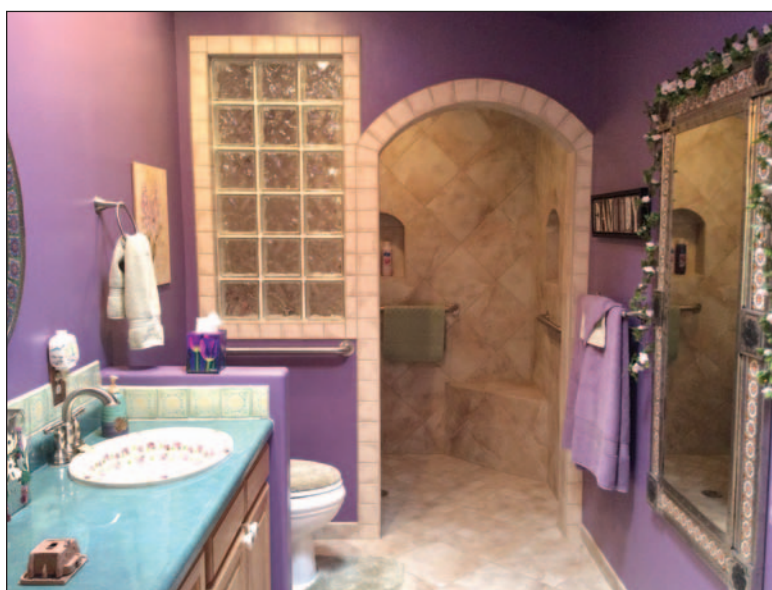
Coved ceilings, arched doorways, wood floors and classic nichos are just some of the charming features to be found, not just in the living room, but throughout the entire 1936 adobe hacienda.



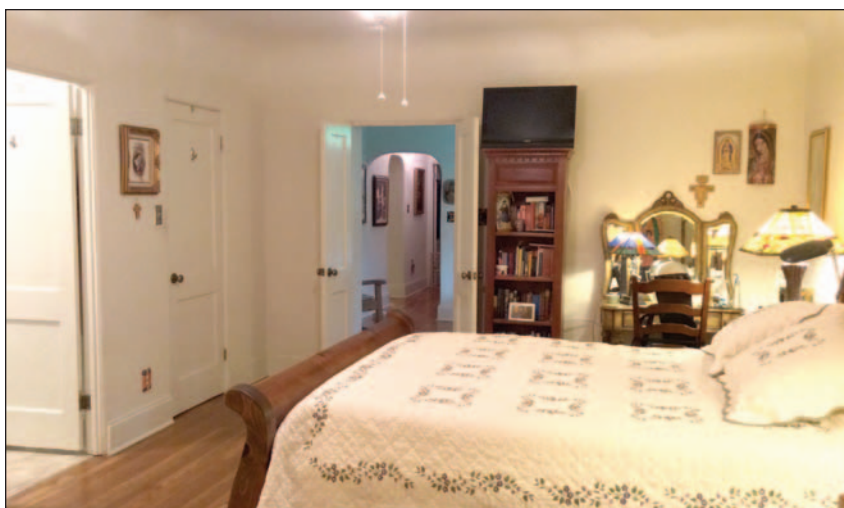
The casita features a pitched roof, wooden floors, a small kitchenette, a large living room and a handicap-accessible bath.



A full kitchen with pantry, glass door cabinets, tiled floor, a coved stove area and all-new, modern appliances is offset by a corner window looking out over farmland and a spectacular view of the Organ Mountains.



The casita bathroom is wide and deep to accommodate wheelchairs or walkers, with a fully tiled walk-in shower and new water heater.



The master bedroom is entered through wooden double doors and features a walk-in closet, a three-fourths bath with Italian porcelain tiling and French doors leading out to the backyard.

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enjoyed, though the adobe walls make it a seldom needed extra. "If you notice, all of the electrical outlets are up to code," Baca said. "They're all 6 feet apart in every room."

All rooms in the house maintain the original feel, with modern convenience. The master bedroom is entered through double doors and sports a large walk-in closet, a three-fourths bath with walk-in shower tiled in Italian porcelain and French doors leading out to the backyard. The guest bedroom has a large closet with original wooden doors, decorated with huge, vintage mirrors.

The kitchen is lined with cabinets that, though new, were created to capture the original Depression-era feel. A large pantry sits across from a modern refrigerator. In fact, all appliances are modern, including a stainless steel dual sink, a dishwasher and an electric stove tucked into a coved niche with a tiled backsplash and nichos carved above the upper arc.

"The Kinetico water system is the finest around," Baca said. "The domestic well has a chlorinator, which treats the water, then goes into the Kinetico filtration system, so we have soft water. No stains on the sink or the ice maker, even though they're stainless steel."

Corner windows look out at a spectacular view of lush farmland and the Organ Mountains in the distance.

A small laundry room off the kitchen completes the picture, with a door leading to the back patio area and a guest house on the east side of the property.

Once a two-car garage that housed Rickman's Cadillacs, the structure was transformed by the Bacas into a completely handicap-accessible 800-square-foot casita, with wood floors, vaulted ceilings, a small kitchenette and skylights throughout.

Like the main house, the casita is an adobe structure on a stem wall slab, which has been wired for telephone, cable and Internet access. Exposed 12-by-12-inch pine beams create a

lintel around the door between the main room and the large kitchen and dining area. They are also repeated over the window looking out onto the property. An added bonus is the modern bathroom, with a shower that is tiled, floor to ceiling in faux marble, and a "like new" septic system.

"Because I knew it would be a long time before anybody lived back here, the hot water heater has never been used," Baca said. "The toilets can be flushed and the sink works, but the shower is virgin."

To offset the loss of the garage, the Bacas built a three-vehicle carport between the casita and the crushed gravel driveway leading out to the highway. Just off the carport is a large, covered sitting porch with raised flower beds and gate access to a completely fenced backyard. Beyond the yard the property extends several yards to the property line.

The front of the property is a lush lawn, with an uncovered porch area against the house, wrapping around its west side to become a sidewalk leading to another gate into the back yard. Large pines, weeping willows and a pecan tree add texture to the landscaping and a security gate separates the property from the highway, with an automatic gate added by the Bacas.

"It's nice and convenient, because as you approach and if there is traffic behind you, you don't have to get out and open the gate," Baca said. "It slides open, just like a gated community. There's also a pedestrian gate, but the pole between the two gates can be taken out, if you need more room."

Noting that his favorite feature of the home is its "peacefulness," because, despite its location off the highway, it is a very quiet location, Baca noted, "The vast distances give you a real sense of serenity."

"I think the house speaks for itself," he said. "This is the kind of house you would find in Mesilla, although in a more densely populated area. That you would find in Old Town Albuquerque, that you would find in Corrales, that you would find in Santa Fe. You just can't build a house like this anymore."

Details

Featured home

15520 S. Highway 28

Square footage

House 2,130; casita 800

Acres

.975

Bedrooms

Two

Bathrooms

One and three-fourths

Price

\$345,000

Special features

Historic stem wall adobe home with new plumbing, HVAC and electric, surrounded by farmland and set back from the highway. Both home and casita are handicap-ready. Property is lushly landscaped, fed by an irrigation pump housed on the property.

Contact

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Sprucing up for spring

Answering frequently asked questions



Maureen Villmer
Practical Design

I get so many questions about home decorating, I thought I would share some of the more frequently asked ones with you. I find that, if one person asks, there tend to be many more who want the same information.

How do I pick a paint color for my living (dining, bed) room?

Picking a paint color should be the last of all your decorating decisions. If you are buying anything new for that room, it can give you "permission" to select a color to be used, based on the colors in the piece. It also depends on what kind of feeling you want in the room; subdued, dramatic, colorful or safe. Selecting one wall as an accent

wall allows you to add a little color without committing to the whole room. I usually call it "wimping out." Some rooms need an accent wall and some rooms need the whole room to be accented. I usually get the color from a piece of fabric, a painting, an accent piece being used in the room. A safer way would be a variation of a neutral piece of carpet or tile.

What can I do to get the biggest bang for my buck in decorating a room?

This may seem like icing on the cake, but I feel the biggest bang for your buck, where the biggest investment gives you back the best look in the room, is with fabric used in a top treatment or

full drapery treatment. I remember suggesting that a top treatment should be used in a client's home (who had no window treatments anywhere). That suggestion has led us to every room in the house getting a top treatment, or full drapery, over a period of five years. There is something that makes a room feel complete when a piece of fabric is added to a window. I'm not suggesting covering your views, just to enhance the window by at least adding a top treatment.

What can I do to get some architectural interest in my home, where every room is just a box?

First, you can add some crown molding, either out of foam or wood. You can also add wood trim around windows or doors. If there is a fireplace in the room, add mouldings, a mantle, or some kind of trim and/or tile around it. Consider treating the ceiling with some decorative mouldings or ceiling treatment and you will immediately add architectural interest to the room. Don't forget to think "recycle" when you are beginning this project. I have a client now that once wanted to convert a very traditional area into something with a Southwestern architectural feel. To help achieve this, I am adding

High Range Neighborhood Association Yard of the Month



The March Yard of the Month winner was Eleanor Krushke on Cherokee Circle. Her yard was chosen by the High Range Neighborhood Association for the meticulous care and maintenance displayed.

latias to the ceiling in the entry, which will take it out of the traditional box and make it appear more Southwestern as soon as you walk through the door.

What can I do to change my bathroom without tearing the whole thing out?

If you have a shower curtain, change it. Consider new towels, new rug, your toothbrush holder, or a new soap dispenser. By changing your countertop to granite or hard surface, as well as replacing your faucets and sink, you can change the whole look of your room. Adding bevel stripping to your mirror can

give you a lot of bang for your buck. If your lighting is dated, replace it and or move it up 6 to 12 inches, if you have the room. It will make your room appear taller and larger.

What can I do to change my kitchen without tearing the whole thing out?

If your counters are in good condition, consider adding new tile to your backsplash. Instead of just going 4 inches up, go all the way above the counter to the bottom of the cabinets. What a difference this will make in your kitchen. If your cabinets are not in good condition

then bite the bullet, add new cabinetry and new tile for your backsplash to boot.

These are the most frequently asked questions that I receive. If you've got questions, please email maureenvillmer@hotmail.com and I will be happy to answer them.

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Decorative moulding can make a big difference in changing the look of a room.

ChileKnights

Hot and spicy teatime treats add zing

An Old World tradition gets a flavorful Southwest makeover

Sunny Conley
Chile Knights



Celebrate spring's arrival with a Sunday Southwest-style tea party.

Rather than serving traditional tea sandwiches, which tend to be a bit bland (at least to me), add a bouquet of chile flavor for spice, sizzle and sass.

Cut sandwiches into squares, triangles and fingers (lengthwise) or into chile peppers and cacti using cookie cutters. Guests, I'm certain, will savor each addictive bite.

Don't forget to dress appropriately for this Southwest affair. Accessorize with your beloved silver and turquoise jewelry.

Hats optional.

Veggie Tea Sandwiches

2 carrots, grated
2 tablespoons cream cheese, softened
2 tablespoons mayonnaise
1 teaspoon yellow chile peppers, stemmed, seeded and minced
Salt and pepper to taste
4 slices multi-grain bread
4 teaspoons butter
Alfalfa sprouts

In a medium bowl, combine carrots, cream cheese, mayonnaise and chile; add salt and pepper.

Spread one side of each piece of bread lightly with butter. Top the buttered side of 2 slices of bread with carrot mixture (about 1/4-inch thick). Top with alfalfa sprouts and top with the remaining bread slices, buttered side down. Carefully cut the crusts from each sandwich with a sharp knife. Cut the sandwiches in half diagonally and then cut in half again or into 8 fourths.

Sunny's All-Time Favorite Tea Sandwich Spread

2 cups crushed pineapple in its own juice, drained
1 cup sugar
1 cup nuts, chopped
1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, room temperature
Milk or mayonnaise
1/2 to 1 whole habanero pepper, stemmed, seeded and finely minced
Thinly sliced bread, crusts removed

In a saucepan, combine pineapple and sugar. Bring to a boil. Cook until thick, stirring constantly. Cool. Stir in nuts.

Whip cream cheese with enough milk or mayonnaise to make a good spreading consistency. Add minced habanero. Combine with pineapple mixture. Spread mixture on one piece of bread, top with the other slice. Cut sandwich into quarters and serve. Makes about 4 cups.

Smoky Salmon and Cucumber Tea Sandwiches

8 slices pumpernickel bread
1/4 cup mayonnaise
1 tablespoon green onion, minced
1 teaspoon adobo sauce from canned chipotle peppers
2 teaspoons butter, room temperature
4 pieces smoked salmon
12 cucumber slices, sliced thinly

In a small bowl, combine mayonnaise, green onion and adobo sauce; set aside.

Spread butter thinly over pumpernickel bread slices; spread mayonnaise mixture on each bread slice. Divide salmon and cucumber slices evenly over 4 slices of bread; top with remaining bread slices. Cut each sandwich in half diagonally. Transfer to individual

serving plate and serve.

Another recipe option for salmon tea sandwiches: Sliced smoked salmon on rye bread spread with cream cheese mixed with dill weed, scallions and hot pepper sauce. Makes about 16 half sandwiches or 32 fourths.

Whipped Strawberry-Serrano Spread

This spread tastes particularly delicious with shaved ham slices.

1 loaf white or wheat bread
2 (8-ounce) packages cream cheese, softened
1 quart strawberries
2 to 3 serrano peppers, stemmed and seeded
Additional strawberries
Thinly sliced (shaved) ham slices, if desired

Clean and stem berries and pat dry with a paper towel. Run through food processor with cream cheese and serranos. Remove crusts from bread.

Spread mixture on bread to make sandwiches. Add shaved ham slices, if desired. Cut into triangles or use cookie cutters for different shapes.

Top with a halved strawberry pierced with a party toothpick. The number of sandwiches varies depending on cookie cutter size.

Chile-Pecan Goat Tea Sandwiches

16 thin slices cinnamon-raisin bread, crusts trimmed
2 (5.5-ounce) logs soft goat cheese (such as Montrachet), room temperature
1/2 cup watercress leaves, chopped
Salt to taste
3/4 cup red chile pecans, finely chopped
Watercress sprigs for garnish

Carefully cut the crusts from each slice of bread

with a sharp knife. In a medium-size bowl, mix fresh goat cheese, pecans and chopped watercress; season with salt, if desired.

Spread mixture evenly over 8 bread slices. Top with remaining bread. Cut the sandwiches in half diagonally and then cut in half again.

Arrange sandwiches on a platter. Garnish with watercress sprigs. Cover sandwiches tightly and refrigerate until serving time. Makes about 16 half sandwiches or 32 fourths.

Chile Seasoned Pecan Tea Sandwiches

1 1/2 (8-ounce) packages cream cheese, room temperature
1/2 cup ground chile powder seasoned pecans
2 tablespoons cilantro, finely minced
1 tablespoon green bell pepper, finely minced
1 tablespoon onion, finely minced
1 teaspoon fresh lime juice
24 slices high-quality white or sourdough bread
1/2 cup unsalted butter, room temperature

In a large bowl, combine cream cheese, pecans, parsley or cilantro and bell pepper. Add onion and lime juice; stir until well blended.

Spread one side of each piece of bread lightly with butter. Top the buttered side of 12 slices of bread with some of the cream cheese mixture and top with the remaining bread slices, buttered side down.

Carefully cut the crusts from each sandwich with a sharp knife. Cut the sandwiches in half diagonally and then cut in half again. Makes about 24 half sandwiches or 48 fourths.

Sunny Conley, a former Las Cruces, is an award-winning cookbook author and food columnist. If you have a chile recipe or idea to share, contact Sunny at sunny.conley@gmail.com.



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Brilliant home in the heart of downtown Las Cruces. This home was added onto, renovated, and feels like a wonderful old adobe. Addition has clerestory passive solar windows. Brick, tiled and carpeted floors, Talavera tile in the kitchen, walled, private back yard with wonderful landscaping. This home is one-of-a-kind, and has custom touches through-out!

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- Fabulous Showcase Home Built by GL Green in 2009
- 3 Bedrooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- Theater
- Outdoor Kitchen
- 2 Car Garage Fabulous Detail!
- A Must See!

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2956 LONG BOW LOOP \$339,000

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GREAT VIEWS



5088 Galina Dr. \$147,000

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1595 HOT PEPPERS RD \$189,900

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- Includes 24x30 Workshop/ Garage
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- Split Floor Plan
- Beautiful Carved Wood Columns
- Jetted Tub
- Pitched Roof
- Ample Backyard
- Refrigerated Air

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4692 MESA RICO \$1,400 per/mo

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- Refrigerated air
- All SS kitchen appliances & granite countertops
- 2 FP, overhead fans, laundry room, over size garage
- Large hot tub, outdoor kitchen, courtyard and beautifully landscaped.
- Close to Hwy 70 and NASA & White Sands.

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- 3 Bedroom
- 3 Bathroom
- 1728 Sqft
- 1.68 Acres
- Large Workshop, RV parking
- Workshop is 42 X 52 and has an additional 24 X 42 extension

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4799 Camino Dos Vidas \$155,000

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- .18 Acre
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Digs!

[digz] origin: American Slang. n. residence, lodging, home, apartment, office or workplace. As in: They just moved into their new digs.

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**2401 CORTINA MANOR
\$178,000**

Fantastic Deal! Custom Condominium in Sonoma Ranch, 3 BR, 2.5 BA. Access to well maintained green space. Fantastic Price!



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**4109 CANTERRA ARCH
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4895 Vista Cuesta \$179,500

- Brick home nicely landscaped on large lot
- 3Br/2BA+10x10 extra room or office
- Large LR w/FP
- New floors in Dining RM and Master BR
- Remodeled BA
- New carpet, roof, and ref. air

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with skylights and wood burning fireplace. The Master bath features double sinks, jet tub and shower stall, plus a large walk-in closet. Lovely tile floors are found in the kitchen, living/dining area, entry and baths. A covered patio out back is perfect for entertaining. Extra amenities include a central vacuum, refrigerated air, plus a 3 car garage.

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- 3BR, 2 BA home
- Ref. Air
- 1 Car Gar
- 1/3 acre
- Owner Agent

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NEW LISTING



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\$154,000**

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- 3 BR, 2 BA
- Nice size yard

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1994 SALINAS \$179,900

- Beautiful Custom built, one-owner home on corner lot
- Desert Greens Subdivision
- 4 BR/2 full baths, 1649 sq. ft
- Split floor plan
- Kiva fireplace, Large lot .27 acre!
- Meticulously maintained by the Owner.
- Beautifully landscaped for low maintenance
- All appliances convey!

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2903 MAJESTIC TERRACE \$119,000

- 1612 sq ft
- 2 BR w/own baths
- Tile & Carpet
- All appliances convey with the property
- Telshor area/close to shopping and NMSU
- Lovely back yard deck w/great view of city lights

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220 Segovia Lane \$145,000

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5927 Norte Vista \$179,000

- 4 BR/2.5BA
- 2267 sq ft
- 2 LRs w/open floor plan
- Big kitchen with black appliances lots of storage and an island
- 2refrigerated air units
- 2 huge walk-in closets in Master BR with a large Master BA
- Upgrades through-out the home
- Back yard is landscaped

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Making a difference at the *Make a Blanket Day*

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Kathy Newton, Mariah Newton, Abby Sanchez, Jazzy Murphy, Carmen Gorav, Emily Newton, Ariel Durbin and Cynthia Madeja – members of Girl Scout Troop 268 – donated their time to make blankets for Project Linus during the sixth annual Make a Blanket Day event at Grace Covenant Church Saturday, March 15.



Erma Jiron sews a quilt that will help a child cope in difficult times, such as sickness, car accident, domestic violence, house fire, abuse or loss of a parent.



Claire Bernstein, Hanna Feder and Carl Miller work on tying fleece blankets.



Roberta Yarborough works at the yarn table. Blanketeers in the all-volunteer chapter knit, crochet, sew or quilt blankets and afghans of all sizes for children from birth to age 18.

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.

THESE WORDS NEED 'US'

ENGLISH

CUSP
FUSION
JUST
JUSTICE
MUSCLES
MUSE
RUSSIAN
RUSTIC
TO FUSE
TO USE
USED
USER

SPANISH

CÚSPIDE
FUSIÓN
JUSTO
JUSTICIA
MÚSCULA
MUSA
RUSO
RÚSTICO
FUSIONAR
USAR
USADA
USUARIO

T F U S I O R U S T I O S E D
O C Ú S M I Ó N M Ú C S U L A
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E D S T I L T O M U S C L E S
T I E S U F O T C S L E S U J
O P P C H E U P A I Ó N A M U
F S S U P H S S N Ó J U S T O
U Ú N Ú S L E P S N H P T S U
M C C I T S U R A N O I S U F
C L E A R J U S T I C I A J U
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U S A D A S U M N A I S S U R
M O I R A U S U S Ú I T S R F

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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**
- Retained
 - Society girl
 - In the sack
 - DNA cousin
 - Planet path
 - Metal corrosion
 - Computer units
 - Floor covering
 - Origin
 - Windway
 - Lemurs
 - Governed
 - Soup holder
 - Metal source
 - Partnership, with in
 - Deuce in hold'em
 - Scuffle
 - Edge
 - None
 - "Historic ___ Tree" painting by Orpha Klinker
 - Cirrus e.g.
 - Type of fish
 - Between
 - Protective covering
 - Roe
 - Omega or flaxseed
 - Renovate
 - A lady
 - Frame-like stand supporting a barrel
 - Turn over the ground
 - Power measurement
 - Time segment
 - Greatest
 - Door part
 - Talk back
 - Pro
 - Fairy tale writer
 - Heed
 - State of utter confusion
 - Greek T
 - Gets a cigarette, maybe
 - Little bit
 - Eye problem
- DOWN**
- Long haired rabbit
 - Wanes
 - Aloha gift
 - Banned insecticide
 - FDA part
 - Lowest commissioned officer (abbr.)
 - Man or mobile?
 - Weasel's cousin
 - Goes with morgue
 - Clingy scarf
 - Stringed toy
 - Litter's littlest
 - Sparks neighbor
 - To's partner
 - Thai member
 - Comedian's repertoire
 - Deviate
 - Ready
 - Firm that is owed money
 - Suffer
 - Under consideration word
 - Waist measurement
 - Folder
 - In a flowery way
 - Vase
 - Field of granular snow
 - University success
 - Tea brewer
 - Tire's need
 - Electrical resistance
 - Overacts
 - Kiwi walk-alike
 - Auto statistic
 - Fashionable clothes
 - Chair part
 - Steal
 - "Midnight at the _____, put your camel to bed"
 - Maria Muldaur song
 - Eye or math?
 - Theory
 - Happiness
 - Spat
 - Spirited
 - Valentine's day gift
 - Pittsburgh catcher, Ed
 - Bleat
 - Soap-airing TV station
 - Small dwelling

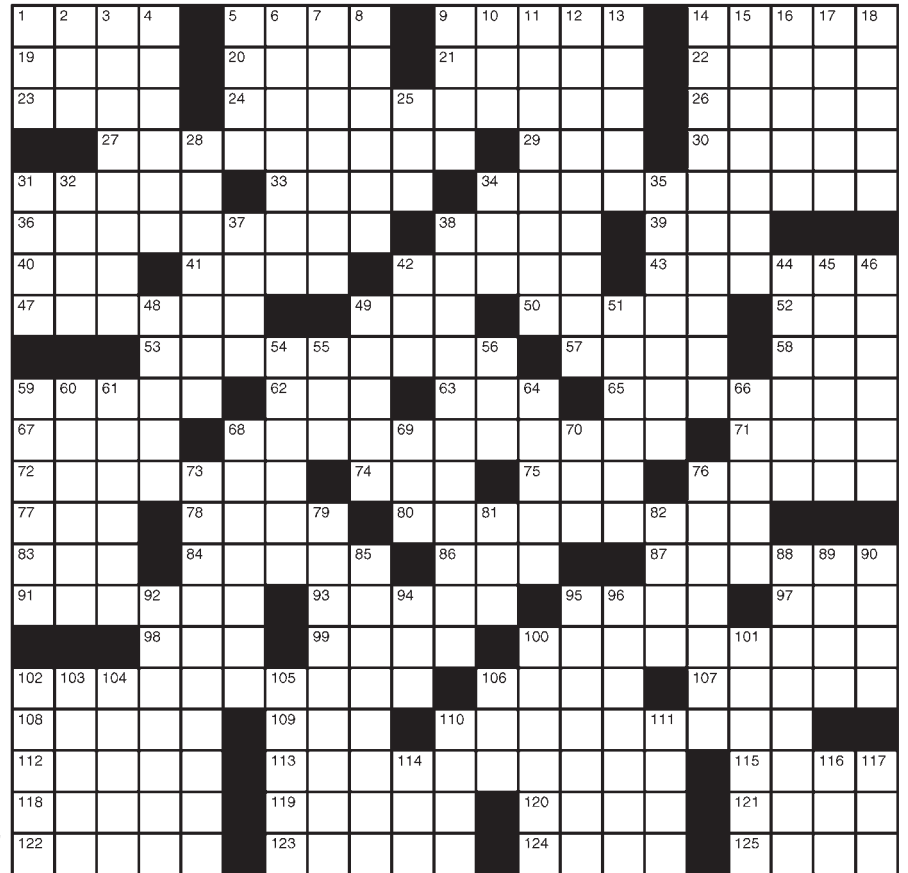
PLAY BALL

ACROSS

- Relative of CHiPs
- Merchant's goal
- Rustler's rope
- Finnish bath
- Jacob's twin
- Israeli statesman
- Key above G
- Not yet hardened
- Hebrew month
- Two-lane road feature
- "Common Sense" writer
- Dispersed
- Man of old Rome
- Nine: pref.
- Actress Garson
- Lower digits
- Make no mistakes
- Quit messing with
- Garr of "Mr. Mom"
- Cato's eggs
- Mil. welfare org.
- Father of France
- Vasco ___ de Balboa
- Exclude
- Forewarning
- Geom. figure
- Instruments of title
- Former Turkish title
- Steno's writings
- Caen's neighbor
- Mr. Serling
- Socrates' pupil
- Initials in want ads
- Espy
- Brain areas
- Portuguese cape
- Spouted dispenser
- Paraphernalia
- Breakfast-time serving
- Neurological test letters
- River island
- Cloys
- Start of a verse?
- Hot times in Aix
- Very soon
- Tre x due
- ___ diem (seize the day)
- Last of a log
- Wide shots
- Camera holder
- Surfers' shopping place
- Wage-slave's refrain
- Mai ___ cocktail
- Gold in the Sierra

DOWN

- Madre
- Some NCO's
- One way to jump in
- Subway current sources
- Islands off Ireland
- Iroquois tribe members
- Starbucks jumbo-size
- Thai's neighbor
- Broken
- Longfellow character
- Insect eater
- Salamander
- Performing
- End of the small intestine
- Singer Ed
- Adam's grandson
- Sports pages' figs.
- Observers
- Actress Ward
- Dance movement
- Christopher or Pinky
- Silent communication, briefly
- Break because of
- Sweet-sounding
- Religious denomination
- Lookout man, for example
- Pole position
- Main course
- Fat
- CIO's partner
- Split into splinters
- Disinfects
- Cheri of "Saturday Night Live"
- Overseer
- Man who died from lying
- Calling into play
- Singer Cherry
- Bothered
- Some M.I.T. graduates
- Plains tribe
- Oversupply
- Hebrew letter
- O.T. book
- Rug rat
- Apollo's mother
- Blinkers
- Long or Peebles
- Relative of the toucan
- Greek malls
- Detection devices
- Abbr. on a cornerstone
- Reduce the air intake
- Blah, blah, blah...
- "Misery" director
- AT&T part
- NYPD investigator
- French writer Marcel
- Repair-shop car
- End of many plays
- Online currency
- Holy smokes!
- Bullfighter
- Vegetable sphere
- Make haste
- Tapes
- Bloodhound, at times
- In particular
- French designer's monogram
- Leave off the list
- Worker
- Shrill
- Become less intense
- Poses, as for a portrait
- Omen
- Michaels and Hirschfeld
- I'm open to instruction
- Elegantly stylish
- Noisy quarrel
- Castle and Dunne
- Boob tube spots
- Athenian slave
- Type of ink
- Classic Michael Caine film
- Garfunkel or Buchwald
- Kinship grps.
- Sky bear
- Mongrel
- Misfortune
- Abbr. in a recipe



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

Word Salsa

C H G S U M A T O P O P P I H
O I A S O L E I C A C S A R I
H O R K Y P S U M A T O N O
E O A Y K I E R A T O T O
T P J S T A D I U M S I A P
E O E C O N T I N E N T E R O
V S G R I O H B K U B M T E I T
I U A G A D K Y C A M I O N G A
T B R P A S O T I H P P A I M
O M A G E T R U C K J N O I F R O
M A G R S U B M A R I N E F N
C I R O R E P T N A H P E L E A
C I R O D A N E R G I R F E R I
O N O T N E I T N O C A I P
L O C O M O T O R A M O C O L

Diagramless

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

Oral Exam

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

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:
Falling in love is awfully simple, yet falling out of love is simply awful.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

TEMPLE BETH-EL TO HOST CONCERT

Temple Beth-El of Las Cruces, 3980 Sonoma Springs Ave., will host the second-ever "Los Tres Larrys y Alison" concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 23.

Featured in the line-up will be four of the Southwest's top writers of Jewish music – Rabbi Larry Bach, Dr. Larry Lesser and Alison Westermann, all of El Paso, alongside Rabbi Larry Karol of Las Cruces – reuniting for another magical evening of acoustic music.

Refreshments will follow the event and donations for Casa de Peregrinos Food Pantry and/or El Caldito Soup Kitchen are welcome. For more information, call 524-3380.

ONE WAY LIFE CENTER INTRODUCES SERIES

One Way Life Center, 916 Chaparro St., will present a

series of meetings addressing past, present and future destiny and seeking life-changing encounters without judgment, 11 a.m. Sundays, March 23, 30 and April 6. Guest speaker is Fred Espinosa.

All denominations welcome. For more information, call 233-2413.

WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN GOD CALLS?

Have you been called by God to do something and feel like you are not sure if you are hearing the message? Do you hear a thought in your mind or an urge to do something, but begin to second guess yourself? Do you want to know God deeper in your soul and to communicate with God with clear hearing and knowing? What actually happens when we listen, or don't listen, to God?

The Ministry of Thee Angelic Light presents the Revs. Martha Turner (Oneesha) and Gerald Martin, at the Comfort Inn & Suites, 2101 S. Triviz Drive, from 7 to 9 p.m., Friday, March 28. Admission is \$10. For more information, call 644-2321.

UUMC BIBLE STUDY CLASS

University United Methodist Church, 2000 S. Locust St., invites the public to a new Bible study titled, "Using Science to Reveal God," led by Gerard DeLong, running through Tuesday, April 1. Class times available are 6 p.m. Tuesdays or 10 a.m. Thursdays.

This class will offer attendees an awareness of the uniqueness of the universe, our place within it and how great God is.

For more information, call 522-8220, or email office@uumclasruces.org.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road, will observe the season of Lent by paying special attention to how Christ is made known to us through the breaking of bread, through weekly Lenten lunches of bread and soup from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays through April 9. Topics under discussion will be "Bread Among the Stones (Jesus' 40 days in the wilderness)," "Bread Among Those Normally Excluded," "Bread Among the Multitudes," "Bread Among the Pharisees," "Bread Among the Wedding Guests" and "Bread With His Disciples." For more information, call 524-3245.

LENTE SERVICES

Mission Lutheran Church, 2752 Roadrunner Parkway, will celebrate Lent with services each week until April 9. Lenten services will start each week at 5:15 p.m. with a soup supper, followed by a 6 p.m. church service. Regular worship schedule is 6 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. Sunday and a Spanish language service at 10:30 a.m. Sunday. For more information, call 522-0465.

LENTE SERVICE SOUP SUPPERS

Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave., will hold weekly soup suppers followed by evening services as part of Lenten worship

and fellowship at 6 p.m. Wednesdays through April 9. All are welcome to attend the soup supper and/or worship. This year, the Border Servant Corps will lead worship with an emphasis on simplicity. Simple music and texts are chosen to provide space for reflection. For more information, call 522-7119.

EASTER MUSICAL CELEBRATION

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 3210 Venus St., invites friends of all faiths to a celebration of the life of Jesus Christ at 6:30 p.m. Palm Sunday, April 13. Musicians and vocalists from around the community will be performing in an event titled "God So Loved The World." Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 496-2036.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 4675 Bataan Memorial West, has announced the following schedule for Holy Week: Divine service will be held at 10:15 a.m. Palm Sunday, April 13; Holy Week vespers with Passion history will be held at 6:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, April 14-17; divine service will be held at 6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday, April 17; chief service will be held at 3 p.m. Good Friday, April 18; Easter vigil service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Holy Saturday, April 19; and Easter breakfast will be held from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m., followed by divine service at 10:15 a.m. Easter Sunday, April 20. For more information, call 382-0220 or visit www.godwithuslc.org.

SINGLE AND PARENTING

Morning Star United Methodist Church, 2941 Morning Star Drive, will present the interactive video series "Single and Parenting," at 5:30 p.m. every Wednesday through April 16.

The class is designed to give hope, support and fellow-

ship to those trying to balance all the demands of single parents. The classes are open to the community and will be followed by an optional potluck supper. For more information, call 521-8383.

INTRO TO RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD

Have you ever wished you had more knowledge about other religions? The Baha'i Information & Reading Center, 525 E. Lohman Ave., will offer an 8-week introductory class titled Religions of the World from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays through April 29. The class is free and all faiths are welcome. Entry is through the back of the building. For more information, call 522-0467.

ST. LUKE'S CONTINUES COWBOY CHURCH

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 7050 McNutt Road, will hold Cowboy Church at 3:30 p.m. Saturdays, April 5 and May 3. Riders are invited to ride in for the service, or bring their horses in horse trailers.

"Cowboy Church is an idea that people just love," said Father Daniel Cave. "So, we are bringing it back. Come and wear your favorite cowboy hat or boots. We welcome everyone."

Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 874-3972.

ONGOING

SPANISH MASS OFFERED AT HOLY FAMILY

Holy Family Ecumenical Catholic Church, 702 Parker Road, is an independent Catholic community where all are welcome and will celebrate Spanish Mass on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. In addition, Holy Family has English Masses at 5:30 p.m. on Saturdays and 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. For more information, call 644-5025.

MEN'S CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Catholic men are invited to attend a men's Catholic fellowship breakfast from 8 to 10 a.m. the second Saturday of the month at the San Albino Parish Hall on the Mesilla Plaza.

The monthly gathering is an opportunity for men to fellowship with other Catholic men and renew themselves spiritually. The fellowship is sponsored by the Cathedral of Immaculate Heart of Mary

in collaboration with other Mesilla Valley Catholic parishes. The cost of the breakfast is \$5. For more information, call 524-8563.

SILENT MEDITATION

Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave., offers a 20-minute period of silent meditation after a brief reading at 8 a.m. Saturday mornings. A "sacred word" is selected and is returned to during times of distraction.

All faiths are welcome. For more information, call 647-5684 or 522-7119.

SATURDAY VESPERS

St. Anthony of the Desert Orthodox Mission, located at the Kendrick Chapel at 518 N. Alameda Blvd., invites visitors and inquirers to Vespers at 5 p.m. Saturdays. This evening service of prayer and praise is a good introduction to the Biblical foundation and spirituality of Eastern Orthodox Christianity and includes a sermon, occasionally with discussion afterward.

For more information, visit <http://stanthonylc.org>.

PEACE LUTHERAN PRAYER GROUPS

Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave., offers two weekly prayer groups. Centering Prayer meets at 8 a.m. Saturdays for 20 to 30 minutes and offers a chance for silent prayer and personal reflection with God.

Women Gather for Prayer meets from 4 to 5 p.m. Mondays. For more information or for location, call the church office at 522-7119.

MASCULINE SPIRITUALITY

Men are invited to gather from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Sundays at Wellspring Church, 140 Taylor Road, to discuss "Spiritual Issues and the Male Persona."

All are welcome for coffee, camaraderie and gut-level topics for guys in search of a path that works. For more information, call 647-2560.

OPEN SPIRITUAL GROUP

The Association for Research and Enlightenment (ARE) Edgar Cayce Studies and General Spiritual Group hold group meetings from 10 a.m. to noon the first Sunday of each month.

The meetings are hosted by local chapter leader Linda Aragon and are open to the public. Anyone seeking spiritual study, knowledge and awareness is encouraged to attend. For more information and location, call 382-6400.



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Free classes are also available to Senior Circle and Healthy Women members from 11 a.m. to noon Wednesdays at Encantada Park, 1000 Coyote Trail.

For more information, contact 312-8320 or rositaad4@gmail.com.

TOPS MEETING CHAPTER 381

Take Off Pounds Sensibly Chapter 381 is open to new members of all ages at its Thursday morning meetings, which start with a private weigh-in from 10 to 10:30 a.m. Weigh-ins are followed by group discussions of weight loss, dietary help and nutrition. The group meets at Trails West Senior Community Clubhouse, 1450 Avenida de Mesilla, in the main room.

For more information, call 523-6240.

ART OF RECOVERY SUPPORT 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 to help build bonds, share experiences and create arts and crafts to sell in a supportive environment.

For more information, contact Kathy or David at 522-6404 or bridge@nmsu.edu.

TOPS MEETING CHAPTER 219

Take Off Pounds Sensibly Chapter 219 meets from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Thursdays. This support group assists members in achieving and maintaining healthy weight-loss goals.

For location information, call Doris Fields at 524-7461.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

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For more information, including a schedule of meetings, call 527-1803.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Overeaters Anonymous is a fellowship of individuals who, through shared experience, strength and hope, are recovering from a compulsive relationship to food. This is a 12-step program of recovery based on the 12 steps of Alcoholics Anonymous. There are no fees or dues, and signing in is not required.

For more information, call Joe at 571-7864 or Wayne at 647-5684.

BRAIN INJURY GROUP MEETS EACH FRIDAY

The Brain Injury Group meets from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each Friday at the Mesilla Valley Public Housing Authority, 926 S. San Pedro St. Each meeting features games, movies, artwork, music, books, puzzles, coffee and conversation.

For more information, call Dolores Garcia at 805-1301.

CO-DEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS

Adult Children of Alcoholics/Co-Dependents Anonymous meets at 10:30 a.m. Saturdays at the Arid Club, 334 W. Griggs Ave. The one-hour meetings are intended to help those raised in alcoholic or dysfunctional family situations deal with their issues and move on to a healthier, happier life through a 12-step program.

For more information, call 647-5684.

FYI HOSTS NEEDLE EXCHANGE

The Families & Youth Inc. Needle Exchange Program, located at 1190 Foster Road, seeks to reduce HIV and Hepatitis C by decreasing the circulation of unclean syringes and helps drug users overcome addiction by providing free information on available drug-treatment services.

The office is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. The service is confidential and no appointments are needed.

For more information, call Belle at 522-4004.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

The Alzheimer's Association New Mexico Chapter has the following support group meetings each month:

- **11:30 a.m. Thursdays at Sunset Grill**, 1274 Golf Club Road. For more information, call Jan at 522-7133 or Michael at 382-5200.
- **6 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at Arbors of Del Rey**, 3731

Del Rey Blvd. Respite care available during meeting. For more information, call Tony or Michael at 382-5200.

The Alzheimer's Association New Mexico Chapter has offices at 1121 Mall Drive, Suite C.

For more information on Alzheimer's disease and the Alzheimer's Association, call the organization's 24-hour hotline at 800-272-3900.

GUIDED, SIMPLE HATHA YOGA

Guided, simple Hatha Yoga classes are held at 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 Missouri Ave. Classes are taught by Blissful Beth, a certified instructor. The class is gentle and non-competitive. Donations are accepted. Attendees are asked to bring a mat or blanket.

For more information, call 522-0011 or 640-7614.

YOGA CLASSES

Karen Nichols is offering 90-minute yoga classes for adults and teens at 6:15 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays at My Place Jewel, 132-B Wyatt Drive. Donations in excess of space rental benefit Jardin de los Niños.

For more information, call Karen Nichols at 882-4943 or email karen_f_n@yahoo.com.

LUNCHTIME YOGA

Beginners and experienced alike are invited to make the most of their lunch hour with a tailored and exclusive 45-minute yoga class, followed by a lunch order waiting for you at the studio.

Cost is \$12 cash or check for yoga and express lunch from Mountain View Market Kitchen, or \$6 for the yoga class.

The class is offered from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays at Downtown Desert Yoga, 303 S. Alameda Blvd. For more information, call 647-9642.

YOGA CLASSES AT TAEKWANDO

Certified yoga instructor Olivia Solomon is offering all-levels yoga classes at 9 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Gold Medal Taekwondo, 519-1 E. Boutz Road. Bring a yoga mat and any props needed.

For more information, contact wildyoga@yahoo.com or 522-5350.

HATHA YOGA AT PEACE LUTHERAN

Hatha Yoga classes for beginners are held at 5:30 p.m. Mondays and noon Fridays at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 Missouri

Ave. Classes are taught by Shoshana, a certified instructor. The class is gentle and non-competitive. Donations are accepted. Attendees are asked to bring a mat or blanket.

For more information, call 522-7119.

DANCERCIZE CLASSES

Dancercize classes take place from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 Missouri Ave. Cost is a \$2 to \$5 contribution. Bring a mat and water.

For more information, call Sherri at 640-2903.

BELLY DANCE YOGA

Suhaila offers a new yoga experience geared to stretching and toning muscles. Suitable for all levels of experience from 5 to 6 p.m. Fridays at My Place Jewel, 132-B Wyatt Drive. Cost is \$5.

For more information, email mail4jewell@yahoo.com or call 621-2746.

STROKE SURVIVORS SUPPORT GROUP

Stroke survivors and caregivers share their experiences at stroke survivors support group meetings at 1 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Larry at 522-2625.

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. the fourth Saturday of each month at Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., Annex A (west side of main entrance). The March 22 talk will be "Self-care, Mindfulness and Meditation," by Daubney Harper from the New Mexico State University Counseling Center.

For more information, call 524-4373.

T'AI CHI CHIH

Instructor Rose Alvarez-Diosdado will teach T'ai Chi Chih: Joy Thru Movement classes at 8:30 a.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month at Sagecrest Park, 601 N. Roadrunner Parkway.

For more information, call 312-8320.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETS

The Southern New Mexico

Bereaved Parents Support Group meets at 2:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month, at Mesilla Valley Hospice, 410 Foster Road, in the Grief Center. Parents, grandparents and siblings are invited.

For more information, call Anna Cook at 527-1193.

GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN

A Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support Group is held from 10 a.m. to noon the second Tuesday of the month at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Grandparents raising grandchildren on a full-time basis are asked to join.

There is no cost to participate. For more information, call 528-3301.

CANCER CARE SUPPORT GROUP

A Cancer Care support group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at University United Methodist Church, 2000 S. Locust St. Cancer survivors, those currently being treated and anyone in the community whose life has been touched by cancer are invited to attend.

For more information, call Betty Harris at 524-3994, or University United Methodist Church at 522-3261.

TRANSPLANT SUPPORT GROUP

The Southern New Mexico

Transplant Support Group (TRIO) meets from 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.

DIABETES EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

The Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach presents the diabetes educational support group meeting for those informed they have diabetes, family and friends of those with diabetes and all who are interested.

The meetings provide open discussion, short teaching regarding diabetes and a question and answer period. The meetings will be held from 10 to 11:15 a.m. the third Thursday of each month at the Benavidez Community Center Game Room, 1045 McClure Road.

For more information, call 522-0289.

COMPASSION & CHOICES MEETS

Compassion & Choices will meet from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 20, at Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave.

For more information, call Judith Scott at 527-8432.

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Rachel Christiansen
Defining moments

For me and the 5,500-something other people attempting the brutal feat, anticipation mounts as the final countdown has begun in the last few days leading up to the Bataan Memorial Death March.

Nerves and anxiety have seeped into my mind as my physical condition has formed some doubt as to whether or not I will have the ability to complete all 26.2 miles of the trail.

Although I have no misconceptions regarding the difficulty of this marathon, I'm quite sure the reality of it is going to be a life changer.

I'm relying on the adrenaline of my peers who have chosen to undergo this challenge with me. Strangers or not, we will all be brothers and sisters on that day.

Just like members of a family, some have had much greater obstacles to overcome than I, and I hope their stories and endurance will help me along the way for my own journey.

After meeting the folks who organize this marathon every year, I have a greater understanding of the impact an event like this has. It is more far-reaching than you could imagine.

Of the four people I met from the Family Morale, Wellness and Recreation Department at White Sands Missile Range, who represent a fraction of the people who play a role in the successful execution of this marathon, all of them had a personal story to share about the lasting impact of Bataan.

One told a story of being recognized on a cruise in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean from her Bataan shirt, and this stranger gave nothing but praise about what the event meant to him.

These people pour just as much heart into planning the event and ensuring it will be a successful and safe one as do the participants themselves.

I know it all sounds oddly and maybe overly philosophical, but I think once you have made the commitment to an event of this physical caliber and significance, it becomes a part of you.

A part of me also is going to use the marathon as an excuse to exhaust my carbohydrate intake for the next year or so within a couple of days.

As one who tries to maintain low levels of pastas and breads in my diet, mainly due to the guilt that results from gluttony and laziness, I am quite naturally planning my marathon meals

See **Carbs** on page C22



The march that lives on

Bataan is the mission that lasts all year for WSMR

By **Rachel Christiansen**
Las Cruces Bulletin

It's no small to-do for an active missile range and military installation to open its gates to around 7,000 people – military and civilian – at one time.

That's exactly what happens during the annual Bataan Memorial Death March, which this year will usher in its 25th anniversary Sunday, March 23, at White Sands Missile Range.

The folks behind the curtain work yearlong to ensure the day will unfold as smoothly and, of course, as safely as possible. To the Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (FMWR) department at WSMR, the memorial march is more than just an event – it is something they pour their hearts into, said march Director Lisa Frankson.

"It's an incredible amount of work, but it becomes a kind of second nature," Frankson said.

Frankson said every last detail is just as important as the next, from securing the large numbers of medical personnel on hand, to formulating the security plan, to the number of water buffaloes, the containers that house the day's lifeline for participants: water. And that's a fraction of what it takes to pull off an event of this caliber.

More than 500 certified medics will be on hand for the march, something Frankson said is not common in many other races – which equals one medic for about every seven marchers.

To ensure safety with so many people on base, cooperation with surrounding law enforcement agencies is a must. Marchers will see patrol officers from the Las Cruces Police Department, Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department, Mounted Patrol and other agencies from El Paso and Alamogordo.

"It's a highly guarded race," Frankson said.

"You can definitely feel protected while you're here."

Bryan Nelson, FMWR Business Division chief, is responsible for the food and beverage service throughout Bataan weekend, and said his staff will be all hands on deck.

"People are coming through the food line dead tired, but they still want to talk to you about their experience," Nelson said. "We make them a hamburger, but after 26.2 miles, that's the best hamburger you may have had in a long time."

For the day of the march, Nelson said about 4,000 hamburgers, 1,200 bratwurst, 800 chicken sandwiches, 600 hotdogs and 1,250 pounds of potato salad were ordered this year to accommodate the influx of participants.

In addition to the work FMWR does for the Bataan, a process that starts each May, most of the key players will work long hours for the entire weekend, answering questions, escorting reporters and photographers, cleaning up and taking care of the survivors, while returning to business as usual Monday morning.

"It's all about the survivors, and that's why we do it," said Sue Staub, former march director and community recreation division chief.

Race participants will be honored with the attendance of 14 Bataan Death March survivors, who made it through the treacherous 70-mile hike as prisoners of war April 9, 1942, where thousands of their comrades did not, in what is considered one of the worst wartime atrocities of our time.

The survivors overcame beatings, torture, starvation and other harrowing conditions from their Japanese captors.

"Everything I've worked for the whole year in getting the march together is getting to talk to these 90-year-olds, and to make sure everything is going good for them," Staub said.

Participants will likely leave the race with stories, memories, maybe some blisters and

the coveted Bataan Memorial T-shirt, this year resembling a silver coin, signifying the 25th anniversary.

According to marketing and sponsorship coordinator Kristen Smith, word of mouth is one of the biggest advertisers of the Bataan, and is something past participants take home to their base or community.

"Although the march itself is grueling, people are overwhelmed with gratitude and appreciation for having the opportunity to participate," Smith said.

The New Mexico State University ROTC and New Mexico National Guard are support sponsors of the march every year, offering their help with escorting survivors and the opening ceremony events, which start at 6:30 a.m.

"It's not just a passion within White Sands, it's a passion for our surrounding communities, cities and chambers," said Steve Zagar, FMWR director.

Details

Bataan Memorial Death March

When
6:30 a.m.
Sunday, March 23

Where
White Sands Missile Range

Cost
Registration closed

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army.bataanquestions@mail.mil

Children give back



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Rachel Christiansen
Ciara Aguilera, 8, hands groceries to Emilio Trejo, 8, Monday, March 17, outside Casa de Peregrinos. Ciara and Emilio are Mission Lutheran School students who took part in a school-wide effort to donate to the food pantry as a part of National Lutheran Schools week March 10-14. Second through fifth grade students at Mission Lutheran collected food from their neighborhoods and picked up nearly a truck full of food for Casa de Peregrinos.

Health Briefs

World Down Syndrome Day event scheduled

The Southern New Mexico Down Syndrome Families will hold an event from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, March 21, at Peter Piper Pizza, 2290 Bataan Memorial East. Families who have children with Down syndrome are invited to attend and celebrate in creating awareness. The SNMDSF hosts the annual Buddy Walk during the New Mexico State University homecoming parade, and seeks to educate and inform the public about the importance of inclusion for those who have Down syndrome.

Combat vets schedule bike run

The Las Cruces Chapter of the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association, a nonprofit group, will host a benefit motorcycle and 5K run April 26. All proceeds will benefit local retirees, homeless and community services for Las Cruces in need. Support and sponsorships are still needed for the event. For more information, call 635-0065 or email gonz777@hotmail.com.

Prenatal Yoga offered April 6

Las Cruces Fitness and Dance is offering a series of yoga workshops this spring and summer. Next in the series is prenatal yoga from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, April 6, at 650 Montana Ave., Suite H, with instructor Judi Partlo. The two-hour workshop is \$25. Previous yoga experience is not required.

Prenatal yoga can help mothers-to-be stay healthy and

enjoy life to the fullest. Using gentle, targeted exercises that can be practiced during the first, second and third trimester, this prenatal yoga workshop will focus on poses that strengthen and increase the flexibility of the muscles used during childbirth, while also increasing stamina. Students will also practice pranayama – breathing techniques – that are helpful in reducing stress and useful during labor and delivery as well.

For more information, visit www.lascrucesfitnessanddance.com, email kristie@lascrucesfitnessanddance.com or call 496-1250.

Alzheimer's education offered

"Techniques for Managing Behaviors" will be the topic of a free education session presented by The Alzheimer's Association, New Mexico Chapter, at noon Friday, March 21, at The Alzheimer's Association Office, 1121 Mall Drive, Suite C.

Approximately 31,000 New Mexicans with Alzheimer's disease receive unpaid care from 105,000 family members and friends. The greatest risk factor for Alzheimer's disease is age, affecting one nine people 65 and older in the United States. The disease is expected to have particular impact upon the veteran population, because previous head trauma increases individual risk for the disease, and conditions such as post-traumatic stress disorder complicate typical Alzheimer's behaviors.

This session will be presented by Faith Lester, who will discuss caregiving techniques and answer questions. No reservations are necessary. For more information, call Maia Sideris-Dorame at 647-3868.

2014 DOÑA ANA COUNTY SENIOR GAMES SCHEDULE

Date & time	Event	Location
10 a.m. Tuesday, March 18	Pickleball	Meerscheidt Center
Noon Friday, March 21	Table Tennis	Frank O'Brien Papen Center
8 a.m. Saturday, March 22	Swimming	New Mexico State University pool

Carbs

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Tie a horse at chest height or higher. When leading a horse, keep the excess length of lead rope folded in your hand. This protects both of you. Never wrap anything that is attached to the horse around any part of your body. Keep things such as boards with nails, roofing tin, pitch forks, etc. out of reach of horses, even if they got loose.

Keep hard feeds – grains, pellets, supplements – in a secure place inaccessible to the horses. Many horses and ponies have died from colic or foundered from eating their fill from the feed room.

Keep an eye out for wasp nests and spider webs in shelters since many poisonous insects have been known to injure horses. Fill in any holes around your stable yard.

Pick up nails from building projects, and I suggest having a magnet for efficient clean up. Never weld near horses – or any other animals. They will watch the welding and can easily be blinded.

Stay aware of erosion around buildings. If your shelters have metal walls, the possibility of getting cut by metal edges is very high.

If you tie up hay nets or horse toys for your equine, be certain they are high enough that a hoof cannot get caught in them. If you have glass windows, cover them with metal mesh or grates. If light bulbs are accessible, have covers on them.

When trailering, it is good to wrap the horse's legs and put a head bumper (on a second halter) on him. You never know when traffic might necessitate a sudden swerve or stop that could make your horse step on himself or hit his head. Keep trailer floors clean and in good repair; use rubber mats so the horse has traction when travelling.

There are many more ways you will find to increase the safety around your stable. Observation and thinking about just how a horse could get in trouble will reveal many possibilities. It is worth the effort if it prevents just one mishap.

Katharine Chrisley is a lifelong horsewoman, equine specialist, instructor and trainer who owns and operates Dharmahorse – a company based on simple training methods and natural healing for horses and the people who love them. Her Stable Women Program connects women and horses. Chrisley maintains an Herbal Stable Yard and teaches Horse Whispering on the Organ Mountains. For more information, visit www.dharmahorse.org.

Pet Brief

APA's Rummage Sale Extravaganza scheduled

ACTion Programs for Animals (APA) is having its second annual name-your-own-price Rummage Sale Extravaganza from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 29, at the VFW Post 3242, 2001 N. Mesquite St. The group is still accepting donations from noon to 4 p.m. until Friday, March 28, at the VFW location. To arrange to drop off donations before the event or for a volunteer to pick them up, leave a message at 644-0505 or email mail@apalascruces.org.

Proceeds from the event will benefit APA's Doña Ana Pets Alive! (DAPA!) campaign, which rescues dogs and cats from the municipal shelter as well as former abuse-case animals. At this time, the group also needs extra funds to open the first APA adoption and education center within the next month.

The event will also feature a pet adoption as well as enchilada plates and drinks, popcorn and baked goods. People will be able to name their own price for items they wish to purchase and a suggested donation amount for animals they wish to adopt.

The only exceptions to the name your price deal will be large rummage sale items such as furniture, which will be priced, and puppies/kittens under 6 months of age for which the organization will seek their normal adoption fee of \$50 for kittens and \$75 for puppies.

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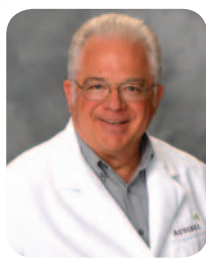
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Pets and People

There is enough compassion to go around Putting a face to community cat feeders at New Mexico State University

By **Elaine Stachera**
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Community cat feeders are a special breed. Cathy Lindsay of the New Mexico State University College of Engineering likes all animals, but knew she couldn't accommodate the needs of a dog.

When a neighbor's cat had kittens more than 20 years ago, Lindsay took the last one and was hooked on cats as the ideal companion.

A few years later, Lindsay noticed kittens on campus on her way to work, and began to feed them. As luck would have it, Kathy Billings, the founder of the Feral Cat Management Program (FCaMP) at NMSU, noticed, and soon recruited her as a volunteer.

Lindsay learned the duties of responsible cat feeding, including ensuring they are spayed or neutered, vaccinated and microchipped – and that those responsibilities are carried out 365 days a year.

The vast majority of comments Lindsay receives about the program are positive. She is pleased to note many of the grounds workers on campus pay attention to what the cats are up to, and know who to call when they need assistance or when there's a problem.

Being a community cat feeder is an expression of compassion for all creatures, not just owned animals. Even though the community cats for which she cares aren't hers, Lindsay said she feels an attachment to them.

And, some of them feel an attachment for those who feed them – there are some FCaMP feeders who can actually pet some of their wild charges. This is a significant vote of confidence.

"Having one of these cats effectively say, 'I trust you,' is a tremendous feeling, Lindsay said. "After all, who knows what they have been through?"

Lindsay opened her heart to the plight of community cats, and has made the Zero in 7/ Coalition for Pets and People's promise for them all.

FCaMP (www.nmsu.edu/~fcamp/) is an all-volunteer organization that gratefully accepts donations and would love to have more volunteers. According to FCaMP director Michelle Corella, when the program began in 2002, there were an estimated 200 to 250 feral cats on the main campus.

So far, this number has been reduced by

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CATHY LINDSAY,
New Mexico State University
College of Engineering

approximately 70 percent. FCaMP is currently focusing efforts in the student housing areas of campus, working with student residents who will allow us to set traps in their yards for the purposes of TNRRing the community cats in those areas.

What does this mean in litters prevented? According to Corella, FCaMP has so far spayed 154 females and neutered 178 males. Just taking the females into account and estimating two to three litters of three to five kittens per litter per cat, the efforts of FCaMP have prevented somewhere between 924 to 2,310 kittens from being born.

What is the goal? End the cycle of community cats in a humane way – this is one group that would love to put itself (and others like it) out of business.

The Zero in 7/Coalition for Pets and People created the promise card to remind us all that there are responsibilities that go along with taking an animal into your home. The promise reads, "In exchange for companionship, loyalty, and love, I promise that every animal I care for will be spayed or neutered, microchipped, vaccinated, and treated humanely. I will never abandon my animals or allow them to run loose. I accept this responsibility for the full natural life of my animals."

The purpose of the Coalition for Pets and People – a group that includes representatives



Cathy Lindsay, administrative assistant for the New Mexico State University College of Engineering, made the promise for all the NMSU community cats.

from most of the organizations in the animal welfare community and animal welfare departments – is to eliminate the killing of healthy or treatable animals at our public shelter by the end of 2018 and promote humane and responsible pet ownership.

Will you make the promise?

The Coalition for Pets and People was formed for the purpose of transforming the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley to a no-kill shelter within seven years. Coalition member Elaine Stachera is a university advancement officer for the New Mexico State University Office of Advancement.

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