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Sitel adds 130 jobs

Governor to visit Las Cruces center

By Richard Coltharp

Las Cruces Bulletin

With its third staff expansion in the past 18 months, Sitel announced Wednesday, April 11, it is adding another 130 jobs at its Las Cruces facility.

Las Cruces facility.
"We're excited about these positions and the opportunity for this



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community," said site director John Muñoz. "I think this is due a lot to the fact we have very dedicated and hardworking employees who have excellent results in

Scheduled to come to Las Cruces Friday, April 13, to help celebrate the announcement were Gov. Susana Martinez and New Mexico Economic Development Secretary Jon Barela.

"Job creation and economic growth are among our highest priorities here in New Mexico," Martinez said. "We applaud (this) announcement ... Sitel has demonstrated its strong commitment to the Rio Grande Valley and the state of New Mexico."

The jobs will be for inbound customer service technical support at the Sitel call center at 2100 Summit Court.

"We encourage people to apply at www.sitel.com or come on site," Muñoz said. "It's generally easier to do it online.

"We've been able to grow a successful and vibrant business. We offer competitive wages, medical, dental and vision insurance, 401K and incentive programs."

In an effort to recruit new employees, Sitel is working closely with Workforce Solutions and hosting an on-site job fair Thursday, April 19.

To accommodate the new employees, Sitel will not require a physical expansion to its building, but will coordinate schedules and work stations.

"We're not quite 24-7, but we're at 18-7," Muñoz said.



Kaya Begay, 2, gives a snack bar to New Mexico **State University** student Ty Begay at the "Giveaway" portion of opening ceremonies Monday, April 9, for NMSU's Native American Week. Throughout the week, the NMSU community has been treated to different aspects of Native American culture, including a beauty pageant, music and dance performances, comedy shows, a showing of the film "Skins" and food preparation. For more photos from the opening ceremonies, see page A18.

Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Nicolas Bañales

More make use of Child Crisis Center

Parents learning of service through constant reminders

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

In its first 16 months of operations, the new Child Crisis Center in Las Cruces has provided temporary care for 147 children, said Director Bernadine Dallago.

The center, located in a former family shelter at the Mesilla Valley Community of Hope, was created by La Piñon Sexual Assault Recovery Services of Southern New Mexico as a service to prevent child abuse from over-stressed parents or by those not left in the care of trained professionals.

Since it opened in late 2010, the center has provided 855 bed nights – which is how the state Children Youth & Family Department (CYFD) keeps track of children's stays. Last month, the center took care of 13 children for a total of 92 bed nights, Dallago said.

That means the center is meeting a need in the community, Dallago said. The center can house up to 12 children at a time.

The center enjoyed a lot of media attention when it first opened, but Dallago said she was concerned the parents who needed the service weren't necessarily the ones who follow the news.

Many government agencies that worked with parents who See **Crisis** on page A7

Earth Day events need volunteers

Help clean up or restore habitat

By Todd G. Dickson

Earth Day is Sunday, April 22, but there are already a variety of events to improve the local and area environment starting this weekend.

First, there is a major habitat restoration project seeking volunteers Saturday and Sunday, April 14-15.

Broad Canyon Ranch needs volunteers to pull thousands of tamarisk – more commonly called salt cedar – seedlings along the banks of the Rio Grande, as well as remove hundreds of feet of barbed wire fence.

According to the Audubon Society, removal of the tamarisk

seedlings will benefit cottonwoods, willows and other native trees and shrubs.

The focus of the work at the ranch north of Radium Springs is to restore habitat for native wildlife. The fence removal will benefit a local herd of mule deer that lives near the river, according to Audubon.

According to New Mexico's Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy, mule deer are a species in great need of conservation in the Chihuahuan semidesert grasslands. One of the factors that influence the integrity of the population is habitat loss and fragmentation.

Broad Canyon Ranch is north See **Earth Day** on page A7

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Premier park gets another look

City Council likely to revisit the possibility of buying Las Cruces Country Club property





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New education evaluation ordered

Teachers and principals to be graded on results

Gov. Susana Martinez has directed the Public Education Department to begin the formulation and implementation of a new teacher and principal evaluation system in New Mexico.

The new evaluation system will ensure that student learning and academic growth are key factors in how teachers and principals are evaluated.

"It's incredibly important that we're able to identify those teachers and principals who are contributing most to the academic success of their students, so that we can reward them for the impact they are having on our kids," Martinez said. "And it's equally important for us to be able to provide support and professional development to those teachers who are struggling.

"If we believe that our students go to school in order to learn, then a good evaluation system should incorporate student achievement in its analysis of our teachers and principals. And if we believe that some of our best teachers are those who take students from two grades behind to one grade ahead, then we must honor and recognize student growth as part of the process. None of this is happening now, and that's why this education reform is so necessary."

As part of granting New Mexico a waiver from the federal No Child Left Behind Act, the U.S. Department of Education required the state to develop the framework for a new evaluation system before the start of the 2012-13 school year.

Maintaining the waiver is critical because it allows New Mexico to use an A-F grading system to give parents and community leaders a more accurate and helpful picture of whether schools are achieving or lagging, allowing for the targeting of interventions in schools that are struggling the most.

As a result of the waiver, the often confusing constraints of Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) measurements no longer apply in New Mexico. Under the old system, nearly 87 percent of New Mexico schools were simply labeled as failing – with little to no indication of growth or progress among schools, or the ability to point to where the highest level of intervention was needed.

Details

The new evaluation will:

- Base 50 percent of each evaluation on three years' worth of student achievement.
- Measure teachers and principals not on a pass/ fail program, but instead within one of five categories: exemplary, highly effective, effective, minimally effective and ineffective.
- Work within New Mexico's current three-tier licensure system, but allow effective teachers and principals to move through the system faster based upon classroom performance.
- Provide strategic interventions for teachers and principals who are rated minimally effective or ineffective.
- Provide strong professional development for all teachers, targeted to particular needs that are identified by the evaluation system.



Members Sought for City Campaign

The Las Cruces City Council is seeking two members to serve on its newly-created Campaign Finance Ad Hoc Committee. They must reside within city limits and be former elected officials, preferably with municipal government. The committee will review the current ordinance and recommend changes that will lead to more transparency.

Deadline to apply is 5 p.m. on Friday, **April 27th. For more information contact** the City Clerk's office at 541-2115.

, The TTY number is (575) 541-2182. www.las-cruces.org

"As one of only 11 states to receive this waiver, New Mexico is finally a leader in education reform," Martinez said. "And the implementation of a true teacher-principal evaluation system is a bipartisan effort that has received wide support not only in New Mexico, but also from the Obama Administration, which has signaled that this is one of the most important education reforms we can enact for our children."

Currently, New Mexico teachers are evaluated under a system that simply labels them as either "meets competency" or 'does not meet competency," and does little to account for student growth and achievement in the classroom. Recent studies reveal more than 90 percent of the state's teachers are deemed to be meeting competency while New Mexico's student achievement continues to lag near the bottom of national rankings.

In September 2011, President Obama's Secretary of Education, Arne Duncan, described New Mexico's evaluation system as "broken."

"Recognizing teachers and principals based on how well students learn is the right thing to do for New Mexico," said PED Secretary-designate Hanna Skandera. "Today in our state, our teachers are judged on a pass-fail system that doesn't focus on students. We know student achievement is important and we need to reward those who excel at it."

During the past legislative session, a bill to establish a new teacher and principal evaluation system (HB 249) garnered wide bipartisan support, passing the House of Representatives by a vote of 57-9, with representatives from labor and business organizations in favor of it.

The state's new evaluation system will incorporate many of the measures that were a part of this legislative proposal, and will build upon the work of the Governor's Effective Teacher Task Force, which was composed of a wide group of stakeholders with more than 100 years of teaching experience and held more than 10 public meetings during a three-month period in 2011.



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Fromthepublisher

Tax planning predicament

Uncertainty about future tax codes blindfolds businesses and citizens attempting to plan for the future

In a particularly unpleasant election year where partisan politics dominate our federal decision making, citizens across our great country are stymied about how they should plan their financial futures.

Most certainly, nothing, as in "nada," is likely to be proposed or voted on prior to the November elections. Taxes are just too hot a topic to include on a political platform in today's fast-paced, influential social media news environment.

At the end of this year, the far-reaching tax cuts that were implemented during the George W. Bush era will all expire. If these cuts are not extended by Congress, the top income tax rate will rise to nearly 40 percent. Individuals currently pay from 10 percent to 35 percent. Without congressional action, the increased 2013 rates will be from 15 percent to 39.6 percent.

Other important tax changes that are set to happen after Dec. 31 include a 50 percent reduction of the tax credits for parents, the reinstitution of the infamous "marriage penalty" (making being single more advantageous tax-wise than being married), and taxes on dividends and capital gains will soar. Also, the \$2,500 tax credit per student for certain college costs and deductions for employee-paid child care will end.

Important to all working Americans is that – as of this time – on Jan. 1, 2013, Social Security withholding tax will increase nearly 50 percent, from 4.2 percent to 6.2 percent. Businesses and investors will take note of the fact that long-term capital gains taxes

are set in 2013 to rise by one-third, from 15 percent to 20 percent. Without congressional action, taxes on dividends, now at 15 percent, will be shown as ordinary income which has the aforementioned top tax rate of 39.6 percent. If Congress does not act on modifying the dividend tax, there is a reasonable expectation that prior to Dec. 31 we could see a major sell-off of stocks from taxable equity portfolios.

Another dramatic impending change in our current tax code is that, at this time, the estate tax exemption will be slashed by 80 percent on Jan. 1, from \$5 million to only \$1 million. The top tax rate for estate transfer will be an incredibly high 55 percent.

What this means is we could see businesses being sold at a discount prior to the end of the year. We also could see business owners preempting the tax hike by doling out significant shares of their companies to children and family members.

Of course, in the past, Congress has chosen to extend many of the critical tax breaks. However, this year, financial planners appear to be more anxious about what may actually happen after the November elections.

The ideal scenario would be for the tax rates to be extended as they are, so Americans can know what to expect tax wise, at least through 2013. Then, our legislative leaders would have healthy, non-partisan debates and decisions about future tax rates. Is this second step likely to happen? Probably not, unless you, the taxpayer, voice a strong opinion to your congressional delegation.

As for now, taxpayers will have until Tuesday, April 17, to file their 2011 tax returns and pay any tax due. Usually "tax day" is April 15. However, this year April 15 falls on a Sunday, and Monday, April 16, is a holiday, Emancipation Day, observed in the District of Columbia. According to federal law, District of Columbia holidays are observed as federal holidays for tax purposes. This means all taxpayers will have two extra days to file

The IRS expects to receive more than 144 million individual tax returns this year, with most of those being filed by the April 17 deadline.

Good luck with your individual returns. As soon as your taxes are in the mail, it might be a good time to contact your state's congressional representatives and let them know how you feel about the impending tax issues.

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Letter to the Editor

The Rockefeller way

You've had a couple of letters discussing the reason for oil pricing. Let me introduce a third idea. It comes from the John D. Rockefeller's (1839-1937) School of Free Market pricing. It is the essence of simplicity.

You blow up your competitors until you're the only one with oil to sell; then you sell it for whatever price you want to. The only expenses are the cost of producing it with poorly paid workers, plus the bribes to judges and politicians necessary to keep it all legal.

Now we have "special corporate persons," who've been declared legal to bribe our politicians by a group of hookers named the Supreme Court. They purchase the election of politicians who then use our military to blow up the competition until only our "special corporate persons" have oil to sell; then they set the price they want.

Speculators are cockroaches that simply eat crumbs from the "special corporate persons"

Hopefully this will make the matter a little clearer.

Charles Clements

The death penalty

The death penalty has always been a con-

In my opinion, the death penalty is a way in which people make justice. Capital punishment, the death penalty, death sentence or execution is a legal process whereby a person is put to death by the state as punishment for a crime.

I am in favor of the death penalty because the death penalty is the last resort authorities use when someone seems to not be able to improve their behavior.

Many times criminals serve time in prison and after they are released they go out and start committing crimes again. A death penalty is only assigned to criminals who have committed serious crimes. The process to sentence a criminal to death is long and expensive, but not as expensive as having him/ her spend time in prison.

This is an important topic because society has to understand that even though many people are opposed to the death penalty, its use is only required when a serious crime is committed. The death penalty can help lower crime because criminals will live in fear of being caught and in fear they may be severely punished for their actions that could and should cost them their life.

Ending the life of a person is a decision only God can make, but if a person feels they have the right to end the life of another person they should pay with their life as well.

I am a strong believer of the saying "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth" and every person who does wrong should be held responsible for their actions.

Monica Olvera

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Female leaders were slow to take center stage on the New Mexico political scene

Women politicians few and far between until recent years



In our continuing coverage of New Mexico's centennial year, we focus today on women in New Mexico politics.

For the first 10 years of statehood, New Mexico had no women in politics. During that period, we were the only state west of the Mississippi not to

allow women to vote except for education officials. But with the passage of the 19th Amendment in 1920, that changed and women began making up for lost time.

In 1922, two women were elected to statewide office and one to the state House of Representatives. In addition, Adelina "Nina" Otero Warren won the Republican nomination to Congress, but was defeated in the general election.

Soledad Chavez de Chacon was elected secretary of state in 1922. She was the nation's first woman to hold this high public office, which is second in the line of succession to the governor. In 1924, Gov. Jim Hinkle decided to attend the Republican National Convention. The lieutenant governor unexpectedly died before Hinkle departed.

That meant Chacon would be governor for two weeks. A major battle erupted over whether a woman could

handle the job. Chacon marshaled her forces and prevailed. Nearly 90 years later, when Susana Martinez became the state's first woman governor, a few people with good memories contended that Martinez is only second.

Also in 1922, Elizabeth Echols was elected state superintendent of public instruction. That office became appointive many years later. And in 1922, Bertha Paxton was elected to the New Mexico House of Representatives.

Otero Warren had lost her attempt

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women for public

office.

at Congress in 1922, but Georgia Lusk won a brutal seven-way Democratic primary in 1946 to go to the U.S. House for one term. Lusk also was elected state school superintendent on multiple occasions.

It wasn't until 1998 that Heather Wilson became New Mexico's second woman in the U.S. House. She was elected four more times before

vacating her seat to run for the U.S. Senate. She lost that one, but is making another attempt this year. If successful, she will be New Mexico's first woman U.S. senator.

In 1928, Louise Coe became New Mexico's first female state senator. By the time she left to unsuccessfully run for Congress in 1940, she had served six years as Senate president pro tem, a post no other woman has held since.

Patricia Madrid became the first and

only female attorney general in 1999. Diane Denish became the first female lieutenant governor in 2002. Both Madrid and Denish have been powers in the Democratic Party for many years and had previously secured their party's nominations for top offices.

No woman has ever been elected state auditor, treasurer or land commissioner. No woman was ever elected to the state Corporation Commission while it existed. Two women – Linda Lovejoy and E. Shirley Baca – have been elected to the Public Regulation Commission since it was created as five districts in the 1990s.

When Martinez and Denish ran against each other in 2010, they were the first women ever nominated by their parties for the office of governor.

New Mexico does not have an outstanding record for nominating or electing women to public office. Most of the states west of the Mississippi have much better records. It is a tribute to the strength of those who did succeed. In the 1990s, the top five state officials in Arizona were women. Four of them were Republicans. Attorney General Janet Napolitano was the lone

Maybe it is because New Mexico has such a long history that it is more bound by tradition. We can only hope that having women nominated for governor by both of their parties is a sign of some changed thinking.

Tradition also may explain why all our secretaries of state since 1922 have been women. That is not particularly common. A few men have run in party primaries but none have done well.

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Guest Column

Spaceport needs welcome centers

Centers key to local support

By Scott Krahling

I agreed to serve on the board of directors of the New Mexico Spaceport Authority because I wanted to work to make it a success for the residents of Doña Ana County.

I believe in the promise of Spaceport America. However, today we are forcing compromises when what we need is commitment and resources.

The best example of this is the welcome centers. When the voters of Doña Ana and Sierra counties took on additional taxation to fund the spaceport, they were told the high-end welcome centers in Hatch and Truth or Consequences would bring scores of tourists to their towns.

Now, because our contract requires us to fund runway extensions that are required for legitimate safety concerns, we are looking for new ways to fund these centers.

Why? Because we have made a commitment to not spend more than the \$209 million. As change orders and engineering for actual construction have moved forward, the governing board finds itself forever cutting from one place to fund another place.

That is not the right way to manage a resource of this magnitude.

The financial constraints imposed in 2007 were wellintentioned at the time, but here we are in 2012 and we're effectively telling the small town residents whose hopes are pinned on this experiment's success that they will have to take whatever can be tossed their way.

I don't think it's right. With oil and gas prices rising and the state's economic picture improving, southern New Mexico's legislators and New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez should immediately support an effort to allocate the necessary funding to build Spaceport America right.

If that happens, I believe we will follow through on the commitments made years ago. If it doesn't, then the board is forced to get creative with the funding of these projects and we will end up sacrificing their quality. The communities that stepped up to fund the spaceport instead of funding other critical needs deserve better.

Unless the situation improves, and we collectively work to make these facilities the world-class innovations we voted for, then I'm not sure how we can honestly say that we've lived up the commitments made in the past.

Combining this situation with the lack of action by the New Mexico Legislature regarding the hold-harmless law, I'm beginning to wonder how committed Santa Fe is to making this project a success. We need to do what competitors do and step up our game and reaffirm our commitment to leading the world in commercial space.

Make no mistake; I'm committed to utilizing the money that has already been invested in this project and making it a success. But we must be ready to compete if we want to be the leaders in commercial space, and that may require legislative action and additional resources from

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

Collected tidbits

Hector, a Colombian, married an American lady from Reno and became a citizen. One evening on the way home from a party they were pulled over.

"Just a routine check, sir," the officer explained, "for driving under the influence."

Hector walked the line, no problem. For the next test, as Hector understood it, was to "take a blow" on the back of the officer's hand.

"How hard?" asked Hector, puzzled.
"As hard as you can," directed the law.
Hector told me he took a deep breath,
reared back and hit the officer's outstretched
hand so hard his handcuffs jingled.

An old timer came to help us pregnancy test last fall. He stood on the catwalk and helped push 'em in.

I asked him if he didn't get tired of doin'

this.

He said, "Son, when workin' cows becomes a chore, I guess I'll know I'm done.

Unemployment in Colorado is 8.3 percent. Last year, the state paid many millions in unemployment checks.

A Colorado produce grower reported that increased scrutiny on illegal aliens and red tape by the immigration department has depleted his supply of Mexican-born laborers. Last year, he had to leave 10 percent of his vegetable crop unharvested, costing him \$150.000

Asked about American workers, he said, "Only 10 percent are credible candidates and they seldom last through the season."

So much for the idea that we Americans

are a proud, self-supporting, hard-working people.

A gentleman at a traffic stop in New Mexico was approached by a homeless man. The driver tried to wave the panhandler away, but he shook his head and pointed to the front bumper.

The driver rolled his window down and heard the homeless man say, "No! I have something for you. Your license about supporting cancer relief ... I had lung cancer. I'm alive because of them!"

Then he pulled out a wrinkled dollar bill and gave it to the driver.

Hope, where it wasn't expected.

A columnist reported of an isolated outback Australian ranch that suffered through nine years of drought. When it finally rained, it flooded the lake next to the house and the kids water-skied for the next nine months.

Concluded the columnist, "I guess the hardest thing to decide is when to buy a boat."

A quote from Congress' Minority Whip, "86 percent of the public thinks we're not worth a warm bucket of spit."

What? Only 86 percent?

In spite of the efforts of non-believers and Hollywood, church attendance continues to increase. Just more people putting their money where their heart is.

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Tragedy stalks young men

Trayvon Martin shooting not racially motivated



"Don't be a show-off. Never be too proud to turn back. There are old pilots and bold pilots, but no old, bold pilots."

– E. Hamilton Lee

The national media has not presented the real reason for the tragic shooting Trayvon Martin in Florida. Some people bring a race agenda to every discussion. Others want to complain about bad police work. Some shoot their mouths off about gun control.

Know this: the shooting of Martin by George Zimmerman had absolutely nothing to do with race or police work or gun control. The shooting was caused entirely by the boldyoung-men syndrome.

Every day, there are plenty of news stories about fist, knife and gun fights among bold young men that end in tragedy. These deaths are caused by the inability of young men to step back from a confrontation. They charge head first into the confrontations as if honor were more important than life itself. To them, maybe it is.

Viewing the shooting in Florida through the lens of bold young men, it is easy to see how this situation happened. But the bold-youngmen theory is of no use politically, since from the beginning of time young men have been bold and reckless, leading to needless deaths.

Long after the television lights of this story have gone somewhere else, we have the ability to learn something from this needless death. There are three issues: first, one step back and there would have been no story. Second, this is much more about the demons inside these two young men than about societal demons. Finally, sadly, the next generation of young men will be just as bold and reckless. They too will die needlessly.

I remember those days when it was unlikely that I would have stepped back. Today, I have a different perspective. But when I was young, I was 10 feet tall and bulletproof, as

the saying goes. I got into some confrontations, which luckily had no lasting effect. I understand the emotion of the moment and understand the cost of that emotion.

While some in our society might like to play the blame game, young men ready to sell their lives for honor is not the fault of programs on television or what is seen in the movies. That young-man behavior was just as prevalent 100 years ago as today. Young men then and now die needlessly.

One night in a small country bar, I was irritated by an interloper to my good times, so I reached way back and punched this guy right in the horns as hard as I could.

His head went back a ways and then he said to me, "You know, it sometimes makes me mad when someone hits me."

I had not knocked him down and certainly not out.

The pain traveled up my arm and I blurted, "My God, if I didn't hurt you, I'm sorry I hit you."

He chuckled as I dashed full speed through the bar's screen door.

At the coffee shop the next day, the regulars kidded me about the cross-hatch pattern on my face from that screen door that I ran through rather than take the time to open.

"At least I still have a face, that guy was King Kong," I said.

I am thankful I made it through the young, bold stage without lasting consequences. I wish we, as a society, could find a way to pull back the testosterone-fueled young bold men.

Before anyone thinks the way to deal with this is to pass more laws, it is emotion not thinking. The same emotion that Alfred, Lord Tennyson captured, "... theirs not to reason why, theirs but to do and die: Into the valley of death rode the six hundred."

Tragedy stalks the bold young men. Rest in peace, Trayvon, it was not racial; it was just a bold young men moment, a tragedy. This is neither the first nor the last time young men will die needlessly.

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Workers **Janice Servais** and Marissa Guerra make a bed at the Child **Crisis Center** Tuesday, April 10. Servais is a retired **Head Start** instructor and Guerra is an engineering student at New **Mexico State** University.



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Crisis

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may be in crisis – from child protective services and adult probation to public health or assistance programs – were already part of the initial referral network for the center.

Dallago began looking at other ways of possible outreach. She contacted various parenting groups, put posters in places such as laundry mats and also got the word out to Doña Ana Community College and its Adult Basic Education program.

"Our numbers have been steadily increasing through our efforts in outreach, especially in the southern part of the county," she said.

Still, Dallago said she continues to look for new ways and groups to help spread the word about the Child Crisis Center.

"We just can't stop talking about it," she said. "That's what makes it work."

The center provides a safe, supervised place for children 24 hours a day, seven days a week, including holidays.

Kids can stay up to 30 days for a variety of reasons – if a parent is feeling overwhelmed by life, if the parent is being hospitalized and doesn't have family for the children to stay with, if a parent has to go out-of-town to seek work or has to go into a treatment program to fight an addiction.

Barring criminal situations that threaten the children, there is no judgment made of a parent who arrives at the center with a child. Parents are given referrals to local services, if needed, such as anger management classes. Parents can visit their children during the crisis, depending on the individual situation.

"All of the situations are unique," Dallago said. "Every scenario we imagined when we were planning the center, we've seen."

Situations have ranged from medical emergencies to temporary incarceration. Dallago said many of the parents have been homeless.

She noted that there is need for a center to provide this kind of service for children older than 12 or 13, but the current center isn't set up to handle older children, she said.

The center has 13 employees, mostly working part time. Dallago said she is always looking for volunteers to help at the center.

For more info

The Child Crisis Center is located on the east side of the Mesilla Valley Community of Hope campus at 999 W. Amador Ave. The phone number 525-1277

The Las Cruces community also has "warmlines" for parents and children needing someone to talk to. KidTalk is **636-3636** and ParentTalk **636-3133**.

People suspecting child abuse can call the state hotline on their cell phones by dialing **#SAFE (7233)**.

Earth Day

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of Las Cruces on state Highway 185. New Mexico State Parks purchased the ranch in 2009 with assistance from the Trust for Public Lands, The Nature Conservancy and World Wildlife Fund. Besides desert grasslands, the ranch contains a 42-acre wetland and 43 acres of riparian meadow and woodlands bordering the Rio Grande.

There will be several work sessions throughout the two days: 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday; and 8 a.m. to noon Sunday.

Shade, snacks and refreshments will be provided. Volunteers should bring a hat, sunscreen, water, bug spray, work gloves and work boots. Volunteers are encouraged to register ahead of time, but if they show up for any sessions, they won't be turned away.

For more information, or to register, contact Steve Cary of Audubon New Mexico at 505-231-6361 or scary@audubon.org.

If you're not up for going into the wild, the Keep Las Cruces Beautiful program is seeking volunteers to help with the Great American Cleanup, scheduled from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 14.

The Great American Cleanup is an annual nationwide event focusing on litter cleanup and beautification. During the 2011 Great American Cleanup, 1,300 volunteers collected more than 17 tons of litter from throughout the city. The goal this year is to collect at least 20 tons of litter.

The first 1,000 volunteers will receive a "Toss No Mas" T-shirt and will be treated to a free lunch, hosted by the Walmart Supercenter on Walton Boulevard.

The Las Cruces Police Department's Codes Enforcement Section is coordinating the cleanup and is asking volunteers to pre-register by calling 528-4723. Volunteers can also register online at www.clcpd.com.

Earth Week in Las Cruces

With Las Cruces a little more spruced up, the city will hold a series of events inside City Hall, 700 N. Main St., for Earth Week, coordinated by its sustainability program. (To learn more about the city's Sustainability Officer Merideth Hildreth, see the business profile on page B6.)

On Monday, April 16, the City Council will approve a proclamation at 1 p.m. There will be plants in the lobby of city hall, along with books and resources.

Tuesday, April 17, Keep Las Cruces Beautiful will have its dog LIBBY at City Hall. Also, the South Central Solid Waste Authority Recycling Program will provide information on watershed management and storm water pollution prevention.

On Wednesday, April 18, the public will be able to get information from the city's Lush & Lean program, which encourages water conservation and other related topics.

On Thursday, April 19, there will be information on bicycle routes, safe routes to schools and RoadRUNNER Transit.

On Friday, April 20, residents can learn about urban forestry, community and school gardens and the Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market

From 2 to 5 p.m., the Doña Ana Food Planning Task Force will hold a Foodshed Policy Planning workshop in council chambers to formulate a foodshed policy and priorities for the region. To attend, email Aaron Sharratt, codirector of La Semilla Food Center, at aaronsharratt@gmail.com. More information can be found at www.lasemillafoodcenter.org.

Earth Day at last

Once you've done all that work for the Earth, why not enjoy it on Earth Day, April 22.

The Nature Conservancy is celebrating Earth Day by hosting the second annual Picnic for the Planet. People are asked to host or join a picnic in honor of the planet, the food it provides and the people who live on it.

In Las Cruces, the Friends of the Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park is inviting the public to have a picnic at the park on Earth Day. The visitor's center and trails will be available for hiking, as well as a new shade structure.

Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park is located at 5000 Calle del Norte, just west of the Rio Grande, west of Mesilla. The park will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday. Park entry fee is \$5 per vehicle. For more information, call 524-1886.

Last year's picnic had thousands of people joining more than 600 picnics in 61 countries on all seven continents. If 25 picnickers or more gather for a picnic event April 22, it can be listed for a possible world record listing for the largest multi-venue picnic in a 24-hour period.





Coming Up

ALR lectures planned

For the April Academy For Learning in Retirement lecture series, award-winning author Molly Molloy, research librarian, editor and translator at New Mexico State University, will present two more lectures on the violence in Mexico caused by the ongoing drug war.

Lecture subjects include: history and background of the Mexican drug trade and violence; demographics of the hyper-violence; myth and reality of spillover violence into the U.S. border region; and the real spillover: refugees, asylum seekers, businesses and more.

Molloy's lectures will be presented at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 17, and Thursday, April 19, in the Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle, in the auditorium.

There is a \$5 fee for each lecture and no advance registration is required. Complimentary refreshments are available.

For more information, call Don Finke at 522-6512 or visit www.dacc.nmsu.edu/comed/alr.

Native plant events planned

The Native Plant Society of New Mexico, Las Cruces Chapter, has announced its April hike.

Lisa Mandelkern will lead a hike in the Jarilla Mountains Saturday, April 14. It is a medium difficulty hike. Anyone interested is asked to meet at 8 a.m. at the east end of Bank of the Rio Grande parking lot at the corner of University Avenue and Telshor Boulevard.

For more information, call Carolyn Gressitt at 523-8413 or Al Krueger at 532-1036.

Blood drive set

Doña Ana County employees and the general public will have an opportunity to donate blood from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday, April 13, in the rotunda of the Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd.

For more information or to schedule a time to donate, call 525-6130.

OES yard sale

Las Cruces Chapter No. 20, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold its annual yard sale from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 13-14, at the Aztec Masonic Hall, 180 E. Boutz Road.

Proceeds from the sale go to support many local communities including, but not limited to, Casa de Peregrinos.

AAUW meeting

The Las Cruces Branch of the American Association of University Women will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 14, at MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4311 E. Lohman Ave., in the Community Education Room. Tracey Bryan, president and CEO of The Bridge, will present, "The Bridge of Southern New Mexico."

The meeting is free and open to the public. AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research. For more information on the Bridge, visit www. thebridgeofsnm.com.

For more information, call Kathy Mayer at 647-1939 or visit www.aauw.org.

Kids fishing clinic April 14

New Mexico Department of Game & Fish and the Mesilla Valley Flyfishers will co-sponsor a Kids Fishing Clinic from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 14, at the New Mexico State University Alumni Pond, west of Pan American Center.

The event is open to all children, but especially for kids ages 6 to 11 with little or no fishing experience. Topics will include registration, casting, fly tying, knots, fishing rules and regulations, bait, lures and tackle, fish prints, fish identification and aquatic insects.

The program is free to children ages 11 and under. Those children ages 12 or older must have a New Mexico fishing license. Free pizza will be available at noon. Participants should bring fishing gear, sunscreen or jacket, as needed.

Those without fishing gear may borrow some at the clinic. Prizes and free snacks for the kids will be available. An adult must accompany children attending the event.

Pre-registration is required by calling the New Mexico Department of Game & Fish at 532-2100.

City utility bills are sent late

Certain customers of Las Cruces Utilities will receive their bills approximately six to seven days late due to a billing system upgrade. Bills with due dates of April 19, 20 and 23 will arrive late. When the bills do arrive, they may have a past due date, however, the City of Las Cruces assures

residents they will not be assessed a late fee.

Las Cruces Utilities apologizes for any inconvenience and encourages all customers to help offset similar occurrences in the future by switching to E-Billing. With E-Billing, the utility bill arrives by email, eliminating delays caused by processing, printing and postal problems.

Signing up for E-Billing is free. Email a request to customerservice@las-cruces. org. Include name, physical address, email address and complete utilities account number.

AARP meeting

A special AARP meeting for people age 50 and over will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 14, at Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Attendees will learn about local chapter activities, volunteer opportunities, meetings, guest speakers and field trips. Light refreshments will be served. Reservations are recommended, but not necessary. For more information, call 877-962-8300 or Sue at 382-0733.

American Indian week

American Indian Week festivities at New Mexico State University culminate Saturday, April 14, with an arts and crafts expo, Indian taco sale, drum-making demonstration and more. The events will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. outside the Kent Hall University Museum. The public is invited to come and learn about and celebrate American Indian cultures.

Bringing their culture to

southern New Mexico during the events is the Jemez Dance Group. The Pueblo of Jemez lies about 55 miles northwest of Albuquerque, and while several traditional dances are held year-round, many are not open to the public. Justin McHorse, director of the American Indian Program at NMSU, said this makes their performance a great opportunity for others to come enjoy a cultural experience.

"One of the great things about the finale is that it goes on all day long and there will be several performances by the dancers throughout the day," McHorse said.

Other artists participating in the finale events include Sam Suina from Pueblo de Cochiti, who will demonstrate how to make a Cochiti drum. Suina said he learned the art of drum making from his grandfather and enjoys teaching others.

"It promises to be a fun day where people can purchase crafts directly from artists and learn about different Native American cultures," said Jennifer Robles, curator of collections and exhibits at the University Museum.

Artist Josie Seymour from Laguna Pueblo and Robert Patricio from Acoma Pueblo will be doing pottery demonstrations inside the museum. Robles said their participation is also in support of an exhibit about Acoma and Laguna pottery that will open at the museum in September.

For more information, contact the American Indian Program at 646-4207 or amerind@nmsu.edu or visit www.nmsu.edu/museum/american-indian-week-201.

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Great American Cleanup slated

The Keep Las Cruces Beautiful program is seeking volunteers to help with the Great American Cleanup scheduled from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 14.

The Great American Cleanup is a nationwide event focusing on litter cleanup and beautification. The morninglong event is a great opportunity for groups, organizations, businesses and all residents to help keep Las Cruces clean.

During the 2011 Great American Cleanup, 1,300 volunteers collected more than 17 tons of litter from throughout the city. The goal this year is to collect at least 20 tons of litter. The first 1,000 volunteers will receive a "Toss No Mas" T-shirt and are provided a free lunch hosted by the Walmart Supercenter on Walton Boulevard.

Keep Las Cruces Beautiful, part of the Las Cruces Police Department's Codes Enforcement Section is asking volunteers to pre-register for the cleanup by calling 528-4723. Volunteers can also register online, by clicking the KLCB link, at www.clcpd.com.

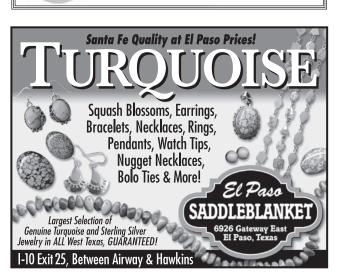
For more information, call Craig Fenske at 528-4723. The TTY number is 528-4197.

Holy Cross flea market April 14

The eighth annual Holy Cross Flea Market will be from 7 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 14, at the Holy Cross Catholic School, 1327 N. Miranda Road, in the north schoolyard. No early birds will be allowed. More than 40 vendors of antiques, collectables and garage sale items will be on hand.

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Coming Up

Model train club to meet

The Roadrunner Division of the National Model Railroad Association will meet at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 14, at the Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. All model railroaders are invited. For more information, contact Mike Weiss at 532-1051 or mikeweiss65@gmail. com.

Pan Am Round Table is April 14

The Pan American Round Table luncheon will be at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 14, at the Hilton Garden Inn, 2550 S. Don Roser Drive. Guest speaker will be author Denise Chavez.

Girls Scouts at bosque park

Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest, in collaboration with the Mesilla Valley Bosque Sate Park, will hold its first annual Passport to Nature – a NatureQuest event from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 28, at Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park, 5000 Calle del Norte, west of Mesilla.

All current and interested Girl Scouts and their families are invited to kick off spring and summer by exploring the outdoors and connecting with nature. Each registered child will receive a map on which to place stickers/ stamps as they visit the various stations and take part in the activities, including hiking, letterboxing/geocaching, outdoor crafts and archery. Participants are encouraged to bring a sack lunch; no food will be available or provided at event. Custom patches will be awarded the first 100 child registrants who complete their map. As a bonus, children who show their Passport to the Desert received at the Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park on March 20 will receive

an added surprise.

The fee for registered participants, is \$2 per person. There is a \$5 vehicle park entrance fee.

To register for this event, contact Monica, at 526-2532 or mjasso@gsdsw.org no later than Sunday, April 15.

Audubon talk set for April 18

The Mesilla Valley Audubon Society will present "Cottonwood Conservation: How Saving Them Can Save Others," at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 18, at the Village at Northrise, Hallmark Building, 2882 N. Roadrunner Parkway.

Gregory Penn, winner of the MVAS Richard Bischoff Memorial Scholarship, will describe his research in conservation genetics, which aims to develop models that accurately measure productivity and fragmentation in small populations.

The meeting is free and open to the public.

For more information, call 639-3814.

LCPS transfer deadline looms

The deadline for the submission of all Las Cruces Public Schools student transfer requests for the 2012-13 school year is 5 p.m. Monday, April 16.

The opening in Centennial High School in August may result in a larger number of transfer requests than normal. Superintendent Stan Rounds will wait until all transfer requests have been received before deciding on any of the requests for students currently in grades eight-11 (next year's ninth-12th graders). His office will notify parents and students of his decision on each transfer request as soon after the April 16 deadline as possible.

"I know students and parents are anxious to find out if their request for transfer to a school outside of their normal attendance zone has been approved," Rounds said. "I will review all the requests myself and make final decisions as quickly as possible."

kindergarten-Current seventh grade students (next year's first through eighth graders) who submit a transfer request will be notified of approval or disapproval of the request by their current schools later in the year.

Transfer requests are available at schools and on the home page of the LCPS website, www.lcps.k12.nm.us.

For more information, call the LCPS Instruction Department at 527-5889

Primetimers meet April 17

The Farm Bureau Primetimers will meet from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 17, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Representatives from Sens. Jeff Bingaman and Tom Udall and Rep. Steve Pearce will make presentations. Lunch served by Dickerson's Catering will be \$10. For more information, call John or Povy Bigbee at 233-4820.

Minnesota club meets April 18

The Minnesota Club of Las Cruces will meet for lunch at noon Wednesday, April 18, at the Golden Corral, 601 S. Telshor Blvd. All former Minnesotans are invited. A summer picnic will be planned

Book club on track April 18

The Rail Readers Book Club will meet at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 18, at the Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. The group will discuss Mary Daheim's "Loco Motive." The book is part of the Bed & Breakfast series, featuring B&B owner Judith Flynn.

For more information, contact Ioanne Beer at 647-4480 or jobeer@las-cruces.

Holocaust remembrance

Temple Beth-El, 3980 Sonoma Springs Ave., will hold a service of Holocaust remembrance at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 18. The remembrance will include songs, readings, prayers and discussion. For more information, call Temple Beth-El at 524-3380 or email admin@ tbelc.org.

DA Historical Society meets

The Doña Ana Historical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 19, at the Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle in the auditorium. Amado Guzman, a graduate student at New Mexico State University, will speak about the history of the development of water resources in Doña Ana County. The meeting is open to the public. For more information, call Jim at

German club meets April 19

Friends of the German (Freunde der Language Deutschen Sprache) will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 19, at Breland Hall, Room 173 B, on the campus of New Mexico State University. The group will show and discuss two recent documentaries from Deutsche Welle: "GluecksInvasion" and "Schleierhaft -Kultur des Schleiers.'

For more information, call Christine at 524-2530 or Heike at 522-5393.

GOP women meet April 27

The Federated Republican Women of Doña Ana County will meet at 11:30 a.m. Friday, April 27, at the Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Guest speaker will be Greg Sowards, candidate for U.S. Senate. Lunch costs \$8.25 and reservations are required by noon Monday, April 23. For more information or to make reservations, call Anna Mae Evans at 524-4232 or 635-9174.

Reading foundation

Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd., will host a bookfair benefitting the Children's Reading Foundation of Doña Ana County (CRFDAC) from 9 a.m to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 13-14, and from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, April 15. The foundation's in-store event will take place noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 14.

On all three customers can let Barnes & Noble cashiers know that their purchases should benefit CRFDAC, said Barnes & Noble Community Relations Manager Cheryl Graves.

Graves said orders placed online April 13-19 also will benefit CRFDAC if purchasers include the bookfair ID number – 10714277.

For more information,

call Graves at 522-4728, email crm2144@bn.com or visit www.readingfoundation.org.

Lunch & Learn set for April 19

The Master Gardener monthly library program Lunch & Learn will be from noon to 1 p.m. Thursday, April 19, at Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave., in the Roadrunner room. Attendees are invited to bring their lunch. No food will be provided.

John White, curator of the Chihuahuan Desert Gardens at the University of Texas at El Paso, will present: "Waterwise and Beautiful Too?" Attendees can learn how to choose, grow and care for native Chihuahuan Desert plants.

For more information, email slh303@yahoo.com or call 647-4394.

Audubon trip to Lower Gila **Box is April 28**

The Mesilla Valley Audubon Society will have a birding field trip to the Lower Gila Box Saturday, April 28.

Jennifer Montoya will lead our trip into the scenic canyon full of valuable riparian habitats. The Gila River is the only undammed major river in New Mexico and this area supports significant numbers of rare bird species.

The trip is free but registration is required due to limited space.

For more information or to register for the trip, contact Mark at mpndltn@gmail.com or 635-8711.



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NMSU GLBTQ Awareness Week to mix fun events with serious topics

Hate crimes and gays in the military to be discussed

Bulletin Staff Report

The mother of a man killed for being gay along with a decorated soldier who helped end the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy will be guest speakers at New Mexico State University's GLBTQ Awareness Week April 16-20.

The week begins Monday, April 16, with the Festival of Colors featuring GLBTQ – gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, questioning – performers, information tables and lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Corbett Center Student Union outdoor stage.

This is a social and informative event about the GLBTQ community. GLBTQ organizations from across the nation and across different NMSU departments will be present to help educate the campus about issues that affect the GLBTQ community

Later that evening, the documentary, "The Laramie Project," will be shown at 5:30 p.m. in the Milton Hall Digital Media Theater. This film portrays the true story of the 1998 murder of Matthew Shephard, a young gay man growing up on Laramie, Wyo. The brutal killing brought a wave of media attention on the issue of hate crimes against gays and lesbians. This film portrays all of the individuals involved in the case, including Matthew Shepard's family and the family of his murderer.

The film will be followed up Tuesday, April 17, with a speech by Judy Shepard, the mother of Matthew Shepard.

Her keynote speech, "The Legacy of Matthew Shepard: Speaking from a mother's perspective," will be from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Las Cruces Convention Center Exhibit Hall, 680 E. University Ave. A one-hour reception will follow the speech, which is free and open to the public.

Shepard has made the prevention of hate crimes the focus of her life, and she challenges her audiences to make their schools and communities safer for everyone, regardless of their race, sex, religion, or gender identity and/or expression.

NMSU's Barnes & Noble will be selling Shepard's books "The Meaning of Matthew: My Son's Murder in Laramie," and

a "World Transformed" before and after the event for \$20.

On Wednesday, April 18, Eric Alva, an Iraq War veteran and gay rights activist, will discusses his role in the repeal of the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, and what it meant to stand next to President Barack Obama as he signed the law.

By using his own experiences as an example, Alva discusses difficulties faced by gays and lesbians serving in the military, and he urges audiences to support the lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgendered community members who serve our country.

Alva's talk begins at 7 p.m. in the Corbett Center Student Union Ballrooms.

Thursday, April 19, Safe Zone Training will be provided by the NMSU Sexual and Gender Diversity Resource Center from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Teaching Academy in Room20 of Milton

Safe Zone Training provides more GLBTQ awareness within the NMSU community and helps to ensure that it is a safe campus for all students, said Sharma Horn of the resource center who will be giving the training.

"Teaching our campus community about the unique experiences of GLBTQ people allows more visibility and understanding of the diversity of our peers," she said.

That evening will be the week's second annual Drag Show, which Horn said a big hit last year. Professionals from New Mexico perform in full drag from 7 to 10 p.m. in the Corbett Center Auditorium

The week culminates Friday, April 20, with the Lavender Graduation and Recognition Dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. at the NMSU Golf Course Banquet Room.

Graduating students will be recognized for their hard work, leadership and commitment to diversity with Academic and Leadership Diversity Stoles at this bi-annual event.

The dinner will be followed by a Neon Rainbow Party from 9 p.m. to midnight at the Livestock Pavilion next to Gerald Thomas Hall.

For more information, call the Sexual and Gender Diversity Resource Center at 646-7031 or email sgdrc@nmsu.edu.





Above, Judy Shepard, the mother of **Matthew Shepard** who was killed in gay hate crime, will be one of two keynote speakers at the **GLBTQ** Awareness Week at New Mexico State University. At right, Eric Alva, an Iraq War veteran who played a key role in ending the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy is the other keynote speaker.



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Udall hears testimony



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U.S. Sen. Tom Udall, at the far upper left, holds a field hearing to gather testimony about environmental issues along the U.S.-Mexico border Wednesday, April 11, in the Las Cruces City Council Chambers. Giving testimony were Thomas Ruiz of the state Environment Department, state Environment Secretary F. David Martin, Doña Ana County Commissioner Dolores Saldaña-Caviness and Priscilla Lucero, executive director of the Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments. At the dais with the senator are Udall's staffer Drew Wallace and committee staffer Jason Albritton.

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Guard's Montoya to retire

Governor praises major general's tenure

Maj. Gen. Kenny Montoya has resigned his position as adjutant general of New Mexico's National Guard.

"I appreciate General Montoya's dedication and service to New Mexico," said Gov. Susana Martinez. "For nearly a decade, he has been a strong leader for the men and women of the New Mexico National Guard. Gen. Montoya's tenure as adjutant general is a testament to the unmatched bravery and commitment demonstrated by New Mexico's soldiers."

"It has been my sincere honor to serve as adjutant general of New Mexico for the last nine years," Montoya said. "It was important for me to have the opportunity to see so many of our deployed guardsmen return safely to New Mexico during the past 15 months.

"Although I have enjoyed working with Gov. Martinez, I genuinely believe that the governor should be free to select an adjutant general of her own choosing."

State Sen. Bill Payne, a former rear admiral, will head the adjutant general search.

Top Teens applications open

Program honors stellar high-schoolers

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) either attending a school or being home-schooled within the Las Cruces Public Schools District.

Teens may be nominated from now through May 11 by teachers, counselors, friends, clergy or family (but not their parents, guardians or fellow students).

Nomination forms can be completed on the Mayor's Top Teen website at www.mayorstop teens.com.

The Mayor's Top Teens seeks teens who: Overcame a significant obstacle in their

- Overcame a significant obstacle in thei lives
- Perform community service
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- Set a good example
- · Are positive role models

Teens chosen as the 2012-13 Mayor's Top Teens will be recognized in the following areas throughout the school year:

- A published yearbook profiling each honoree
- Attendance at local events and meetings
- Formal introduction at a City Council meeting
- Various community parades and celebrations
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The Mayor's Top Teens program was founded by The Optimist Clubs of Las Cruces in 2007.

It is dedicated to creating a community that values teens and promotes a positive image of them in our community.

The Mayor's Top Teens program is directed by a committee of volunteers and supported by Las Cruces Mayor Ken Miyagishima as well as a host of corporate sponsors including Sitel, Comcast, El Paso Electric Co. Loyal Order of Moose, Lodge 2081, MountainView Regional Medical Center, Pic-Quick and Memorial Medical Center.

Currently, there are 42 laureates who represent the 2011-12 Mayor's Top Teen program.



Public reacts warily to early rocket tests

Use of explosives raises neighbor's fears



By Michael Shinabery

Editor's note: This is part two of a three-part story.

While the American Rocket Society methodically established its scientific reputation throughout the 1930s, the public perception suffered when misconceptions put them "in a bit of hot water," the August 1980 Journal of the British Interplanetary Society (IBIS) said.

Exaggerated reports in newspapers about their 'moon rockets' not only exacerbated opinions, but also 'aroused alarmed neighbours to contact the authorities' when gossip circulated that the ARS had 'a ton of TNT' stashed away.

'Yonkers Bureau of Ċombustibles detectives showed up at the residence of members G. Edward Pendray and his wife, Leatrice, in the New York City suburb of Crestwood. The search proved fruitless, and the police left empty-handed. "Soon after," the JBIS re-

ported, "a special meeting was called at the local American Legion Chapter in which the menace of rocket explosions was the chief topic. The potential loss of property value was also discussed as well as

ways to convince the Pendrays to move.

ARS members hoped to make "the populace, if not the scientific world, 'space conscious," the JBIS said. To that end, Pendray, along with David Lasser, two of the 12 charter members, not only reported through the Society's publication, Astronautics, but also in mainstream "newspapers and magazines" – often through "splashy Sunday supplement features.

Worldwide peer recognition came in 1936, according to "The Rocket Pioneers," when the French Astronomical Society bestowed its prestigious REP-Hirsch Prize "for the most significant contribution made during the previous year towards the new 'science' of astronautics," the JBIS said.

The ARS, which now boasted 200 members, had outlined in a report in early 1936 how it had become "a nucleus for rocket research not only in America but abroad," and a "central bureau for the exchange of information about rockets." In addition: "Most important of all (the ARS) brought rocket experiments, and the technical results of such experiments, out in the open as a regular,

established branch of engineering."

The REP-Hirsch Prize was named for Robert Esnault-Pelterie and Andre Hirsch. The former "introduced the word astronautics," the website astronauticsnow.com said. "The Rocket Pioneers" credited him with inventing the airplane control stick and building World War I "planes for the French forces." Andre Hirsch, at age 13, became a member of the French Astronomical Society and, while still a teenager during World War I, "took a patent for a technique of secrete (sic) long-distance telegraphy using infrared radiation.

World War II compelled "renewed interest by the United States military authorities in rockets," Pendray recalled in a 1967 article (reprinted in 1985 in "First Steps Toward Space").

"(We realized) that smallscale development and testing such as could be done by the society, with the resources available to it, had been carried about as far as was possible," Pendray said. As a consequence, he pointed out, "the imminence of World War II" ended nearly a decade of the society's increasingly complex "rocket experimentation."

After the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, Hugh Franklin Pierce, then the ARS president, informed members in early 1942 that the board "has found it advisable to suspend activity for the duration of the emergency," the JBIS quoted him. "Because of the military potentialities of rocket power it is deemed essential that the dissemination of further information potentially be used to power

Pierce was also "vice president of the newly formed Reaction Motors Inc.," according to the JBIS. He and three fellow members "created" RMI "a few days after the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor," Gregory Kennedy said in "White Sands Proving Ground 1945-1958.

They immediately marketed the engine that James Wyld, ARS member and RMI co-founder, had developed as "the first rocket engine to use regenerative cooling in America." The JBIS documented how, very quickly, RMI "sealed a Navy contract to develop the Wyld engine for the purpose of rocket-assisted take-off of heavily loaded seaplanes."

RMI was just one of many "new rocket companies (that) began to spring up across the country," George Pendle wrote in "Strange Angel." RMI would go on to develop the XLR-11, "the first liquid-fuel rocket engine ... in the United States for use on airplanes, said nationalmuseum.af.mil. The XLR-11 powered the Bell X-1 that Chuck Yeager piloted on Oct. 14, 1947, when he broke the sound barrier.

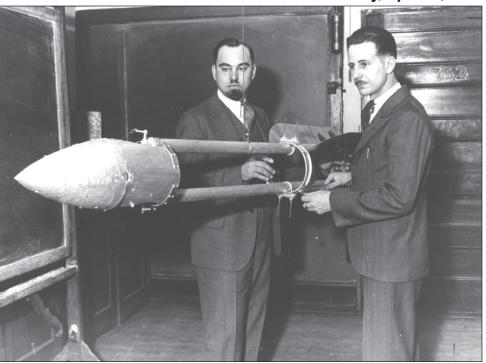
RMI also built the XLR10-RM-2 for the post-World War II Navy's Viking, Willy Ley wrote in "Rockets, Missiles, & Space Travel." Tests in March

and April 1949 at White Sands Proving Ground preceded Viking I's launch on May 3, 1949, George House, New Mexico Museum of Space History curator, documented in the July-September 1990 Space Log. WSPG launched the second Viking in September, said wsmr-history.org. House, in the April-June 1993 Space Log, wrote that "between 1949 and 1954, Navy crews (and the Physical Science Laboratory at New Mexico State University) launched 11 Vikings" from the

Subsequently, "Viking served as the first-stage powerplant of the Vanguard rocket, which launched America's second unmanned satellite, Vanguard I" in 1958. House said.

While the ARS continued to evolve and impact the space industry, "the age of the gentleman rocketeer, who dreamed of space travel and worked independently or in small, autonomous groups, was over," Pendle said. "One member of the American Rocket Society sadly noted that the days when a scientific breakthrough could take place in the backyard were gone."

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Smithsonian Institution/New Mexico Museum of Space History Archive photo

American Rocket Society members G. Edward Pendray, left, and Hugh Franklin Pierce, explain the ARS No. 1 rocket during a "lecture at New York University (Washington Square Campus) in spring of 1932," according to information with the photograph.

on the subject be curtailed." He "urged" members "to use discretion in talking of past experiments or in giving any information relative to rocketry which might be of aid to the enemy.'

The ARS froze membership and suspended Astronautics. Since the society's 1930 founding, the articles had evolved from speculative to increasingly technical scientific accuracy.

However, in June, the board and new President Roy Healy declared "the initial emergency period has passed and that technical progress must be encouraged to insure victory." The board "unanimously agreed that the society should once again function as a source of essential information." Astronautics was "revived," and memberships restored. As the war escalated, Astronautics published such topics as "anti-aircraft rocket designs" and "German rocket motor patents which could

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The City of Las Cruces will have a public hearing regarding a five year Infrastructure Capital Improvement Program (ICIP) and fiscal year 2012-2013 Municipal Budget. ICIP is the five-year plan for the City's capital improvement projects. The municipal budget is a detailed plan for City spending for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013. Copies are available for public inspection at Branigan Library and the City Clerk's Office or online at www.las-cruces.org

MONDAY, APRIL 23 Immediately Following the **City Council Work Session**

(Work session begins at 1 p.m.) City Hall, Council Chambers, 700 N. Main St.

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First candidate forum held



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State Senate Majority Whip Mary Jane Garcia, center, answers a question at a candidates forum Wednesday, April 11, at the Doña Ana Community Center. At right is the Democratic challenger to her District 36 position Oscar Vasquez Butler, former Doña Ana County commissioner. To the left of Garcia is Lee Cotter, the Republican challenger for District 36. The forum, the first held prior to June's primary, was for candidates who could be representing the Village of Doña Ana in the Legislature and on the County Commission.

Student car giveaway scheduled for May 22

New wheels to reward attendance

All Las Cruces Public Schools high school students - the Las Cruces Bulldawgs, the Mayfield Trojans, the Oñate Knights, the San Andres Phoenix and the Arrowhead Park Early College High School Trailblazers – are invited to the fourth annual "Count Me In" car giveaway from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 22, at the Field of Dreams.

One lucky student out of several thousand who are eligible, will win a 2007 PT Cruiser, donated again this year by Las Cruces Farmers Insurance agents and Las Cruces Toyota.

To be eligible for the car drawing -Superintendent Stan Rounds will pull the name out of a metal drum at approximately 4 p.m. - the winning student must have at least 90 percent attendance in every one of his or her classes during the 2011-12 school year.

There were nearly 12,000 entries in last year's drawing - some students got multiple entries because they had 90 percent or better attendance in all their classes during both semesters of the school year. If a student had perfect attendance, he or she got an additional entry for one or both semesters.

Last year's car winner was Albert Orduñez of Las Cruces High School (he graduated in May 2011).

The car was won the first two years of the giveaway by students from Mayfield High School.

"The car giveaway celebrates LCPS' 90 percent attendance policy, which was adopted by the Board of Education in August 2008," Rounds said. "Overall attendance across the school district has shown a marked improvement since the policy was adopted. The car giveaway event – with participation and support from so many of our tremendous community partners – is a way for us to celebrate the success of our students and to say thank you for coming to school on time every day throughout the school

The event will also include live music, free food and drinks and prize giveaways, including laptop computers, video cameras and gift cards. A \$1,000 certificate of deposit, courtesy of First-Light Federal Credit Union, will also be given away.

New Mexico State University, Doña Community College, the National Guard and others will have informational tables at the event to answer questions students may have about college and military service.

The student whose name is drawn in the car giveaway does not have to be present to win. But, students must be present at the Field of Dreams to win the certificate of deposit and the door

The event will be televised live by LCPS high school students and aired on Cable Channel 20 beginning at 4 p.m. It will also be webcast on the LCPS website, www.lcps.k12.nm.us/lcps_tv/ football.shtml, so students' friends and family can tune in to see who wins the

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Cash robbery

Las Cruces Crime Stoppers is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the identity and arrest of the two men who robbed a woman of her cash.

Las Cruces Police learned that at around 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, a woman was in the area of Frenger Park, near Parkview Drive, when she was approached by two young men who asked to borrow a dollar. When the woman pulled cash from her purse, the two young men ripped several \$20 bills from her grasp.



The woman physically resisted the robbery and actually bit one of the men during the struggle.

The young men were described as in their late teens or early 20s. Both of the men were described as clean-shaven with no jewelry and no visible tattoos.

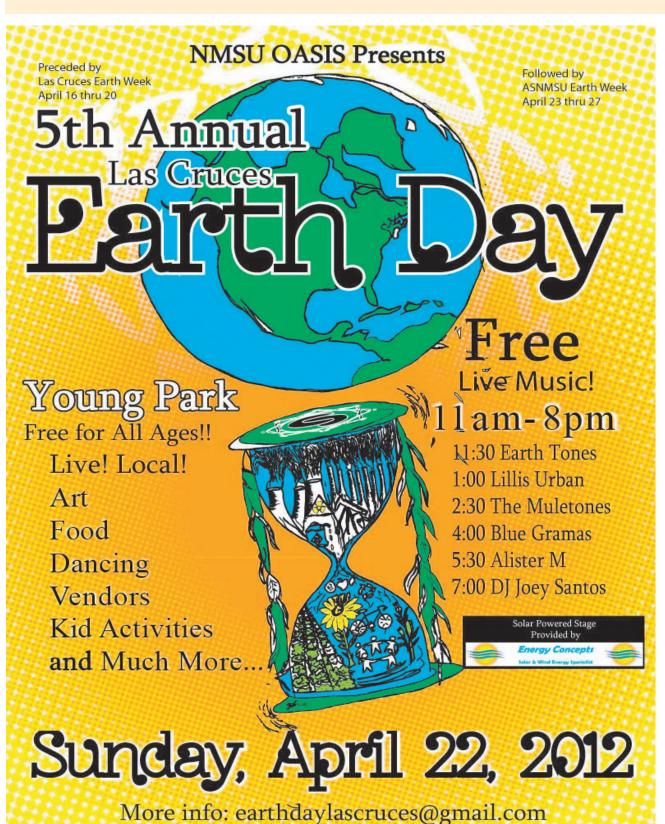
One of the men was described as white, about 5 feet, 8

inches tall and approximately 210 pounds, with short blond hair. He was wearing a blue polo shirt and blue jeans. The man may have a bite mark on his right arm.

The second young man was described as either Hispanic or possibly black. He is 5 feet, 9 inches tall and weighs approximately 150 pounds.

If you have any information on the identities of the suspects, or any information that may help investigators, you are asked to call Las Cruces Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477) or send a tip via text message to LCTIPS (528477).

The Crime Stoppers number and text messaging services are operational 24 hours a day and you do not have to give your name to collect a reward.



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BLM to raise fees

Aguirre Spring, Dripping Springs day fees increased

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Las Cruces District is increasing visitor fees effective May 1 at Dripping Springs Natural Area and Aguirre Spring Campground in the Organ Mountains near Las Cruces and at Three Rivers Petroglyph Site, near Tularosa.

The new fees for day use will be \$5 per vehicle per day, \$15 per bus per day, \$50 for reserved group use sites, \$7 for campsites at Aguirre Spring and Three Rivers and \$18 per day for RV hookup at Three Rivers.

Fees are collected on site through self-pay envelopes or by volunteer hosts. The Las Cruces District also provides an optional yearlong day-use pass for \$30. These passes are available at the Las Cruces District Office or from the hosts at the recreation sites. For information on national passes to federal lands, visit www.nps.gov/findapark/passes.htm

There have been no fee increases at these sites since 1996, when fees were first established.

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Mustangs meet for a WNMU alumni social

Photos by Todd Dickson

Emma Armendariz and Elisa Sanchez catch up after a meeting of Western **New Mexico** University alumni in Mesilla Tuesday, April 10. WNMU in Silver City is undergoing mány changes under new **President Joseph** Shepard. The group talked about how they could help make álumni more active, as well as make WNMU better known in the state.





Feliz Armijo talks about WNMU's "Great Race" – a soapbox derby held annually on the Silver City campus, which will be held Saturday, April 21.



Virginia Ness accompanied her husband Howard who is an WNMU alumnus to the meeting.

> Many of the WNMU alumni also have close ties to NMSU, such as Crystal Luchini and Eva Hernandez.





WNMU alumna Pilar Gandara and her husband Gus



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City Council sets Downtown goals

Plaza and street work on par with parking garage

By Todd G. Dickson

Acting as the Tax Increment Development District (TIDD) board Monday, April 9, Las Cruces City Council gave priority to restoring two-way traffic to the one-way streets east and west of the re-opened Main Street, as well as continuing negotiations to create a civic plaza and looking at opening a parking garage

Councillors opted to not give any of the projects priority over the other as a study on Downtown parking needs is currently being conducted.

The Downtown TIDD currently has \$1.7 million in a restricted fund and \$1.6 million in unrestricted money. The TIDD generates money for project just for Downtown based on increased gross receipts taxes from its revitalization efforts.

The Downtown revitalization plan centerpiece is the reopening of Main Street, with the last section currently being worked on at the cost of \$1.4 million. The south end of Downtown Main Street is expected to open in November.

After Main Street is re-opened, the revitalization plan calls for two-way traffic to return to Church and Water streets. Including getting all the needed rights-of-way, the budget for that street work is \$6.4 million.

A civic plaza was originally planned for the lot between the municipal courthouse and the Rio Grande Theatre owned by the Bank of the West used for drive-through banking. Previous negotiations to acquire the lot broke down.

The budget for a civic plaza is \$5 million. Councillor Greg Smith said the Bank of the West shouldn't be the only site considered for the plaza.

Once all the street work is completed, vacant properties are expected to become active and a parking shortage is

According to city officials, the cost of a parking garage is estimated at \$15,000 to \$20,000 per space up to three stories above ground. The cost per parking space will be even more if it is below ground.

Looking at the costs of the other projects and predictions for future TIDD funds, councillors estimated there is only enough money to build a parking garage to add between 240 and 280

Councillor Miguel Silva said he felt it was too early to set priorities without knowing the full cost estimates and without a benefit analysis for all three projects.

With a study expected to give more clarity to what size parking garage should be built, councillors said they opted not to give one project priority over the others, though several councillors said they wanted city officials to earnestly pursue the civic plaza. Councillor Nathan Small said he believes the community sees the civic plaza as a solid next step for Downtown.

The state's portion of the TIDD funds - worth \$8 million over an eight-year period - could be applied to the parking garage, but the state would then also require the city to charge for parking throughout Downtown, according to city officials

Tamie Smith, a resident, said she understood there is a lot of concern about parking, but some people also don't want to see a "high-rise" style parking structure Downtown.

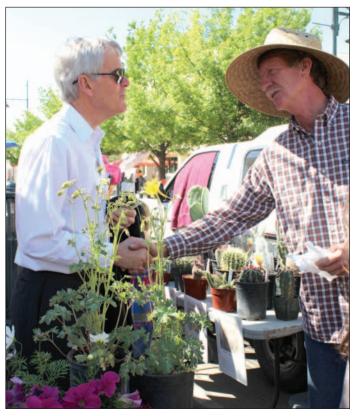
A regular City Council work session followed the TIDD meeting, during which a telecommunications lawyer, Jonathan Kramer of the Kramer Telecom Law Firm, talked about options for cell phone towers that could be less visible. He also cautioned that federal law could allow cell phone companies to build onto the disguised towers and eliminate the camouflage effect.



Bingaman visits the Farmers & Crafts Market

Photos by Nicolas Bañales

U.S. Sen. Jeff Bingaman buys two columbine plants from **local farmer James** Zabriskie of Robledo Vista Nursery during his visit Wednesday, April 11, to the Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market. The five-term senator from Silver City – who is retiring at the end of this year – gave a lecture on health disparities at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch **Heritage Museum** later that day.





Beck Rosnick, owner of Beck's Coffee, talks about the issues of the day as she serves a medium roast cup of java to Bingaman.

Diane Black from New Mexico Soap greets the senator.







Giving and receiving at American Indian Day

Photos by Nicolas Bañales

Persephone Nelson, Savannah Lee and Natalia Begay, 4, participate in the "Giveaway" portion of events Monday, April 9, kicking off American Indian Week at New Mexico State University.

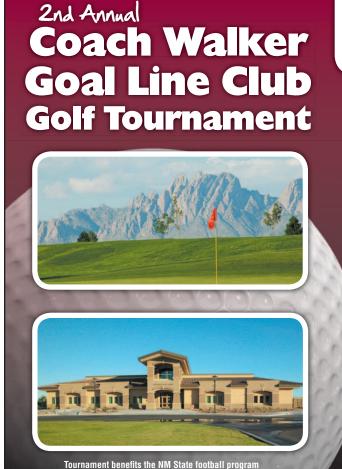




The Parade of Nations procession moves from Hadley Hall to the front of Corbett Center Student Union.



NMSU President Barbara Couture, American Indian Program Director Justin McHorse, Kim Nih Jr. – who blessed the opening ceremonies, NMSU Miss Native American Dana Nez and Ty Begay, president of the NMSU chapter of the American Indian Science and Engineering student group, spoke before the procession.



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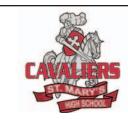
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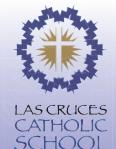
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News briefs

La Iguana restaurant doors close

Visitors to La Iguana restaurant Wednesday, April 11, were greeted with a sign on the door saying the locks had been changed and the business was not open.

La Iguana, at 139 N. Main St., in Downtown Las Cruces, opened in December 2010 and has been operated by Michael and Mary LeBlanc.

The LeBlancs spearheaded a significant renovation of the old Popular Dry Goods store and became active participants in projects relating to Downtown revitalization.

"They were a very important piece, an anchor, of Downtown," said Carrie LaTour, executive director of the Downtown Las Cruces Partnership. "They were very committed. We're working to try to find other businesses that would fill that spot. They had quite an investment. I really hate to see that happen.

The sign listed as a contact Richard Rosen Inc. from El Paso and

read: "The landlord has changed the locks to the premises. A key will be provided upon payment of all delinquent rent.'

Fundraiser ranked 4th in nation

Las Cruces' Team Zane is ranked No. 4 in the United States among family teams raising funds for March of Dimes, said Jeffrey Silva, board chair of the local March of Dimes.

"This is awesome, that little Las Cruces is No. 4 in the nation," Silva said. "Last year we finished 16th out of 66,000 teams."

Team Zane is named for Silva's 4-year-old son, Zane, who was born prematurely and endured multiple medical hardships. The fundraiser added \$23,000 at the March 23 Celebrity Waiter event, which featured a dancing Zane on stage. Saturday, April 28, will be the annual March for Babies walk. At 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 13, the Marchapalooza concert at St. Clair Winery & Bistro will also raise funds for March of Dimes.

Kickboxing matches in Las Cruces

Mixed martial arts fighters will compete in the Southwest Kickboxing Association championships at 6 p.m. Saturday, April 14, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. This kickboxing, boxing and grappling event features a full card of fights, entertainment and door-prize giveaways for spectators. Tickets are \$20 purchased in advance at local Pic Quik locations, World's Gym on South Valley Drive, Las Comadres Styling Salon at 520 Chaparro St., and Chinese Kenpo Karate at 102 E. Conway St. Tickets at the door will be \$25.

The night's first fight is at 6 p.m. Fifteen fights are scheduled. Championship title categories include mini-flyweight (110 pounds), light-flyweight (140 pounds) and super-heavyweight (240+ pounds). The full under-card of fights includes youth and female fighters from Arizona, New Mexico, Texas and Mexico. For more information, call Art Monsivaiz at 527-4028.

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City watering restrictions set

Citywide summer water restrictions began Sunday, April 1, and will be in effect through Sunday, Sept. 30. The annual restrictions prohibit the watering of outside vegetation between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

A year-round watering schedule allows residents with evennumbered addresses to water outside vegetation on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Residents with odd-numbered addresses are permitted to water their vegetation on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. No watering is permitted on Mondays.

The City of Las Cruces encourages residents to use water wisely in order to conserve for future demand.

Water saving tips:

- Wash vehicles only with a bucket or hose that has a shut-off nozzle so water doesn't run continuously.
- Water vegetation sparingly so puddles don't appear among plants and water does not flow into the street, alley, or adjacent property.
- Repair water leaks within five days.
- Don't wash impervious surfaces with a hose.
- Fix water faucet, toilet, or showerhead leaks immediately.
- Use the dishwasher and washing machine only with full loads.
- Avoid running water continuously for rinsing fruits and vegetables, washing dishes, brushing teeth or shaving.
- Re-use water. For example: After washing your car, use the bucket of rinse water to irrigate a dry spot on your lawn.
- Take showers rather than baths; the shorter the better.
- Flush only when necessary. Don't use the toilet as a trash can.
- Keep a bottle of water in the refrigerator; this way you have cold water without running the tap.
- Insulate water heaters and pipes.
- Use a compost heap or a garbage can instead of running the garbage disposal.







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Sports

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Will reality set in for Aggie fans?



Jim Hilley
Deflections

It seems Aggie fans have received a lesson in the realities of college basket-ball this week.

It all started when word spread that New Mexico State University basketball coach Marvin Menzies was in the running for the head coaching position at Colorado State University in the Mountain West Conference. Newspapers reported Menzies had met with Colorado State officials. One source even published reports from the Federal Aviation Administration on flight plans of a charter aircraft coming to Albuquerque and Las Cruces to bring CSU officials to conduct interviews with Lobo assistant Craig Neal and Menzies.

Suddenly, Aggie fans were faced with the prospect of losing Menzies to a bigger, better-funded school, playing in a more prestigious conference. No one should blame Menzies for

No one should blame Menzies for testing the waters.

It's not like NMSU is at the top of

the heap when it comes to coaching college basketball. The Western Athletic Conference has an uncertain future, and has been a one-bid league come NCAA tournament time. No school in the WAC has a basketball budget that ranks in the top 100.

Pan American Center, which was once one of the best home courts in the country, is now often less than half full even for rivalry games. Part of the lackluster attendance is due to trends seen across the country, and part of it is due to a fan base that has not yet warmed up to Menzies' style as a coach.

Maybe it's time they did.

Menzies has now taken the Aggies to the NCAA tournament in two of the last three years. The 2011-12 squad garnered 26 wins, tied for the second-most in school history.

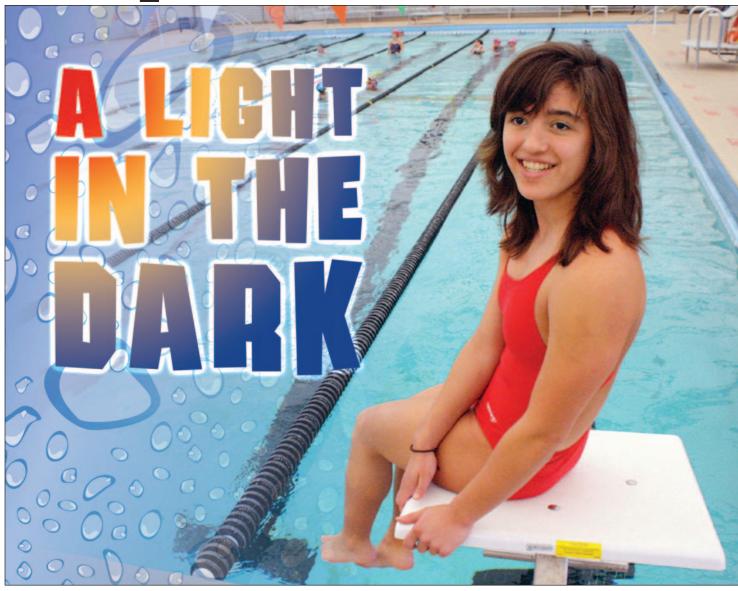
Throw in a few "what ifs," and Menzies record could be even better. What if Jahmar Young had decided not to wrestle a cop in a Pic-Quik? What if Troy Gillenwater had stayed for his senior season?

The point I'm making is under Menzies, the Aggies have a chance to establish themselves as one of the elite mid-major programs in the West. That opportunity goes out the window if the Aggies are faced with finding a new coach.

The good news is, Menzies has withdrawn from consideration for the Colorado State job.

The bad news is, even if NMSU sweetens Menzies' contract, there is still the prospect of his being lured away by greener pastures. The further he takes the program, the more likely it will be.

That's the reality in college sports, and it is not going to change.



Las Cruces Bulletin photos by Craig Massey

Letticia Martinez, a junior at Las Cruces High School, relaxes during swim practice at Frenger Pool. Martinez, who is ranked internationally among blind swimmers, also swims on the Las Cruces Bulldawg team and for the Wild West Aquatic Club.

Blind swimmer a beacon of positive thinking

By Craig Massey

Las Cruces Bulletin

Letticia Martinez likes the sound of music, especially drums.

She likes the touch of velvet, the smell of rain and the taste of creamy occluste descerts.

She also likes the feel of water on her skin, and the exciting, adrenaline-fueled sensation of slicing through a pool, racing invisible competition.

This walking, smiling beam of light sees nothing but darkness. And she knows nothing but success. She has a never-ending drive to compete and excel that has propelled her to the top of the U.S. rankings for fully blind swimmers.

Letticia, a junior at Las Cruces High School, was born with a rare, inherited retinal degenerative disorder called Leber's Congenital Amaurosis. Infants born with this have severely impaired vision and are usually completely blind before their first birthday.

After visiting doctors in New Martinez reads her homework in Braille. Mexico, Arizona and Texas during

the first few months of Letticia's life, Steve and Lila Martinez finally got a clear diagnosis of their daughter's condition from doctors at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore.

"She's never really seen anything," Steve Martinez said, as he watched his daughter swim back and forth during her club team practice at Frenger Pool. "Up until four years ago, she could sometimes sense large shapes. But now, nothing." For someone who sees nothing, Letticia has wanted to do just about everything during her first 16 years. The absence of sight is dealt with every minute of every day, but its ability to impede has been minimized by the effort and attitude of Letticia and her parents.

She has raised goats and ducks as 4-H projects, is involved in FFA and has sung in the school choir. She took part in gymnastics when she was younger, and was on the track team in eighth grade.

Last year, she competed in a triathlon with the help of top local triathlete Mike Montoya. Letticia swam on her own, but Montoya ran with her and rode a tandem bike with her.

"Anything she wants to do, we let her try," Steve Martinez said. "Whatever she wants to do, we're there. It does take commitment."

Except for perhaps making good grades and good friends at school, there's nothing Letticia is more committed to than being a great swimmer. She says swimming provides an outlet for her relentless energy and her need to compete.

She participates in the Inter-

national Paralympic Committee's S11 level, which is for swimmers with the most severe blindness. She is ranked in the top four internationally in six different swimming events in the S11 category, and holds American records in the 50 freestyle, 50 butterfly, 100 butterfly and 200 freestyle for S11 swimmers.

Letticia will be in Bismarck, N.D., in June to compete in the U.S.

See **Swimmer** on page A24

Aggies drop Nevada at Friday night baseball

Photos by Zak Hanser



Aggie catcher Zac Fisher takes a swing in a game against Western Athletic Conference foe Nevada Friday, April 6, at Presley Askew Field. The Aggies defeated Nevada 13-6.



Aggie pitcher Trey Ross fires the ball toward home



Ross watches as a trainer tapes an ice-pack to his arm.



Cody Edwards steps up to bat against the Wolfpack.



Trevan Green, 4, and Chase Sanchez, 3, pause their game of catch to pose for a photo during Friday evening's game.





Mayor honors local boxers

PAL event showcases talented young fighters

Las Cruces Mayor Ken Miyagishima presented the "Key to the City" to boxers Ayanna Vasquez, 17, Edmund Guzman, 17, and Siju Shabazz, Saturday, April 7, at VFW Post 6917, 5845 Bataan Memorial West.

At the 2012 USA Boxing National Tournament held in Fort Carson, Colo., in March, Guzman won a silver medal, Ayanna Vasquez won a bronze medal and Shabazz made it to the quarter finals.

Vasquez, Guzman and Shabazz were three of 11 fighters representing New Mexico and Vasquez and Guzman were the only two from New Mexico to place. This is the first time Vasquez or Guzman have fought in the USA National Tournament as open

As junior fighters, Vasquez was a nine-time national champion and Guzman a state champion. Shabazz is an Olympic alternate in the 2012 Olympics this summer in London. He is a former Las Cruces PAL Boxer and looks to go professional after the Olympics. Guzman is a junior at Oñate High School and Vasquez a senior at Las Cruces High School.

The Las Cruces PAL Boxing Club put on a show for the mayor and the veterans with sparring sessions between the PAL boxers, including Vasquez and Guzman squaring off against each other.

The Las Cruces Police Athletic League (PAL) also acknowledged and presented the mayor and VFW post 6917 with signed boxing gloves,

a gift of appreciation for the support the league gets from the city and the VFW post.

The VFW post recently donated \$1,500 to Las Cruces PAL Boxing and the city provides the Sammy Burke Youth Boxing Center gym for league

The city also provides a stipend to Las Cruces PAL Boxing Club.

For more information on Las Cruces PAL Boxing, visit lascrucespalboxing.com.

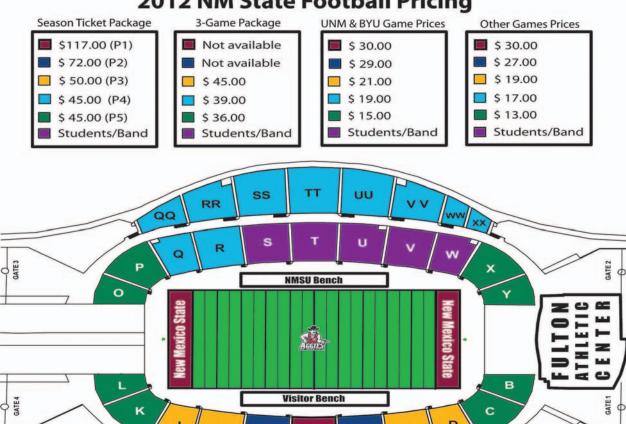


Mayor Ken Miyagishima with boxers Avanna Vasquez, 17, Edmund Guzman, 17, and Siju Shabazz strike a pose Saturday, April 7, at VFW Post 6917, 5845 Bataan Memorial West.

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Breakin' through



Photo by Bob Betancourt

Professional distance runner Dorota Gruca, originally from Poland, who now lives and trains in Las Cruces, took first place in the Carlsbad 5000, in Carlsbad, N.M. Sunday, April 1, in the women masters division. Gruca won by more than 26 seconds over the second place runner. The win in Carlsbad marks the seventh masters win in a row for Gruca. She is a founding member of the Las Cruces Running Club, a certified personal trainer and a USA Track & Field coach. For more information, visit dorotagruca.com.

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Swimmer

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Paralympic Trials. She's a favorite there to qualify for the 2012 Paralympic Games in London in late August and early September.

Last year, she qualified for and competed in the Parapan American Games in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Steve Martinez estimates Letticia is in the water practicing about 16 hours a week. When she's not preparing for national

or international competition, she is swimming for the local Wild West Aquatic Club or the Las Cruces High School team where she competes against athletes with no vision impairments.

Letticia loses valuable seconds when she weaves back and forth within her lane, bumping the lane dividers on either side. When practicing, she attaches brackets to the lane dividers a few feet from the end of the pool. When she bumps the brackets that cross her lane, she knows it's time to go into her turn.

During competitions where the brackets aren't used, one of her parents will stand next to her lane and use a pole to tap her on the shoulder or back when she approaches the wall.

LCHS coach Terry Moore said Letticia has overcome the disadvantage to compete very well on the high school level. When she talks about Letticia, the word "amazing" is used every few seconds.

"She came out for the team her freshman year and has improved tremendously," Moore said. "She's learned the butterfly and that's a really good stroke for her. Her confidence has gotten so much better. She's amazing in so many ways."

Moore and Letticia meet at the pool most Friday mornings at 6 a.m. and practice together for an hour before school. Moore said Letticia has helped make her a much better coach.

"Sometimes we'll trade goggles (Letticia's are blacked out) and I'll understand what she's going through," Moore said. "It makes me know her habits and why she does things a certain way."

Moore and Letticia smile and laugh while taking turns talking about the challenge they both face in helping Letticia improve as a swimmer. Sometimes explaining isn't enough, Moore said. The coach gets into the water and moves her student's arms and legs to demonstrate technique.

"She hangs in there and never lets up," Moore said. "Letticia's attitude is so good. The humor she has in her is great."

Letticia exudes a confident, friendly joy. Her smile is bright and persistent. It's amazing how much light emanates from someone who has only experienced darkness.

There are things that occasionally frustrate her. She wishes

she could see the movies she goes to with her friends, and not just hear the dialogue. And getting bounced around the crowded hallways isn't much fun as she tries to make her way to her next class.

"But it doesn't happen that often," Letticia

"But it doesn't happen that often," Letticia said of the negative thoughts and frustration. "I try not to let it happen."

And she does what she can to keep anyone else from being down.

"I can usually tell when people are sad by the tone of their voice," she said. "I can't see the look on their faces, but I can tell."

Steve Martinez never ceases to marvel at his daughter's positive attitude or her ability to make friends.

"She has friends in every group at school ... the jocks, the gangsters, the nerds or geeks," he said, shaking his head and smiling. "She teases back and forth. She's very comfortable about (being blind). That's her life and she deals with it. And every teacher falls

in love with her. I'm not just bragging."

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STEVE MARTINEZ

Letticia's father

smiling.

Letticia has made only one B during her almost three years of high school and the rest of her grades have been A's. Her homework is printed in Braille, and she uses a talking software called JAWS that reads aloud the words on her pages. The text messages she loves to exchange also are received and sent via audio.

When she was assigned an English essay about mountains, she described them the best way she could – she wrote about the aroma of the pine trees, and the way the altitude affected her breathing.

With Letticia about to finish her junior year of high school, she already has started thinking about college. She is interested in communications – broadcasting or journalism – and



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Craig Massey

Steve Martinez gently guides his daughter Letticia at Frenger Pool where she practices her competitive swimming.

hasn't ruled out law school. She also wants to be a motivational speaker.

Her father said the family has plans to go to New York and get her a service dog before she starts college. The family is hoping the transition from high school to college will be smooth. Letticia said she wanted to attend a public high school, and not a school for the blind, so she would be ready for "the real world."

The biggest adjustment may have to come from her parents.

"I don't want her to go away," said Steve Martinez, even if she attends New Mexico State University. "Me and her are buddies. Whenever I feel bad about something, I just look at her. She's always smiling."



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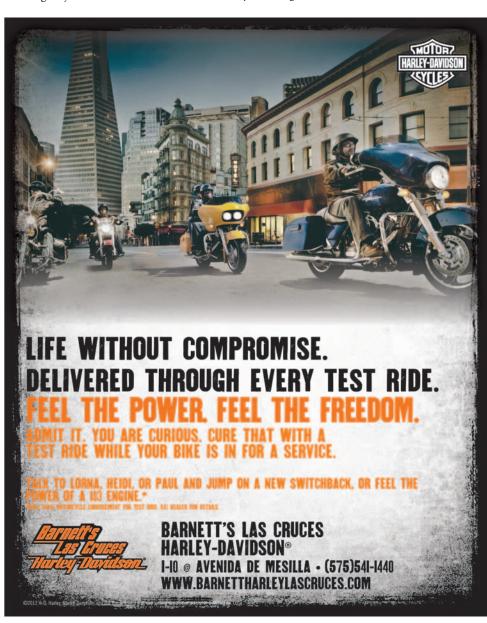
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Students feted for academic success



Jack Nixon Jack's Corner

The annual Crimson and White Scholarship dinner sponsored by El Paso Electric Co. is coming up.

The event will be held Wednesday, April 18, to praise the highest-ranking scholars in the athletics department.

New Mexico State currently has the best academic track record in the WAC, judging by the scholars recognized by the league after the first semester.

The Crimson and White Society dinner sprang from the mind of former El Paso Electric Co. executive Bob McNeil. McNeil was looking for a way for his business to do more than just advertise at NM State games. He wanted the utility company to be in position to say thanks and give tribute to the student athletes who were excelling when it came to grades.

The top brass at the utility company had no problem getting on board, and the night of recognition is an annual spring event. Each year, the number of athletes earning at 3.5 or better has grown.

This isn't the only corporate recognition of academics at the school. The Wells Fargo Academic Wall of Honor greets fans at the north end of the Pan American Center. The photo array of the best and brightest student athletes was inaugurated by former athletics director Jim Paul in 1998 and remains the

most visible reminder that books and hook shots are a good mix.

Congrats to those winning the battle in both the academic and athletic worlds and thanks to Wells Fargo and El Paso Electric Co. for getting involved to showcase these students' achievements.

On track for glory: The Aggies' track and field team continues to rack up first-place finishes thanks to some familiar faces.

The Aggies competed in the Don Kirby Invitational with junior LaSasha Aldredge winning the 400 meter and junior Kelsey Brennan winning the javelin competition. Aldredge's time in the 400 was 54.33, which was within a fraction of a second from breaking her personal best and the current all-time school record of 54.17. She finished fourth in the 200 meter with a career-best time of 24.29.

Brennan led the Aggies' field squad with a heave of 40.75 meters; freshman Tiffany Gerber finished second with a mark of 39.14 meters and freshman Nicolette Serraro finished right behind in third with a mark of 38.55.

Yes, this is the same Kelsey Brennan you have seen spiking the volleyball so effectively for Mike Jordan in the fall. The Aggies are building depth in the field category of the sport, and with Aldredge's continued blazing times, the spring outdoor championships are getting closer to NM State's grasp.

Good to be home: Kathy Rodolph's softball team is back at home this weekend for a series with Nevada at the NM State Softball Complex.

Professionals at work

NMSU training staff spends long hours keeping student athletes ready to perform at high level



John Taylor Performance Training

Collegiate athletes spend many hours physically preparing prior to the season to ensure peak performance. The mission of the Aggie performance training program is to assist student athletes in their efforts to improve athletic performance, providing the physical edge necessary to compete and win at the NCAA Division I level.

The following principles are applied to achieve the mission: design and apply training programs based on the scientific body of knowledge; use predominately ground-based, multi-jointed movement patterns in weight-training; produce optimal results in conditioning with minimum time requirements by reducing unnecessary or redundant activities; accelerate the athlete's healthy return to competition through reconditioning programs specifically designed to address the injured site.

The program operates in a stateof-the-art, 13,500 square-foot facility two days. The staff consists of myself and four tremendous professionals, Tony McClure, Trei Stewart, Virgil Knight and Scott Fister.

I am responsible for overseeing the program and directly responsible for training baseball and soccer players.

McClure is a loyal Aggie and has been on staff since 1999. He is responsible for assisting with administrative duties and trains softball, tennis, golf, equestrian and volleyball along with

Stewart joined the staff in 2010 and is responsible for training men's Aggie alumnus and played basketball at NM State from 2006-08.

Knight joined the staff in 2011 and is responsible for training football players, he has 22 years of experience in collegiate athletics.

Fister joined the staff in 2003 and applies his extensive knowledge in performance training to track and field.

It is a privilege to work with this dedicated group of professionals. They have a wealth of knowledge, tremendous energy and are always prepared. They spend tireless hours training groups of dedicated student athletes to ensure their peak performance. These professionals work long and odd hours.

Given the student athlete's class, practice and competition schedules, it is necessary to hold most training sessions before the sun comes up or after it sets. Because performance training is a year-round process and rules place limits on practice and competition, student athletes spend more time with the performance training professional than any other professional in the athletics department.

As a relatively new professional discipline, scientific investigation in human performance is vigorous, and new scientific evidence on effective training approaches is published frequently. Our staff is dedicated to staying abreast of this knowledge to provide evidence-based training protocols to achieve our mission.

The next time you are anticipating the start of a new season, keep in mind both Aggie student athletes and the performance training staff are working diligently year-round to ensure the highest level of performance possible. Additional insight on the Aggie performance training program can be obtained at http://web.nmsu. edu/~johtaylo.

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Friday, April 13 Softball

Nevada Las Cruces

Baseball

Sacramento State Sacramento, Calif.

Equestrian

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Saturday, April 14 Softball

Nevada Las Cruces 4 and 6 p.m.

Baseball

Sacramento State Sacramento, Calif. 2 p.m.

Equestrian

NCEA National Championship Waco, Texas

Track and Field

UTEP Invitational All day

Men's Golf

Western Intercollegiate Santa Cruz, Calif.

Sunday, April 15

Men's Golf

Western Intercollegiate Santa Cruz, Calif. All day

Baseball

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Sacramento State Sacramento, Calif. 3 p.m.

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Aggie student-athlete spotlight **Scott Coffman** LaSasha Aldredge Junior MM Baseball Track and field Junior LaSasha Aldredge Senior closer Scott continued her impressive Coffman made three season with strong finishes appearances and tallied a in the 200 meter and 400 meter at the Don Kirby

win, a save, a 0.00 ERA and five strikeouts. He earned a save against New Mexico, 7-5, to extend NM State's

winning streak to 14. He picked up his first win versus Nevada, 7-6, in the series final



Luis Ramirez Junior Men's tennis

Junior Luis Ramirez won a pair of singles matches at the No. 3 spot. He won 7-5, 7-6 in a crucial WAC win over Nevada before rolling to a 6-1, 6-1 win against Portland State. Ramirez and

doubles partner Marc Westgate split a pair of 8-4 decisions at the No. 1 slot.



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Golf's annual rite of spring - the Masters

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what to do with

it, that's a whole

different game.

This year's tournament a barn-burner



Charlie Blanchard *Golf Doctor*

God bless America.

An American won the Masters. Not Phil. Not Tiger. But a name as American as one would ask for: Bubba. As in Watson (birth name Gerry Watson).

Bubba started the day at 6 under, three off the Peter Hanson lead. But South African Louis Oosthuizen, winner of the British Open two years ago, made a double-eagle two on the par-5 second hole, vaulting him into the lead at 10 under, which he wouldn't relinquish (including being tied) after 72 holes.

I have been watching the Masters ever since I was a teen and this is one of the most exciting competitions ever. Thanks to his unbelievable length off the tee, and a deft stroke with the putter – all feel, mind you, as he's never had a golf lesson – Bubba Watson tied for the lead with Oosthuizen after a birdie on the par-3 16th. Oosthuizen made at least a dozen putts from four to 10 feet during the day, keeping him atop the leader board after the second hole. But Bubba didn't make any big mistakes and kept making birdies where he had to, like closing with birdies on 13, 14, 15 and 16. No meltdown there.

Watson and Oosthuizen were tied at the end of regulation at 10 under, two clear of a bunched group at 8 under, including Mickelson, Kuchar, Hanson and Westwood. The first playoff hole was 18.

Both players hit stellar drives and both players were slightly off line with birdie putts. Next, they went to the 10th, which is a long, downhill par 4, with an uphill approach to a

tricky green, and a large bunker on the right.

You remember the 10th was Rory McIlroy's undoing in last year's Masters, when he hit it into the houses way to the left. As it turned out, Bubba hit first and drove his ball far to the right into the trees, which at first glance seemed to be dead. Then Oosthuizen took out a 3 metal and also drove it off to

the right, but his ball snapped off a tree and out into the light rough with a clear 220-yard shot to the green. He hit a 4 iron short of the green and had an uphill pitch to a back hole location.

Meanwhile, Watson was off in the forest, but with an opening through which he could play a swooping hook from left to right out

around the trees to the green. He proceeded to pull off the shot of the tournament, maybe the shot of the year, maybe a new "shot heard 'round the world," with all due respect to Mr. Sarazen's eagle on the 15th in 1934, and Oosthuizen's magnificent eagle shot for a 2 on the second on Sunday.

Watson's sand wedge off pine straw, through thick woods from 156 yards, curved 40 yards around everything and came to rest about 12 feet from the hole. Oosthuizen missed his par putt and Watson had an easy two putt for the green jacket.

He took his time with a final putt from less than a foot, knowing that Lee Westwood missed a one-footer on Saturday, which was close to his undoing. With all his focus and intensity and gamey flair throughout his round, Watson plucked his winning ball from the hole and began heaving and sobbing crocodile tears that he couldn't hold back.

As I watched this year's Masters, I began to jot down situations and observations that I regarded as "lessons" for all of us to remember.

One of those was a now middle-aged Tiger Woods, who made the cut but wasn't a factor in this tournament at any time. After

> hitting an errant shot into the bunker at 16 on Saturday, Woods let go of his club and proceeded to give it a kick some 15 vards behind the tee. CBS was careful to mute some of his expletives during his on-camera appearances, which thankfully were few. Even though he won at Bay Hill two weeks ago, Woods seems to be playing golf-swing instead of

golf. He needs to take a lesson from Bubba, who genuinely and playfully plays the game of golf with imagination and dexterity.

Tiger suffers from what I call "celebrity personality disorder," whereby he seems to feel the rules of niceness, gentility, elegance and politeness don't really apply to him, like so many other famous persons. During media interviews Mickelson is a golden retriever whereas Woods is a rottweiler. I love goldens, of course.

Mickelson's undoing on Sunday was his errant tee shot on the par-3 fourth hole, which came to rest into the woods to the left of the green with an unplayable lie.

Later, Mickelson would comment that he intended to hit in close to or into the grandstand, since he would get a free drop from there. But the ball caromed off the stands high in the air and left him in a spot where he could only scrape it out right-handed after two tries. Instead of going back to the tee and replaying the shot, with the chance he could make a 4 or a 5, Mickelson elected to hack it out of the undergrowth, thereby making a 6, albeit after a brilliant up-and-down from a deep bunker.

David Feherety correctly remarked that "one bad decision can lead to a string of them." It probably cost Mickelson a fourth green jacket.

That's the lesson: make good decisions. But there is no question that Mickelson, with his caddy Bones, calmly looked at the options, deliberated long enough, and selected the play that they felt would lead to the fewest strokes.

And another thing, Mickelson started the tournament at 4-over after 10 holes on Thursday when he sucked it up and battled his way back to 74. His next two rounds were 68 and 66, which put him in the final group one shot off the lead.

Take a lesson from Mickelson: never, never give up. That showed mental toughness to me.

Another lesson is to play the golf course as it was intended.

Augusta National Golf Club is one-of-akind in the world of golf. We see the pristine grass and finely manicured conditions on television and we may think that is the standard by which all golf courses should be judged.

That's ridiculous. That would be like com-

paring a modern Olympic track to the cinder track that I used to run on; or a backyard lap pool (like mine) compared to one Michael Phelps trains in.

As wonderful a piece of golf heaven as Augusta may be, the Masters is all entertainment and Augusta is set up for the professional sport. As an example, I understand from a reliable source that the bunkers at Augusta are finely ground marble.

Oh, really? That's clever, and Donald Trumpish.

No wonder the pros thump the ball out with such ease. In the CBS booth they called it a "high temple of course maintenance."

Well, the money it takes to do the maintenance would build several new golf courses in any town or city. Plus they have "volunteer" greens-keepers from out of town who come in to assist the already bloated and expensive crew at Augusta. And they keep re-doing the course every few years, at no small expense.

I love the spectacular visual on television, and the folks who have been there in person say it is better than it looks; but to think that's golf reality is absurd.

When it comes to the greens, there are several lessons to be learned. One is we will never, ever putt on greens as fast as Augusta, unless we play a round on our kitchen floor. As Nick Faldo remarked in the CBS booth, the golfers simply could not actually "hit" the ball with their putter; all they could do was get the ball started on line.

The mostly large greens at the Masters had several tiers and steep slopes. Getting the ball on the proper level and below the hole was critical to having a birdie opportunity, and to avoid just being protective with the putter. The players had to miss on the correct place to have a chance.

In several cases, Matt Kuchar stroked his ball well past the hole leading to several three-putts; otherwise he would have been in the playoff. There appeared to be enough spike marks fairly close to the hole that I think they should consider banning metal spikes from the Masters. Perhaps it's time for the tour pros to join the rest of us in this case.

During his four rounds at Augusta, Bubba was the poster child for the ATT ads that featured this instruction: "Having data is one thing; knowing what to do with it, that's a whole different game."

I would also add, "and doing it when it counts the most, like Bubba, is the mark of a champion."

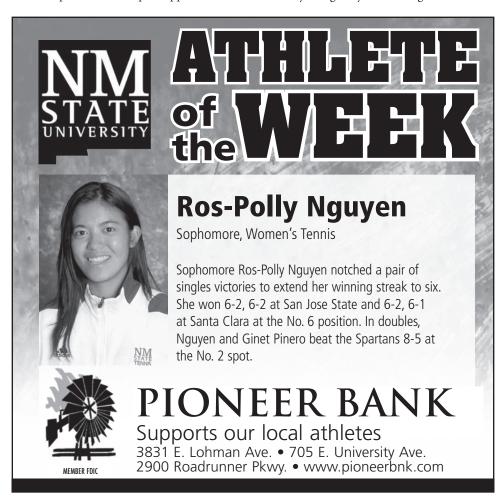
Bubba, admitted in his post-round interview that "I don't remember it all; I was nervous on every shot."

Later, when asked if winning was beyond his fondest dreams, he would confess, "I never got this far in my dreams."

Bubba is unlikely to get celebrity personality disorder, as he wears his emotions on his sleeve. He was even teary-eyed as he donned his green jacket in the Butler Cabin.

It's so refreshing to see a mister-nice-guy winner and a pro golfer who blubbers after a

Dr. Charlie Blanchard is a licensed psychologist specializing in sports and leadership who works with PGA professionals and young golfers to enhance their performance. He partners with coach Herb Wimberly as the principal instructors at Performance Golf Schools. Readers may contact Blanchard at drblanchard@lascrucesbulletin.com.



SportsBriefs

Goal Line golf tournament set

The New Mexico State football team and the New Mexico State Football Goal Line Club will host the second annual Coach Walker Goal Line Club Golf Tournament at 7:30 a.m. Friday, April 27, at the New Mexico State Golf Course, 3000 Herb Wimberly Drive.

The tournament will benefit the New Mexico State football program, including funding summer school for football players who need to take classes in the summer in order to make progress towards graduation.

The four-person scramble is \$320 per team or \$80 per player. Green fees include 18 holes of golf plus cart and lunch following the tournament. Registration and payment is due by Friday, April Online registration is available at www.aggieathleticclub.com/fbgolftourney.

Sponsor opportunities are available for those interested in sponsoring the event. Cart sponsorships are \$75, hole sponsors \$150, beer cart sponsor \$500 (includes two-player entry) and Touchdown Sponsor \$1,000 (includes twoplayer entry and banner with sponsor name and logo).

For more information, contact Jeremiah Archuleta at 649-6872 or insurenm.miah@ gmail.com, or Nate Olsen at 650-0786 or nathaniel.olsen@ gmail.com.

Aggies finish Cowboy Classic

The New Mexico State men's golf team wrapped up play at the Wyoming Cowboy Classic Tuesday, April 10. The Aggies shot a thee-round score of 40-over-par 880. The Aggies finished 22nd out of 23 teams at the 7,133 yard, par 70 Talking Stick-North Golf Club in Scottsdale, Ariz.

"Again, Justin (Shin) played solid for us all tournament," coach Mike Dirks said. "We are tying to find the answer right now. This is a good group of young men and I'm confident that we will bounce back."

Aggies with a three-round score of 4-under-par 206, tying him for ninth overall. In the final round, Shin shot a 1-under-par 69. Senior Gaston De La Torre was 4-overpar 74 in the final round. He tied for 43rd overall at 2-over-

Freshman Brett Walker carded a thee-round score of 11-over-par 221 and tied for 92nd overall, while red shirt senior Miko Alejandro was 15-over-par 225 and tied for 111th overall after threerounds.

Newcomer Zach Adam shot a three-round score of 21-over-par 321 in his first collegiate competition, tying

Kansas State won the team title at 14under par, followed by Colorado (-12), San Diego (-11), Texas Tech (-7) and Kansas State (-6). Ben Juffer of Kansas State won the individual title after a playoff at 12 under par.

The Aggies will be back in action April 14-15 at the 66th Annual Western Intercollegiate in Santa Cruz, Calif.

Track meet at **UTEP Saturday**

The New Mexico State University track and field team will travel to El Paso for the UTEP invitational Saturday, April 14.

This will be the second trip to UTEP for NMSU during this outdoor season. The Aggies competed in the UTEP Springtime Invitational on Saturday, March 24.

The Aggies will face teams from around the country at the meet, including Arkansas, Kansas State, Rice University, Boise State and New Mexico. The meet will open with the women's hammer throw at 10 a.m.

Menzies won't take CSU spot

New Mexico State men's basketball head coach Marvin

coach Menzies has withdrawn his name as a candidate for the Colorado State job," Athletics Director McKinley Boston said. "Based on the continued success of our program and the academic success of our student athletes, I will start the process of sitting down with coach Menzies to review his current contract."

Riders make academic team

The National Collegiate Equestrian Association has announced the 2012 Academic All-American selections, as 10 New Mexico State University equestrian riders earned the honor. The Aggies had five first team selections, two second team picks and three honorable mention honorees.

Six hunter seat riders and four western riders from NMSU were named Academic All-Americans.

Western riders Chelsea Campbell, Tara Wilson and Stefanie Story earned firstteam honors, while hunter seat riders Stephanie Gershon and Brianna Raab were also named first team honorees. Gershon was named an all-American by the NCEA earlier this month.

Hunter seat riders Amy Lang and Emily McConnell, also named NCEA All-Americans, landed on the academic all-American second team list, while western riders Jessica Woolsey and hunter seat competitors Laura Bostwick and Hannah Swarthout were named honorable mention academic all-Americans.

NMSU football continues with spring practice

The New Mexico State football team completed its sixth practice of the spring schedule, Tuesday morning, April 10, at Aggie Memorial Stadium. The Aggies practiced in helmets, shoulder pads and shorts for just over two hours.

"Normally through the first five practices of spring, the defense is ahead of the offence," coach DeWayne Walker said. "So, I challenged the offense a little bit, especially at the quarterback position and I thought they responded and had a really good practice. I put in a few game situations at the end of practice to give the defense a chance to respond and they did.

"You like to see both sides of the ball grow and get better and I thought the offense did that today and at the end of practice our defense answered the challenge."

The offense reportedly had the strongest practice, moving the ball up and down the field all day. Wide receiver Austin Franklin made several

good grabs and running back Brandon Betancourt saw some big holes to run thru during practice.

Reports said practice continues to be noticeably different than in years past as the intensity level is higher and the pace of practice faster, with a high-energy tempo.

The defense started off slow to begin the practice but finished strong, as defensive back Cameron Fuller intercepted a pass and returned it for a touchdown. Linebacker Trashaun Nixon cut his way through the offense to make a few tackles-for-a loss.

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Las Cruces High School

Saturday, April 14	Baseball	Deming High School	11 a.m., 1 p.m.
	Tennis (coed)	at Oñate High School	3 p.m.
Tuesday, April 17	Tennis (coed)	Gadsden High School	3 p.m.
	Softball	at Gadsden High School	3 p.m.
	Baseball	Gadsden High School	5 p.m.
Thursday, April 19	Tennis (coed)	Alamogordo High School	3 p.m.
	Golf (coed)	at Deming Golf Tournament	9 a.m.



Mayfield High School

Tuesday, April 17	. Baseball	Oñate High School	7 p.m.
	Softball	at Oñate High School	7 p.m.
Thursday, April 19	. Tennis (coed)	Oñate High School	3 p.m.
	Golf (coed)	at Deming Golf Tournament	9 a.m.

Oñate High School

Tuesday, April 17	Softball	Mayfield High School	7 p.m
		at Mayfield High School	
Thursday, April 19	Tennis (coed)	at Mayfield High School	3 p.m
	Golf (coed)	at Deming Golf Tournament	9 a.m

Mesilla Valley Christian Schools

Saturday, April 14	. Tennis (coed)	MVCS Tournament	9 a.m.
		at Santa Teresa Invitational	
Thursday, April 19	. Golf (coed)	at Deming Golf Tournament	9 a.m.
	Tennis	Santa Teresa	3 p.m.
	Softball	Mescalero	. 3 p.m., 5 p.m.





High School Othlete of the Week







Aleena Almaguer



Aleena Almaguer is a 16-year-old junior at Mayfield High School. She is catcher on the Lady Trojan softball team and is a two year starter. Almaguer has been a reliable hitter all year for Mayfield. She has a batting average of .467 with two home runs and has only struck out one time the entire season. Almaguer is an outstanding defensive catcher due to her guickness and strong throwing arm. She is a determined and tenacious player, displays great leadership for the team and is a role model in the community. Almaguer is a hard-working and dedicated student. Outside of baseball and the class room, she enjoys sharing time with family and friends and watching her little brother play baseball.

Dale Brown is speaker at annual Henson breakfast

April 27 event support Boys & Girls club

For the fourth year, the Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces will hold its annual Lou & Mary Henson Community Breakfast at 7 a.m. Friday, April 27, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

The hosts, Lou and Mary Henson, have been longtime supporters of the Boys & Girls Club in Las Cruces and Illinois.

"We're happy to do anything to help the children of our community," Mary Henson said. "The Boys & Girls Club is such a worthy cause."

In the past three years, prominent sports figures and an acclaimed economist have been the keynote speakers. This year is no exception, as the event will feature legendary former Louisiana State University coach Dale Brown. Brown is one of the winningest coaches in SEC his-

tory. He recruited and coached many successful players, including Shaquille O'Neal.

Known as "Daddy Dale," Brown was a tireless advocate for his players and stood up to racism. Brown is a renowned humanitarian and speaks all over the world sharing his own ingredients of success and inspiring people to believe in their dreams.

Brown is also a close friend of Lou and Mary Henson. While coaching at NMSU, Lou Henson met Brown, who was the coach at Utah State. They instantly became friends.

"He was fortunate to get the job at LSU because he was a young guy," Lou Henson said. "He is truly one of the most outstanding coaches in all of the United States, and I know

for a fact that he is a great guy and a great motivational speaker."

The theme of this year's breakfast, "Great Futures Start Here," was chosen to make attendees think about the children the Boys & Girls Club provides services for.

"While spending time at the club, it is really awe-inspiring to know that the children who are running around, laughing and play-

ing are, in essence, 'our future,'" said April Anaya, Las Cruces Boys & Girls Club executive director. "It is my hope that by continuing to work together, we can create the best possible environment so that they can thrive and ultimately realize their true potential."

"The future of the Boys & Girls Club is built on what we do today," said Eugene Gant, club board president. "The club has served Las

Cruces children well since the mid-1960s. It is time to change and expand the educational and physical programs to meet needs of children in the 21st century."

"It is upon us (the Boys & Girls Club) to reach out to the children who need a positive influence in their lives," said board member Kelli Burchell. "With 93 percent of the club kids attending on scholarship, we appeal to the generosity of the citizens of Doña Ana County to give them the opportunity for a bright future. Our annual breakfast has become our signature event and we are eager to share our mission with everyone."

For more information, call Burchell at 496-9695.

Rodeo slated April 27-28

IRA spring finals to be held in arena outside of Aggie Memorial Stadium

By Marvin Tessneer
Las Cruces Bulletin

During the Intercollegiate Rodeo Association finals, more than 150 collegiate rodeo athletes will come to Las Cruces April 27-28 to compete in the Grand Canyon Region spring rodeo.

The rodeo events will be held in an arena that New Mexico State University will erect in the Aggie Memorial Stadium parking lot, rodeo coach Jim Brown said.

"We'll have to place the men's or women's team in first place so we can send a full team to the finals," Brown said. "We've got to get it done."

The rodeo events will include saddlebronc and bareback riding, bull riding, tiedown roping, steer wrestling, team roping, barrel racing, break-away roping and goat

The NMSU Aggies rank high in the regional standings. The women lead with 3,753 points and the men rank third with 7.087.

Several Aggie rodeo athletes will enter the regional finals with high individual standings.

Trenton Montero and Cooper DeWitt have scored well enough to be ranked second and third in the men's all-around ranking with totals of 1,607 and 1,339, respectively.

DeWitt leads saddle-bronc riding with 1,031 and Montero set the pace in bareback riding with 975, while Tony Buckman

follows with 798 for third. In bull riding, Montero leads with 482.

In team roping, Rodee Walraven and Cody Mirabal are in second and third in the header division with 466 and 383 points respectively. Reno Eddy is in third in heeler with 383

The Aggies also rank high in tie-down roping with Kurtis Barry and Bo Simpson in third and fourth place, respectively.

In the popular women's barrel racing, Meghan Johnson has guided her horse to sixth place with 357 points.

The women's team leads its division in the NIRA standings with 3,753.49 points.

The men's team ranks third with 7,087.50 points behind Utah Valley University, 7,423, and Mesa Lands Community College, 7,325

The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce recognizes the economic importance of bringing collegiate rodeos to town

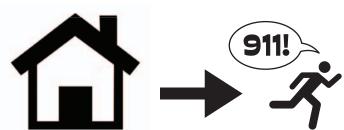
tance of bringing collegiate rodeos to town.

"Important events like this rodeo bring out-of-town competitors along with their families, friends and fans," chamber president Bill Allen said. "Their spending on local food, hotels and recreation is a major piece of the Las Cruces economy."

The other Grand Canyon Region collegiate teams competing in the event will be: New Mexico Highlands University, Mesa Lands Community College, Navajo Technical College, Diné College, University of Arizona, Northland Pioneer College, Central Arizona College and Cochise College.

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In the news

NMSU tuition to rise

At a special meeting Thursday, April 5, New Mexico State University regents approved a 3.7 percent increase in tuition and fees for in-state students at the main campus in Las Cruces for the 2012-13 academic year.

"New Mexico State has done an extremely good job of living within our means during these very difficult times," regent Laura Conniff said. "These recommendations represent the right direction to help our students, as well as our faculty and staff."

NMSU President Barbara Couture said the increase from tuition will be coupled with new state appropriation funding to help the university reinvest in strategic priorities after several years of dealing with funding decreases.

Even with an increase in funding for fiscal year 2013, NMSU Las Cruces has experienced a reduction in state appropriations of more than \$28 million since fiscal year 2009, according to NMSU officials.

"We are so thankful for the increased state appropriations that we will receive due to the new funding formula and as we begin to see signs of financial stability, we feel it is critical that we cautiously reinvest in our university," Couture said. "However, the increases do not make up for the losses we experienced during the past few years."

"We must recognize the challenges created by the recent years of budget cuts and invest to keep the university competitive. At the same time, we also recognize the need to keep tuition low. We feel this recommendation acknowledges all pertinent factors — especially our students and their needs for affordable tuition and excellent academic programming. Students need and deserve a quality education and addressing faculty and staff salaries will help us ensure that quality."

The increased funding will help the university invest in a 2 percent compensation pool for eligible faculty and staff. Employees have not received an annual salary increase since July 1, 2008, and salary remains a high priority for the university.

Investments also will be made in new faculty and staff positions, of which 110 were eliminated on the Las Cruces campus during the strategic budget cuts in 2011.

The university also plans to invest in its

enrollment management division, including scholarships for students, part-time instruction, student support services and recruiting. An investment in graduate assistantships will be made as well.

Finally, Couture will set up a President's Performance Fund to be administered through the University Budget Committee for departments to submit proposals for new initiatives that directly support the university's strategic plan, Building the Vision.

The 3.7 percent increase for full-time, resident undergraduate students means an additional \$106.80 per semester. For full-time, non-resident undergraduate students the increase will be 4.4 percent, or \$399.60 per semester.

Full-time, resident graduate students also will see a 3.7 percent increase, or \$117.60 per semester. Full-time, non-resident graduate student tuition will increase 4.4 percent, or \$410.40 per semester.

NMSU community colleges will see some increases as well.

For resident in-district students, NMSU Alamogordo tuition and fees will increase 3.9 percent; Doña Ana Community College, 3.2 percent; and NMSU Grants, 4.6 percent.

With expected increased revenues projected from an established 3-mill levy, NMSU Carlsbad will not have a tuition and fee increase for resident in-district students.

The board also approved a 3 percent increase in housing rates, except for student family housing rates, which remain unchanged. Funds generated by the increase will be used for program and service enhancements focused on academic success of residents.

The university's meal plans, in coordination with new food service provider, Sodexo, are being restructured to support student needs and better align with participant usage patterns. Increased funding will be used for broad program enhancements and to offset inflationary increases.

Parking fees for the 2012-13 academic year were increased at different levels depending on permit type. Most faculty and staff will see an increase of 42 cents per month and commuter students, campus residents and outer lot employees will see an increase of 17 cents per month. The funds will be used to support operating costs.

National monument proposals endorsed

On Monday, April 9, the Mesilla town trustees voted to endorse the effort have the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks national monument proposal approved by Congress or President Barack Obama.

Mesilla is the first municipality in southern New Mexico to officially endorse the efforts.

Supporters say the monument designation will protect wilderness areas in Doña Ana County with the additional focus of protecting history and culture, as well as education.

Nathan Small of the New Mexico Wilderness Alliance said the Butterfield Stagecoach Trail passed through Mesilla and remains of the trail would be cared for under national monument status. Small is also a Las Cruces city councillor.

The national monument proposal was recently introduced by Doña Ana County Commissioner Billy Garrett. The next stops for seeking endorsements will be the City Council and County Commission.

Mayor Nora Barraza said the area's natural settings and historical sites need protection because of growth.

The Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks national monument proposal is similar to a wilderness bill in Congress introduced by U.S. Sens. Jeff Bingaman and Tom Udall. Besides the Organ Mountains, the proposal includes areas in the Potrillo Mountains, Sierra Las Uvas and Robledo Mountains.

Meanwhile, U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce is reportedly introducing his own national monument bill for the Organ Mountains only. The New Mexico Republican has sided with opponents of wilderness protection for land in the Potrillos that are in proximity to the U.S.-Mexico border.

The National Association of Former Border

Patrol Officers (NAFBPO) issued a press release stating its support of Pearce's legislation, which the group characterized as a "responsible" proposal.

A letter by NAFBPO Chairman Kent Lundgren said the Pearce's "Organ Mountains National Monument Establishment Act" was introduced March 29 and will put 58,000 acres of the Organ Mountains under federal protected status.

"There is no known disagreement among all parties that this area is uniquely qualified for that status," Lundgren wrote. "Unlike other pending proposals, which attempt to set aside up to 600,000 acres of Doña Ana County with the unacceptable result of providing unenforceable drug and human smuggling corridors from the United States-Mexico border to deep into central New Mexico, this proposal fully meets the need to protect lands which qualify for National Monument designation by Congressional act while ensuring that national security and public safety are not compromised."

Supreme Court clears election challenges

The state Supreme Court rejected lawsuits Tuesday, April 10, to disqualify candidates for mistakes on campaign documents.

The high court's unanimous decision means most candidates who were challenged by their opponents will be on the June primary election ballot.

Most of the challenges were based on candidates omitting the number of their district or judicial division from campaign filings, which is a now required by a law passed in 2011.

Supreme Court Justice Charles Daniels said the new law was confusing and ambiguous. One of the cases cleared by the court's decision was the filing by state Rep. Rick Little, R-Chaparral.



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This week in the history of the Mesilla Valley



Jim Hilley Reflections

100yearsago

1912

• An American journalist returning from Mexico reported that Thomas Fountain, son of the late Col. Albert J. Fountain, was executed by forces under the command of Gen. Pascual Orozco in Parral. Fountain had been serving under Gen. Penero Villa during the Mexican Revolution. When Villa withdrew from the area, Fountain hid in a residence after dismantling a rapid fire cannon and hiding the parts. After 72 hours without food or water, he was captured and forced to reveal the location of the gun parts. He was court martialed and sentenced to death, apparently for dismantling the gun. Efforts by American diplomats to gain his release were fruitless. With some doubt about the correctness of his sentence, he was granted the "law of flight," a Mexican custom that allows a condemned man to roam freely until the fatal bullets come at an unknown time from an unknown source. Afterward, the condemned is said to have been shot while attempting to flee. Fountain spent his last hours strolling the streets of the town, telling the journalist, "There is no hope." Some time later, the sentence was carried out – Fountain's body pierced by four bullets.

75 years ago

1937

• C.S. Conlee, superintendent of Las Cruces Municipal Schools, was elected superintendent for Las Cruces Union High School at a school board meeting. He would continue in both positions. T.J. Mayfield was elected as principal for the high school.

- Aggie athletic star and newly appointed head coach and athletic directed at Las Cruces Union High School, Lem Pratt, was on the honor roll for the first semester at the agricultural college. Pratt was set to graduate in May.
- More than 300 Future Farmers of America members from throughout New Mexico attended the annual convention at the ag college campus. Raton High School won the plaque for overall score, while the Las Cruces team won the livestock judging contest.

50yearsago

1962

- A runoff election would decide who would be president of the student government at New Mexico State University. The election would pit James Brown of Artesia against Daniel Evans of Albuquerque. Donald Connor, a third candidate of Enid, Okla., was eliminated in the first round of voting.
- The Aggie baseball team was set to play a double header against New Mexico Western. Stan Lease was the Aggies' top batsman, at .472, followed by Gary Ward (.364) and Ken Hays (.355).
- Lou Henson, who coached Las Cruces High School to three state basketball championships in four seasons, accepted the head coaching position at Hardin-Simmons University. "When you feel a promotion will enable you to come a bit closer to your goal, you should take it," Henson said. Henson's record at LCHS was 102-16, and 10-1 in the state championships.

25yearsago

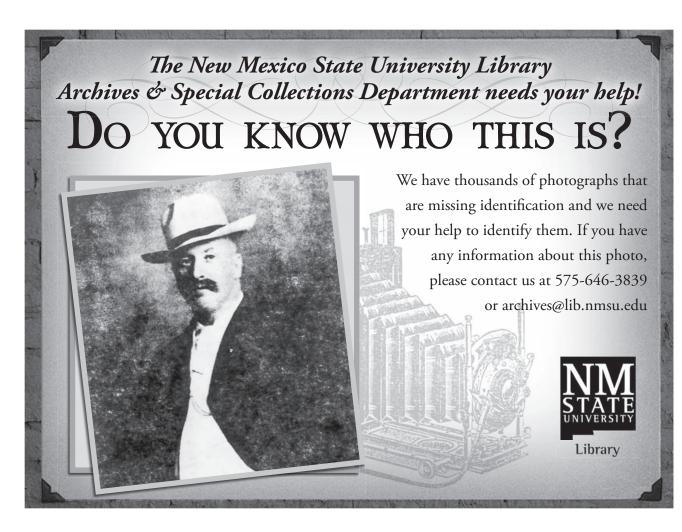
1987

• The annual horse auction at NMSU was a disappointment for personnel at the horse center. "The quality of horses was good, the students looked good, but the money was tough," said horse center director Joe Armstrong.



A Mission Bell fashion model poses in front of Josefina's Gate in Mesilla in 1958.

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'Fortunes' telling



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Nicolas Bañales
Las Cruces Academy students perform "Eight Fortunes," adapted from "Forty
Fortunes" by Aaron Shepard, during a fundraiser Saturday, March 31, for the
new private school's future home. A food drive also was held in conjunction
with performances of students' plays at the school, currently in a building at 212
S. Main St. The school is negotiating a lease for a larger building in Mesilla and
plans to eventually have its own land and building.

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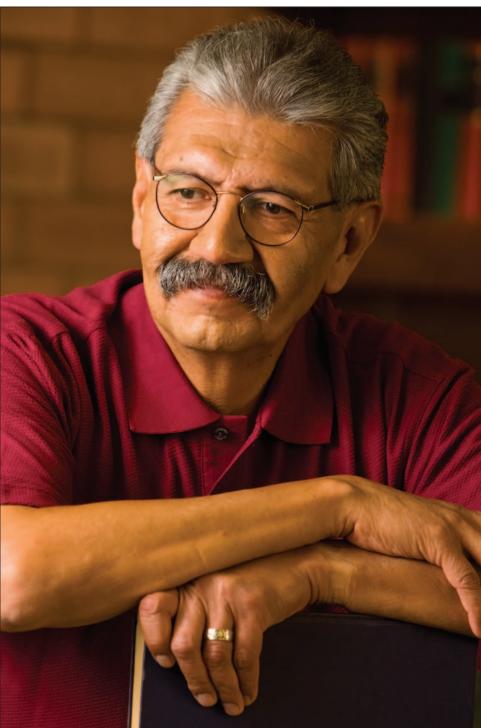


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Sponsors Jason McNiece, far left, and Michael O'Donnell, third from left, stand with members of the San Andres High School/ Mesilla Valley **Training Center** Moon Buggy Race team Mayfield High School is one of two local high schools to qualify for the national **Great Moon Buggy Race.**



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Two schools in moon race

Buggy vehicles designed for low gravity

Teams from two Las Cruces Public Schools high schools will participate in the 19th annual Great Moon Buggy Race in Huntsville, Ala., April 12-16, thanks to funding from the spaceport gross receipts tax and an \$800 donation from Dr. Maury Brown, owner of East Lohman Veterinary Clinic in Las Cruces.

The two schools are Mayfield High School – sponsor David Eason – and San Andres High School in collaboration with LCPS Mesilla Valley Training Center (MVTC) – sponsors Jason McNiece and Michael O'Donnell.

The Great Moon Buggy competition requires students to build a human-powered vehicle that can navigate a half-mile course with 17 obstacles in the quickest amount of time. The vehicle must be designed by the students. The unassembled vehicle must fit inside a 4x4x4 container.

And the vehicle must be carried by the two drivers (one male, one female) 20 feet prior to assembly. The students must submit a 10-page paper describing the team, the vehicle and how they built it. The students present their moon buggy design to the judges at the competition.

David Eason and his Mayfield team are joining this event for the second time. This year, MHS students completly welded their aluminum frame and rims. The students also added front and rear suspension and disc brakes. The students showed off their moon buggy at the Las Cruces Rod Runners annual Wheel of Dreams car show, held March 31 at the Field of Dreams.

MHS students attending the Great Moon Buggy Race are Edgar Aldaba, Zachery Eason, Emily Wilkins, Derek Rankin and Samantha Chavarria. Two additional students who have helped design and build the buggy are Kaitlin DeLaho and Rigo Aldaba.

Jason McNiece and Michael O'Donnell will also be taking



Members of the Mayfield High School Moon Buggy Race team Kaitlin DeLaho and Derek Rankin take their moon buggy out for a test spin.

the San Andres team to the race for the second time. Team members from both San Andres and MVTC are Brandon Saiz, Anthony Hernandez, Isaac Soliz, Stephanie Leyva and Katelyn McNiece. New Mexico State University Engineering student Tyrell Russell acted as a consultant to the project. Students changed their moon buggy from last year by adding gears to control their speed, changed the braking system, changed their seating, added suspension to their moon buggy and lowered the center of gravity.

The main goal is for students to learn about the engineering design process. For most, it was about learning how to work as a team. According to student evaluations, the project has been a worthwhile endeavor and worth support.

The top three winning teams in each division (one high school, one college) will be those having the shortest total times in assembling their moon buggies and traversing the terrain course. Each team is permitted two runs, with the shortest course time added to the assembly time for the final total event time.

The moon buggy race is inspired by the original lunar rover, first piloted across the moon's surface in the early 1970s during the Apollo 15, 16 and 17 missions.









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Programs at Munson Senior Center are for those age 50 and over. Membership is free and required to participate in classes and activities.

Call the Munson Senior Center at 528-3000 or check postings at the facility, 975 S. Mesquite St., for information on ongoing programs.

AQUATICS CLASS

Aquatics class 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.

Classes are walk in, but registration with Senior Programs is required. Donation suggested.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

A registered nurse provides blood pressure checks at the following times and locations. Donation suggested.

- 10 to 11 a.m. Mondays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.
- 11 a.m. to noon Tuesdays at the Benavidez Community Center, 1045 McClure Road
- 10 to 11 a.m. Wednesdays at Eastside Community Center, 310 N. Tornillo St.
- 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. Thursdays at Frank O. Papen Community Center, 304 W. Bell Ave.

THE VOYAGERS TRAVEL CLUB

The Voyagers Travel Club is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

Trips currently being booked include:

- Shakespeare Ghost Town/Lordsburg day trip: Saturday, April 21. Call for price.
- Call for price.
 Hondo Iris Farm day trip: Friday, May 11. Call for price.
- T or C Ladies Spa: May 21-23. Cost: \$274 single, \$239 double
- Ruidoso, Lincoln, Billy the Kid: Wednesday, May 30-Friday, June 1. Cost: \$240 single, \$274 double

• New Orleans: Nov. 10-18. Motor coach. Cost: \$1,080 single, \$810 double

- Canada/New England cruise: Oct. 10-20
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- Australia/New Zealand cruise: March 4, 2013 For more information, call Helen Glover at 528-3166.

STAINED GLASS

Beginning and advanced stained-glass classes meet at 8:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Intermediate stained-glass class meets at 1 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Munson Center. Registration is required.

AEROBICS CLASS

Aerobics class is from 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Classes are drop-in. Donation suggested.

CORE EXERCISE

Core exercise classes are from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Meerscheidt Recreation Center, 1600 E. Hadley Ave. Classes are drop-in. Donation suggested.

LINE DANCING CLASSES HELD

Beginning line dance classes for anyone over 50 are held from 1:45 to 2:45 p.m. each Monday and intermediate line dance classes are held from 1:45 to 2:45 p.m. each Friday at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Donations are accepted. For more information, call 528-3000.

T'AI CHI CLASSES AT MUNSON CENTER

T'ai chi classes are from 3 to 4 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Classes are drop in. Donation suggested.

50+ WALKING GROUP

INDOOR GARDEN

The City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation will lead a walking group targeted toward those 50 years and older at 9 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. There is no fee to join and total walking distance will be no more than

two miles per walk.
For more information,
call the Parks & Recreation
Department at 541-2550. The
TTY number is 541-2182.

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.

For more information, call Judy at 373-9309, Ann at 522-7240 or Bev at 523-6106

MONTHLY POTLUCK IS APRIL 15

A potluck is normally held from noon to 2 p.m. the second Sunday of the month at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Due to the Easter holiday, April's potluck will be Sunday, April 15. Anyone age 50 or over is are invited to bring a covered dish along with eating utensils.

For more information, call 528-3000.

AARP DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM

AARP Driver Safety Program courses are open to drivers 55 years of age or older. A certificate issued upon successful completion of the four-hour course may qualify the participant for a discount on insurance depending on the driver's insurance policy. Cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for nonmembers, paid at the door the day of class.

Participants need to bring their driver's license, a pen or pencil and the correct change, if paying with cash. AARP members must bring their membership cards to receive the discount.

Classes are held on a first-come, first-served basis.

- Upcoming classes are:
 Noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday,
 April 24, Good Samaritan
 Society-Las Cruces Village,
 3011 Buena Vida Circle
- 8 a.m. to noon Wednesday, May 9,

Encantada Park, 1000 Coyote Trail For more information, visit www.aarp.org or call 505-830-3096.

HATHA YOGA CLASSES

Yoga classes are from 8 to 9 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Classes are drop in. Donation suggested.

CITY RECREATION SCHEDULE

The City of Las Cruces offers recreation and fitness classes at city recreation and community centers.

The following classes are held at Meerscheidt Recreation Center, 1600 E. Hadley Ave.

- Aerobics: 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
 Yoga: 9 to 10 a.m.
- Yoga: 9 to 10 a.m.
 Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Pilates: 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays
 Core/Floor Exercises:
- 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays • Pickleball: 10:30 a.m.
- to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Fridays. Paddles may be rented for \$1.

 Indoor Cycling: 5:30
- to 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays The following class is held

at Benavidez Community Center, 1045 McClure Road:

• Zumba: 6 to 7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. For more information, call 541-5185.

The following classes are held at the Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave.

- Aquatic Fitness: 9 to 10 a.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays
- Safe Strength Gentle Cardio Water Workout: 10 to 11 a.m. Thursdays
 Water Fitness for
- Water Fitness for Non-Swimmers: 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays
- Senior Aquatics Class: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Classes are drop in, but seniors must be registered with Las Cruces Senior Services.
- Senior Services.

 Aqua Fit: 1 to 2 p.m.
 Wednesdays and Fridays
- Aqua Zumba: 5:30

 to 6:15 p.m. Tuesdays,
 Wednesdays and
 Thursdays and 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Saturdays

 Relax and Stretch: 1 to 2
- **Relax and Stretch:** 1 to 2 p.m. Tuesdays For more information, call 541-2782.

The following class is held at the East Mesa Recreation Center, 5589 Porter Drive:

• Zumba: 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays For more information, call 382-1662.

All classes are \$2. For more information, call 541-2550.

AARP MEETING SET FOR APRIL 14

A special AARP meeting for people age 50 and over will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 14, at Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite Street.

Attendees will learn about local chapter activities, volunteer opportunities, meetings, guest speakers and field trips. Light refreshments will be served. Reservations are recommended but not necessary.

For more information, call 877-962-8300 or Sue at 382-0733.

GOING SOLO SINGLES

Going Solo Singles, a group for senior singles, meets for a monthly potluck, game nights and day trips.

For more information, call Gini at 522-5225 or Judy at 522-6543

SWINGING DANCERS

The Swinging Dancers of Munson Center will meet at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 14, at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Couples, individuals and guests are welcome. Entertainment will be provided by Jim Corrons.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m., dancing begins at 7 p.m. Cost is \$6.

For more information, call 528-3000.



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Chris Bigelow talks to
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Day event. Bigelow was
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and City of Las Cruces codes.



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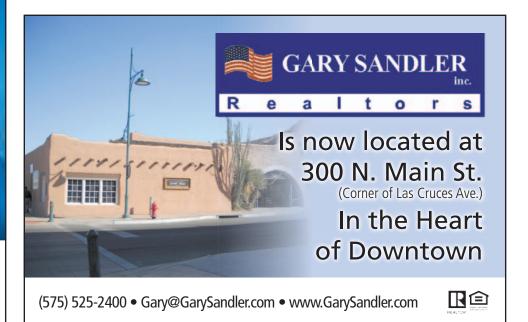
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Verity Summers, 9, holds a lace bark elm and Chevenne Salem, 10, holds a piñon seedling. They are ready to do their part to make **Las Cruces** green at the City of Las **Cruces Arbor** Day event Saturday, April 7, at the Branigan Cultural Center.



Joshua Galovin, 10, Christian Galovin, 12, Shawn Duigg, 8, Les Finley, Jeff Anderson and Sophia Moore, 7, plant a desert willow in front of the Branigan Cultural Center.



PSL lands \$12.5 million job

Balloon lab to test Mars landing system

NASA has awarded New Mexico State University's Physical Science Laboratory a \$12.5 million contract supplement to support the Jet Propulsion Laboratory's Low Density Supersonic Decelerator (LDSD) project, which aims to get larger, heavier payloads to land safely on Mars.

The project is a joint effort among the

The project is a joint effort among the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, NASA's Wallops Flight Facility and the Columbia Scientific Balloon Facility, operated by NMSU/PSL for NASA.

"We do some very innovative activities at Columbia Scientific Balloon Facility," said Steve Hottman, deputy director of PSL. "Traditionally, you think of payloads being underneath a balloon. In the past, we have put payloads on top of balloons. We have done a lot of really unusual things with balloons to help scientists collect the data they need."

Danny Ball, site manager of the Columbia Scientific Balloon Facility, said the impetus behind this project is that NASA needs to land larger, heavier payloads on Mars.

"The problem with landing on Mars is that it's difficult," Ball said. "The atmosphere is very thin. The surface density on Mars is equivalent to the same density we have at an altitude of 100,000 feet above the surface of the Earth."

Little progress has been made in refining techniques to slow vehicles during decent into the Martian atmosphere since the 1972 Viking Lander project. Current Mars rovers are still inserted using the Viking parachute and the 1972 qualification data.

As Mars landers grow in mass, it becomes more difficult to decrease their speed enough during insertion to land safely. The objectives of the LDSD project are to develop new supersonic inflatable decelerators and supersonic parachute technologies to enable sending larger payloads to higher elevations on

Mars with greater precision.

Through this effort, up to four 8,000-pound LDSD payloads will be lifted to an initial altitude of 120,000 feet by large scientific balloons that are 34 million cubic feet in volume with an inflated diameter of 460 feet. At that altitude, rocket motors will be fired to lift the payloads to 180,000 feet and a speed of Mach 4 (four times the speed of sound), simulating a Martian atmospheric entry. Inflatable decelerators will then be deployed to slow the vehicles to Mach 2, at which time parachutes will be deployed for final descent.

Because of the volatile nature of the test vehicle, standard dynamic balloon launch technique cannot be used. PSL and the Colombia facility will have to develop a new "static" launch technique. The new technology will open up new opportunities in other areas of scientific ballooning as well.

Ball said the \$12.5 million funding will be allotted over two years. That money will be used to design and build three major pieces of equipment: a stationary tower that the payload can hang from during the launch process; a center pivot that lays out the balloon; and a spool vehicle that is able to restrain the balloon while it is inflating.

Up to six tests will be conducted from the Pacific Missile Range in Hawaii.

Data recovered during this mission will aid NASA in planning future manned and unmanned missions to Mars.

"This scientific balloon facility (in Palestine, Texas), arguably, is the only facility in the world that can do the work that it does," Couture said. "We actually can do scientific research at near space levels with scientific balloons at a fraction of the cost that it takes to do such scientific research in a space station, for instance."

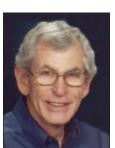
Neighbors We've Lost ARTHUR ALBERT GILCREASE April 2, 1933 - April 8, 2012

Arthur Albert Gilcrease passed away quietly on Easter morning, April 8, 2012 shortly after his 79th birthday. He was born near Provencal, Louisiana on April 2, 1933 to Fannie Goins and Albert Gilcrease. With his two brothers and sister he loved the

freedom of the woods of Louisiana, where his father was a farmer.

In 1952 Art joined the US Air Force and was stationed in Scotland with an Air Sea Rescue Unit. He had just met his wife Lois who accompanied him. They spent many hours in their Morris Minor seeing sights and making friends with local Scots.

College followed at New Mexico A & M, now New Mexico State University, where he earned a degree in Electrical Engineering. After graduation, he began employment with the Physical Science Laboratory at NMSU, which took him to projects in Alaska, Canada, Cape Kennedy, Florida and Vandenberg AFB, California. He was a dynamic manager and had established a reputation of managing technical contracts in support of NASA for over twenty years. He had a bold vision of what needed to be done. In the 1980s Art saw an opportunity for PSL/NMSU to bid and win a large contract to manage and support the NASA Scientific Balloon Program. Almost 25 years later they



still have that prime contract with NASA.

Art was a warm friendly person. He cared about the people he worked with and was a strong positive influence that impacted lives

Art had a strong Christian faith by which he tried to live

his life. He loved to play nickel-dime poker with a group of friends he had known for about thirty years. He and his family spent many summers at their cabin in the White Mountains of Arizona, where they enjoyed fishing and hiking.

Art is survived by Lois, his loving wife of 59 years, and children, Zantha of Seal Beach, California, Crichton of Phoenix, Arizona and Craig of Las Cruces, New Mexico. He is also survived by a number of family members in Louisiana.

Donations may be made to Mesilla Valley Hospice or a charity of choice.

Visitation was held Tuesday, April 10, 2012, at Getz Funeral Home in Las Cruces. A Celebration of Life was held Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at Mesilla Park Community Church also in Las Cruces. Arrangements by Getz Funeral Home and Getz Family Crematory corner of Solano and Bowman Ave., Las Cruces, 575-526-2419. To sign the local online guest book, go to www. GetzCares.com. Serving veterans and their families since 1965.

DEATH NOTICES

HARPER

Wayne Marland Harper, 77, of Las Cruces, New Mexico, died Monday, April 2, 2012. Cremation has taken place and a Memorial Service will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, April 28, 2012 at Morningstar United Methodist Church in Las Cruces. Entrutsted to Baca's Funeral Chapels and Sunset Crematory, Las Cruces. 575-527-2222

Berard

Kennis Ray Berard, 70, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, died Saturday, April 7, 2012 in Las Cruces. A Graveside Service will be held Monday, April 16, 2012 at 12:45 p.m. in the Santa Fe National Cemetery. Entrusted to Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces. 575-527-2222.

DE SOLANO

Carmen Enriquez de Solano, 68, of Las Cruces, New Mexico, died Friday, April 6, 2012. Services have taken place. Entrusted to Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory. 575-527-2222.

SPECK

Ronell Speck died Monday, April 9, 2012. A Graveside Service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, April 13, 2012 at the Masonic Cemetery in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Arrangements entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels and Sunset Crematory in Las Cruces. 575-527-2222.

SMITH

Julie V. Smith died April 6, 2012. The Funeral Mass will be held at 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 13, 2012 at St. Albert the Great Newman Center in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Entrusted to the Care of Baca's Funeral Chapels and Sunset Crematory of Las Cruces. 575-527-2222.

The Las Cruces Bulletin will publish paid obituaries, which may include up to two photographs. Brief death notices are published at no charge. Memorials and remembrances are also available. For more information, call Terry Bierwirth at the Las Cruces Bulletin, 575-524-8061, or email obits@lascrucesbulletin.com.

Erma Rigales Anaya

Erma Rigales Anaya, 70, lifelong resident of Las Cruces left her dwelling place on earth and entered eternal life to be with her heavenly Father on Saturday, April 7, 2012 at Mountain View Regional Medical Center surrounded by her loving family. "Weda" as she was fondly known to her family and friends was a very loving and caring person, she was an avid gardener who will be remembered for her love of flowers, especially roses. She was a homemaker and a communicant of St. Genevieve Catholic Church.

Those left to mourn her passing include her loving husband, Salome Anaya; a daughter, Cita; a son, Jim T. Martin; her other dad, James Martin; two brothers and a sister. Other survivors include her grandchildren, Karina and Zachery Martin; numerous nieces, nephews and godchildren as well as her four legged family, Harley, Baby, Boy, Tootsie and Cookie the pig. She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Ernestina Diaz and

Patricia Martin; three brothers, Danny, David and Pete Rigales.

A Prayer Vigil was held Wednesday, April 11, 2012 in Baca's Chapel of Prayer. Family and friends joined together to celebrate the Funeral Mass Thursday, April 12, 2012 in St. Genevieve Catholic Church, 100 S. Espina with Reverend Juan Moreno officiating. The Rite of Committal and Interment followed in Masonic Cemetery, 760 S. Compress Road where she was laid to rest in the family plot.

Serving as casket bearers were, Jim T. Martin, James Martin, Baltazar Mendoza, Edward Lopez, Gilbert Pacheco, and Levi Sandoval. Honorary bearers were Marcus and Derrick Pacheco.

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NMSU adds bottle station

Water refilling aims to reduce waste

Don't forget to BYOB – bring your own water bottle, that is – the next time you are on the New Mexico State University campus.

NMSU plumber Javier Sanchez installed a donated Halsey Taylor HAC Water Cooler with HydroBoost bottle filling station in the Activity Center the week before spring break, in an effort to make the NMSU campus more sustainable. The bottle filling station helps to reduce landfill waste, save energy required to produce plastic bottles and saves consumers money they would otherwise spend on bottled water.

"This is the first bottle refilling station we have on campus," said Ben Gabriel, NMSU assistant director of Recreational Sports. "We're actually looking within our own facility to add more, possibly near the track area."

Sanchez, and members of Organization of Aggie Students Inspiring Sustainability (OASIS), the NMSU Office of Sustainability, Associated Students of NMSU (ASNMSU) and Recreational Sports were on hand for an educational event at the Activity Center last week.

"We're trying to create an alternative to plastic bottles to save on recycling," Gabriel said. "The Activity Center is one of the most highly used areas (on campus) for active lifestyles, so this gives people filtered water and fresh water that they can access quickly and efficiently."

Sanchez said the location of this first bottle filling station was chosen because of the amount of traffic at the Activity Center.

"I see a lot of students and they're overjoyed with this thing," he said. "I hope I see them more. It'll save a lot on the water."



New Mexico State University photo

The new bottle filling station at the New Mexico State University Activity Center will help make the campus more sustainable by reducing landfill waste and saving energy and money.

In the first 17 days, the bottle filling station at NMSU conserved more than 1,800 plastic bottles that would have otherwise been recycled or thrown away.

Students to get rewards

Gift cards offer incentive for panelists

The tradition of allowing a group of university students from across the state to ask questions of the Domenici Public Policy Conference's famous speakers continues this year with an added incentive.

Ås part of a \$10,000 sponsorship from US Bank, each student selected to ask questions during the 2012 Domenici Public Policy Conference will receive a \$250 U.S. Bank Visa gift card.

Twenty students will be chosen to participate as panelists and will be the only conference attendees allowed to question speakers. To be considered, students must be nominated by faculty or administrators from their respective universities.

"We are pleased to once again be participating in the Domenici Public Policy Conference," said Craig Buchanan, market president for U.S. Bank in Las Cruces. "I believe that sponsoring the student panelists is a great way for U.S. Bank to be engaged in this very important event."

Along with the gift cards, U.S. Bank's sponsorship of the student panelist program also pays for the students' hotel accommodations and an orientation banquet.

The Domenici Institute, named after retired New Mexico Sen. Pete V. Domenici, is housed on the campus of New Mexico State University and brings together some of the country's top experts to discuss important policy issues facing the nation. This year's Domenici Conference will be Sept. 19-20 at the Las Cruces Convention Center.

Past student panelists have queried important policy makers such as New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez, former Secretary of State James Baker, former Sen. Christopher Dodd of Connecticut, former White House Deputy Chief of Staff Karl Rove, Homeland

Security Secretary Janet Napolitano and former Sen. Tom Daschle of South Dakota.

"The student panelists have become an integral component of the Domenici Institute's annual conference," said Ramon Dominguez, an associate professor of education and a member of the Domenici Institute Advisory Council. "Student participation adds an academic dimension to the conference activities and provides students with an excellent learning experience. Additionally, students are given the opportunity to network with high-profile professionals. The experience not only motivates students, but also provides for a professional reference on their vitas."

In exchange, the students are expected to put in both time and work. A Domenici Institute Advisory Council committee will select and prepare the student panelists. Over the summer, the students will work in teams assigned to research and prepare questions for one speaker. Participation in all conference activities also is required.

Only students nominated by faculty members or administrators from their universities will be considered for the panel, so students are encouraged to request nominations. All nominations are due by April 30, with the winning students notified on or before June 15.

"I can't think of a more excellent opportunity for our future leaders to begin the process of learning how public policy is developed and refined, "said Garrey Carruthers, dean of the NMSU College of Business and director of NMSU's Domenici Institute.

For more information or to access a nomination form, visit http://domenici.nmsu.edu/2012-domenici-students.html.



Business

Section B

That's why it's show 'business'



Richard Coltharp That's the Way of the World

A movie theater may be the antithesis of the Motor Vehicle Division.

"It's one of those businesses that, when people walk in, they're happy to be there," said Russell Allen, whose family has owned and operated Allen Theatres for 100 years. "It's a wonderful business that touches everybody's life in one way or another. It's interesting and it's fun.'

Fun, yes, but while we think of movies as art, it's without a doubt a business, too. Everything is measured scientifically, based on demographics and other statistics. That includes the determination of whether certain movies come to Las Cruces in the first place.

"Film companies go through some deep numbers, and they dictate where movies are going to play," Allen said.
Some movies may be offered to as

few as five theaters nationwide in their opening weekend. Others may be offered to almost all. Las Cruces typically doesn't get offered a movie unless it's offered to 700 or more theaters nationwide.

We play every movie we can get our hands on, but not all movies are available to us," Allen said.

The film companies also dictate restrictions on movie passes.

For years, I'd heard movie theaters make almost nothing on ticket sales; most of the profit comes from concessions.

Allen confirmed that.

We effectively act like the film companies' banks," he said. "We charge them a small fee – they dictate the percentage

we pay.
"We keep the lights on, and anything for future investments, on what we make from the snack bar."

In other words, if I try to sneak a can of RC Cola and a bag of pistachios into the theater, I'm essentially ripping off the

Even though, like everyone else, I sometimes bristle at concession prices, I'm happy to get a Dr. Pepper and a box of chocolate almonds to help pay my way. Sometimes, I'll get a hot dog, but invariably, I'll drop a dollop of mustard on my pants or shirt.
At Cineport 10 once, I saw a lady who

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La Clinica de Familia expands

New facility will enhance services

By Richard Coltharp

La Clinica de Familia Inc., providing medical and dental services in Doña Ana County since 1978, has broken ground on a new facility in Las Cruces.

The expansion will allow the organization to serve more than 6,000 people a year, a significant increase over the 4,500 it currently

A groundbreaking ceremony took place Wednesday, April 11, on land adjacent to LCDF's administrative offices at 355 Calle de

Alegra.

The building is expected to be completed in the fall, allowing the medical facility to move from its current location at 1160 Mall Drive.

We'll add two nurse practitioners, which will allow us to expand our hours on Saturdays and add evening hours," said Suzan Martinez de Gonzales, LCDF's CEO.

The new building will be 9,000 square feet, of which 7,548 will be for patient care. There will be 11 exam rooms and six dental

The building will cost \$1.4 million, which Chief Operating Officer Martin Lopez said will be covered by federal resources, using some of the last of the funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

At the same time, LCDF will break ground on a new facility in San Miguel. That facility is a \$1.2 million project with 12 exam rooms and 5,853 square feet. The space will allow LCDF to bring in another nurse practitioner, enabling



Board members of La Clinica de Familia surround Francis Casci, dental director, and Daniel Armistead, medical director, as they hold the golden shovels during the groundbreaking ceremony for the facility's new addition held Wednesday, April 11.

an increase in services from about 2,000 patients per year to more than 3,000.

The new buildings will help fulfill a goal of the LCDF board of directors to own its facilities, thereby eliminating the need to lease or

"We want to put the money into serving patients," Lopez said.

LCDF currently leases with only a nominal payment at its facility in Sunland Park. When the new buildings in Las Cruces and San Miguel are completed, all of the LCDF facilities except for Sunland Park will be owned.

Facilities include the clinic in central Las Cruces, the East Mesa, Anthony, San Miguel, Chaparral, Sunland Park and a women's clinic in Las Cruces. In all of those except San Miguel, dental services are co-located in the medical

There is also a school-based program in Santa Teresa with the Gadsden Independent School District, and Early Head Start and Healthy Start programs conducted on the campus of New Mexico State University and in consumers' homes.

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Links: outdoor business course

Golfing can build – or break – relationships

By Jerome Littlejohn

"A Tradition Unlike Any Other" is more than the slogan for the Masters golf tournament. It also can describe the practice of doing business on the golf course.

However, golf's role in building and maintaining business relationships may not seem fair to professionals who either do not like to golf or are not good at the game. Should nongolfers worry that their lack of golf skill will damage their careers?

Fortunately for non-golfers, a successful afternoon on the links with a client or supervisor is not determined by how far you can drive the ball or how many putts you can make, according to veteran golfers and business people. What matters most is how you interact with

Gregg Martin, owner of Gregg Martin Agency of Farmers Insurance, has used golf outings to build his business.

"I use golf for networking and offering my services," Martin said.

Golf has been a part of Martin's professional See Golf on page B2



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Alicia Cardoza

New Mexico State University head men's basketball coach Marvin Menzies and his wife, Tammy, ride in a golf cart at the coach's 2011 Sixth Man Club Open. NMSU head football coach DeWayne Walker will host his second Annual Goal Line Club Golf Tournament Friday, April 27, at the NMSU Golf Course. For information, call 649-6872.

Business

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put jalapeños on her popcorn, which looked

mighty tempting.

Movie theaters have created an additional revenue source the past 15 years or so, with pre-movie advertisements. There are the national advertisements, of which local theaters get a small percentage, again dictated by the film companies. And there are the local ads, which Allen Theatres sells and produces.

Those help offset some of the expenses you may not consider.

"Our utility bills are pretty big in the summer," Allen said. "We probably pay in one month more than most people pay in their homes in three or four years."

That's even after efforts to offset that with efficient construction, thick concrete and extra insulation.

Another huge expense is the conversion from film to digital.

The conversion is a lot more complicated than going down to Best Buy and picking up a DVD player. Installing the dedicated set-up into a movie theater costs between \$75,000 and \$100,000 per screen.

Allen Theatres has made the transition in its Cineport 10 and Telshor 12 locations, but still uses film at its budget Video 4 on El Paseo Road.

In time – probably sooner rather than later – the film companies will quit distributing film altogether, and go all digital. At that point, Allen will probably cease operations at Video 4 rather than spend nearly \$400,000 to upgrade the four screens there.

However, the demise of Video 4 could come even sooner. The Allens don't own the building; they rent. The current owners have the building up for sale. If the building sells, and the new owners want to do something with the land besides rent to the Allens, that too will likely signal the end of Video 4.

The transition to film also looms in the future for the Mesilla Valley Film Society, which currently shows movies in the historic Fountain Theatre in Mesilla.

The society works with a lot of independent distributors that offer more options than the big film companies who can call all the shots. That likely will buy them a little more time. The Fountain Theatre is equipped with a relatively basic DVD set-up for some of the older movies it shows, but most of the movies are still projected from film.

The expense to upgrade to a studio digital system would likely be prohibitive for the nonprofit society.

"We're not in the red, where we're wring-

"We're not in the red, where we're wringing our hands," said Jeff Berg of the MVFS. "We were at times in the past; 2005 or 2006 were real touch and go. But the last few years, we've changed our programming and

that's helped."

The society recently signed a twoyear lease to continue showing movies at the Fountain. Berg said the terms of the agreement will mean significantly increased expenses for 2013. Paying for those will be challenging enough, he said; purchasing a digital system is essentially beyond consideration.

MVFS draws a more arthouse crowd by bringing films not shown elsewhere locally. They do things a bit differently with the shows, such as presenting "curtain talks" before and after the films, discussing information about the movies and the actors.

"We'll have guest speakers, whatever we can to help get people in the seats," Berg said. "We try to create a whole different experience."

For example, for its April 21 presentation of "Joffrey: Mavericks of American Dance," the society will bring in a former Joffrey Ballet dancer for a discussion.

From a financial aspect, however, they have to do some of the same things as the hig boys

"Concessions definitely help carry the load," Berg said. "That and memberships."

Memberships cost almost \$100 per member. Though there are only between 80 to 100 members, Berg said that's a big improvement over a few years ago.

improvement over a few years ago.
"In terms of being nonprofit, if people support us, we'll be here, if they don't, we'll go away," he said.

I, for one, hope they don't go away.
I relished the recent opportunity to see
"The Good, the Bad and the Ugly" at the
Fountain, on the big screen, in perhaps the
most appropriate setting in the world for
a Clint Eastwood classic with a Civil War
scene based loosely on one in Glorieta,

I've had several other great movie experiences at the Fountain since I've been in Las Cruces.

Also, I'll be at Allen Theatres – among other times – on Friday, July 20, celebrating my oldest daughter's birthday at "The Dark Knight Rises," the next Batman movie, just as we were in 2008 for her 18th birthday.

Rather than the passive act of renting a movie or watching one on TV, going out to the movies is an experience.

Many married couples in Las Cruces

Many married couples in Las Cruces had their first date at the movies. Parents remember taking their children to their first Disney movies. Young people have indelible memories of the times they camped out in line for "Harry Potter" movies.

Though it's getting easier to watch movies away from the theater, I'm betting we never stop going.

Richard Coltharp is general manager of the Las Cruces Bulletin. His all-time favorite movie is "Cool Hand Luke." Email him at richard@lascrucesbulletin.com.

LCDF

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The NMSU collaboration is one of many LCDF has in the community.

"We have a very good relationship with (CEO Paul) Herzog at Memorical Medical Center," Lopez said. "And also John Andaloza of the residency program at MMC."

Martinez de Gonzales said LCDF actively seeks to work with other health care providers in the Las Cruces area.

"We're working together to see what we're all doing so we're not duplicating," she said. "The need is just too great for any of us to be doing the same thing."

LCDF is the largest primary care provider in the county, Lopez said, serving 22,000 patients annually among all its facilities. The organization is designed to serve the uninsured and underinsured, but is open to anyone.

Dr. Daniel Armistead is LCDF's chief medical officer and Dr. Francis "Toby" Casci is the chief dental officer.

"All of our physicians are board-certified," Lopez said. "But we are not a free clinic. We are a Fairly Qualified Health Center. We serve people irrespective of their ability to pay, but that does not translate to free care."

Martinez de Gonzales said the majority of LCDF's patients use Medicaid.

"We also take a holistic approach," she said. "We provide dental, and we offer health education."

She said LCDF is also working to integrate mental and behavorial health into its circle of care services.

"Pharmaceuticals are also at a discounted price," she said. "That makes it affordable to those folks who otherwise couldn't get them."

LCDF's Promotoras program is a network of lay health advisers who help patients and their families with a variety of issues that may get in the way of people being able to see one of the medical care professionals.

LCDF has established requirements that a



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Richard Coltharp
La Clinica de Familia Chief Operating
Officer Martin Lopez and Chief Executive
Officer Suzan Martinez de Gonzales
stand with the award LCDF won in 2011
for County Health Center of the Year,
among 19 centers in New Mexico.

majority of the board members are consumers of the clinics.

The board members are David Martinez, president; Marcella Dineen, vice president; Rose Camarillo, secretary; Jesus Prieto, treasurer; Maria Aguirre; Lloyd Kirschenmann; Alberto Renteria; Domitilla Tarin; Edward Ybarra; and Larry Ray. There is currently one vacancy on the board.

Golf

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life for a long time. Martin coached high school golf for 25 years. When he retired, he called on the connections he made from participating in fundraising tournaments to help open his insurance agency.

In addition to his love of the game itself, Martin said he likes to golf with clients and prospects because he feels it gives him an opportunity to learn about them on a personal level.

"An afternoon of golf can provide a window into someone's personality," Martin said. "You will find out if someone is temperamental or doesn't like to follow rules," he said.

Martin's advice for non-golfers is to become acquainted with the etiquette of the game.

"Don't talk while someone is taking a swing and stay out of their line of sight," Martin said.

Non-golfers should not feel shy about discussing business during an afternoon of golf, Martin said. Asking for someone to start or deepen a business relationship is not only acceptable, it is expected, Martin said.

Kenny Meador, assistant golf professional at Sonoma Ranch Golf Course, agrees.

"Remember that you are out there for four to six hours," he said.

His business golf etiquette advice applies equally to golfers and non-golfers.

"Keep the game light and friendly and don't let it become too competitive," Meador said. "Don't become distracted by the details

Upcoming

Tournaments

Details

- Friday, April 20 Alpha Tau Omega tournament, NMSU Golf Course, 7:30 a.m. shotgun start. Call 915-588-0747.
- Friday, April 27 Second annual Coach DeWayne Walker Goal Line Club tournament, NMSU Golf Course, 7:30 a.m. four-person scramble. Call 649-6872 or 650-0786 or email insurenm.miah@gmail.com or nathaniel.olsen@gmail.com.
- Thursday, May 10 White Sands Missile Range tournament, hosted by Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, 11:30 a.m. scramble. Call 524-1968.

of the game or spend a lot of time looking for lost balls. Know what you are supposed to wear before you arrive."

Business relationships can become strained or ruined due to boorish behavior and temper tantrums on the course, Meador said. The long amount of time it takes to play the game makes it very hard to hide your personality on the course, Meador said.

"Your true colors start to show, especially your integrity," Meador said referring to the fact golfers record their own scores and penalties.



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Building Las Cruces



The Power Center's new building on North Telshor Boulevard is taking shape. The sign went up recently and completion is expected by early summer. The building project is financed through Pioneer Bank. The Power Center, which sells ATVs and other motorized vehicles and products, will move from its current location at 1311 Foster Road. For more information, call 522-1050

Recent projects featured in Building Las Cruces

Publish date	Building	Address	Contact
April 6	NMSU Center of the Arts	University Avenue	http://artsci.nmsu.edu
March 30	Elisa's Beauty Salon	908 S. Solano Drive	532-6270
March 23	New America School	207 S. Main St.	556-1654
March 16	New Mexico State Police Dept.	4055 N. Sonoma Ranch Blvd.	575-439-7816
March 9	Tashiro Road construction	Tashiro Road at Valley Drive	525-7300

Our numbers

As of Monday, **April 9**

\$19.85 billion

Amount Americans spent on pet food

\$13.41 billion

Amount Americans spent on veterinary care

151.1 million

Fish owned in the U.S. 86.4 million

Cats owned in the U.S.

78.2 million

Dogs owned in the U.S.

Percent of U.S. households that own a pet

Source: American Pet Products Association, www. americanpetproducts.org

Gas update

Monday, April 9

Average retail gasoline prices in New Mexico have risen 0.9 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.75 per gallon. This compares with the national average that has increased 1.4 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.91 per gallon.

Including the change in gas prices in New Mexico during the past week, prices Monday, April 9, were 12.2 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 17.1 cents per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has increased 16.8 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 17.2 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

1. Sam's Club	2711 N. Telshor Blvd.	\$3.70
2. Dylan's	1900 N. Main St.	\$3.72
3. Bradley's	1260 El Paseo Road, 920 El Paseo Road	\$3.75
4. Pilot	2681 W. Amador Ave.	\$3.75
5. Valero	1305 El Paseo Road, 2695 W. Picacho Ave.	\$3.77

Source: www.newmexicogasprices.com

Adventure	Travel Airf	are Watch
FROM EL PASO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT	LOWEST AVERAGE ONE-WAY FARE	CARRIER
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Atlanta	\$226.60	US Airways
Austin	\$125.10	United
Chicago	\$265.60	US Airways
Dallas/Fort Worth	\$163.80	Southwest
Houston	\$159.60	American
Las Vegas	\$105.60	United Air
Los Angeles	\$146.80	United
Phoenix	\$84.60	United
San Antonio	\$110.60	American
New York City	\$178.10	United
Washington, D.C.	\$159.60	United Air
San Diego	\$125.60	United
London	\$1,054	Delta
Paris	\$1,385.80	American
Rome	\$1,409.70	American

Source: Adventure Travel *Prices effective through April 10-17 *Restrictions apply

Money

Comparing the U.S. dollar

\$1.30873 in U.S. dollars 0.7641 per U.S. dollar

Mexican Peso

\$0.07606 in U.S. dollars 13.148 per U.S. dollar

Japanese Yen

\$0.01239 in U.S. dollars 80.70999 per U.S. dollar

Source: www.msn.com, as of April 10, 2012

Market snapshot

For the week of April 2-6, the market reports:

Index	Started	Ended	Change	% Change	% YTD
DJIA	13212.04	13060.14	-151.90	-1.1	6.9
Nasdag	3091.57	3080.50	-11.07	-0.4	18.2

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Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Bill Allen discusses the "Shop the Mesilla Valley" campaign to members and guests at the monthly meeting of the Advertising Federation of Las Cruces, Tuesday, April 10. "Shop the Mesilla Valley" is a campaign to promote shopping in the Las Cruces area.

Las Cruces Bulletin photo by

GLCCC touts project to 'Shop the Mesilla Valley'

Allen discusses benefits of buying locally

To promote the concept of Las Crucens shopping locally, the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce has launched the "Shop the Mesilla Valley" campaign.

Already 50 local businesses are participating in the program, which uses punch cards that are punched when consumers shop locally.

Local shoppers will be eligible for valuable

prizes donated by participating businesses.

The first such prize is a flat screen TV from Best Buy, which will be given away in early May.

'The chamber is very excited to begin promoting local shopping for area residents," said Bill Allen, Greater Chamber president/CEO. "As it becomes easier to shop online through increased Internet access and price decreases, we need to show the benefits of supporting our local businesses that keep the Mesilla Valley a vibrant and economically strong region."

Allen spoke about the program Tuesday,

April 10, at the monthly meeting of the Las Cruces Advertising Federation, which met at Lorenzo's de Mesilla.

While explaining the program, which began in February, Allen also sought ideas and suggestions from the room of advertising and marketing professionals.

"Your feedback is one of the things that can help it be better," Allen said.

The program, which costs participating businesses just \$25 per quarter, provides participating businesses free marketing and increased networking.

For the community, it provides community support and benefits for shoppers.

For more information about the "Shop the Mesilla Valley" program or to get your business signed up for the program, contact Joel Courtney, communication and leadership director, at 524-1968 or jcourtney@lascruces.org.

Save the date

TUE. 4/17

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Farm Bureau **Primetimers Luncheon,** at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Representatives from the congressional offices of Sen. Jeff Bingaman, Sen. Tom Udall and U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce will discuss issues and projects affecting New Mexico. Lunch by Dickerson's catering will be \$10. For information, call John or Povy Bigbee at 233-4820.

THU. 4/19

11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce's annual Education Update Luncheon, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. The Las Cruces region strives to improve the educational experience available to students, and local leaders will discuss the recent successes and upcoming opportunities. Registration for the Education Update Luncheon is \$20 for chamber members or \$40 for nonmembers. Sponsorship opportunities are available. For reservations or information, call the chamber office at 524-1968 or relo@lascruces.org

FRI. 4/20

7:30 a.m. Second annual Alpha Tau Omega Golf Tournament at New Mexico State University Golf Course, 3000 Herb Wimberly Drive. For more information, call Coty Lockett, 915-588-0747.

7 p.m. the Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces presents its 20th annual banquet, "Superheroes of the Southwest," at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. Keynote speaker is Rosario Marin, the first Mexican-born U.S. treasurer, and the Hispano Chamber will present its annual awards. A pre-party will be from 5 to 7 p.m., and the after-party will be 8:30 p.m. to midnight, featuring the band Nosotros. Tickets are \$75 and are available at the Hispano Chamber office, 1990 E. Lohman Ave., Suite 207, and the Santa Fe Grill corporate office, 2200 E. Missouri Ave. For more information, call 532-9255.

WED. 4/25

11:30 to 1 p.m. Small Business Workshop, Lorenzo's de Mesilla, 1750 Calle de Mercado, Suite 4. This is the second small business workshop of the year presented by the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, and will focus on e-commerce. Speakers will address the basics of developing an online storefront and keeping customer data secure. Tickets are \$15 for members and non-members. For more information, call 524-1968.

THU. 4/26

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce Business After **Hours,** St. Clair Winery & Bistro, 1720 Avenida de Mesilla. Join the chamber for free food and drinks and a chance to network with other chamber members. For more information, call 524-1968.

FRI. 4/27

7 a.m. Fourth annual Lou and Mary Henson Community Breakfast to benefit the Boys & Girls Club, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Longtime Louisiana State University men's basketball coach Dale Brown will be the keynote speaker. For tickets, reservations and sponsorship opportunities, call Kelli Burchell at 496-9695.

7:30 a.m. second annual Coach DeWayne Walker Goal Line Club Golf Tournament, New Mexico State University Golf Course, 3000 Herb Wimberly Drive. Four-person scramble. For information, call 649-6872 or 650-0786 or email insurenm.miah@gmail. com or nathaniel.olsen@gmail.com.





Education Update Luncheon

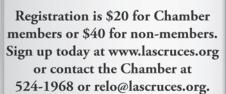
11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 19

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Taking a look at recent American energy history

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Dumb domestic energy policies brought on by destructive political dynamics have metastasized on the American economy for decades.

The first signs of trouble emerged 39 years ago. American baby boomers and their parents recall suddenly having to wait in long lines for gasoline, or do without. Doing without gasoline was not an option back in 1973 any more than it is today. The first oil shock in 1973, much like the one that hit America in 2007-08, brought on one of the nastiest recessions since the Great Depression.

Decades ago, Americans should have realized that "Big Oil" wasn't Exxon, Chevron or Conoco. Big Oil is OPEC. And a few months after OPEC first demonstrated its control

of world energy supplies, Americans found themselves paying three times as much for a gallon of gas. It wasn't much fun trying to find a job or hold on to one in 1973-74.

America's energy problems are easily solvable. Yet America has done practically nothing to solve them for 40 years. Why?

First and foremost, we Americans have voted for too many politicians who are quite willing to lie to us about the realities of energy. The myth of Big Oil was and still is a convenient boogie man for some elected officials. Second, as Asians and Eastern Europeans have thrown off the shackles of big government socialism, they are eating away at the supply side of the world energy equation. Finally, American political forces, hell bent on pushing big government socialism, have instituted a systematic process of demonizing our domestic energy industry.

Today, dumb paradigms regarding energy go virtually unchallenged in our public schools and in our colleges and universities. Accordingly, several generations of uninformed Americans still embrace unrealistic fantasies about absolute necessities like energy. Languishing in a fog of national energy delusions has resulted in unprecedented wealth transfers by Americans to foreign energy producers to the point of eating away at the economic foundation of the country.

Behind closed doors, OPEC members laugh at U.S. policies that cripple domestic energy production. And in recent years OPEC has had the added advantage of being able to sell more and more energy to developing markets like China and India.

There is plenty of room for hope. America is swimming in natural gas. Natural gas does not have to be refined. And unlike gasoline, the price of natural gas is at a 10-year low. Massive new gas discoveries in the Midwest, the Appalachians and Texas stand ready to support an American energy revolution. If this potential is realized, it will create millions of jobs, trillions in tax revenues, and sharply lower energy costs for 300 million Americans.

Recently, CNBC's infamous commentator Rick Santelli provided a glimpse of exactly

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how the existing natural gas infrastructure in America, the gas lines in our homes, can easily become the key instruments that can enable Americans to regain control of our economy. All over America thousands of vehicles including trucks, tractors, and cars have already been converted to use natural gas. The city of Las Cruces fleet runs on natural gas. Kristi and I converted our propane grill to use natural gas several years ago. Since that conversion, our grill has simply been hooked into the natural gas line of our home.

Within a matter of a few quarters, millions of Americans could be filling up cars and trucks with fuel that costs about 60 cents a gallon.

After 39 years of foolishness in Washington, D.C., will Americans stop waiting for their government to do something about unnecessary energy related wealth transfers to other nations? Stay tuned.

Jim Spence is the portfolio manager at Spence Asset Management Inc., a federally registered investment advisory firm in Las Cruces. He has been involved in the investment business since 1983.

Business: the fuel for a strong economy

Community leaders making key differences in Las Cruces region



Tracey Bryan *Bridging the workforce*

"Business pays for everything."

That statement was made over a year ago by New Mexico Rep. Terry McMillan at a Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance luncheon, but even now it keeps ringing in my ears. "Business pays for everything."

Business provides goods and services individuals, families and other businesses need. It provides jobs. It purchases supplies and inventory from other vendors. It pays tax dollars for those it employs and even those it doesn't.

Business is the fuel upon which our country and our government run. When business is doing well, the economy thrives. When business isn't doing well, entire communities, states and nations feel the pain.

It is with this clear understanding that a national group called the Business Roundtable released a report titled "Taking Action for America: A CEO Plan for Jobs and Economic Growth."

Now in its 40th year, Business Roundtable is an association of chief executive officers of leading U.S. companies with more than \$6 trillion in annual revenues and more than 14 million employees. Interestingly, while business already pays for everything, this group also collectively invests more than \$9 billion in the health and well being of the country through charitable contributions.

Their report is a hopeful response to a grim economy. It advocates for business to be free to "innovate, invest, and grow." The introduction lays the foundation, "the CEOs of (the Business Roundtable) have enormous confidence in the intrinsic strengths of America and its people. They believe that American ingenuity, hard work, productivity and entrepreneurship remain our greatest assets."

The Roundtable lays out a plan for action. I was especially

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interested in the section on having a skilled, prepared workforce. It highlights the deep, intrinsic connection between education, workforce and economic development. The report points out:

The majority of fourth graders in the U.S. don't read at grade level.

The lower the level of educational attainment, the more likely you are to be unemployed (13.8 percent for high school dropouts versus 8.7 percent for graduates; 7.7 percent for some college or an associate's degree and 4.1 percent for a bachelor's degree).

There is a mismatch between the millions of jobs that are available and the millions of people who are unemployed, simply because they lack necessary skills and training for the jobs.

At the same time, the Annie E. Casey Foundation took a look at economic conditions at the community level in a separate report called "Data Snapshot on High Poverty Communities." This foundation is focused on supporting strategies that build the capacity of vulnerable children and their families. The report illustrates why financial stability

(i.e. consistent employment at a living wage) is critical for the future of children and their families.

New Mexico has the second highest percentage of children living in areas of concentrated poverty (20 percent), run-

ning only slightly behind Mississippi (23 percent). When children live in areas of concentrated poverty, they are surrounded by a host of environmental issues that directly affectet their ability to perform well at school. In fact, students are far more likely to drop out, which just perpetuates the likelihood they will continue in a life cycle of poverty.

Both reports offer specific recommendations for building stronger children, families and communities. I'm pleased to report that Doña Ana County already is addressing many of their recommendations through the work of numerous groups, including The Bridge of Southern New Mexico.

Our committed and visionary leaders already are working to put into place:

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Improving teacher training, especially in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) fields.
Connecting the needs of business more closely to commu-

nity college technical programs.

• Aligning educational institutions from cradle to career to

• Aligning educational institutions from cradle to career to improve opportunities for children.

 Addressing early childhood education simultaneously with workforce development and asset-building activities for parents.

 İmplementing Common Core Standards in schools and tying data systems to the standards.

Success in these areas is dependent upon the involvement of an active, engaged, and committed business community. We are fortunate our county includes some of the most collaborative and innovative business leaders in the state. They are investing their time, resources and creativity to ensure the implementa-

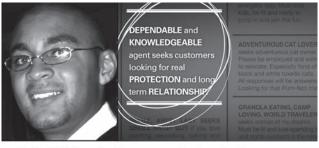
tion of practices that do exactly what both reports advocate

- create sustainable community and national change by
investing wisely in our county's greatest natural resource – our people.

Thanks to the vision of those leaders, Doña Ana County will continue to lead the nation in implementing strategies that strengthen children and families for generations to come.

Tracey Bryan is president and CEO of The Bridge, a nonprofit organization that brings together business, economic development, govrnment and education to create a stronger, well-

ernment and education to create a stronger, wellqualified workforce in Doña Ana County. The Bridge's top priority is to increase the high school graduation rate in the county and the nonprofit's work has led to the creation of the state's first Early College High School on the Arrowhead Center campus at New Mexico State University. To contact Bryan, email tbryan@dacc.nmsu.edu.



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Profile

Merideth Hildreth: Preparing for Earth Day 2012

A conversation with the city's new sustainability officer

Familiar to southern New Mexico, but new to Las Cruces, Merideth Hildreth is the new sustainability officer for the City of Las Cruces. She arrived after 7 years living in Hillsboro.

Why is it important for the City of Las Cruces to have a sustainability officer?

The sustainability Officer is responsible for implementing the Sustainability Action Plan adopted by the city in March 2011. The Sustainability Action Plan is the community's blueprint for "going green."

The sustainability officer works with the city's departments to promote energy efficiency and renewable-energy projects, water conservation, reducing waste streams, recycling, pollution prevention, growing more food locally, integrating multimodal transportation with land use patterns and protecting ecosystems.

During the city's restructuring, the sustainability officer position, first held by Tom Schuster, was moved from Community Development to Facilities Management under Public Works. In this capacity, the sustainability officer focuses on programs to help city facilities become more energy efficient and conservation oriented.

The sustainability program's secondary focus is to conduct outreach and education by showing how the city is "leading by example" and encourage the community to become more sustainable.

An example of working with other departments: The sustainability officer and the utilities water conservation coordinator Leeann DeMouche will staff an exhibit booth during the Earth Day event to be Sunday, April 22, at Young Park.

Are there quantifiable savings as a result of the city's sustainability efforts?

The city's sustainability policies are saving money through long-term conservation measures.

Each new building is designed and constructed using the Green Building Council's LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification program. By combining employees and activities under one roof in the new LEED-silver City Hall, the city saves \$10,000 annually on the electric bill and reduces vehicle trips and gas used by employees traveling to meetings.

The city is working with El Paso Electric's SCORE Plus program on lighting and electrical and mechanical equipment, such as air conditioning unit retrofits in some of the city's facilities. By using more efficient lighting and equipment technology, the city is reducing its energy consumption and electric bill by thousands of dollars annually.

The Las Cruces Convention Center achieved LEED-gold and contains a 72-kilowatt photovoltaic array that provides 10 to 15 percent of the facility's electrical generation. To date, the array has produced 66,000 kilowatt hours for the facility since Sept. 14, 2011.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

I enjoy networking with other departments within the city, New Mexico State University and other organizations in pro-

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moting the concepts of sustainability.

When did you start your job?

My first day as the sustainability officer for the City of Las Cruces was on Jan. 30. I report to Eric Martin, administrator of Facilities Management under the Public Works Department.

Why should we recognize Earth Day?

My 12-year-old son is responsible for changing the water in his beta's fish tank each week, because the fish cannot survive in a contaminated environment, just as we can't if we pollute our planet to the point of no return. It's important to remember that Planet Earth is our home and it is our responsibility to take care of our natural resources and environment.

Hiking is one of your hobbies. Do you have a favorite hike in Doña Ana County?

I've enjoyed hiking in the Gila and the Guadalupes. I'm looking forward to exploring Doña Ana County's scenic wonders and the city's parks and walking paths. The Organ Mountains and Dripping Springs are calling my name.

You're also a singer and songwriter. Tell us about that.

When I write a song, the melody and lyrics arrive simultaneously in whatever genre the muse brings.

I wrote a song called "Merry Christmas Y'all" that appears as a demo on www.startunes.com under the Christmas Memories Album on iTunes and Amazon. Since I was five, my musical training has been classical. I'm currently exploring jazz and blues vocal techniques. I really like local singer/songwriter Randy Granger's musicianship, styles, message and the calming effect his music has.

What are some simple sustainability measures the average Las Crucen could take that might have a significant impact on the environment and our city's resources.

Simple things the average Las Crucen could do to go green are: Use only the lights you need and turn off the lights and appliances you're not using. Weatherize your doors and windows. Conserve water by fixing leaks and using faucet aerators and low-flow showerheads. Plant trees that provide shade and reduce heat islands. Plant water-wise landscaping. Water the yard and not the street. Walk or ride your bicycle to school and work, ride the bus, consolidate trips in the car, keep your tires inflated and perform routine maintenance on your vehicle, such as oil changes and tune ups. Grow some of your own food by planting a garden in your yard or in containers. Buy locally made products and locally grown produce.

What are some key elements of your career background that you believe helped prepare you for this job?

My career in community planning prepared me well for this position because land use planners are trained to look at land use patterns from a systemic approach. It's important to plan for development while taking measures to protect the environment. All the planning I've been involved with in long range land use planning, transit planning, regional planning, economic development and environmental planning has prepared me for this position.

What do you like best about southern New Mexico?

I like the friendliness of the people, the relaxed atmosphere and, of course, I like the food laden with green chile.

What goals do you have in the next year and beyond?

My first goal is to get through Earth Week, April 20-22. I hope the citizens will come to City Hall during Earth Week, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, April 17-20, to find out what the city is doing to be more sustainable. On Thursday, April 19, citizens will have the opportunity to learn how to ride RoadRUNNER Transit. I'd like to see more people riding the bus and taking advantage of this service.

As I learn to use tracking programs, such as Planet Footprint, that monitor and report the city facility's energy, water, fleet, waste and greenhouse emissions, I'll be able to generate

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Merideth Hildreth took over as the City of Las Cruces' new sustainability officer Jan. 30.

data to show the city how its conservation and sustainability programs are performing.

I'm looking forward to working with the Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science and using this facility as a way to interface with the public regarding sustainability. The Sustainability Action Plan emphasizes implementation of renewable-energy projects, such as the solar and wind project that will be a component of the Museum of Nature and Science that will open on Main Street Downtown in November.

Are you involved in any community organizations outside of work yet?

I joined the Las Cruces Toastmasters Club so I can practice my public speaking skills. I hope to speak to community organizations about the city's sustainability program and encourage residents and businesses to become more sustainable.

The Great Conversation offers ideal communication process

Format allows freedom to discuss in safe, civil setting

Two years ago, the Great Conversation began in Las Cruces, providing an opportunity for community members to engage in passionate, civil and respectful discussions about issues that affect the community. The Great Conversation process calls for using best communication practices, and strengthens the capacity for rational conflict resolution.

This is a very simple but direct and profound process," said Randy Harris, who coordinates the ongoing series of conversations. "This is a fun and informative process that builds and nurtures a strong awareness of community.'

More than 250 Great Conversations have been held during the past two years, with various groups and in various settings. Topics have included mental health, homelessness, politics, education, economics and faith among many others. The conversations take place in churches, schools and cultural centers. Harris receives calls weekly from the community asking to use

the Great Conversation process for dialogue on specific topics that affect the community.

During the conversation, simple rules are designed to allow the freedom to share perspectives and ask questions in

a safe and civil setting. The rules encourage recognizing and honoring common ground as well as contrasts, choosing communication, collaboration and cooperation in conflict resolution and practicing conscious compassion rather than condemnation. These simple rules prohibit violence or the threat of violence - either by word, deed or gesture direct or indirect, expressed or implied. The rules also prohibit hate speech, insults or other verbal disrespect toward individuals or groups, based upon appearance, age, religious affiliation, gender, ethnicity, sexual or political orientation, etc.

The Great Conversation group recently created a special projects fund within the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico (CFSNM) to advance their mission without the requirement of creating a

separate 501(c)(3). Donors who

give to Great Conversation can give through the foundation and receive a tax receipt. The group also is able to use professional foundation staff and attend workshops offered by the CFSNM.

"We've grown just by word of mouth for the past two years," Harris said. "We've reached the point that in order to meet the community demand for this



Another economic bubble?

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Trouble brewing with commercial real estate



Jerome Littlejohn Lunchtime MBA

According to recent statistics about the delinquency rates of commercial mortgage backed securities, the commercial real estate market may experience a market correction similar to that of the residential real estate market. In other words, another burst bubble may be on the horizon.

The residential mortgage underwriter practice of pooling home mortgages together into mortgage-backed securities and selling the securities to investors on the capital markets was one of the contributing factors to the residential real estate market correction. The practice was problematic because it allowed mortgage underwriters to shift the loans' risk to investors, thus greatly reducing the underwriters' incentive to lend prudently.

Mortgages on commercial properties, such as strip malls and office buildings, are pooled together and sold on the market in a similar manner. These securities of pooled commercial mortgages are known as commercial mortgage backed securities, or CMBS.

The terms of commercial property mortgages differ from home mortgages. Two differences of incredible significance are commercial mortgages typically have terms of five years instead of 30, and a balloon payment is usually due on the fifth year of a commercial mortgage. Does this seem similar to the scenario that led to the residential real estate bubble? I think it does.

The commercial real estate market peaked in 2007, which means balloon payments on commercial mortgages written that year are due this year. Unfortunately, many property managers currently are having difficulty finding tenants and collecting rent.

Jake Redfearn, commercial real estate broker at NAI 1st Valley in Las Cruces presented his views on the local commercial real estate market at the monthly Business in the Borderplex forum hosted by the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance April 3.

Redfearn described CMBS investors as "non-traditional owners who have different return and interest rate expectations" of commercial real estate. "The mortgages on a number of properties in Las Cruces are owned by non-traditional groups," Redfearn said.

Moreover, "landlords have to get creative

to sign new tenants and keep existing ones" in

In my opinion, one possible implication is CMBS investors will cause commercial property rental rates to remain higher than the market can bear and limit property managers' ability to offer creative incentives to attract and retain tenants. This could lead to more empty retail and office space and an increase in delinquent commercial mortgages.

The toxic stew of investors with unrealistic return expectations, overpriced commercial property rental rates, balloon payments and a weak commercial real estate market is beginning to boil.

Commercial real estate consultant Trepp, LLC, reports the delinquency rate for U.S. commercial real estate loans in CMBS increased by 31 basis points in March to 9.68 percent. The office space delinquency rate for the month of March set an all-time high of 9.41 percent, the report said. Nationally, the value of delinquent loans is now \$58.1 billion, the report said.

A commercial real estate market correction would deal another blow to a financial services industry still reeling from the residential real estate market correction. It appears our lesson in bubble economics is not over yet.

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process, we need to hire people to help with administrative and website work. We're also embarking upon a steward training program that will enable more community members to steward the conversations. We want to maintain the space that allows people to communicate in this way."

The Great Conversation nurtures and empowers genuine and inclusive community, which Harris said is done by bringing together a diverse group of people who might not otherwise meet, and creating a setting that allows for communication on a variety of levels.

"The more we are able to hear the best everyone has to say to each other, the more astonishing is the realization that we are all in this together," Harris said.

The Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico is dedicated to helping the Southern New Mexico community now, and in the future. Founded in 2000, the Community Foundation offers opportunities for local people who want to give back locally. The beauty of the Foundation is that you need not be wealthy to make a positive difference in the lives of people throughout our area. Through the establishment of permanent funds you can sustain local charitable organizations, provide scholarships to area students and fulfill wishes that are close to your heart. Through our planned giving programs, you can honor loved ones or leave a legacy that benefits the people of Southern New Mexico for generations to come. The Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico can advise you on how best to maximize contributions, no matter what size. For more information see our website at www.cfsnm.org or call Luan Wagner Burn, Ph.D., at 521-4794. To donate, mail your check to CFSNM, 301 South Church St., Suite H, Las Cruces, NM 88001.



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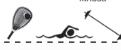
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Earth Day lessons can apply to investors, too

Strategies to help you look beyond the present

April 22 is Earth Day.

Started in 1970 by Sen.Gaylord Nelson, Earth Day is designed to create awareness of the Earth's environment and to encourage conservation efforts. If you and your family participate in Earth Day events, such as helping clean up a local park or taking materials to a recycling center, you know the benefits of doing your part to improve your surroundings. But are you doing everything you can to upgrade your environment for investing?

Actually, as an investor, you can learn a lot from the lessons of Earth Day. Here are just a few ideas:

Diversify. If you're familiar with Earth Day, you know that it involves multiple activities, including educational programs and do-it-now action steps. This variety is necessary because protecting our environment is a complex challenge. Meeting your short- and long-term investment goals can be challenging, too, but you'll have a better chance of success by diversifying your investment dollars across a range of vehicles, such as stocks, bonds, government securities and certificates of deposit (CDs). Diversification can help reduce the impact of volatility on your portfolio —

and high volatility can be an obstacle for some people trying to follow an investment strategy. (Keep in mind, though, that diversification, by itself, cannot guarantee a profit or protect against loss.)

Seek growth opportunities. Some people plant trees on Earth Day, hoping to watch them grow over the years. As an investor, you, too, need to plant "seeds" today in the hopes of growth in the future. That means, among other things, that when you purchase growth-oriented investments for the long term, you need to try to stick with them and not "uproot" them after short-term declines in price.

Develop good habits. If you attend an Earth Day program, you will learn about many eco-friendly habits you can develop, from using energy-efficient light bulbs to recycling old computers and other electronic devices. To invest successfully, it's important to develop good habits, such as staying invested in all types of markets, seeking tax-advantaged investments and reviewing your portfolio regularly to make sure it's still appropriate for your risk tolerance, time horizon and long-term objectives.

• Avoid "toxins." At some Earth Day events,

you can learn about "green" substitutes for toxic chemicals in common household cleaners. When you invest, you may also want to avoid "toxins" – or at least "toxic" behaviors, such as chasing after "hot" stocks that are inappropriate for your needs or trading so frequently that you run up big fees, commissions and taxes.

Think long term. Above all else, Earth Day is a reminder to us that we all want to leave a healthy planet to future generations — which means we need to make moves that are beneficial for the environment over the long term. When you invest, you also need to focus on the future. That means following a long-term investment strategy and not getting sidetracked by short-term events, such as political crises and economic downturns.

Earth Day comes once a year, but its lessons can have a lasting impact on our environment. When you apply these same lessons to your own investment environment, you may be able to achieve some healthy results.

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Environmental difficulties arise from lack of regulation

'Plundered Planet' offers insights into economics and the environment



Chris EricksonState of the Economy

I'm excited.

My wife has invited me to give a presentation to her Oñate High School Environmentalism class. I'm to explain to the young'uns how economics and the environment interact.

To get ready, I've been doing a little reading, particularly, a new book by Paul Collier called "The Plundered Planet." Economist Collier's main theme is the interaction of the environment and economics.

The ultimate source of human wealth, according to Collier, is nature. But nature is not provided to us on a platter. At first, only a small population could be sustained. Gradually nature became more valuable as technology progressed. Technology turns nature into an asset.

But technology only creates potential value. Natural resources have no natural owner. As they gain value, a struggle can be triggered in which the cost of the struggle can dissipate the value. We see this in Africa with blood diamonds. Developed country versions of the story are usually less violent. If corporations bribe government officials for access to resources, then political power becomes valuable.

For natural resources' value not to be dissipated by competitive struggle for control, their ownership must be regulated. But effective regulation requires good governance. Collier summarized this

relationship between resources, technology and regulation as: natural resources + technology + regulation = prosperity.

What is the most important regulation imposed by governments? Of course, it is enforcement of property rights. Property rights align private interest with social goals in a way that helps to maximize value. Property rights, which include the right to buy and sell, allow markets to allocate resources to their best uses.

The problem is that much of the planet is not subject to good governance and property rights are seldom allocated efficiently. But the planet's governments vary greatly in terms of competence and accountability to the people. Within the borders of developed countries like the United States, the property rights are reasonably enforced. But this enforcement stops at the national borders. Those resources not constrained by borders continue to be subject to struggles for control.

Two of the most intractable environmental problems facing the planet today – depletion of the ocean fisheries and global warming – both can be traced to the failure of regulation. No one government has control of the oceans or the atmosphere. There is no one to regulate their use. The consequence is plunder.

This illustrates second relationship highlighted by Collier in "The Plundered Planet" which is: natural resources + technology – regulation = plunder. Without effective governance, the values of natural resources are wasted through inefficient competition for control.

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Snow runoff, reservoir storage below normal

Farmers likely to rely on well water again

By Marvin Tessneer

Water is flowing down the Rio Grande, but Elephant Butte Irrigation District farmers are not sure how much they will receive for this summer's irrigation season. Not knowing makes it difficult to plan for crop planting.

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation released water from Caballo Reservoir on April 1 on request by Mexico for delivery at its Acequia Madre. But the EBID is concerned that much of the water will be lost in the dry

river bed, and charged that the early release is a violation of the 1906 Treaty of Equitable Distribution of Water in the Rio Grande. The equitable distribution section of the treaty does not provide for the delivery of water to Mexico when the United States' districts are not taking water, the EBID contended.

The winter snow pack average for the Rio Grande Basin was about 39 percent of average, about the same as last year. But the snow melt started earlier than normal this year, and most of the snow in the lower and midmountain elevation has melted and soaked

Las Cruces homebuyers now opt for larger homes

Sales up over last year, but prices down

Gary Sandler's

Real Estate Connection



Homebuyers want as much home as possible for their hard-earned money. According to statistics from the Las Cruces Association of Realtors, many got their wish during the first quarter of 2012.

Of the 203 new and existing single-family homes, townhomes and condominiums sold during the January through March time frame, more than three-quarters of the total contained more than 2,000 square feet of heated and cooled living space. Here's a breakdown of what the buyers purchased:

Existing Homes. First-time and repeat buyers purchased a total of 173 previously owned homes during the first quarter of the year. One hundred fifty-seven bought freestanding, single-family properties at an average price of \$183,888. The homes contained an average of 2,009 square feet of interior space, took about four months to sell and brought an average of \$91 per square foot.

Eight buyers shelled out an average of \$122,925 for townhomes containing just under 1,400 square feet of living space. The units, which were on the market for just over three months, brought an average price of \$88 per square foot.

Another eight buyers purchased low-maintenance condominiums at an average price of \$106,722. The units contained almost 1,200 square feet of living space and sold for \$88 per square foot after five months on the market.

New Homes. The 30 newly constructed properties sold during the first quarter accounted for 17 percent of all sales. Twentynine buyers bought traditional homes and paid an average price of \$185,964, or \$107 per square foot. One buyer purchased a condominium for \$116,000. The unit brought \$91 per square foot and had been on the market for more than 10 months. No townhomes were sold during the period.

The first quarter of 2012 saw a 7.7 percent increase in sales over the first quarter last year, but prices were down almost 5 percent from a year ago. A new wave of foreclosures is expected to exert additional downward pressure on prices when they hit the nation's housing market this summer.

The silver lining in this cloud is that investors, first-time buyers and others are taking advantage of lower prices and are opting to purchase now rather than waiting for the market to improve further. With a little luck, the trend will continue to chip away at the inventory of unsold homes until the market achieves equilibrium. Exactly when that will happen is anybody's guess.

See you at closing.

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2012	Туре	# Sold	Avg \$	Avg Sq Ft	Avg \$ p/sf	DOM						
	Single Fam	29	\$185,965	1,732	\$107	112						
NEW	Townhouse	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a						
	Condo	1	\$116,000	1,086	\$107	316						
	Single Fam	157	\$183,888	2,009	\$91	116						
EXISTING	Townhouse	8	\$122,935	1,397	\$88	104						
	Condo	8	\$106,722	1,171	\$91	159						
SUBTOTAL		173										
Total		203										
Source: Las Cr	uces Association of R	ealtors										

into the dry arroyos, the Natural Resources Conservation Services reported.

This spring's snow pack water content is 44 percent of average, the fifth lowest for the basin since 1993, the National Weather Service reported.

The Bureau of Reclamation 2012 district allocations are: Elephant Butte Irrigation District, 110,050 acre-feet; El Paso Water Conservation District No. 1, 94,229 acre-feet; and Mexico, 12,275 acre-feet.

The Rio Grande flow at the San Marcial measuring station just above Elephant Butte Reservoir from April to July was forecast by the NRCR at 127,000 acre-feet, or about 25 percent of average.

The average water storage at Elephant Butte Reservoir at this time of year is 1.27 million acre-feet. But the storage, as of April 1, was 385,800 acre-feet. A year ago, the storage was 466,400, according to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation.

With a normal snow pack runoff, the EBID usually allocates 3 acre-feet to farmers. But the EBID is considering only 6 inches of irrigation water for the 2012 season, not much improvement over the 4 inches allocated last

That means EBID farmers will have to rely

on well water again.

EBID has 64 monitoring wells to keep track of the water table, which is generally about 24 feet below the ground surface. The district referred to the Mesilla monitoring well 10R to demonstrate the current water table trend. During the heavy agricultural well pumping last year, the water table at well 10R dropped four feet, and the district expects the water table to drop four feet after some river recharge during this summer's

But the water table levels vary according to locations.

Typically, the water tables in the Mesilla Valley dropped three or four feet last year and some not at all," EBID consultant J. Philip King said.

The city, which has 32 wells, is in a better position. The wells draw water from 700 and 1,200 feet, and the city hasn't seen changes in the water levels from pumping, the city utilities department reported.

The El Paso Water Conservation District started its 2012 irrigation on April 1, but with a flexible schedule. The EPWCD plans to shut down delivery at the end of April and resume delivery for the hotter months of June, July and August, manager Jesus Reyes said.



Nosotros, a Latin-jazz-rock-fusion band born in Las Cruces, will be the after-party band at the 20th annual Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces banquet Friday, April 20, at the Las Cruces Convention Center. For tickets and information about the banquet, call 532-9255.

Awards will honor community members

Hispano Chamber readies for banquet

By Lorena Sanchez

The 20th annual Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces Banquet will honor humanitarians in the community with a celebration themed "Superheroes of the Southwest."

The banquet will be held from 5 p.m. to midnight Saturday, April 20, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University

Ave.

The celebration is meant to recognize and organizations individuals, businesses and organizations that have impacted the community. Annual awards presented are business, citizen, nonprofit, volunteer and educator of the year.

Prior to the event, the public is asked to write in and nominate individuals, organizations and businesses. The winners are chosen and notified so they are able to attend.

'It's a great opportunity to network and mingle with community leaders," said Edelisa Nava, co-chair of the events committee. "But it will also be a really fun night for everyone.'

Tickets are \$75 per person. Last year's

event exceeded expectations and more tables had to be added to accommodate the

"I encourage folks not to wait," Nava said.

'We can't add those extra tables this year." From 5 to 7 p.m. there will be a pre-party with a cigar bar, drinks, music and a red carpet rolled out to greet guests as they enter. The banquet begins at 7 p.m., when dinner will be served, awards handed out when the keynote speaker will make her speech.

Last year, Gov. Susana Martinez spoke at the event. This year, that honor goes to Rosario Marín, the first Mexican-born U.S. Treasurer and author of "Lead Between Two

The after-party will begin at 8:30 p.m. and end at midnight. The band Nosotros will play, there will be dancing and a balloon drop.

"Some of the balloons will have money in them," Nava said. "One balloon will even have a \$100 bill, for one lucky winner."

There also will be a silent auction to benefit the Hispano Chamber's Junior Amigos scholarship program.

For more information, call 532-9255.



City of Las Cruces Building Permit Report April 3-9

Las Cruces Home Bu	uilders Association					
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20121922	Les File Drywall Inc.	PAX investments LLC	Comm/New	980 N. Motel Blvd	\$525,000	\$1,667
20121930	GS Roofing	Blackmon David R & Lydia R	Reroof	1091 Branson Ave.	\$6,023	\$63
20121923	Retail Construction SVC	Mesilla Valley Mall	Comm/Alt	700 S. Telshor Blvd.	\$232,000	\$832
20121934	Vaquero Fence	MGE Land Inc.	Rockwall	4512 Mesa Central Drive	\$8,500	\$425
20121937	Madmora Inc.	Donald R. and Diane J. Test Rev. Trust	New/Res	3428 Valverde Loop	\$158,506	\$4,690
20121890	Desert Song LLC	David J. Welch and Judith R. McNeill	Res add	850 Frontier Drive	\$23,000	\$163
20121827	Hayward Brown Construction	Southwest Engineering Inc.	Comm/New	4955 Mesa Grande Drive	\$624,581	\$1,951
20121928	Junior's Construction	Hunt Los Pueblos LLC	Concrete	4217 Auriga Court	\$3,000	\$45
20121942	The Q Residential and Gen. Contractor	John H. & Virginia J. Bell	Reroof	1202 Golf Club Road	\$13,795	\$109
20121962	Southern Comfort Builders	K.B. & Elizabeth J. Chang	Rockwall	4245 Ceres Court	\$1,764	\$88
20121965	Southern Comfort Builders	Rinconada Dev. of Las Cruces LLC	Rockwall	3861 Calle Arriba	\$4,361	\$218
20121963	Southern Comfort Builders	Laura Bullock	Rockwall	5858 Coyote Flats St.	\$2,058	\$102
20121964	Southern Comfort Builders	K.B. & Elizabeth J. Chang	Rockwall	4249 Ceres Court	\$1,764	\$88
20121966	Veloz Homes	Sonoma Ranch Construction Co. LLC	New/Res	4281 Canterra Arc	\$198,522	\$4,755
20121967	G. Sandoval Construction Inc.	Cesar P. Polanco	Reroof	1781 McRae Ave.	\$6,271	\$64
20121974	Hakes Brothers Construction LLC	Hunt Los Pueblos LLC	New/Res	4216 Auriga Court	\$240,014	\$4,826
20121975	McNutt Construction	Sonoma Ranch Construction Co. LLC	Rockwall	4262 Canterra Arc	\$3,723	\$186
20121961	Western Building and Developers LLC	Raul Baltierraz ETUX	Reroof	512 Manzanita St.	\$3,000	\$45
20121976	McNutt Construction	Sonoma Ranch Construction Co. LLC	Rockwall	4276 Canterra Arc	\$2,200	\$110
20121978	McNutt Construction	Sonoma Ranch Construction Co. LLC	Rockwall	4292 Canterra Arc	\$1,214	\$60
20121982	Curry Hurd Construction LLC	Curry Hurd Construction LLC	New/Res	4337 Lavante Drive	\$0	\$2,353
20121994	Palco Construction	NM Lots LLC	Rockwall	2838 La Union Ave.	\$2,500	\$125
20121993	Hakes Brothers Construction LLC	Sonoma Ranch East II LLC	New/Res	4347 Calle Amarilla Arc	\$152,274	\$4,676
20121992	Hakes Brothers Construction LLC	Laura Bullock	New/Res	5858 Coyote Flats St.	\$186,960	\$4,736
20121960	E and R Contractors	Hunt Dos Lados LLC	Rockwall	3942 Agua Caliente	\$4,361	\$218
20121998	Weisbrod Harold & Betty Ann TR	Harold & Betty Ann Weisbrod TR	Reroof	4908 Garnet Place	\$3,500	\$48
20121999	Nissi Construction LLC	Herbert F. & Karen L. Deppe	Reroof	4174 Windridge Circle	\$6,500	\$66
20121995	B and J Sand and Gravel	Robert & Josie F. Herrera	Comm Alt	1040 Kennedy Road	\$7,000	\$6,900
20121981	Curry Hurd Construction LLC	Curry Hurd Construction LLC	New/Res	4333 Levante Drive	\$159,326	\$2,418
20122011	Gutierrez Olga	Olga Gutierrez	Reroof	1829 Foster Road	\$5,000	\$57
20122007	JR Hernandez Custom Homes LLC	Leo & Sandy Cheng	New/Res	4313 Levante Drive	\$207,378	\$3,971
20122013	DJ Walker Construction LLC	Edna C. Hoffman	Reroof	642 S. Alameda Blvd.	\$17,470	\$130
* Information pro	vided by LCHBA from information provided by	City of Las Cruces and Doña Ana County permit o	ffices			

Doña Ana County Building Permit Report March 24 - April 3

Las Cruces Home Bu	illders Association				
Permit #	Contractor	Owner	Project	Address	Permit
37323	McNatt Bros.	William & Jane Noll	Remodel	4691 Whispering Pines Lane	\$290
37325	B& L Roofing Inc.	Debra L. Edgerto	Reroof	4649 Northwind Road	\$410
37326	Self	Myron & Joni Davis	New/Res	1535 Apache Canyon Court	\$866
37329	Nissi Construction	Guadalupe/Irma/Perla Hernandez	Reroof	110 La Fe	\$90
37330	Self	Esperanza Herrera	New/Res	1140 Boundary St.	\$984
37333	Erasmos Roofing	Ruth B. Omick	Reroof	7025 Camino Nuevo Mejico	\$110
37334	N/A	Sebastian & Juana Marquez	Reroof	220 E. Reed St.	\$45
37335	Bennett Builders Inc.	Susan Roberts	Addition	1875 Sierra Vista Court	\$670
37336	JC Roofing, Inc.	Federal Home Loan Mtg.	Reroof	7205 Mac Arthur Road	\$100
37337	Merlin Enterprises	Luz A. Dominguez	New/Res	8965 Arroyo Road	\$667
37338	Ned Tutro Builders	John & Merryl Leho	Studio	5021 Lost Padre Mine Road	\$490
37339	Flair Homes	View Point Acreage LLC	New/Res	2875 Mesilla Acres Road	\$885
37340	AELConstruction	Manuel Duran	New/Res	102 Calle Delphia St.	\$896
37342	Self	Eduardo D. Juarez	Addition	64 Pipo Lane	\$140
37343	Self	George Navarro	Addition	3510 W. Picacho Ave.	\$290
37344	Self	Jim & Viola McCormick	New/Res	6095 Lazo Del Sur	\$1,235
37346	Self	Robert R. Wells	Reroof	5496 Gardenia St.	\$60
37347	B & L Roofing	Bill Bigard	Reroof	10260 Tuscany Drive	\$160
37348	GL Green	Bardini/Romero	Rockwall	1970 Tapestry Circle	\$80
37349	Erasmos Roofing	Jim Miller	Reroof	695 Lopez Road	\$130
37350	Approved Roofing	Irving & Harriett Wolf	Reroof	33 Las Casitas	\$60
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Briefs

Community breakfast to benefit Boys & Girls Club

Lou and Mary Henson will host the fourth annual Boys & Girls Club fundraising breakfast at 7 a.m. Friday, April 27, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

The Hensons have been longtime supporters of the Boys & Girls Club in Las Cruces and Illinois

"We're happy to do anything to help the children of our community," Mary Henson said. "The Boys & Girls Club is such a worthy cause."

Dale Brown, former coach of the Louisiana State University Tigers, will be the keynote speaker. While coaching at New Mexico State University, Lou Henson met Brown, who was the coach at Utah State University.

"He is truly one of the most outstanding coaches in all of the United States and I know for a fact that he is a great guy and a great motivational speaker," Lou Henson said.

According to Henson, Brown was one of the winningest coaches in Southeastern Conference history. He recruited many successful players, including Shaquille O'Neal, and was known for advocating for his players and opposing racism.

The theme of this year's breakfast is, "Great Futures Start Here."

"The future of the Boys & Girls Club is built on what we do today. The Club has served Las Cruces children well since the mid-1960s," Boys & Girls Club Board President Eugene Gant said. "It is time to change and expand the educational and physical programs to meet needs of children in the 21st century."

Sponsorships for the event are available. Members and non-members are welcome to attend (reservations required). For more information, call Kelli Burchell at 496-9695.

Beals earns Sagecrest honor



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Carmen Beals is the recipient of the Sagecrest Rehabilitation and Nursing Center Caring Spirit Award. Beals is the center's staff development coordinator. She was chosen as the recipient of the Caring Spirit because of her diligence, attention to detail and her genuine dedication to Sagecrest.

Green Chamber to present health care webinar

The New Mexico Green Chamber of Commerce will offer a free webinar, "Your Bottom Line: What Health Care Reform Means for New Mexico Small Business," at noon Friday, April 13.

The Small Business Health Care Tax Credit was enacted as part of the Affordable Care Act, and applies to both for-profit and nonprofit businesses, according to the chamber.

This week's webinar will focus on the advantages for small businesses offering health insurance.

Topics will include:

- Who's eligible
- How to claim the credit
- How to calculate the credit
- Rules and restrictions
- Tools and resources

Register at www.smallbusinessmajority.org/webinar.

Chamber hosts Education Update Luncheon



New Mexico State University University President Barbara Couture, Doña Ana Community College President Margie Huerta and Las Cruces Public Schools Superintendent Stan Rounds at the 2011 Education Update Luncheon. The 2012 luncheon will be Thursday, April 19, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum.

The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce's annual Education Update Luncheon, sponsored by Comcast, will host local educational leaders to discuss the recent successes and upcoming opportunities from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 19, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

Speakers for the luncheon include New Mexico State University President Barbara Couture, Doña Ana Community College President Margie Huerta and Las Cruces Public Schools Associate Superintendent Steven Sanchez. Each will speak about the growth of area facilities to address the needs of the growing community, as well as the collaboration between their organizations to improve the quality of the regional workforce.

Earlier this month, Brenda Dann-Messier, assistant secretary for the Office of Vocational and Adult Education, visited Las Cruces to take tours and hold discussions at Early College High School and the Doña Ana Community College Workforce Center. The focus of Dann-Messier's visit was on the region's partnerships among preK-12 schools, postsecondary institutions and businesses and how those programs can be applied to other areas.

The event is the second in the chamber's Membership Update Luncheon series, which consists of six luncheons on key sectors of the Las Cruces economy. Other luncheons in the series will highlight the commercial spaceflight industry, area military matters and an address from the governor.

The Education Update Luncheon is sponsored by Comcast, U.S. Bank, NMSU, Gerald Martin, Las Cruces Public Schools, NMSU Athletics and The Las Cruces Bulletin.

Registration for the Education Update Luncheon is \$20 for chamber members or \$40 for nonmembers. For reservations, call the chamber office at 524-1968, email relo@lascruces. org or register online at www.lascruces.org.

CFSNM offers SpringBoard! Scholarships for women

SpringBoard!, a women's fund in the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico, will award scholarships in May. Women attending community colleges or trade schools in southern New Mexico are strongly encouraged to apply.

SpringBoard! was established in 2004 through the Community Foundation to help improve the lives of women in southern New Mexico.

"This program specifically targets women who have a hard time getting into an educational program because they either dropped out of school and had children or had to go to work and now realize they need more of an education to do better in life," said Ammu Dev-

asthali, a founding member of SpringBoard!

Scholarship applications are available from CFSNM at 301 S. Church St., Suite H, or online at www.cfsnm.org and must be submitted to CFSNM no later than 5 p.m. April 30.

Las Cruces Academy announces scholarship contest

The Las Cruces Academy, a nonprofit, private, non-sectarian school, is announcing scholarships for the 2012-13 school year. The school, in its third year of classes, is built upon a unique educational model that emphasizes mathematics, science and languages. The students served at the academy are unique in that they are are academically advanced or gifted, and are diverse in national origin, socioeconomic level and personality.

The scholarship contest begins April 16, and will conclude May 18. Awards will be based on the students' ability to benefit from the Academy's education and their ability to, in turn, benefit the Academy. The board of trustees will match students to donors, with the advice of the Academy's teachers. There will be two or more scholarships available, some need-based and others need-blind. These scholarships will be partial (likely half) tuition scholarships.

In order to qualify for this scholarship, the following documents are needed: a completed application for admission, two letters of reference (or progress toward obtaining these), and a visit to the Academy for students who currently live in town. Grade reports should be submitted for students entering second grade or higher; the board realizes the challenges faced by gifted students and will use its judgment regarding students with mixed grades. Because of the unique opportunity that Las Cruces Academy provides for students, qualification for admission into the school is required in order to be a scholarship recipient.

Inquiries and visits at the current location, 212 S. Main St., are welcome any time. The Academy anticipates a move to new quarters for the next academic year. Applications for admission can be printed from http://lascrucesacademy.org/Admissions/Admissions. For the coming academic year, classes will include grades K through 6; one grade is expected to be added each year until the school is pre-K-through 12.

For information, call Lou Ellen Kay, director, at 521-9384 or or Vince Gutschick, chair of the board of trustees, at 571-2269.

AT&T upgrades Las Cruces area wireless

AT&T reports the company in 2011 made nearly 50 wireless network upgrades in the Las Cruces area.

Enhancements include:

- Activating two new cell sites or towers to improve network coverage;
- Adding capacity, or an extra layer of frequency to cell sites, which the company compares with adding lanes on a highway;
- Upgrading nearly 30 cell sites to provide faster mobile Internet speeds.

"To stay connected with friends, family and business, Las Cruces residents use wireless communications now more than ever before," said Bill Allen, president/CEO of the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce. "I applaud AT&T's continued investment in its wireless network and commitment to the communication needs of Las Cruces residents and businesses."

The company invested nearly \$9.5 million in the Doña Ana County area wireless and wireline networks from 2009 through 2011, according to a press release.

"Our goal is to deliver a network experience that mobilizes everything for customers," said Carla Holt, AT&T's director of sales. "The ongoing investment we're making in Las Cruces is designed to increase coverage and reliability, and to provide advanced services to our customers."

AT&T in 2011 completed 150,000 network enhancements across the country, more than triple the year before, giving customers more capacity and faster speeds, as well as improving 3G dropped-call performance by 25 percent.

For more information about AT&T's coverage in Las Cruces or anywhere in the United States, visit the AT&T CoverageViewer at www. wireless.att.com/coverageviewer/.

MVEDA plans economic development forum

The Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance's annual Regional Economic Development Forum will be May 17 at the Las Cruces Convention Center.

This year's event is "TechNext – Transitioning to Technology Growth Economic Development" and will focus on the resources necessary to develop a stronger technology-based economy.

The forum will provide case studies on communities that have been successful in diversifying their economy through the development of technology-based industries, blended with panels from leading critical component professionals and technology-based industries from our region.

The forum is scheduled for 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Keynote speaker James Gollub, managing director of E-Cubed Ventures, has experience in developing strategies to help build high performing, sustainable economies.

For more information, call MVEDA at 525-2852.

Sayles Road to close through April 24

A section of Sayles Road north of Mesquite closed April 10 so county crews can replace a damaged culvert. Weather permitting and barring unforeseen complications, construction will be completed by April 24.

The closure will affect the stretch of Sayles Road between Smokey Road and N.M. Highway 478.

Warning signs and detours will be posted. Motorists are advised to slow down and expect delays in the construction areas. Motorists also are reminded to exercise caution in all areas where workers are deployed.

Business in the Borderplex will look at research parks

The May meeting of the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance Business in the Borderplex Forum will be 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 1, at Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces, 705 S. Telshor Blvd. The meeting will begin with a hot entrée buffet, followed by a brief update by MVEDA staff.

The May forum will feature a closer look at the present and future development plans of the area's industrial and research parks. Representatives from the Arrowhead Business and Research Park, the West Mesa Industrial Park and the Santa Teresa industrial parks will be the featured speakers.

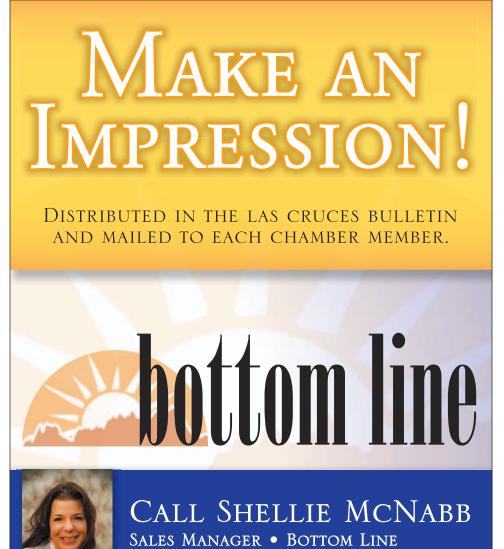
Luncheon cost is \$20 per person, payable by cash, check or major credit card. The meeting is open to the public. Due to limited seating reservations are required. Please confirm attendance by Thursday, April 26, by sending an email to rsvp@mveda.com or by calling the office at 525-2852.

Mark of Excellence at Bravo Chevrolet-Cadillac

Las Cruces Bulletin photos by Richard Coltharp



Raymond Palacios, owner of Bravo Chevrolet-Cadillac in Las Cruces, receives the 2011 Mark of Excellence award from General Motors Area Sales Manager Ron Flecha Monday, April 9. Of nearly 4,000 Chevrolet dealers in the country, Flecha said approximately 200 earn the Mark of Excellence.



575-524-8061



Staff members at Bravo Chevrolet-Cadillac in Las Cruces stand with the Mark of Excellence award.



Palacios credited the dealership's 2011 Mark of Excellence award to his staff. "This is a tribute to all of our employees," he said. "We could not have earned this without their effort and dedication."



Flecha explains the Mark of Excellence award is based on a dealership meeting high standards on three pillars of performance: sales objectives, customer service (before and after the sale) and training.



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11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 25 Lorenzo's de Mesilla — 1750 Calle De Mercado, Suite 4 \$15 per person, lunch included

To register, contact the Chamber office at 524-1968 or register online at www.lascruces.org

In Good Company: Better Life Pet Foods

Better Life seeks best for pets

Lacy practices creative customer service

By Alta LeCompte

Kat Lacy's quest for specialty pet foods in Las Cruces ended in failure 18 years ago.

Realizing that other animal lovers shared her desire to feed their pets the best, she launched a business: Better Life Pet Foods.

Lacy piled her 9-month-old daughter, Shannon Ellison, into the family Ford pickup and drove from Las Cruces to Houston, then the closest source of pet food that's nutritious, natural and delicious.

"For the first couple of years, I just did delivery," she said.

She opened her first store in the late 1990s and later moved to 901 S. Main St.

"My customers didn't want to feed their pets garbage anymore," she said as she pointed out the foods and treats at her current store at Avenida de Mesilla.

Pet food niche expands

Although she was the first Las Crucen to identify a demand for natural pet foods and build a business to fill the niche, she now finds herself running harder to keep up with the market's competitors.

After 14 years of store ownership, Lacy plays defense as more and bigger stores have caught on to the growing consumer demand for safer, better tasting, more nutritious pet foods.

She competes by diversifying and by aggressively promoting the business through a variety of media.

Ellison, now a film student at New Mexico Stte University, lends her creative talent to the marketing efforts. Ellison designs ads, signs and billboards for Better Life Pet Food.

In addition, weekly emails alert Kool Kat club members of specials.

Much of their current advertising and marketing effort targets the East Mesa, where Lacy would like to generate a large enough customer base to open a second store.

She is offering free delivery for orders of more than \$50 to make shopping at Better Life more convenient for customers who live on the far side of town

Cash Mob comes to Las Cruces

An electronic promotion blitz and in-store event is planned for May 19 through a Cash Mob, which Lacy and Jackye Meinecke of Enchanted Gardens are organizing in Las Cruces.

Lacy will support an e-blast and Facebook campaign for an Earth Day promotion Enchanted Gardens will host Sunday, April 22. Meinecke will in turn support Better Life's big day in May.

The Cash Mob premise, Lacy said, is that small, local businesses get on board and support each other.

Lacy described the process as a "chain reaction." She hopes other Las Cruces businesses will join.

One message she strives to communicate is the cost advantage of buying at Better Life.

"We're cheaper than the big box stores 90 percent of the time. And if we're not cheaper, we will meet their price within 90 days of purchase," she said.

In addition, Better Life Pet Foods gives customers who buy canned food by the case a 10 percent discount.

She said pet owners might not realize that most of the foods she carries have frequent buyer reward programs not available at massmarket stores.

Lacy said she tries to reward customers for coming back. In spite of a range of advertising and promotions, most of her new business is "word of mouth."

"We keep plugging along," she said.

Gourmet lines added

Her product line has grown to include a dozen premium food brands, all recognized by



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Alta LeCompte Kat Lacy, owner of Better Life Pet Foods on Avenida de Mesilla, steadies Lily Rose while assistant groomer Nancy Benson trims away her winter coat.

"Whole Dog Journal," as well as toys, leashes, bedding and other niceties for the family pet.

Stroking a soft, long-haired afghan made by a local woman especially for pets, Lacy said she buys local merchandise whenever it's available and insists on 100 percent U.S. ingredients in the foods she sells.

Most of the toys she sells also are made in this country.

"By next year they all will be," she said. Featured food brands include Fromm.

"It's an independent, family owned company," she said. "I like to deal with companies that have not been bought out by big human food companies. They don't use human food leftovers in their pet foods.

"I like to stick with mom and pop companies," she said.

Another brand popular with her customers is Pinnacle, one of the first she carried.

Details

Better Life Pet Foods

Address

365 Avenida de Mesilla

Hours

9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday Grooming by appointment Do-it-yourself dog wash, first come, first served

Contact

527-9265

betterlifepetfood@gmail.com

"They have been bought out, but so far they are maintaining their quality," she said. "But the brand is filtering into the big box stores."

Lacy recently began carrying High Tech Naturals.

Better Life Pet Foods was the first in Las Cruces to adopt the line, which includes both regular and grain-free varieties.

"They have a great 'frequent buyer' program,' an affordable price and palatability," she said. "Dogs love it."

She said her employees are trained on all the products and know what to recommend.

"We like to follow up, getting information on how the pet is doing" she said. "We try to get the ideal fit for each pet."

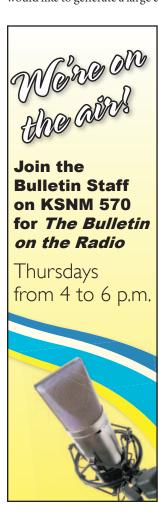
Grooming: not just for dogs

Services include boarding and day care in spacious, well-equipped Kats Kondos, grooming for dogs and cats by a staff of four specialists and do-it-yourself dog bathing in a walk-in tub.

Lacy also has diversified in some unexpected ways. Better Life Pet Foods sells organic eggs fresh from her farm, where 30 hens, as well as four cats and two dogs, live a very good life.

Selling organic produce at the store is her latest dream.

"I love animals and I love gardening. If I could bring those two together, it would be great," she said.







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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2011-02716

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON fka The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of CWMBS, Inc., CHL Mortgage Pass-Through Trust 2007-HYB1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-HYB1, Plaintiff,

vs.

MICHAEL T. BARNES; JOELLYN T. BARNES, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 18, 2012, 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 abovenamed Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 443 North Reymond Street, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

A tract of land situate within the corporate limits of the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, being Lots 1 and 2, Block 9, New Mexico Town Company Addition, plat filed December 8, 1887, in Plat Record 2, Page 9 of the Doña Ana County Records, and a portion of a vacated alley parallel and immediately adjacent to the west boundary, and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at an iron rod set at a point on the south line of West Hadley Avenue and the west line of North Reymond Street; identical to the northeast corner of Lot 1, Block 9, New Mexico Town Company Addition, plat filed September 8, 1887, in Plat Record 2, Page 9 of the Doña Ana County Records, for the northeast corner of this tract:

THENCE from the point of beginning, leaving the south line of West Hadley Avenue, and along the west line of North Reymond Street, South 35E58'00" East, a distance of 50.00 feet to an iron rod found for the southeast corner of this

THENCE leaving the west line of North Reymond Street, South 54E02'00" West, at 134.00 feet, the southwest corner of Lot 2, Block 9, and at 150.00 feet an iron rod set for the southwest corner of this tract:

THENCE North 35E58'00" West, a distance of 50.00 feet to an iron rod set on the south line of West Hadley Avenue for the northwest corner of this tract;

THENCE along the south line of West Hadley Avenue, North 54E02'00" East, at 16.00 feet, the northwest corner of Lot 1, Block 9, and at 150.00 feet, to the point of beginning, enclosing 0.172 acre 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 March 12, 2012, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$242,641.28 and the same bears interest at 2.750% per annum from January 31, 2012, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,444.22. 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.

Pamela A. Carmody, Special Master PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169 575-642-5567

Pub # 11730 Dates 3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

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

No. CV-2010-2910 Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

CITIZENS BANK OF LAS

CRUCES, Plaintiff,

vs.

HECTOR ELOY PACHECO and VERONICA PACHECO, Defendants

FIRST AMENDED NOTICE

A notice is hereby given that the undersigned Special Master will, on Tuesday, April 24, 2012, at 1:45 p.m. at the north main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Street, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant in and to the following-described property, situate in Doña Ana County, at 706 S. Almendra, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, to-wit:

LOT 7 AND 8, BLOCK 18, GRANDVIEW SUBDIVISION, 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 JUNE 3 1908, IN BOOK 3 PAGE 45 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on March 9, 2011, in the above-titled and numbered cause, a suit to foreclose a mortgage lien held by Plaintiff by which Plaintiffs have a security interest on the above-described real estate in the sum of \$199,974.18 (including interest to the date of sale), together with costs of sale including a reasonable Special Master's fee. Plaintiff has the right to submit its judgment by way of bid verbally or in writing. Plaintiff may apply all or any part of their judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and re-scheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT the real property and improvements will be sold subject to any and all patent reservation, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, 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 evaluation of the property by a 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 any rights of redemption provided by applicable law

DATED at Las Cruces, New Mexico, on March 20, 2012.

/s/ Stephen Hosford Special Master 25 Sugar Sand Rd. Arrey, NM 87930 Las Cruces, NM 88005 (575) 644-6068

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, MARTIN, LUTZ, ROGGOW, & EUBANKS, P.C.

By /s/ David P. Lutz P O Drawer 1837 Las Cruces, NM 88004 575-526-2449 575-526-0946 Attorney for Plaintiff

Pub # 11734 Dates 3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

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

No. CV-2010-2910 Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

CITIZENS BANK OF LAS CRUCES, Plaintiff,

HECTOR ELOY PACHECO and VERONICA PACHECO, Defendants.

FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

A notice is hereby given that the undersigned Special Master will, on Tuesday, April 24, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. at the north main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Street, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant in and to the following-described property, situate in Doña Ana County, at the corner of Lopez

A tract of land situate North of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 26,T22S., 1E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys, being part of U.S.R.S Tract 5-47B, and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Rd. and Doña Ana Rd., to-wit:

Beginning at a 5/8" iron rod found for the Southwest corner of the tract herein described; being identical to the Southeast corner of Lot 18, Mountain View Acres filed February 12, 1968, in Book 10, Page 24, Doña Ana County records;

Thence from the point of beginning and along the East line of Mountain View Acres, N.22° 17'00" W., 343.04 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found for an angle point of this tract;

Thence N. 21° 39' 34"W., 192.20 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found on the South line of Lopez Road for the Northwest corner of this tract;

Thence along the South line of Lopez Road, N.62° 39'06" E., 273.64 feet to an angle iron found at the intersection with the West line of New Mexico State Highway 28 for the Northeast corner of this tract;

Thence along the West line of New Mexico State Highway 28, S. 22° 23' 04" E., 538.75 feet to an iron rod found for the Southeast corner of this tract;

Thence leaving the West line of New Mexico State Highway 28, S.63° 26'05" W., 276.39 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3.387 acres of land, more or less.

The sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on March 9, 2011, in the above-titled and numbered cause, a suit to foreclose a mortgage lien held by Plaintiff by which Plaintiffs have a security interest on the above-described real estate in the sum of \$199,974.18 (including interest to the date of sale), together with costs of sale including a reasonable Special Master's fee. Plaintiff has the right to submit its judgment by way of bid verbally or in writing. Plaintiff may apply all or any part of their judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and re-scheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN

THAT the real property and improvements will be sold subject to any and all patent reservation, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, 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 evaluation of the property by a 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 any rights of redemption provided by applicable law.

DATED at Las Cruces, New Mexico, on March 20, 2012.

/s/ Stephen Hosford Special Master 25 Sugar Sand Rd. Arrey, NM 87930 Las Cruces, NM 88005 (575) 644-6068

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, MARTIN, LUTZ, ROGGOW, & EUBANKS, P.C.

By /s/ David P. Lutz P O Drawer 1837 Las Cruces, NM 88004 575-526-2449 575-526-0946 Attorney for Plaintiff

Pub # 11735 Dates 3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

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

No. CV-2012-619 Judge:

PETRINA NELSON, Plaintiff,

vs.

L. STANLEY EDWARDS, deceased, MABEL EDWARDS, his wife, deceased, ANY PERSON OR PERSONS CLAIMING THROUGH THEM, AND ANY PERSON OR PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Unknown heirs of the following Deceased persons: L. STANLEY EDWARDS AND MABLE EDWARDS, his wife

Greetings: you are hereby notified that a civil action is now pending in the Third Judicial District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico wherein Petrina Nelson is the Plaintiff, and you are the Defendants.

The general object of said action is to obtain a Judgement and Decree of Quiet Title to the property described in the complaint in the cause.

Unless you file a responsive pleading in this action within thirty (30) days of this publication, Judgement granting the relief prayed for will be granted.

The Attorney for the Plaintiff is Ben A. Longwill, 741 N. Alameda Blvd. #4, Las Cruces, NM 88005.

Witness my hand and seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County on this 21 day of March, 2012.

/s/ Melissa A. Lundien James H. Dempsey Clerk of the District Court

Submitted By: Ben A. Longwill Attorney for the Plaintiffs 741 N. Alameda Blvd. #4 Las Cruces, NM 88005 575-524-4141

Dates 3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

Pub # 11736

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 5, 2011, Jacinto Palomino, 902 W. Thorpe Rd., Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-12218 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-15103-POD1, on well LRG-15103-POD1, on land owned by the appli-cant and located within the NW1/4 SW1/4 NE1/4 of projected Section 22, T22S, R01E, NMPM and using existing well LRG-12218 located within the NW1/4 SW1/4 NE1/4 of said Section 22 on land owned by the applicant at approxi-mately X=1,462,040 Y=503,592 ft. (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, or as determined by the Third Judicial District Court, for the irrigation of 10.4 acres of land owned by the applicant located within NW1/4 SW1/4 NE1/4 of said Section 22. Well LRG-15103-POD1 and well LRG-12218 are located approximate-ly 875 ft. west and 1,000 ft. west southwest, respectively, of the intersection of W. Thorpe Rd. and Doña Ana Rd. at the physical address of 902 W. Thorpe Rd., approximately 0.5 miles southwest of Doña Ana, NM. Well LRG-15103-POD1 will be properly plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone num ber and mailing address). Th 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 substan tially and specifically affected The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 6598 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 provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Pub # 11/44 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 24, 2012 Jose Contreras, 945 Eagle Wings Rd., Las Cruces, NM filed application numbered Drill Supplemental Well to supplement ground and sur-face waters within the Lower Rio Grande Basin, Doña Ana County, by drilling new well LRG-14020-POD3 to a depth of approximately 100 ft. below ground surface with 6" casing located within the NE1/4 SE1/4 NW1/4 of Section 25, T21S, R01W, NMPM, at approximately X=1,441,075 Y=529,911 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) on land owned by the applicant to be supplemental well LRG-14020-POD2 on land owned by the applicant located within the NW1/4 SW1/4 NE1/4 of said Section 25 for the continued diversion of shallow groundwater, combined with surface water received from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, in that amount required for beneficial use, or as otherwise determined by the Third Judicial District Court, for the irrigation of 9.13 acres of land owned by the applicant and located in Pt. NW1/4 and Pt. NE1/4 of said Section 25. Permitted location of well LRG-14020-POD2 and proposed location of well LRG-14020- POD3 are located 937 ft. and 1,207 ft., respectively, west of the intersection of Valley Dr. and Homer Rd. approximately 2.61 miles south of Radium Springs, NM.

LRG-14020-POD3 with the State Engineer for Permit to

standing to file objections of protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed and include the writer's complete name, phone num-ber and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand delivered or mailed and postmarked with-in 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.

Any person, firm or corpora-

or other entity having

Pub # 11745 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 7, 2012, 7-W Farms, Inc., 108 Highway 28, Anthony, NM 88021, filed application numbered LRG-1252 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 abandoning the use of existing well LRG-1252 located within the NW1/4 SW1/4 SE1/4 of Section 10, Township 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31° 58' 12.15"N, 106° 37' 22.71"W NAD83, on land

owned by the applicant, and drilling a replacement well to a depth of 350 feet for 16-inch casing to be located within the SW1/4 SE1/4 of said Section 10 and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31° 58' 12.24"N, 106° 37' 21.58"W NAD83, 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 38.2 acres, owned by the applicant, located within the SE1/4 of said Section 10. The site for replacement well LRG-1252 POD2 is located southwest of Anthony, NM and may be found approximately 0.2 mile east-southeast of the intersection of Vinton Road and Heavenly Lane. Old well LRG-1252 will be plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone num-ber 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 con-servation 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.

Pub # 11746 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 24, 2012, Tony L. and Sylvia Trevino, 661 Copa Ln., Las Cruces, NM 88007. filed application numbered LRG-15215-POD 1 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-12712 located within the SW1/4 NW1/4 NE1/4 of projected Section 35, Township 22 South, Range 01 East, NMPM on land owned by Monica Lopez and Mark Leisher and drilling new well LRG-15215-POD1 to a depth of approximately 100 feet below ground surface with 4-inch casing to be located on land owned by the applicant within the NE1/4 NW1/4 NE1/4 of said Section 35 at approximately X=1,468,285 Y=494,131 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83), for the combined diversion of shallow groundwater and sur-face water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District in that

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amount required for beneficial use, or as determined by the Third Judicial District Court, for the irrigation of 0.8 acres of land owned by the applicant located within the NE1/4 NW1/4 NE1/4 of said Section 35. Well LRG-12712 is located approximately 1,700 feet west of the intersection of Loomis Rd. and Doña Ana Rd. at the physical address of 683 Loomis Rd. Well LRG-15215-POD1 is located approximately 425 ft. west of said intersection at 661 Copa Ln., northwest of Las Cruces, NM. Well LRG-12712 will be retained for other water rights.

Any person, firm or corpora-tion 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 con-servation 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 88005-6598 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 with-in 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 pro test or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Pub # 11747 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 27, 2012, Freddie Covington, PO BOX 457, Fairacres, NM 88033, filed application numbered LRG-805-POD3 with the State Engineer for Permit to Drill Supplemental Well to supplement ground and surface waters within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling new well LRG-805-POD3, located within the SE1/4 NE1/4 NE1/4 of projected Section 16, T23S, R01E, NMPM at approximately X=1,458,617 Y=478,072 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) with 10" casing to an approximate depth of 100 ft. below ground surface land owned by CR and FW Covington Farm, supplemental to existing wells LRG-805 and LRG-805-S within the SE1/4 NE1/4 NE1/4 of said Section 16 located on land owned by CR and FW Covington Farm and Larry and Colleen Covington, respectively, for the combined diversion of shallow groundwater and surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District in that amount required for beneficial use, or District ount determined by the Third Judicial District Court, for the continued irrigation of 10.83 acres of land owned by CR and FW Covington Farm; Larry and Colleen Covington;

and Alan and Melissa Fisher

located within Pt. NE1/4 of said Section 16. Proposed well LRG-805-POD3 and existing well LRG-805 are located approximately 1,400 ft. east of the intersection of Crow Rd. and Shalem Colony Trl. at the physical address of 3915 Crow Rd. Well LRG-805-S is located approximately 900 ft. east of said intersection at the physical address of 3935 Crow Rd., west of Las Cruces, NM.

Any person, firm or corpora-

tion or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writ-ing (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 con-servation 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 88005-6598 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publica-tion 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 with in 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 pro test or objection is filed, th State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Pub # 11748 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD IUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-08-1806

CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

TRACY S. ALEXANDER and, if married, JOHN DOE A, (True Name Unknown), her spouse; ARGENT MORTGAGE COMPANY, LLC; CITY OF LAS CRUCES; JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), Tenants, Defendants.

FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 25, 2012, 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 abovenamed Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 1145 North Mesilla Street, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 5, PARKER MANOR SUBDIVISION, 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 MAY 1, 1961, IN BOOK 8 PAGE(S) 73 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 March 18, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$168,762.62 and the same bears interest at 6.8750% per annum from March 16, 2012, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,303.29. 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

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

home to the land, deactivation

of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if

any, environmental contamina-

tion on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning

Pamela A. Carmody, Special Master PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169 (505) 525-2711

redemption.

Pub # 11750 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 4/20,

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2011-02715

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

vs.

SAMUEL DELGADO, JR., and BERTHA VERONICA DELGADO, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: Defendant(s) Samuel Delgado, Jr., and Bertha Veronica Delgado

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 100 Puesta Mirador, in the City of Santa Teresa, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND COMPRISED OF LOT 1, BLOCK 5, EL MIRADOR SUBDIVISION, (SUBJECT PLAT FILED AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK'S RECORDS, IN BOOK 15, PAGES 376-377 ON DECEMBER 2, 1988) AND A 0.0196 ACRE PARCEL ALL BEING A PORTION OF THE SANTA TERESA GRANT SITUATE WITHIN SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 28 SOUTH, RANGE 3 EAST, (PROJECTED), NEW MEXICO PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT AN IRON PIN MARKING THE EASTERLY CORNER OF EL MIRADOR SUBDIVISION, SAID POINT BEARS N 40 DEG. 43' 31" E, A DISTANCE OF 1588.87 FEET FROM MEANDERING CORNER NO. 5; THENCE, S 67 DEG. 34' 35" E,

THENCE, S 67 DEG. 34' 35" E, A DISTANCE OF 27.86 FEET TO A POINT ON CURVE ON THE NORTHWESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF TREVINO ROAD (50 FT. RIGHT-OF-WAY)

THENCE, SOUTHWESTERLY, A DISTANCE OF 35.27 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE RIGHT, HOUSING A RADIUS OF 1105.916 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 1 DEG .49' 38" AND A CHORD WHICH BEARS S 49 DEG. 13' 23" W, A DISTANCE OF 35.27 FEET TO A POINT;

THENCE, S 50 DEG. 08' 12" W, A DISTANCE OF 140.25 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVE;

THENCE, LEAVING THE NORTHWESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF TREVINO ROAD AND CONTINUING ALONG THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF PUESTA MIRADOR, SOUTHWESTERLY A DISTANCE OF 34.59 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE RIGHT HAVING A RADIUS OF 26.06, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 76 DEG. 03' 17" AND A CHORD THAT BEARS \$ 88 DEG. 09' 51" W, A DISTANCE OF 32.10 FEET TO A POINT OF REVERSE CURVATURE;

THENCE, NORTHWESTERLY 48.82 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 655.86 A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 04 DEG. 15' 54" AND A CHORD THAT BEARS N 55 DEG. 56' 27" W, A DISTANCE OF 48.82 FEET TO A POINT ON CURVE;

THENCE, LEAVING THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF PUESTA MIRADOR N 22 DEG. 25' 25" E, A DISTANCE OF 159.00 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTHERLY BOUNDARY OF EL MIRADOR SUBDIVISION:

THENCE, ALONG SAID NORTHERLY BOUNDARY OF EL MIRADOR SUBDIVISION A DISTANCE OF 130.34 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 19,047 SQUARE FEET OR 0.437 ACRES OF LAND MORE OR

LESS

That unless you respond to the Complaint within 30 days of completion of publication of this Notice, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Name, address, and phone number of Plaintiff's attorney: Susan C. Little & Associates, P.A., 4501 Indian School NE, Suite 101, Post Office Box 3509, Albuquerque, NM 87190-3509, 505-254-7767.

WITNESS the Honorable MANUEL I. ARRIETA, 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 15th day of March, 2012.

JAMES H. DEMPSEY
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT
COURT

By Nancy Heavner Deputy

Pub # 11751 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that

on March 5, 2012, Doak Farms LLC, 350 Crawford Blvd., Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-3322-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-3322, on land owned by the applicant and located within the SE1/4 SW1/4 SE1/4 Section 04, T22S, R01E NMPM and using proposed well LRG-3322-POD5 drilled to an approximate depth of 200 ft. below ground surface with 16-inch casing located within the SE1/4 SW1/4 SE1/4 of said Section 04 on land owned by the applicant at approximately X=1,457,273 Y=516,374 ft. (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) for the continued diversion of that amount of shallow groundwater com-bined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District required for beneficial use, or that amount determined by the Third Judicial District Court, for the irrigation of 26.97 acres of land and 63.03 acres of land irrigated with groundwater only for a total of 90 irrigated acres located with-in Pt. SE1/4 of said Section 04 Pt. NE1/4 of Section 09, T22S, R01E and Pt. NW1/4 of Section 10, T22S, R01E. Well LRG-3322 and proposed replacement well are located approximately 900 ft. northeast of the intersec-tion of Plymouth Rock Rd. and Doña Ana Rd., northwest of Doña Ana, NM, Well LRG-3322 will be properly plugged

tion 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,

Any person, firm or corpora-

Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005-6598 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.

Pub # 11752 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

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

No. CV-2012-122 Judge: Martin

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS CRUCES, on behalf of the LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.

VANESSA AVILA, PEDRO I. ALCANTAR, AND ONE (1) 2001 PONTIAC GRAND AM, RED VIN: 1G2NF52E11M510690 License Plate No.: JFL 263 (NM), Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Respondent Vanessa Avila

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 2001 Pontiac Grand Am, Red; VIN: IG2NF52E11M510690; New Mexico License Plate No. JFL 263.

2. You are the named Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

Respectfully submitted, CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: /s/ Harry S. (Pete) Connelly City Attorney P.O. Box 20000 (575) 541-2128 (575) 541-2017 Fax Attorney for Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 23rd day of March, 2012.

JAMES H. DEMPSEY COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

By: /s/ M. E. Apodaca DEPUTY

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

No. CV-2012-121 Judge: Martin STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS CRUCES, on behalf of the LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

VS.

JOHNNY BURNSIDE, AND 2000 CHEVY SILVERADO, BLACK; VIN: 2GCEC19V6Y1107054; New Mexico License Plate No. LRT 767, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Respondent Johnny

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 2000 Chevy Silverado, Black; VIN: 2GCEC19V6Y1107054; New Mexico License Plate No. 1RT 767

2. You are the named Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

Respectfully submitted, CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: /s/ Harry S. (Pete) Connelly City Attorney P.O. Box 20000 (575) 541-2128 (575) 541-2017 Fax Attorney for Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 22nd day of March, 2012.

JAMES H. DEMPSEY COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

By: /s/ Mary E. Apodaca DEPUTY

Pub # 11754 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

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

No. CV-2012-342 Judge: Martin

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS CRUCES, on behalf of the LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.

ROBERT ROMERO, CHARLES ROMERO, AND 1998 CHEVY SUV, WHITE; VIN: 3GNEK18R4WG118864; New Mexico License Plate No. GYB 414, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Respondent Robert Romero, and any Heirs known or unknown

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1998 Chevy SUV, White; VIN: 3GNEK18R4WG118864; New Mexico License Plate No. GYB

2. You are the named

Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

Respectfully submitted, CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: /s/ Harry S. (Pete) Connelly City Attorney P.O. Box 20000 (575) 541-2128 (575) 541-2017 Fax Attorney for Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 23rd day of March, 2012.

JAMES H. DEMPSEY COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

By: /s/ Mary E. Apodaca DEPUTY

Pub # 11755 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Cause No SA-2011-16 Judge Macias

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION PETITION OF DIANE ABBOTT, Petitioner.

AMENDED NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

TO: JASEN LEE GIBSON

Please be advised that there is currently pending in the Third Judicial District Court of Doña Ana County, 201 W. Picacho Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88005, USA, a Motion to Terminate your Parental rights. In her adoption petition, Petitioner Diane Abbott, and the natural mother of the adoptees, Christopher Allen Gibson, Morgan Anthony Gibson and Conner Lee Gibson, named you as the natural father of the adoptees. A hearing has been set on this matter for May 15th 2012 at 1:30 in front of Judge Macias in the Third Judicial District Courthouse, at 201 W. Picacho Ave Las Cruces NM 88005

You are hereby requested to respond to this notice by informing the Petitioner, Diane Abbott, in care of her attorney E. Ann Strahan at 741 N Alameda, Las Cruces, NM 88005, USA, telephone number (575) 523-9052, of your current address and position concerning this matter.

If you fail to respond within thirty (30) days your parental rights, concerning the adoptees, will be forever terminated.

The Law Office of Ann Strahan LC E. Ann Strahan New Mexico Bar Number 23501

Attorney for the Petitioners 741 N Alameda, Suite 9 Las Cruces, NM 88001 (575) 523-9052 (575) 523-9055 fax

Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA PROBATE COURT

No.: 12-0062 Judge Alice M. Salcido

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GERALD A. SUTHERLAND, Deceased

TO: TINA RUHBERG AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF GERALD A. SUTHERLAND, DECEASED

NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND INFORMAL PROBATE

Caroline Sutherland, Personal Representative of the Estate of Gerald A. Sutherland, deceased, hereby, gives the following notice:

1. By Order filed March 15, 2012, the Court informally appointed Caroline Sutherland as Personal Representative of the Estate of Gerald A. Sutherland, deceased, to serve without bond, in an informal probate, and admitted Decedent's original Last Will and Testament, dated February 2, 2004, to probate herein; Letters Testamentary were issued to Caroline Sutherland (hereafter "Personal Representative"), following her Acceptance of the office of Personal Representative.

2. No bond was required by the Court and none has been filed.

3. The Court where the papers concerning the administration of the Estate are on file is: Probate Court, County of Doña Ana, 845 N. Motel Boulevard, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007; Case No.: 12-0062.

4. The Estate is being administered by the Personal Representative in accordance with the provisions of the Uniform Probate Code as adopted in New Mexico.

5. Interested persons within the meaning of NMSA 1978, § 45-1-201(A)(26) (2011) are entitled to receive from the Personal Representative information regarding the administration of this Estate, and can petition a court of competent jurisdiction in any matter relating to the Estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

6. The attorney for the Personal Representative is the Law Office of Katherine N. Blackett, PC, Post Office Box 2132, 255 W. Hadley Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004, telephone: (575) 526-3312.

Dated this 22nd day of March,

s/ Caroline Sutherland, Personal Representative c/o Law Office of Katherine N. Blackett, PC Post Office Box 2132 Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004 Telephone: (575) 526-3312/ Facsimile: (877) 457-7213

Pub # 11757 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 28, 2012, Brady and Holly Williams, PO Box 165, Garfield, NM 87936, filed application numbered LRG-11601 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 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special discontinuing the use of well LRG-11601 located within the NE1/4 SE1/4 SE1/4 of Section Master will on April 26, 2012 at 10:00 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District 8, Township 18 South, Range 4 Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las West, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° Cruces, NM., sell and converto the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and inter-45' 10.8"N, 107° 15' 52.8"W est of the above-named defen-NAD83, on land owned by the applicants, and drilling a replacement well to a depth of dants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State: 80 feet for 18-inch casing to be located within the NW1/4 SW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 9,

Township 18 South, Range 4

West, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude

and Longitude intersect at 32°

45' 7.4"N, 107° 15' 50.4"W

NAD83, on land owned by the applicants, for the continued

diversion of an amount of water

reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order

of the Third Judicial District

Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from

the Elephant Butte Irrigation

District, for the irrigation of 7.28 acres, owned by the appli-

cant, located within the SW1/4

of Section 9, Township 18

within Garfield, NM and may be found at the physical address

of 8700 Highway 187. Old well

LRG-11601 will be retained for

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or

protests shall do so in writ-

ing (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

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 substan-

tially 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 pro-

test 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 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA

No. D-307-CV-201101802

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,

GALEN C. HELMS AND THE

UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF GALEN C. HELMS, IF ANY,

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Pub # 11762

Plaintiff.

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

water rights; and/or (2)

related purposes.

estic one-household and

South, Range 4 West, NMPM. The site for replacement well LRG-11601 POD2 is located Lot 11, Block H, COLLEGE HEIGHTS, 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 May 19, 1953, in Book 7 Page(s) 37 of Plat Records.

The address of the real prop

erty is 1710 Baldwin Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88001. 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 particu-larly described above, not the property located at the street address; any prospective pur-chaser at the sale is given notice that it should verify the location and address of the prop erty being sold. Said sale will be made pursuant to the judg-ment entered on November 9: 2011 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 \$108,655.02 plus interest from September 30, 2011 to the date of sale at the rate of 5.500% 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.

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 mortagaee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful

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.

Jeffrey Lake Special Master Southwest Support Group 20 First Plaza NW, Suite #20 Albuquerque, NM 87102

NM11-00533 FC01

Pub # 11764 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 29, 2012 Victor Hagg, 4243 Pacana Tr., Las Cruces, NM filed application numbered LRG-32-POD3 with the State Engineer for Permit to Drill Supplemental Well to supplement ground water within the Lower Rio Grande Basin Doña Ana County, by drilling new well LRG-32-POD3 ing new wen Lick-32-1013 to a depth of approximately 300 ft. below ground surface with 12" casing, located within the SW1/4 NW1/4 NW1/4 of projected Section 04, T23S, R01E, NMPM, at approxi-mately X=1,454,277 Y=488,056 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) on land owned by the applicant to be supplemental to well LRG-32 on land owned by the applicant located within the SW1/4 NW1/4 NW1/4 of said Section 04 for the continued diversion of 30.825 acre/feet per annum of shallow groundwater, or an amount to be determined by the Third Judicial District Court, for the irrigation of 6.85 acres of land owned by the applicant and located in Pt. NW1/4 NW1/4 of said Section 04. Well LRG-32 and proposed location of well LRG-32-POD3 are located 1,810 ft. and 1,670 ft., respectively, west of the intersection of Shalem Colony Tr. and Pacana Tr., approximately 4.81 miles northwest of Las Cruces, NM.

tion 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 I, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand delivered or mailed and postmarked with-in 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

Any person, firm or corpora-

NMSA 1978.

Pub # 11770 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-3245 Judge Douglas R. Driggers

VILLAGE OF HATCH, A New Mexico Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff,

WILLIE A. VILLEGAS, JR and ESTHER T. VILLEGAS, husband and wife; ISAAC T. VILLEGAS; AMERICAN DAIRY QUEEN CORP; FINANCIAL PACIFIC LEASING, LLC; and AMBANK, Defendants,

ESTATE OF DONALD
HATCH, DECEASED; THE
INTERNAL REVENUE
SERVICE; NEW MEXICO
DEPARTMENT OF WORK
FORCE SOLUTIONS;
and NEW MEXICO
TAXATION AND REVENUE
DEPARTMENT, Counterclaim
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Default Judgment, Stipulated Judgment and Summary Judgment upon Note, Transcripts of Judgment, Liens and for Foreclosure of Various Mortgages and Liens on February 22, 2012 in the above entitled case in which it was determined that various parties as hereinafter stated have various judgments and liens against the property described in said Judgment, and by which Judgment I am among other things commanded to sell all the lands described in said judgment, and which real estate to be sold in this foreclosure sale is more particularly described in the Judgment of said cause and hereinafter described.

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of April, 2012 at the hour of 1:15 p.m. in the front of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex located at 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, I will in obedience to said Judgment sell the following described real estate together with the hereditaments and appurtenances belonging to said real estate and in any way pertaining to said premises to satisfy the Judgment in the amounts hereinafter stated:

A. A tract of land situate in Hatch, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 9, T.19S., R.3W., N.M.P.M of the U.S.R.S. Surveys, being U.S.R.S. Tract G1-113 and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at an iron pipe found for the Northwest corner of the tract herein described; being identical to the Northwest corner of U.S.R.S. Tract G1-113;

Thence from the point of beginning, N.81deg., 37"17"E.,1018.41 feet to an iron pipe found bor the northeast corner of this tract;

Thence S.57 deg., 19"52"W., 780.77 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found for the Southeast corner

of this tract:

Thence S.89 deg., 30"27"W.,

222.90 feet to a highway rail found for a corner of this tract;

Thence S.57 deg., 29'00"W., 12.60 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found on the East line of U.S. Highway 85 for the Southwest corner of this tract;

Thence along the East line of Highway 85, N.22 deg., 30'41"W., 304.98 feet to the point of beginning, containing 4.504 acres of land, more or less.

The property is located in Doña Ana County at 531 Hall Street, Hatch, New Mexico 87937

Said sale of the above real estate shall be to satisfy Plaintiff's judgments contained in paragraphs 1.E. and 1.F. of said judgment in the amount of \$44,857.03 plus interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$42,21.42, and the Judgment amount of \$19,590.48 plus interest in the amount of \$2,149.35 to the date of sale.

B. A tract of land situate in the Village of Hatch, Doña Ana County, New Mexico in Section 9, T.19S., R. 3W., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Tracts G1-24H, Tract 1 and G1-24B1 and more particularly described as follows to with

BEGINNING at a 1/2" iron rod found on the West line of Franklin Road (A.KA. New Mexico Road 543) for the Northeast corner of this tract herein described; whence the Southeast corner of U.S.R.S. Tract G1-24G bears N.24 deg 48'100"W., 320.73 feet;

THENCE from the point of beginning and along the West line of Franklin Road, S.24 deg 48'00"E., 180.32 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set for the Southeast corner of this tract;

THENCE leaving the West line Franklin Road, S.68 deg 42'27"W., 133.25 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set for the Southwest corner of this tract;

THENCE N.23 deg 25'17"W., 172.14 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set for Northwest corner of this tract;

THENCE N. 65 deg 09'41"E., 128.86 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.530 acres of land, more less.

The property is located in Doña Ana County at 610 Franklin Street, Hatch, New Mexico 87937.

together with the personal property on said premises subject to AmBank's security agreement foreclosed in said judgment, Said sale is to satisfy the amount due AmBank in said Judgment in the amount of \$425,860.40, together with interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$38,065.23 and a further Judgment in favor of AmBank in the amount of \$10,391.68, together with interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$941.85. The amount due on Financial Pacific Leasing represented by Transcript of Judgment in the amount of \$80,871.70, together with interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$13,239.03, and a tax lien in favor of the Internal Revenue Service.

C. The following described land:

Lots 21 and 22, Block 3, WEILER'S ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF HATCH, 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 June 26, 1925, in Book 5 Page(s) 40

SAVING AND EXCEPTING 75 feet of said land reserved in Warranty Deed recorded October 22, 1985, in Book 299 Pages 743 of Deed Records.

The property is located at 130 West Hill Street, Hatch, New Mexico 87937.

Said property is to be sold to satisfy the AmBank Judgment in the amount of \$320,143.97 together with interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$28,047.81, plus thereafter the amount on the Transcript of Judgment of Financial Pacific Leasing described above, and the lien of the Internal Revenue Service.

D. The following described land:

A tract of land situate southeast of Hatch, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 14, T.19S., R.3W., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys as part of U.S.R.S. Tract G-160 and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a point on the southerly side of Doña Ana County Road E-018 for the northeast corner of the tract herein described, whence the Section corner common to Sections 13, 14, 23 and 24, T.19S., R.3W., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys bears S.37 deg. 47'52" E., a distance of 5237 81 feet:

THENCE from the place of beginning, leaving Doña Ana County Road E-018 on a bearing of S.18 deg. 58'50"W., a distance of 210.00 feet to the southeast corner of the tract herein described;

THENCE on a bearing of N71 deg. 01'10"W., a distance of 220.40 feet to the southwest corner of the tract herein described.

THENCE on a bearing of N.18 deg. 58°50°E., a distance of 207.04 feet to the Northwest corner of the tract herein described, also being a point on the south right of way line of Doña Ana County Road E-018;

THENCE running along the south right of way line of said County Road on a bearing of S.74 deg. 37'40"E., a distance of 47.00 feet to an angle point;

THENCE leaving said angle point and running along the south right of way line of Doña Ana County Road E-018 on a bearing of S.71 deg. 01'10" E., a distance of 173.49 feet to the northeast corner of the tract herein described and true pont of beginning, containing 1.0609 acres of land, more or less.

Said property is to be sold to satisfy the Judgment in favor of AmBank in the amount of \$320,143.97, together with interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$28,047.81, and a Judgment in favor of AmBank in the amount of \$10,391.68 together with interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$941.85, thereafter the amount on the Transcript of Judgment of Financial Pacific Leasing described above, and the lien of

the Internal Revenue Service.

E. The following described

Lots 1 and 2 and the east 65 feet of Lots 21 and 22, Block 3, WEILER ADDITION, in the Village of Hatch, 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 June 26, 1925, in Book 5 Page 40 of Plat Records.

Said property is to be sold to satisfy the AmBank Judgment in the amount of \$320,143.97 together with interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$28,047.81, and a Judgment in favor of AmBank in the amount of \$10,391.68 together with interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$941.85, plus thereafter the amount on the Transcript of Judgment of Financial Pacific Leasing described above, and the lien of the Internal Revenue Service.

E. The following described

A tract of land situated southeast of Hatch, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 14, T.19S., R.3W., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys, being part of U.S.R.S. Tract G-160E and part of U.S.R.S. Tract G-160A and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a brass cap found on the South line of Doña Ana County Road E-018 for the Northwest corner of the tract herein described; identical to the Northeast corner of U.S.R.S. Tract G-159;

THENCE from the point of beginning and along the South line of Doña Ana County Road E-018, the following courses and distances: \$2.2°13'20"E., 141.86 feet to a 1/2" iron rod

THENCE S.74°37'40"E., 194.44 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set:

THENCE S.71°01'10"E., 353.73 feet to an 1/2" iron rod set for the Northeast corner of this tract:

THENCE leaving the South line of Doña Ana County Road E-018, S.02°11'40"E., 269.59 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set;

THENCE S.09°39'10"E., 209.75 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set:

THENCE S.21°38'00"E., 434.31 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set for the Southeast corner of this tract;

THENCE N.74°30'38"W., 22.95 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set;

THENCE N.70°19'02"W., 190.03 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set for a corner of this tract; THENCE S.14° 28'54"W., 137.46 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set for a corner of this tract;

THENCE N.74°52'54"W., 136.36 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set for the Southwest corner of this tract;

THENCE N.23°55'35"W., 1222.12 feet to the point of beginning, containing 10.163 acres of land, more or less.

Subject to a 40 foot wide road and utility easement being parallel and adjacent to the East boundary line. Also subject to any easements and restrictions of record.

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Said property is to be sold to satisfy the AmBank Judgment in the amount of \$320,143.97 together with interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$28,047.81, and a Judgment in favor of AmBank in the amount of \$10,391.68 together with interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$941.85, plus thereafter the amount on the Transcript of Judgment of Financial Pacific Leasing described above, and the lien of the Internal Revenue Service.

G. The following described land:

A tract of land situate within Section 9, T.195S., R.3W., U.S.R.S. Surveys and being a portion of U.S.R.S. Tract G1-24 and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the SE corner of the parcel herein described, from whence the SE corner of said Tract G1-24 bears S.24 deg. 48'00"E., 331.15 feet (said SE corner being a point on the westerly right-of-way line of New Mexico Road No. 543); Thence N.24 deg. 48'00"W., 60.00 feet along said right-of-way line to the NE corner of the parcel herein described; Thence S.65 deg. 12'00"W., 200.00 feet to the NW corner of the parcel herein described; Thence S.24 deg 48'00" E., 60.00 feet to the SW corner of the parcel herein; Thence N.65 deg. 12'00" E., 200.00 feet to the SE and beginning corner of the parcel herein described and containing 0.275 acres, more or less.

And

A tract of land situate within Section 9, T.19S., R.3W., U.S.R.S. Surveys and being a portion of U.S.R.S. Tract G1-24 and being more par-ticularly described as follows: BEGINNING at the SE corner of the parcel herein described, said SE corner being a point on the westerly right-of-way line of New Mexico Road No. 543, from whence the SE corner of said Tract G1-24 bears S.24 deg. 48"E., 271.15 feet; Thence N .24 deg. 48"W., 60.00 feet along said right-of-way line to the NE corner of the parcel herein described; Thence S.65 deg. 12'00" W., 200.00 feet to the NW corner of the parcel herein described; Thence S.24 deg. 48'00"E., 60.00 feet to the SW corner of the parcel herein; Thence N.65 deg. 12'00"E., 200.00 feet to the SE and beginning corner of the parcel herein described and containing 0.275 acres, more or less.

The property is located in Doña Ana County at 641-645 Franklin Street, Hatch, New Mexico 87937.

Said property is to be sold to satisfy the Mortgage of AmBank in the amount of \$184,595.12, together with interest in the amount of \$17,132.01 to the date of sale, and the Lien of the Village of Hatch in the amount of \$78,708.10, the lien of Financial Pacific Leasing, and the lien of the Internal Revenue Service.

In addition, AmBank may bid all or a portion of its attorneys' fees and costs in the amount of \$12,434.63, plus interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$1,439.34 on any of said properties.

If the amount bid is over and above the amount due AmBank on the various tracts of property Financial Pacific Leasing, to the extent it has a lien on the above properties, and the Village of Hatch to the extent it has liens on the above properties, the proceeds shall pursuant to said Judgment be paid into the Registry of the Court for a determination of the amounts to be paid and to whom said amounts shall be paid.

Said sale shall be to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds provided however that AmBank, the Village of Hatch, Financial Pacific Leasing and the Internal Revenue Service will be entitled to bid all or a part of the amounts due them in their respective priorities, paying cash for any prior liens pursuant to said Judgment.

DATED this 20 day of March

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, By /s/ Stephen Hosford Special Master P.O. Box 420 Arrey, NM 87930-0420 (575) 644-6068

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was mailed to:

Samantha R. Barncastle, Esq. Law Office of Steven L. Hernandez, P.C. P.O. Box 13108 Las Cruces, NM 88013 Attorneys for Village of Hatch

Karla K. Poe, Esq. Arland & Associates, LLC 201 3rd Street NW #505 Albuquerque, NM 87102-3370 Attorneys for Financial Pacific Leasing, LLC

Cullen Hallmark, Esq. Garber and Hallmark, P.C. P.O. Box 850 Santa Fe, NM 87504-0850 Attorneys for American Dairy Queen Corp.

Julia Belles, Esq. Special Assistant Attorney General P.O. Box 630 Santa Fe, NM 87504-0630 Taxation and Revenue Department

Elizabeth A. Garcia, Esq. NM Dept of Workforce Solutions P.O. Box 1928 Albuquerque, NM 87103 Attorney for NM Dept of Workforce Solutions

Manuel Lucero, Assistant U.S. Attorney P.O. Box 607 Albuquerque, NM 87103 Attorneys for the Internal Revenue Service on this 21st day of March, 2012.

/s/ William L. Lutz

Pub # 11772 Dates 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-2601

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

ROBERT V. SANCHEZ and, if married, JANE DOE SANCHEZ, (True Name Unknown), his spouse; GREAT SENECA FINANCIAL CORPORATION, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 2, 2012, 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 abovenamed Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 2086 Pine Needle Way, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 9 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 6 OF THE PINES, UNIT TWO, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID THE PINES, UNIT TWO, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON AUGUST 1, 1995 IN PLAT BOOK 18, FOLIO 303-304.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 21, 2012, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$168,799.25 and the same bears interest at 6.500% per annum from January 1, 2012, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$3,697.40. 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 contami tion 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.

Pamela A. Carmody, Special Master PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169 575-642-5567

Pub # 11774 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012 STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2011-02699

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

VS

OLIVIA MOLINA; JOE L. MOLINA, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 2, 2012, 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 abovenamed Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 5976 Leaping Lizard Loop, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot numbered 14 in Block numbered 1 of Desert Wind Estates, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Desert Wind Estates, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on May 3, 2006 in Plat Book 21, Folio 606-607.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judg-ment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 28, 2012, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$171,408,51 and the same bears interest at 5.875% per annum from December 31, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$3,421.13. 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

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 assess-ments 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 manufac-tured 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.

Pamela A. Carmody, Special Master PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169 575-642-5567

Pub # 11775 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2011-1787

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

vs.

SANTIAGO PARRA; and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 2, 2012, 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 abovenamed Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 5919 Moon View Drive, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 14 IN BLOCK B OF VISTA
DE LA MONTANA, PHASE
I, CORRECTION PLAT,
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 MARCH
30, 2005 AND RECORDED IN
BOOK 21 AT PAGES 174-175,
PLAT RECORDS.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judg-ment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 28, 2012, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$189,009.29 and the same bears interest at 8.000% per annum from December 16, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$5,758.31. 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.

Pamela Carmody, Special Master PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169 575-642-5567

Pub # 11776 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2011-01883

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, fka The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of the CWALT, Inc., Alternative Loan Trust 2006-39CB, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-39CB, Plaintiff,

vs.

BONNIE JEAN RAUSCH; and if married, JOHN DOE A (true name unknown), her spouse; STEVEN RAUSCH, Trustee, or his Successors in Trust, under The Bonnie Rausch Trust, dated October 5, 2004; and FIRST FEDERAL BANK, a Division of Washington Federal Savings, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 2, 2012, 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 abovenamed Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 4134 Campana Court, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 8, BLOCK A, TWILIGHT CAMPANA 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 ON AUGUST 30, 2004, IN BOOK 20 PAGES(S) 775-776 OF RECORDS.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 23, 2012, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is

\$140,018.26 and the same bears interest at 6.250% per annum from February 1, 2012, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$2,205.77. 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, environmental contamination on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning

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.

the property, if any.

Pamela A. Carmody, Special Master PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169 575-642-5567

Pub # 11777 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012

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

No. D-307-CV-2011-01929

BOKF, N.A. dba BANK OF OKLAHOMA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

OMAR ENRIQUEZ, ERIKA ENRIQUEZ and FIRSTLIGHT FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, 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 4875 Calle Bella Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 31, BLOCK A, LOS ENAMORADOS LOT NUMBERED 31 IN BLOCK NUMBERED A OF LOS ENAMORADOS ESTATES FINAL PLAT - REPLAT NO. 2, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID LOS ENAMORADOS ESTATES FINAL PLAT - REPLAT NO. 2, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF

DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON JULY 27, 2006 IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 722-727.

The sale is to begin at 11:45 a.m. on May 11, 2012, 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 BOKF, N.A.

BOKF, N.A. was awarded a Judgment on March 21, 2012, in the principal sum of \$125,048.60, plus outstanding interest due on the Note through December 1, 2011, in the amount of \$14,901.70, and accruing thereafter at the rate of 6.50% per annum (\$22.27 per diem), plus late charges in the amount of \$844.52, plus escrow advances in the amount of \$4,822.40, plus fee and cost advances in the amount of \$790.00.

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 2222 Parkwest Drive, N.W. Albuquerque, New Mexico 87120 (505) 228-8484

Pub # 11778 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012

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

No. CV-2011-2664

BOKF, N.A. dba BANK OF OKLAHOMA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF DEANE P. BAILEY, deceased, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. and DEBORAH A. WATKINS, 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 3544 Roma Drive, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 26, SANDHILL VILLAGE PHASE #2, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED

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ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON FEBRUARY 6, 2004, IN BOOK 20, PAGES 533-536 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at 11:50 a.m. on May 11, 2012, 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 BOKF, N.A.

BOKF, N.A. was awarded Judgment on March 21, 2012, in the principal sum of \$184,543.92, plus outstanding interest due on the Note through March 1, 2012, in the amount of \$7,689.30 and accruing thereafter at the rate of \$25.28 per diem, plus late charges of \$206.76, plus escrow advances of \$496.05, plus fee and cost advances of \$1,240.92, plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through March 1, 2012, in the sum of \$900.00, and costs through March 1, 2012, in the sum of \$787.14, with interest on the aforesaid amounts at the rate of 5.00% per annum from date of the entry of this Judgment until paid.

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

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

/s/ Faisal Sukhyani Special Master 2222 Parkwest Drive, N.W. Albuquerque, New Mexico 87120 (505) 228-8484

Pub # 11779 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Cause No.CV-12-478

MESILLA VALLEY HABITAT

JESUS M. FRAUSTO and YANETH P. FRAUSTO, husband and wife, Defendants,

NOTICE OF CIVIL ACTION PENDING BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiffs have filed a Complaint for Foreclosure in the above-entitled and numbered cause in the office of the Clerk of the Third Judicial District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico seeking quiet title to the real property

located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico and more particularly described as follows:

8 in Block A of CHULA VISTA, located in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana, 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 10, 1953 and recorded in Book 7 at Pages 48,

SAVING AND EXCEPTING: A parcel of land situate within the corporate limits of the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico in Sections 12, T23S, R1E, N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys. Being part of Chula Vista Subdivision as filed December 10, 1953 in Plat Record 7 Page 48 of the records of Doña Ana County, New Mexico and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a point on the north side of the Palmer Avenue for the southwest corner of Lot 8, Block A, Chula Vista Subdivision and for the est corner of the parcel herein described;

THENCE FROM THE POINT BEGINNING along west lot line of Lot 8 N18°36'13"W. 4.00 feet to the northwest corner of the parcel herein described;

THENCE N71°23'47"E, 4.00 feet to the northeast corner of the parcel herein described;

THENCE \$18°36'13"E, 4.00 feet to a point on the north side of Palmer Avenue for the southeast corner of the parcel herein described;

THENCE along Palmer Avenue S71°23'47"W, 4.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 16.00 square feet of land re or less

You are hereby notified that unless vou enter or cause to be entered your appearance in this action on or before thirty (30) days after the date of the last publication, judgment will rendered against you by default.

Plaintiffs' attorney is John A. Darden, The Darden Law Firm, P. A. whose mailing address is Post Office Box 578, Las Cruces

WITNESSETH the Honorable James T. Martin, Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of Doña Ana County, in the State of New Mexico and the seal of the Third Judicial District Court of Doña Ana County this 27 day of March, 2012.

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT CLERK By /s/ Mary E. Apodaca

Pub # 11780 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2012-181 Judge: Martin

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS CRUCES, on behalf of the LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT.

JERLENA GILBERT, AND 1998 PONTIAC SUNBIRD, RED; VIN: 1G2JB52T4W7504395; Illin License Plate No. K924329,

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Respondent Jerlena Gilbert

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the follow ing described motor vehicle 1998 Pontiac Sunbird, Red: VIN: 1G2JB52T4W7504395; Illinois License Plate No. K924329.

2. You are the named Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

Respectfully submitted, CITY OF LAS CRUCES

Harry S. (Pete) Connelly City Attorney P.O. Box 20000 (575) 541-2128 (575) 541-2017 Fax Attorney for Petitioner

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 Cour of Doña Ana County, this 27th day of March, 2012.

JAMES H. DEMPSEY COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

/s/ Mary E. Apodaca DEPUTY

Pub # 11781 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD IUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2012-352 Judge: Martin

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS CRUCES, on behalf of the LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT,

KENNETH M. HIGGINS. AND 1990 MAZDA 323 SE, WHITE; VIN: JM1 BG2322L0110257; New Mexico License Plate No. 877 RCX, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF

To: Respondent Kenneth M.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the follow-ing described motor vehicle: 1990 Mazda 323 SE, White: VIN: IM1BG2322L0110257; New Mexico License Plate No. 877 RCX.

2. You are the named Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may b entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: /s/ Harry S. (Pete) Connelly City Attorney P.O. Box 20000 (575) 541-2128 (575) 541-2017 Fax Attorney for Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 27th day of March, 2012.

IAMES H DEMPSEY COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

/s/ Mary E. Apodaca DEPUTY

Pub # 11782 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

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

No. CV-2012-343 Judge: Martin

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS CRUCES on behalf of the LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner

JOSHUA E. SMITH, AND 1997 FORD F150, WHITE; VIN: 1FTDX1725VKB34640 New Mexico License Plate No. 794 PWK, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF

Respondent Joshua E.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1997 Ford F150, White; VIN: 1FTDX1725VKB34640; New Mexico License Plate No. 794 PWK.

2. You are the named Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

Respectfully submitted. CITY OF LAS CRUCES

Bv: /s/ Harry S. (Pete) Connelly City Attorney P.O. Box 20000 (575) 541-2128 (575) 541-2017 Fax Attorney for Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 27th day of March, 2012.

JAMES H. DEMPSEY COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

By: /s/ Mary E. Apodaca DEPUTY

Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Cause No. CV 2011 - 2235 Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

FIRSTLIGHT FEDERAL

WILLIAM F. MCDONALD, Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on the 3rd day of May, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., at the east entrance of the Doña Ana County District Court, located at 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant in and to the real property subject to the Deed of Trust with a street address of 10100 Sallee Road, Las Cruces New Mexico 88011, and its legal description included in the Deed of Trust, last page attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

Said sale will be made pursuant to the Default Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure, entered on March 28, 2012, in the above-entitled and numbered cause, which, among other things, was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage against all secured real property by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$191,890.18 through March 6, 2012, on which post-judgment interest shall run at 7.125000% per annum from that date until satisfied in full, which the Special Master calculates to be a per diem of \$37.458013 for 58 days to the date of the Special Master's sale (the "Sale"), for total post-judgment interest of \$2,172.56, together with attorney fees incurred and costs of sale to the date of sale, and a reasonable Special Master's fee. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit their 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 sale.

Bidders, to the extent that they do not have a judgment permitted to be bid in lieu of cash, must bid cash at the sale. The successful bidder will be given until the close of the second business day following the determination of the winning bidder to supply to the Special Master cash, certified check, or cashier's check in the amount of the bid. Failure to do so will void that bid, and the Special Master shall either accept the next highest bid, or the Special Master may, in her sole discretion, telephone each bidder who attended the sale, using the telephone number each bidder submits at the sale. and communicate a new date and time for a subsequent sale, without republication of any further notice. Responsibility for reception of notice of any subsequent sale is on the bidder submitting the telephone

Notice is further given that the above-described real estate and improvements located on such real estate will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein and all recorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. All prospective bid-ders are notified that they are

responsible for making their own determination as to the extent and nature of the title being conveyed by purchase at the Special Master's sale.

DATED at Las Cruces, New Mexico, this 3rd day of April, 2012.

/s/ Pamela A. Carmody Special Master P.O. Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004 Telephone (575) 642-5567

Submitted by: Kelly P. Albers LAW OFFICE OF KELLY P. ALBERS, P.C. 650 Montana Avenue, Suite D Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001 Telephone (575) 527-9064

Pub # 11784 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD IUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-0307-CV-2010-01923

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

THOMAS E. MILESKI, IRMA MILESKI AND OCCUPANTS WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on May 3, 2012 at 1:30 PM, 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 defen-dants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Unit # 1106 CASAS SOLEDAD CONDOMINIUMS, in accordance with and subject to the Declaration for Casas de Soledad Condominiums and ed on January 10, 2007 in Book 778 in Pages 1283 through 1402 of Doña Ana County Clerk Records

The address of the real prop

erty is 3901 Sonoma Springs # 1106, 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 March 2, 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 estate in the sum of \$108,928.39 plus interest from January 20, 2012 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.750% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keep-

ng 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 condi-tions 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 t 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 assess-ments 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 manufac-tured home on the property, if any, environmental contamina tion 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 abovedescribed real property subject to rights of redemption.

Jeffrey Lake Special Master Southwest Support Group 20 First Plaza NW, Suite #20 Albuquerque, NM 87102

NM00-01127 FC01

Pub # 11785 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2011-01630

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

IONATHAN E. HATHWAY. LORRAINE R. HATHWAY, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. (SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER AND LENDER'S SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS) AND IOHN MORGAN, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on May 3, 2012 at 1:30 PM, 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 42, BLOCK 8, SAGECREST SUBDIVISION NO.5, IN THE COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY AS PLAT NO. 1762 ON APRIL 13, 1988 IN BOOK 15 PAGE(S) 195-196 OF

The address of the real property is 3814 Yellowstone Drive, 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 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 March 1, 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 estate in the sum of \$236,382.36 plus interest from August 31, 2011 to the date of sale at the rate of 3.500% 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.

滋 City of Las Cruces

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

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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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NM00-01369_FC01

Pub # 11786 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27,

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD IUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-201001923

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,

v.

THOMAS E. MILESKI, IRMA MILESKI AND OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN, IF ANY, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on May 3, 2012 at 1:30 PM, 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:

Unit # 1414, CASAS DE SOLEDAD CONDOMINIUMS, in accordance with and subject to the Declaration for Casas de Soledad Condominiums and the Condominium Plat recorded on January 10, 2007 in Book 778 in Pages 1283 through 1402 of Doña Ana County Clerk Records.

The address of the real property

is 3901 Sonoma Springs Ave #1414, 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 March 2, 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 estate in the sum of \$128,562.76 plus interest from January 20, 2012 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 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.

Jeffrey Lake Special Master Southwest Support Group 20 First Plaza NW, Suite #20 Albuquerque, NM 87102

NM00-01125_FC01

Pub # 11787 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-2012-00356

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

v.

JACOB PATTERSON, YOLANDA PATTERSON, JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, NA, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JACOB PATTERSON, IF ANY AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF YOLANDA PATTERSON, IF ANY, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF New Mexico to the above-named Defendants Jacob Patterson, Yolanda Patterson, The Unknown Spouse Of Jacob Patterson, If Any And The Unknown Spouse Of Yolanda Patterson, 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 2262 Spirit Rock Dr, Las Cruces, NM 88011, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as: Lot 2, Block E, SEDONA HILLS SUBDIVISION AT SONOMA RANCH EAST, in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said county as Plat No. 3732 on 03/19/2003 in Book 20 Page(s) 285-86 of Plat Records.

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, CASTLE STAWIARSKI, LLC

By: Elizabeth Mason Keya Koul Steven Lucero 20 First Plaza NW, Suite 602 Albuquerque, NM 87102 Telephone: (505) 848-9500 Fax: (505) 848-9516 Attorney For Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable JAMES T. MARTIN, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, this 20 day of March, 2012.

James H. Dempsey CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Deputy

NM11-02502_FC01

Pub # 11788 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2012-00520

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK,

N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

DIETER GUELL, VICKI GUELL AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DIETER GUELL, IF ANY, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF New Mexico to the above-named Defendants Vicki

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 405 W. College Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005-3734, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

Lot 2 of The Sanchez Addition of Mesilla Park, 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 July 8,1968 and recorded in Book 10 at Pages 29, Plat Records.

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, CASTLE STAWIARSKI, LLC

By: Elizabeth Mason Keya Koul Steven Lucero 20 First Plaza NW, Suite 602 Albuquerque, NM 87102 Telephone: (505) 848-9500 Fax: (505) 848-9516

WITNESS the Honorable JAMES T. MARTIN, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, this 20 day of March 2012

James H. Dempsey CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Deputy

NM11-02421 FC01

Pub # 11789 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 20, 2012, Alto de Las Flores Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association, P.O. Drawer G, San Miguel, NM 88058, filed application numbered LRG-3338-S-2 with the State Engineer for Permit to Use Supplemental Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by utilizing well LRG-3338-S-2 located within the NE1/4 SE1/4 NW1/4 of projected Section 1, Township 25 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, on land owned by Lower Rio Grande Public Water Works Authority, to supplement wells LRG-7197 and LRG-7197-S-2, both located within the SW1/4 SW1/4

NE1/4 of projected Section 10,

East, NMPM, on land owned

by Alto De Las Flores Mutual

wnship 25 South, Range 2

Domestic Water Consumers Association, and well LRG-7197 POD4 located within the NE1/4 SE1/4 NE1/4 of projected Section 9, Township 25 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, on land owned by Doña Ana County, for the continued diversion of 329.0 acre-feet per feet per annum for domestic, municipal, and related purposes within the Alto de Las Flores Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association service area located within projected Sections 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15 and 16 all within Township 25 South, Range 2 East, NMPM. The proposed supplemental well LRG-3338-S-2 is located within Mesquite, NM and may be found at the physical address of 220 Highway 192.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writ-ing (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 con-servation 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.

Pub # 11790 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 8, 2012, Jacinto and Alice Salcido, 1909 Anita Court, Las Cruces, NM 88001, filed application numbered LRG-15221 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 existing well LRG-10787 (also known as well LRN05-0029 as described by the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey) located within the SW1/4 NW1/4 SW1/4 of projected Section 14, Township 22 South Range 1 East, NMPM, and more specifically defined where Latitude and Longitude inter-sect at 32° 23' 26.02"N, 106° 49' 6.60"W NAD83, on land owned by Elias Madrid, and drilling a replacement well to a depth of 150 feet for 6-inch casing to be located within the NW1/4 SW1/4 SW1/4 of projected Section 14, Township 22 South, Range 1 East, NMPM and more specifically where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 23' 23.11"N, 106° 49' 5.11"W NAD83, on land owned by the applicants, for the continued diversion of an amount of water reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 3.5 acres, owned by the applicants, located within the SW1/4 of projected Section 14, Township 22 South, Range 1 East, NMPM. The site for replacement well LRG-15221 POD1 is located in Doña Ana, NM and may be found at the physical address of 435 E. Thorpe Road. Existing well LRG-10787 will be retained for other rights.

Any person, firm or corpora-

tion or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writ-ing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number and mailing address). T 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 substan-tially 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 pro test 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.

Pub # 11791 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 12, 2012 Stefani Garcia & Amanda Garcia, 1110 Waterfront St. Anthony, NM 88021, filed application numbered LRG-1422-POD2 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County and drill replacement well LRG-1422-POD2 to an approximate depth of 250 feet for a 4-inch casing to be located at X=1,518,263(ft), Y=368,343(ft) NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central, within 100 feet of old well LRG-1422 for the continued use of up to 3 acre-feet per annum for domestic purposes. Old well LRG-1422 will be plugged. The general location is described as being west of Anthony, NM at the physical location of 1110

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 substan-

tially 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.

Pub # 11792 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2011-02353

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

vs.

TIM CURTIS GREGOR, and, if married, JANE DOE GREGOR (true name unknown), his spouse, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 2, 2012, 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 abovenamed Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 3745 Piedras Negras Drive, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 13, Block C, HIGH DESERT SUBDIVISION PHASES 1A AND 1B, 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 October 14, 2005, in Book 21 Page(s) 373-374 of Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judg-ment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 27, 2012, being an action foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$227,275.72 and the same bears interest at 6.375% per annum from February 16, 2012, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$3,056,55. 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 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, environmental 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.

Pamela A. Carmody, Special Master PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169 575-642-5567

Pub # 11793 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT DOÑA ANA COUNTY

No. 2012-0060

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Burleston Wilson Bloxom, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 845 N. Motel Blvd., Room 1-200, Las Cruces, NM 88007.

Dated: March 25, 2012

/s/ Albert R. Boxom 7350 Remcon Circle El Paso, TX 79912 915-204-6039

Pub # 11795 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2011-01955

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

vs.

VINCENT D. STRALEY, and if married, JANE DOE STRALEY, (true name unknown), his spouse, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 2, 2012, at the

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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 3549 Cave Creek Manor, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows

LOT 9 IN BLOCK M OF CAVE CREEK SUBDIVISION PHASE 2B, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID CAVE CREEK SUBDIVISION PHASE 2B, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON DECEMBER 21, 1999 IN PLAT BOOK 19, FOLIO 357-358.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judg-ment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 28, 2012, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$427,938.43 and the same bears interest at 6.625% per annum from February 1, 2012, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$7,145.99. 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 manufac tured home on the property, if any, environmental contamina tion on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning

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.

the property, if any.

Pamela A. Carmody Special Master PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169 575-642-5567

Pub # 11796 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD IUDICIAL DISTRICT

NO CV 2012-349

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF ALESYEANNA RENE ROMERO FOR CHANGE OF NAME OF NIKOLAS ETHAN GAMBOA

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME (OF PERSON UNDER 14 YEARS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Alesyeanna Rene Romero has filed a Petition to Change the Name of her child, from Nikolas Ethan Gamboa to Wyatt Ethan Preece. This petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta, District Judge, on the 30th day of April, 2012, at the hour of 3:30 p.m. at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Alesyeanna Rene Romero 1786 Alamo St. Las Cruces, NM 88001 575-202-6602

Pub # 11797 Dates 4/6, 4/13, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. CV-2012-231 Judge: James T. Martin

ANDRE E. MARTINEZ,

MIKE PINO c/b/a DEZERT RACE WORKS, Defendant

NOTICE OF SUIT

TO: Mike Pino c/b/a Desert

You are hereby notified that the above-name Plaintiff has filed suit against the above-named Defendants in the above-styled and numbered cause in the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico. The general object of the suit is to obtain a civil judgment against you for damages caused by your tortuous acts which violated the laws of the State of New Mexico. You also are being sued for breach of contract by fraud and violation of the Unfair Practices Act

Unless you enter your appear ance and answer to the Plaintiff's Complaint for Damages in this cause of action, a judgment may be entered against you by default

Endorsed copies of these pleadings must also be sent to: David Proper, Plaintiff's attorney of record, whose address is: P O Box 6337, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88006.

WITNESS THE Honorable James T. Martin, Third Judicial District Court Judge, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and the seal of the Third Judicial District Court, this 12 day of March, 2012.

Third Judicial District Court BY: /s/ Mary E. Apodaca Deputy Clerk

Dates 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 9, 2012, Kent F. Jacobs, 3610 Southwind Rd., Las Cruces, NM 88007 filed application numbered LRG-15226-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-7993-POD2, on land owned by Richard and Gail Feeley and located within the SW1/4 SE1/4 SW1/4 of projected Section 35, T22S, R01 E, NMPM and using proposed well LRG-15226-POD1 to be drilled to an approximate depth of 150 ft, below ground surface with 6-inch casing located within the NE1/4 NE1/4 NE1/4 of projected Section 03, T23S, R01E on land owned by the applicant at approximately X=1,464,186 (N.M.S.P. Y=489,290 ft. Central Zone, NAD83) for the combined diversion of that amount of shallow groundwater and surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District required for beneficial use, or as determined by the Third Iudicial District Court, for the irrigation of 5.17 acres of land owned by the applicant located within Pt. NE1/4 of said Section 03 and Pt. NE1/4 of projected Section 34, T22S, R01E. Well LRG-7933-POD2 is located approximately 1,450 ft north of the intersection of Engler Rd. and N. Valley Dr. Proposed well LRG-15226 POD1 will be located approxi-mately 1650 ft. northeast of the intersection of Myles Rd. and Southwind Rd at the physi-cal address of 3610 Southwind Rd., approximately 1.5 miles northwest of Las Cruces, NM. Well LRG-7993-POD2 will be retained for other water rights.

Any person, firm or corpora tion or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writ-ing (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 substan-tially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005-6598 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 with-in 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. Pub # 11803 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 5, 2012, Francisco Rivas, PO BOX 84, La Mesa, NM 88044, filed application

numbered LRG-15223-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-15223-POD1, on land owned by Eulalia Rivas and located within the SE1/4 SE1/4 SE1/4 of Section 23, T25S, R02E, NMPM and using proposed well LRG-15223-POD2 to be drilled to an approximate depth of 150 ft. below ground surface with 6-inch casing located within the SE1/4 SE1/4 SE1/4 of said Section 23 on land owned by the applicant at approximately X=1,500,340 Y=404,990 ft. (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) for the combined diversion of shallow groundwater and surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District required for beneficial use, or as determined by the Third Judicial District Court, for the irrigation of 1.76 acres of land owned by the applicant located within Pt. SE1/4 of said Section 23. Wells LRG-15223-POD1 and proposed well LRG-15223- POD2 are located approximately 660 ft. and 600 ft., respectively, west northwest of the intersection of NM Hwy 28 and San Jose Rd., south of La Mesa, NM. Well LRG-15223-POD 1 will be ned for other water rights.

tion or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writng (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 88005-6598 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.

Any person, firm or corpora-

Pub # 11804 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-0307-CV-2008-02442

MATRIX FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION, Plaintiff.

VICTOR M. MEZA. SANDRA O. MEZA, CITIFINANCIAL, INC. AND THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION & REVENUE, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on May 9, 2012 at 10:00 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 9, BLOCK 5, OF CANYON POINT SUBDIVISION, LOCATED 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 APRIL 27, 1995 AND RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 18, FOLIO 243-245, PLAT RECORDS.

The address of the real prop

erty is 4675 Rock Cany

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 otice 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 20, 2010 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 \$83,270.67 plus interest from April 15, 2010 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.

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 manufac tured 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 abovedescribed real property subject to rights of redemption

Special Master P.O. Box 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004

Pamela Carmody

NM00-00455 FC01

Pub # 11805 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4,

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-3102

M&I Bank FSB, Plaintiff,

HEIDI M. PATTAROZZI: DANIEL ALLEN
PATTAROZZI; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Nominee; and CHARTER BANK.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 9, 2012, 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 abovenamed Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 1629 Birch Court, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 8. BLOCK 1. VILLA ENCANTADA SUBDIVISION PHASE 1-A, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 849, THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON AUGUST 10, 1976, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 12, PAGES 74-75, 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 March 26, 2012, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$122,424.00 and the same bears interest at 7.800% per annum from February 16, 2012, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$2,197.59. 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 easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assess-ments 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 manufac-tured 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 sub-ject to a one month right of redemption.

Pamela A. Carmody, Special Master PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169 575-642-5567

Pub # 11806 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2011-02162

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. successor by merger to BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, fka COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, Plaintiff,

KENDA N. BRADFORD, and if married, JOHN DOE A (true name unknown), her spouse, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 9, 2012, 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 abovenamed Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 5833 Habanero Dr., Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follow

Lot numbered 9 of Las Lomitas Subdivision, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Las Lomitas Subdivision, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on July 19, 2005 in Plat Book 21, Folio 269-271.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judg-ment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled

and numbered cause on March 28, 2012, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$175,673.60 and the same bears interest at 6.875% per annum from January 18, 2012, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$3,739.08. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and sub 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 assess-ments 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 contamina-tion 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 subiect to a one month right of

Pamela A. Carmody, Special Master PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169 575-642-5567

Pub # 11807 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2011-02520

U.S. BANK 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 2007-4, Plaintiff,

RYAN GONZALES, and if married, JANE DOE GONZALES, (true name nknown), his spouse, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 9, 2012, 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 abovenamed Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 3390 Parkridge

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Place, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot numbered 7 of Lenox Place Subdivision Phase II, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Lenox Place Subdivision Phase II, filed in the office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on April 1, 2004 in Plat Book 20, Folio 584-585.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judg-ment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 21, 2012, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$254,361.91 and the same bears interest at 8.00% per annum from March 1, 2012, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$3,902.54. 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 assess ments 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 oning 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.

Pamela A. Carmody PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169

Pub # 11808 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 2012

COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2011-02125

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

AMANDA HUTCHINSON: and if married, JOHN DOE A (true name unknown), her spouse, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 9, 2012, 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 abovenamed Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 1417 Luna Street, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as fol-

11, Block 6, DALE BELLAMAH ANNEX, 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 October 8, 1953, in Book 7 Page(s) 44 of Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE

will be made to satisfy a judg-ment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 28, 2012, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$131,208.92 and the same bears interest at 5.875% per annum from February 16, 2012, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,774.02. 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 personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufac tured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning

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

the property, if any.

Pamela A. Carmody, Special Master PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169 575-642-5567

Dates 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-2614

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING LP, fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP, Plaintiff,

MARY E. LACAZE, and if married, JOHN DOE A, (true name unknown), her spouse; and CITIZENS BANK OF LAS CRUCES, Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 9, 2012, 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 2935 Estrada. Mesilla, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as fol-

A tract of land situate within the Town of Mesilla, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, intended to be Tract 2 of the Plat of Survey of U.S.R.S. Tract Serial 11-158, plat filed January 28, 1961, in Book 1, Page 58, of the Doña Ana County Records, and being more particularly described as follows, to wit;

BEGINNING at a 1/2" iron rod found for the Northwest cor-ner of this tract: WHENCE the Northwest corner of Tract 1 of the Plat of Survey of U.S.R.S. Tract Serial 11-158, plat filed January 28, 1961, in Book 1, Page 58, of the Doña Ana County Records, bears S.57E07'39"W, 108.74 feet;

THENCE, from the point of beginning, N.56E10'21"E., a distance of 108.25 feet to 1/2" iron rod found for the Northeast corner of this tract;

THENCE S.33E59'29"E., a dis tance of 144.12 feet to a iron rod found on the North line of a 15 foot wide private road for the Southeast corner of this tract:

THENCE, along the North line of said 15 foot wide private road, S.56E32'49"W., a distance of 108.48 feet to a ½" iron rod found for the Southwest corner of this tract:

THENCE, leaving said 15 foot wide private road, N.33E54'00"W., a distance of 143.41 feet to the point of beginning, enclosed 0.358 acre of land, more or less. Subject to all easements and reservations of record.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judg-ment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 20, 2012, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$328,234.41 and the same bears interest at 7.125% per annum from March 16, 2012, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$3,524.02. 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 assess-ments 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.

Pamela A. Carmody. Special Master PO Drawer 16169 Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169 575-642-5567

Dates 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 2012

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

No. CV-2011-1978

BOKE N.A. dba BANK OF OKLAHOMA, N.A., Plaintiff,

MARIO D. MUNIZ and LAURIE GONZALES,

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, hav-ing 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 1218 Hachita Drive, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 4 IN BLOCK K OF SANDHILL CENTER HEIGHTS, PHASE 8, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID SANDHILL CENTER HEIGHTS, PHASE 8, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON 05/17/2006 IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 621-

The sale is to begin at 11:00 a m on May 16, 2012, in front of the main door of the Third Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash

in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted BOKF, N.A.

BOKF, N.A. was awarded a Judgment on April 3, 2012, in the principal sum of \$156,312.61, plus outstand-ing interest due on the Note through April 1, 2012, in the amount of \$8,890.31 and accruing thereafter at the rate of \$22.48 per diem, plus late charges of \$272.22, plus escrow advances of \$2,906.07, plus fee and cost advances of \$1,758.65, plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through April 1, 2012, in the sum of \$950.00, and costs through April 1, 2012, in the sum of \$485.15, with interest on the aforesaid amounts at the rate of 5.250% per annum from date of the entry of this Judgment until paid.

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

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

/s/ John A. Darden, III Special Master P.O. Box 578 Las Cruces, NM 88004-0578 (575) 541-6655

Pub # 11811 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2011-2385

BOKF, N.A. dba BANK OF OKLAHOMA, N.A., Plaintiff,

DEBBIE ORONA, Personal Representative of the Estate of GINA ORONA-RUIZ, deceased, and EDWARD M. RUIZ, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my des 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 5025 Meadow Circle, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 4, BLOCK 3, NORTHFIELD SUBDIVISION UNIT NO. 2, 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 APRIL 19. 1979, IN BOOK 12, PAGE 265 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at 11:05 a.m.

on May 16, 2012, in front of the main door of the Third Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted BOKF, N.A.

BOKF, N.A. was awarded a Judgment on April 4, 2012 in the principal sum of \$227,734.40, plus outstanding interest due on the Note through March 1, 2012, in the amount of \$11,481.58 and accruing thereafter at the rate of \$34.32 per diem, plus late charges of \$251.45, plus escrow advances of \$1,468.86, plus fee and cost advances of \$2,158,12, plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through March 1, 2012, in the sum of \$950.00, and costs through March 1, 2012, in the sum of \$552.61, with interest on the aforesaid amounts at the rate of 5.50% per annum from date of the entry of this Judgment until paid.

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

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

/s/ Iohn A. Darden, III Special Master P.O. Box 578 Las Cruces, NM 88004-0578 (575) 541-6655

Pub # 11812 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2011-2662 Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

CITIZENS BANK OF LAS CRUCES, Plaintiff,

RONALD H. MAIN and UNITED STATES OF

NOTICE OF SALE

A notice is hereby given that the undersigned Special Master will, on Thursday, May 17, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. at the north main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Street, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant in and to the following-described property, situate in Doña Ana County, to-wit:

LOT 157 OF TIERRA ESCONDIDA PHASE 1, LOCATED IN DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR

RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MARCH 4, 2005 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 21 AT PAGES 149 - 150, PLAT RECORDS

The sale will be made pursuant

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/s/ Stephen Hosford Special Master 25 Sugar Sand Rd. Arrey, NM 87930 Las Cruces, NM 88005 (575) 644-6068

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Pub # 11813 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 2012

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Notice is hereby given that the Las Cruces City Council will hold a Public Hearing to discuss approval or disapproval of the issuance of a Restaurant Liquor License to DH & RH Inc. d/b/a Ono Grindz Hawaiian Cuisine Restaurant at 300 North Main Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

The Public Hearing will be held in conjunction with the regular meeting of the Las Cruces City

Council on Monday, May 7, 2012, beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 700 North Main Street, City Hall. If passed, the State of New Mexico Regulation & Licensing Department may approve the

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 4th day of April 2012.

/s/ Esther Martinez, CMC, City Clerk

Pub # 11814 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 2012

STATE OF NEW MEXICO SEVENTH IUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF SIERRA

NO. D-0721-PB-2012-000 udge: Honorable Kevin R. Sweazea

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS L.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

SMITH, Deceased.

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 c/o ANTHONY I FILOSA, Post Office Drawer 391, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, or filed with the District Court, 311 N. Date Street, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, 87901.

DATED: March, 2012

BONNIE M SMITH Personal Representative P.O. Box 146 Williamsburg, NM 87942

Pub # 11815 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 2012

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

No. PB 2012-28 Judge Martin

ESTATE OF DONALD ELWOOD DUTCH, Deceased.

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/S/ CANDIDO VILLANUEVA Personal Representative of the estate of DONALD ELWOOD DUTCH 2480 Market St., NE Salem, OR 97301

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Melissa J. Reeves 200 W. Las Cruces Ave., Ste. A Las Cruces, NM 88005 575-522-5009 522-5031 FAX Attorney for Personal Representative

Pub # 11816 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 2012 STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA IN THE PROBATE COURT

No. PB-2012-0092

IN TIE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BERNDINE, "NINA" AGUILAR, Deceased.

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Dated: March 12. 2012.

/s/ Lupe Aguilar Personal Representative of the Estate of Bernadine "Nina" Aguilar, Deceased

PREPARED & SUBMITTED BY: JOSEPH M. HOLMES, P.A. Attorney at Law P.O. Box 366 Las Cruces, NM 88004-0366 (575) 524-0833 (575) 526-0960 (fax)

/s/ Joseph M. Holmes Attorney for the Estate

Pub # 11817 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 2012

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Colonias Infrastructure Board will convene at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 1, 2012. The meeting will be held at the Willie Estrada Memorial Civic Center, 800 East First Street, Alamogordo, New Mexico. The agenda will be available at the NMFA office at 207 Shelby Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico and the web site (www.nmfa.net). Anyone who has questions regarding the meeting or needs special accommodations should contact Yolanda Valenzuela at (505) 992-9632.

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Pub # 11818 Dates 4/13, 2012



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: 201202030-RA Comprehensive Internal Network Penetration Test and Vulnerability Assessment

Proposal Due Date & Time: 5/1/2012@ 2:00PM (local time)

Proposal documents will be sent on request by calling the Central Purchasing and Risk Management Office @ (575) 646-2916.

Pub # 11819 Dates 4/13, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 22, 2012, John B. Fleming, on behalf of Jane J. Fleming, PO BOX 605, Chamberino, NM 88027, filed application numbered LRG-1609-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-1609, on land owned by the applicant and located within the NW1/4 SW1/4 SW1/4 of projected Section 06, T265, R03E, NMPM and using proposed well LRG-1609-POD2 drilled to an approximate depth of 200 ft. below ground surface with 24-inch casing located within the NW1/4 SW1/4 SW1/4 of said Section 06 on land owned by the applicant at approximately X=1,506,257 Y=390,089 ft. (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) for the

continued diversion of that amount of shallow groundwater combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District required for beneficial use, or that amount determined by the Third Judicial District Court, for the irrigation of 67.78 acres of land located within Pt. SW1/4 of said Section 06. Well LRG-1609 and proposed replacement well LRG-1609-POD2 are located approximately 1,650 ft. and 1,700 ft., respectively, south of the intersection of Veterans Rd. and NM Hwy 28 at the physical address of 11600 S. Hwy 28, approximately 2.0 miles north of Chamberino, NM. Well LRG-1609 will be propnorth erly plugged.

Any person, firm or corpora-tion or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writ-ing (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 our 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 88005-6598 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publica-tion 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 with-in 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

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE WAIVER

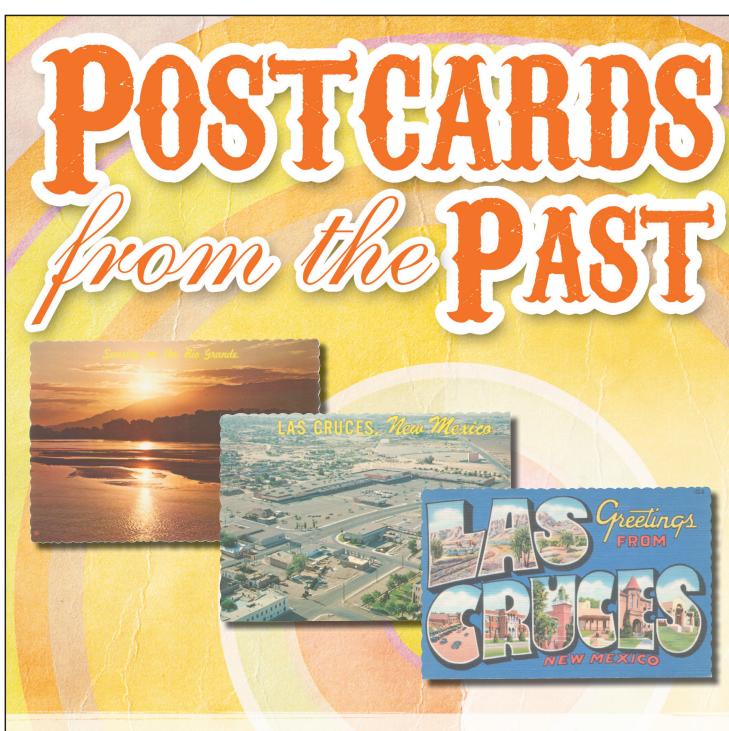
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Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 11th day of April 2012.

/s/ Esther Martinez, CMC,

Pub # 11821 Dates 4/13, 4/20, 2012



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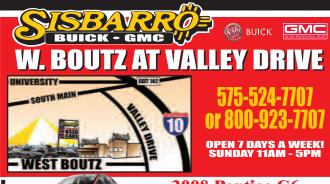
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Jan Kosnick's desert glass **C3**



'King of Devil's Island' based on a true story **C7**



A hip, happening hangout in Mesilla **C11**



My heart will go on, and on, and on **C18**

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NEXT WEEK

The LCCT turns 50

The Las Cruces Community Theatre celebrates the big 5-0 starting Friday, April 20.



Border Book Festival comes to Mesilla

Festival focuses on shamanic medicine and healing

By **Amanda Green**Las Cruces Bulletin

2012 is the completion of a 26,000-year cycle, according to ancient Mayan and Aztec calendars, written in stone long before modern civilization.

Because of this, 2012 is marked as a year of healing and transformation.

The Border Book Festival is incorporating this message of hope and healing into its plans for the 18th annual book festival, "The Shamanic Journey."

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The festival will take place Thursday, April 19, to Sunday, April 22, in the heart of Mesilla.

Presenters at the event include: healer, herbalist and midwife Doña Enriqueta Contreras from Oaxaca, Mexico; Dr. Marta Moreno Vega, a Yoruba priestess from New York; Catalina Delgado Trunk, an altar artist; and Esther Yazzie-Lewis, a Navajo earth activist and founder of the Diné Spiritual Land Recovery Project.

As a fundraiser for the festival, an Oaxacan Mole Fest will take place at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 19, in Yanez Hall in the Basilica of San Albino, 2280 Calle Principal. Oaxacan chef Pilar Cabrera will host the fundraiser.

"Cabrera runs the world-famous La Olla Restaurant in Oaxaca, Mexico," said Border Book Festival organizer Denise Chávez. "We're very pleased to have her as part of this fundraiser."

Mole Fest will include musical entertainment from Oussa Bossa, a Brazilian Jazz group; César Iván, a Flameno guitarist; and Mexican singer Verónica Carmona.

Tickets are \$75 per person, and may be



The 2012 Border Book Festival focuses on transformation and healing with special presentations by Hispanic and native herbalists, midwives and shamanic healers.

purchased by calling 523-3988. All proceeds benefit the Border Book Festival, a 501(c) (3) nonprofit literary and arts organization, housed in the historic Frietze Store in Mesilla, which has roots in the mid-1800s.

"The festival's artists, writers and healers are deeply involved with their communities and its healing," Chávez said. "They will join us to share their vision of a world united."

The Border Book Festival is New Mexico's longest running book fair, which began more than 20 years ago with readings, book signings and a small literary festival at the Holy Cross Retreat Center.

The event evolved into the nationally renowned Border Book Festival, which moved to Mesilla in 2004. Since then, the organization opened the Cultural Center de Mesilla and

Galería Tepín, a multicultural gallery space.

This year, writing and artwork will be gathered for "Jornada," a bilingual English and Spanish book, which will feature poetry, essays, stories and artwork from featured presenters, as well as various invited writers and artists whose work resonates with the festival's theme.

During the festival, a special exhibition of Catalina Delgado Trunk's "Papel Picado" will take place at Galería Tepín, 2220 Calle de Parian. Her art piece, "Dancing at the Portal," is featured on the 2012 festival poster.

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Festival highlights include, "An Afternoon Gathering for Women/Sanación con Sabiduría/Una Tardeada Para Mujeres," with Doña Enriqueta Contreras, who will offer a look at "Zapotec Principles of Living."

Details

Border Book Festival

The Shamanic Journey

When

Thursday, April 19, through Sunday, April 22

Where

Venues throughout Mesilla

Contact

- 523-3988
- http://borderbookfestival.org

Contreras will also offer a workshop titled "Home Remedies and the Importance of a Basic Herbal Home Kit."

Special festival guests include Diana Campoamor, director and CEO of Hispanics In Philanthropy based in San Francisco and Lourdes Portillo, a documentary filmmaker whose film "Señorita Extraviada" won the Ariel – the equivalent of an Academy Award – in Mexico. It is the story of the disappearing young women in Juárez.

The festival will end Sunday, April 22, with a blessing of the spirits, a gathering of healers and a talk with Lewis on her book, "The Navajo People and Uranium Mining."

Ben Willie, a Navajo medicine man from Tohijille, N.M., will offer the final festival ceremony.

For more information and a list of times and events, call 523-3988 or visit http://borderbookfestival.org.



Featured artist: Jan Kosnick

Beauty in the Land of Enchantment

Glass artist creates landscapes and bird baths

By Christine Peterson

Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery's April exhibit features garnets sparkling upon painted glasswork.

Jan Kosnick, artist and native New Mexican, brought her glass on glass artwork to Mesilla Valley.

Glass on glass, an art form that Kosnick has been working with for the past 13 years, looks like stained glass, but is actually two layers of glass.

One layer is solid, clear glass and the other layer is painted glass. Kosnick uses grouting to seal the two together.

"I draw all my own patterns," Kosnick said. "Then I find colored glass pieces to fit into my drawings."

Kosnick's glass pieces depict many Southwestern landscape themes, which isn't surprising, as she studied horticulture and art at New Mexico State University.

"I'm from here, my family is from here and dates back to the (time of the) conquistadors," Kosnick said.

Kosnick gives her artwork extra flair with a pop of colorful minerals. In one glass picture, "Ancient Wonder," a man is looking at a mountain while standing next to a mound that is composed of tur-

According to Kosnick's site, www. jansglass.com, she became inspired with the Southwest at a young age. As a child, she recalls her curiosity about the "haze surrounding the mountains and the desert" and her father describing it as "part of our enchantment."

In the description of her work, Kosnick's page gives a detailed glance at all the minerals she uses, through a medium that combines a unique utilization of carefully selected stained glass, crystals, polished rock, marbles and metallic foil.

Kosnick recounted how she began to explore this art form.

'I was in Austin 14 years ago, and saw a fountain that had stained glass at the bottom of it," she said. "I liked the way it looked, so I decided to try to figure out a way to make something with that, but

At first, Kosnick started making bird spas out of terracotta saucers that she would sell at the local farmers market. She then realized people wanted something that brought more "traditional light," so she started making her glass on glass.

In working with more traditional light, Kosnick worked with a builder to make a hardibacker board. Kosnick, who was a real estate agent at one point, said she was familiar with the process of trying to remodel.

In working with the hardibacker board, Kosnick utilized the placement of tiles into a cement board, offering a permanent piece of art to the building.

After making the hardibacker board, Kosnick started to do more of her glass-

She said 13 years ago, she was able to go to various glass shops in El Paso, but as the economy gave way, she discovered a new outlet for finding her glass: Hobby Lobby. The minerals she uses are all from local stores in Las Cruces and



"Tuscan Hillside" is one of many works of glass by artist Jan Kosnick being featured at the Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery for the month of April.

In the past, she was involved with a lot of exhibits and went on to win best glass artist at the Contemporary Hispanic Market in Santa Fe in 2008. She said this was the last big show she took part in before the economy collapsed.

At the Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery, Kosnick is the artist of the month. She described the gallery as a co-op in that every artist featured in the gallery also works there.

"It's a great experience," Kosnick said. While her pieces are mostly together in one area, her latest piece, "Passions Rising," is set apart, hanging over the gallery's fireplace.

"Passions Rising" is her first attempt at creating surrealistic art.

The picture is composed of a typical Kosnick Southwestern landscape element, but the surrealistic feature is a heart popping out of the mountains.

"I'm a big fan of surrealism," Kosnick

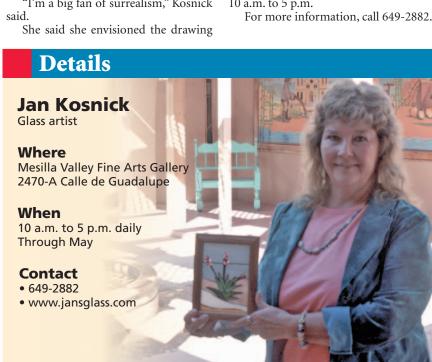
first, and then worked to cut the glass in order to fit the heart shape.

The frame surrounding the glass was made by her husband. She described the frames being as unique as her artwork, as they are made specifically for the subject matter.

In "Áncient Wonder," a friend looked at the picture Kosnick was working on, and had an idea for a frame - one that required some staining to give it a greenish finish, beautifully complementing the subject matter within the frame.

Kosnick said her latest idea will involve working with Shiprock, a large, natural rock formation in northwestern New Mexico.

The Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery, 2470-A Calle De Guadalupe, is located in the Mesilla Plaza, next to the Fountain Theatre. The gallery is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.





FRI. APR 13

DOWNTOWN It's Really happening

UPCOMING EVENTS

Acting for the Camera Black Box Theatre Rehearsal Hall

FRI. APR 13 10:30 A M Rhythm Roundup: Music, Song & Dance ages 2-5

Branigan Library

11:15 A.M. People & Stories: Read/discuss a short story

Branigan Library FRI. APR 13 3 P.M.

Fantastic Fridays! Stories & Crafts for ages 7-11 **Branigan Library**

FRI.+SAT. APR 13+14 8 P.M. **Belles**

LC Community Theatre

SAT. APR 14 9 A.M.-1 P.M. LC Farmers & Craft Market

Downtown Main St SAT. APR 14

Family Game Day LC Railroad Museum

SAT. APR 14 10 A.M.

Acting for the Camera

Black Box Theatre Rehearsal Hall SAT. APR 14 10:30 A.M.

Storytellers of Las Cruces

COAS Bookstores 11:30 A.M.

SAT. APR 14 Magic Carpet StoryTime

Branigan Cultural Center SAT. APR 14

Mt. View Market Annual Member Party **Greenworks Building**

SUN. APR 15 2 P.M. **Belles**

LC Community Theatre TUE. APR 17 10:30 A.M.

Read To Me - stories for ages 3 and up **Branigan Library**

WED. APR 18 9 A.M.-1 P.M.

LC Farmers & Craft Market **Downtown Main St**

WED. APR 18 11 A.M. Rail Readers Book Club

LC Railroad Museum WED.+THU. APR 18+19

Toddler Time! Stories for kids 1-3

Branigan Library WED. APR 18 11 A.M.

Mother Goose Time - Activities for Infants

Branigan Library FRI.+SAT. APR 20+21 10 A.M.

Railroad Days

LC Railroad Museum 9 A.M.-1 P.M.

SAT. APR 21 LC Farmers & Craft Market

Downtown Main St



ONGOING EVENTS:

- Downtown Arts RAMBLE 1st Friday of the Month 5-7pm
- Camino del Arte 2nd Saturday of the Month 11am-3pm
 Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market Wed. and Sat. Morn.

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Top 10 singles Tuesday, April 10

- **We Are Young** Fun.
- **Boyfriend**Justin Biebe
- Somebody That I Used to Know
- **Glad You Came**
- **Stronger** Kelly Clarkson
- Starships
- Nicki Mina
- **Wild Ones** Flo Rida
- Part Of Me
- What Makes You Beautiful
- **Call Me Maybe**

Top 5 albums

- MDNA Madonna
- Tuskegee Lionel Richie
- Amaryllis Shinedown

Source: www.billboard.com

Featured venue: Josefina's Old Gate

Latin rhythms in sunny Mesilla

Inside the adobe walls of Josefina's Old Gate

By Alta LeCompte

The afternoon of Easter Sunday was a time to celebrate new beginnings in the valley which included the opening of the music sea-

son on Josefina's Old Gate patio. A successful 2011 season has encouraged owner Kathleen Foreman to expand and vary

the musical offerings this year. Dueto Krystal will return from 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday evenings and most Fridays One Friday each month, a group new to Josefina's -

Feral Root – will perform. Foreman said listeners may savor the lines of five New Mexico wineries, their own Old Gate Cellars as well as Black Mesa, Ponderosa, Gruet and Vivac. Chilled pitchers of sangria also are available; teas are a specialty.

Dinner will be served until 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and trays of Mediterraneanstyle hors d'oeuvres and nacho plates will be available whenever there is music.

Sunday jam features jazz

Hors d'oeuvre trays and breakfast and lunch entrees with a "New Mexican flare" will



Blues band Feral Root will play on Josefina's Old Gate patio, 2661 Calle de Guadalupe, on selected Fridays through Oct. 12.

be available 12:30 to 4 p.m. every Sunday, when New Mexico State University jazz students will play on the patio.

A rhythm section consisting of veterans of the NMSU jazz bands: Atria Furth, piano; Ricky Abott, drums; Andres Hernandez, guitar; and his twin, Adrial Hernandez, on bass will form the house band.

Others from the university and profes-

sional musicians from the community will join them to jam, playing jazz standards and salsas. All participating musicians are expected to have prepared at least one number.

Frank "Pancho" Romero, head of the NMSU jazz pro-gram, said Sunday afternoon sessions give students an opportunity to share their talents with the community.

"Our students work extremely hard in the classroom in order to perform six or seven concerts throughout the year," he said. "Josefina's has provided a venue for them to share this effort with the public.

This is a wonderful opportunity for students to showcase their talents."

Latin rhythms return

Back by request is Dueto Krystal, the Latin duo of Rosa and Renaldo Barragan, who will play some of their varied repertoire of more

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play there.

RENALDO BARRAGAN, Dueto Krystal

than 500 numbers.

Selections range from classical guitar to Chilean and Argentinean ballads to "Crazy," which they sing in English.

The place is beautiful, the patio is beautiful, and the Mesilla restaurant clientele includes a lot of people from other places who are here on vacation," Renaldo Barragan said. "We want to play there."

The couple has worked together for 30 years, performing in restaurants and clubs in El Paso and Las Cruces as well as at private parties and the Las Cruces Christmas tree lighting ceremony.

In the past they played professionally in Mexico, did ra-dio and TV in California, and sang with mariachi groups.

After falling in love with the Las Cruces arts scene they moved here from California about eight years ago.

Feral Root debuts

Feral Root is scheduled to appear Fridays April 13, May 25, June 8, July 14, Aug. 10, Sept. 21 and Oct. 12.

Members of the group knew each other as Mayfield High School students in the 1990s. They kept in touch and played together occasionally over the years.

In 2008, guitarist Rick Hernandez, bassist Henry Jasso, saxophonist Steve Selby and drummers Michael Trujillo and Ryan Leyton pooled their talents and launched Feral Root.

This year they added pianist Jerry Chavez for a "fuller sound," Jasso said.

"We started out doing alternative rock, but we wanted to make ourselves more marketable and we matured musically as we learned Latin rock and then the more familiar tunes with Latin rhythms," he said.

Jasso said they love playing patios because the atmosphere is more relaxed and intimate and the crowd includes tourists who hear the music and come to listen.

About half their repertoire is original and half is covers. They toss in a little Reggae, and even R&B.

An audience favorite, he said, is their cover of an Argentinean group, Los Fabulosos Cadillacs - "Matador."

For more information, visit www.josefinas oldgate.com.



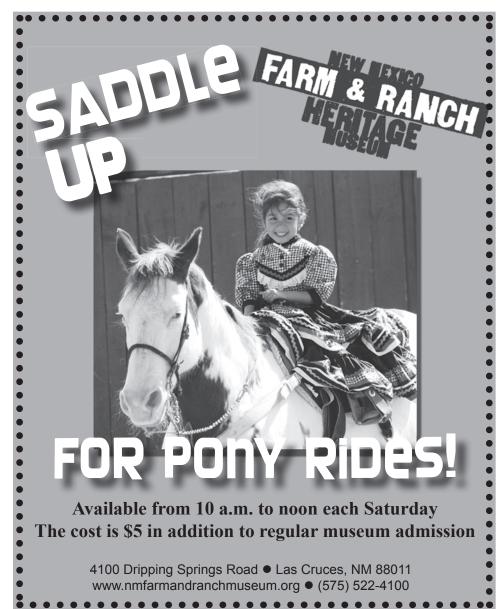
Jazz and Latin music on the patio

Josefina's Old Gate 2661 Calle de Guadalupe

Friday and Saturday evenings, Sunday afternoons

Website

www.josefinasoldgate.com



Galleries & Openings

LAST CHANCE

CUTTER GALLERY

continues to exhibit the fine artwork of Seattle artist Pat Fridell

Her portraits, watercolors and oils are delightful, with themes of celebration, Northwest landscapes and galaxy paintings. The show runs through Saturday, April 14.

The gallery is located at 2640 El Paseo Road. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 541-0658.

OPENING

ROKOKO ART GALLERY

is hosting a community show called "Gods, Goddesses, Gurus and Gremlins." It is a unique collection of work exploring faith and fantasy. An opening reception will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, April 13. Food, refreshments and a good time will be provided. Creative attire is welcome. The show runs through June 23.

The gallery is located at 1785 Avenida de Mercado in Mesilla. Hours are from noon to 5 p.m. Friday through Sunday. For more information, call 405-8877.

ADOBE PATIO GALLERY

displays "The Illuminated Landscape," by David Drummond. An opening reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 13.

The gallery will also be presenting work from members of the New Mexico Watercolor Society Southern Chapter.

The gallery is located at 1765 Avenida de Mercado. For more information, call 532-9310.

MESQUITE ART GALLERY

shows the work of Las Cruces artist Margaret Bernstein. The show runs through April 28, with an opening reception from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, April 14, as part of its Caminodelarte (art walk). Prior to the opening reception, from 2 to 4 p.m. Bernstein will hold a painting demonstration.

The gallery is located at 340 N. Mesquite St. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Saturday. For information, call 640-3502.

NOPALITO'S GALERIÁ

displays "La Platica." Experience the lives of Daniel M. Reade and David Wood, two California Column Soldiers who were given the task of delivering Billy the Kid to Pat Garrett and who established a life in the town of Las Cruces.

A talk will be given by Dean Reade, the great-grandson of Daniel M. Reade, and David Wood, the great-greatgreat-grandson of David Wood, at 3 p.m. Sunday. April 15.

at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 15.
The talk will follow a photo exhibition of Daniel M. Reade and David Wood, which will

be on display for the month of April.

The gallery is located at 310 S. Mesquite St. Hours are 3 to 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 524-0003.

ONGOING

ARALIA GALLERY is

displaying fine art.

The gallery is located at 224
N. Campo St. Hours are from
4 to 10 p.m. daily. For more
information, call 650-7543.

TOMBAUGH GALLERY

presents the dynamic duo of Marie Siegrist and Penny Simpson in "A Brush with Color" for April. The exhibit, runs through Friday, April 27, and features a variety of work by both Las Cruces painters. Watercolor is featured in much of their work but they will also have acrylics in the mix.

The gallery is located in

The gallery is located in the Unitarian Universalist Church, 2000 S. Solano Drive. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. For more information, call 522-7281.

M. PHILLIP'S GALLERY is featuring work by Eric Wallis, Nikolay Repin, Carl Fischer and Roman Frances.

The gallery is located at 221 N. Main St. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday; and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 525-1367.

MVS STUDIOS will feature

work by Amy Rankin.
The gallery is located at 535 N. Main St., next to the Branigan Cultural Center.
For more information, call 524-3636 or visit www. mysstudios.com.

MESILLA VALLEY FINE ARTS GALLERY will feature local artists Jan Kosnick and Sally Quillin for April.

Kosnick is a native New Mexican with ancestors dating back to the early Spanish settlers in northern New Mexico. She is a graduate of Las Cruces High School and New Mexico State University. Kosnick designs and creates pictures with glass, various minerals, foils and grout, making unique designs that were incorporated into walls similar to tiles.

Quillin operates a studio and gallery, and works on colorful abstracts, which will cover the walls with splashes of color. By combining bright color with textures created using a variety of modeling pastes and found objects, she celebrates a subject matter not found in reality, but the sheer joy of applying paint and texture to canvas. In addition, the 30 artists

In addition, the 30 artists of the gallery offer art in many media, which include original paintings, fused glass art jewelry, photography, mixed media, unique gourds,

stained glass, unusual beaded fine gems jewelry, affordable prints, handmade cards and miniature paintings.

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The gallery is located at 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe in Mesilla. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Sunday. For more information, call 522-2933 or visit www. mesillavalleyfinearts.com.

MAIN STREET GALLERY

presents the second annual "ABC: easy as 1-2-3" exhibition starring 26 fruits and vegetables.

If you aren't consuming the recommended daily amount of fruits and vegetables, this creative exhibition may inspire you to do so.

The Main Street Gallery

The Main Street Gallery and exhibit curators Linda Gendall and Nancy Frost Begin invited 26 artists to interpret a letter of the alphabet as their favorite – and maybe not so favorite – fruit or vegetable.

The participating artists will present work in a wide range of media.

The gallery is located at 311 N. Main St. 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.

DOÑA ANA COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER Will

display more than 100 pieces of original student art from the Las Cruces and Gadsden public schools. The exhibit includes paintings, etchings, photographs and drawings.

The artists range from elementary students to high schoolers.

The student art exhibit complements the permanent art collection within the Doña Ana County Government Center, which includes a series



"Untitled," by AnnMarie Gallegos, is one of the works on display by Las Cruces-area high school seniors at the Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St., beginning Friday, April 27.

of historical photographs in the upstairs rotunda as well as a spectacular photograph of the Organ Mountains donated in 2007 by Las Cruces artist R. Frederick Silva.

The gallery is located at 845 N. Motel Blvd. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 525-5801.

PAISANO CAFÉ AND GALLERY features paintings by Linda Hagen and Mary Zawacki. It also hosts work by the Plein Air Painters of Southern New

Mexico, including Mary Egan. All artwork is available for sale. The gallery is located at 1740 Calle de Mercado in Mesilla. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday and Tuesday; 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Tuesday; 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday through Friday; 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday; and 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 524-0211.

BRANIGAN CULTURAL

CENTER presents "Russell Lee's Road," an exhibition of photographs on display through Saturday, April 28. New Mexico State University professor Bruce Berman, as part of a larger project, began exploring the current economic depression and the work of artist Russell Lee.

Berman started prowling "Russell Lee's Road," shooting what he found and paying particular attention to the working people of the New Mexico landscape.

This exhibition is a visual representation of Berman's journey across Russell Lee's Road and the America they found through their lenses.

This exhibition is part of the "Journey Stories" exhibition that will run concurrently.

"Journey Stories," a traveling exhibition from the Smithsonian Institute's Museum on Main Street program, tells the story of Americans' journeys to and across the country.

The gallery is located at 501 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call 541-2154.

NEW MEXICO FARM & RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM

displays "Green Machines: Celebrating 175 Years of John Deere."

The museum celebrates the 175th anniversary of John Deere with an exhibit featuring restored tractors from 1929 to 1952 and other equipment.

Admission to the reception is free and a donation of at least \$2 is suggested for the lecture.

The museum is located at 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Cost \$2-\$5. For more information, call 522-4100.

MOUNTAIN GALLERY AND STUDIOS shows

art of the Las Cruces Arts Association. Also on sale is the organization's cookbook "Befores and Afters."

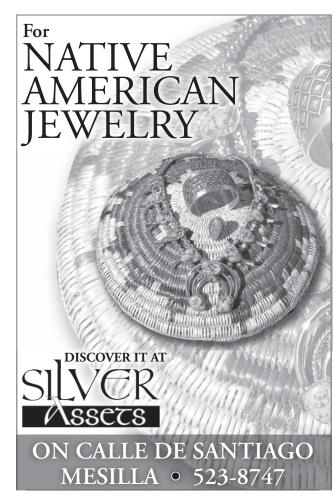
The gallery is located at 138 W. Mountain St. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday through Saturday.

QUILLIN STUDIO AND GALLERY is in the mood for spring with its energizing forces. Sally Quillin's work will be on display.

Dedri Quillin brings spring to the gallery with her happy colors for inspiring the weavers, knitters, crocheters and felters. Meanwhile, Aline Fister has

Meanwhile, Aline Fister has been working with Agatized Tampa Bay Coral to create necklaces and earrings.

necklaces and earrings. The gallery is located behind COAS Bookstore, 317 N. Main St. For more information, call 312-1064.





6 p.m. "Shine On" fund-

University's College of Arts

646-7178.

Call 527-5310.

Call 527-9400.

and Sciences. Cost \$50. Call

6 to 9 p.m. Live music, Amaro

Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. Featuring Soulshine. No cover.

7 p.m. "Magic of the

Arts Center, 5700 Mesa

Oscars," Oñate Performing

Grande Drive. Las Cruces High

School choir concert. Cost \$5.

7 to 9 p.m. Swinging Dancers of Munson Center,

Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Couples,

singles and guests are wel-

come to dance to the music of Mark Coker. Cost \$6. Call

7:30 p.m. Alan Jackson in

New Mexico State University

campus. Cost \$34-\$61. Visit

8 p.m. "Belles," Las Cruces

Community Theatre, 313 N. Main St. Cost \$7-\$10. Call

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday

Growers Market, Mountain

View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road. Featuring local vendors.

1:30 p.m. Las Cruces Arts

Association meeting, Mountain Gallery and Studios, 138 W. Mountain Ave. The

speaker will be Pat Fridell, a

pastel, oil and portrait artist

who currently has a show at

the Cutter Gallery. Free. Call

2 p.m. "Belles," Las Cruces Community Theatre, 313 N.

Main St. Cost \$7-\$10. Call

2 p.m. Good Time Singers

in concert, St. Paul's United Methodist Church's Fellowship

Hall, 225 W. Griggs Ave. The

chorus is performing "USO Songbook," a musical tribute to

veterans and the music of the

'40s. Cost \$5. Call 541-4520.

2 to 4 p.m. Bluegrass and

folk music jam, Ďoña Ana

players are welcome. Park

behind building on Gregg Street. Free. Call 526-5174.

Community College commons area, 3400 S. Espina St. All

www.ticketmaster.com.

SUN. 4/15

Free. Call 523-0436.

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concert, Pan American Center,

raiser, Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. Benefiting New Mexico State

Events Calendar

FRI. 4/13

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. "Acting for the Camera" workshop, Black Box Theatre rehearsal hall, 717A N. Mesquite St. An intensive acting class for film and television. Cost \$75. Call 545-4665

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Project in **Motion aerial workshop,** The Gin Studio, 430 N. Compress St. Cost \$25. Call 208-4413.

7 p.m. "Magic of the Oscars," Oñate Performing Arts Center, 5700 Mesa Grande Drive. Las Cruces High School choir concert. Cost \$5. Call 527-9400.

7:30 p.m. "Language of Flowers," Doña Ana Community College, East Mesa Auditorium, 2800 Sonoma Ranch Blvd. A play that captures the spirit of Hispanic life, both immigrant and assimilated, in America. Cost \$5. Email chmbrs@nmsu.edu.

8 p.m. "Belles," Las Cruces Community Theatre, 313 N. Main St. Cost \$7-\$10. Call 523-1200.

SAT. 4/14

8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Las **Cruces Farmers & Crafts** Market, Downtown Main Street. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh produce, unique fine art and much more. Free. Email fcmarket @las-cruces.org.

10 a.m. to noon, Family

rides will take place on the museum's "South 20" near the Horse & Cattle Barn. Cost \$5. Call 522-4100.

10:30 a.m. Storytellers of Las Cruces, COAS Bookstores, 317. N Main St. and 1101 S. Solano Drive. The storytellers Downtown will be Sarah "Juba" Addison and Sharlene Witterton. The storyteller on Solano will be Judith Ames. COAS will give coupons for free books to all children who attend. Free. Call 526-8377.

11:30 a.m. to noon, Magic Carpet StoryTime, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Free. Call 541-2154.

1 to 2:30 p.m. Writing Group, Las Cruces GLBTQ Center, 1210 N. Main St. Free. Call 635-4902

1 to 3 p.m. Project in Motion auditions, The Gin Studio, 430 N. Compress St. Free. Call 208-4413.

3 p.m. "Magic of the Oscars," Oñate Performing Arts Center, 5700 Mesa Grande Drive. Las Cruces High School choir concert. Cost \$5. Call 527-9400.

5 to 6 p.m. Beginning drum class, My Place Jewell, 140-A Wyatt Drive. Learn the basic Middle Eastern rhythms. Cost \$2. Call 526-9509.

5 to 9 p.m. Mountain View Market Annual Member

Game Day, Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Party, Greenworks building, 125 Main St. Celebrate Free. Call 647-4480. another year with the Co-op Expo, dinner from local res-10 a.m. to noon, Pony rides, taurants and locally brewed beer. Free for members. Call New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Las Cruces Community Theatre is Proud to Present A Play by: Mark Dunn Directed By: Gail Wheeler When: April 13th - 29th A play in 2 acts and 45 phone calls! Message: Showtimes: 8:00 P.M. FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS 2:00 p.m. Sundays For Reservations: lcctnm.org or 523-1200 Gala Night **Ticket Prices** Adults \$10 Students/Seniors/Military ... Groups of ten or more Children six and under Presented by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

Playbill

OPENING Belles

Las Cruces Community Theatre 313 N. Main St. \$7-\$10 523-1200 Opens Friday, April 13

Romeo and Juliet Doña Ana Community College DACC East Mesa Auditorium 2800 Sonoma Ranch Blvd. Opens Thursday, April 12

5 to 6 p.m. Project in Motion auditions, The Gin Studio. 430 N. Compress St. Free. Call 208-4413.

7 p.m. Jazz Unlimited Big Band concert, First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. They will perform a variety of Jazz standards from the '40s, '50s and '60s. Cost \$1-\$8. Call 525-9333.

7 to 9:30 p.m. Argentine **Tango lessons,** Academy of Music & Dance, 1809 El Paseo Road. Cost \$5. Call 642-1699.

MON. 4/16

10 a.m. Yarn Junkies meeting, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Meet to exchange knitting ideas. Free. Call 522-4499.

7 to 9:30 p.m. Argentine **Tango lessons,** Academy of Music & Dance, 1809 El Paseo Road, Cost \$5, Call 642-1699

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Festival of Colors, Corbett Center Student Union, NMSU campus. The event will consist of free lunch, DJ Berto and informational tables. Free, Call 646-7031.

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. "The Laramie Project," Digital Movie Theater in Milton Hall on the NMSU campus. The movie is about the death of Matthew Shepard, a gay college student, who was beaten and left for dead on a fence post in Wyoming. Free. Call 646-7031.

TUE. 4/17

5 to 6 p.m. Beginning belly dance class, My Place Jewell, 140-A Wyatt Drive. Learn to dance and use props. Great exercise for the body and mind. Cost \$2. Call 526-9509. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, April 13, at The Gin Studios, 430 N. Compress St. It is also holding auditions for its dance company from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 14, and from 5 to 6 p.m. Sunday, April 15. For more information, call 208-4413. 6:30 p.m. Stitch & Visit

Project in Motion is holding an aerial workshop from

5 to 9 p.m. "The Legacy of Matthew Shepard," L Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. Speaker Judy Shepard has made the prevention of hate crimes the focus of her efforts, and urges her audiences to make their schools and communities safer for everyone, regardless of race, sex, religion, gender identity and/or expression. Free. Call 646-7031.

6 to 7 p.m. Evening with a **Doctor,** Mountain View Market Co-op, 1300 El Paseo Road. Kelley Elkins will focus on looking at today's health issues and present ideas that change perceptions of health. Free. Email kelley@anextstep.org.

6 to 9 p.m. Argentine Tango, Meson de Mesilla, 1803 Avenida de Mesilla. No cover. Call 642-1699.

7:30 p.m. Literary open mic, Palacio Bar, 2600 Avenida de Mesilla. Bring three poems or five minutes of prose to read. Free. Call 521-7311.

7:30 p.m. NMSU Percussion Ensemble concert, Atkinson Recital Hall, NMSU campus. The concert is diverse and includes music by John Cage, Steve Reich and George Hamilton Green. Free. Call 646-2901.

WED. 4/18 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Las

Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market, Downtown Main Street. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh produce, unique fine art and much more. Free. Email fcmarket @las-cruces.org.

11 a.m. Rail Readers Book Club, Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Discussion of Mary Daheim's book "Loco Motive." Free. Call 647-4480.

meeting, Hastings, 2350 E. Lohman Ave. Creative ideas and good conversation are shared. To participate, bring a portable craft. Free. Call 525-1625, email meadows@ zianet.com or visit www. lascrucesstitches.multiply.com.

7 to 8:30 p.m. GLBTQ lecture with Eric Alva,

Corbett Center Student Union Ballrooms, NMSU campus. A reception will follow. Alva was the first American wounded in the war in Iraq, and the war's first Purple Heart recipient. Free. Call 646-7031

7:45 to 8:45 p.m. Your **Day,** Mountain View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road. Lifestyle coach Siddeeq Shabazz hosts another SelfMastery book club and will discuss "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People, by Stephen Covey. Free. Call 510-459-2671.

THU. 4/19

9 a.m. to noon, Fiber Club, My Place Jewell, 140-A Wyatt Drive. Cost \$2. Call 526-9509.

1 to 2 p.m. Store tours, Mountain View Market Co-op, 1300 Fl Paseo Road Learn how to shop savvy while meeting your every dietary need. Free. Call 523-0436.

7 p.m. Border Book Festival Mole Fest fundraiser, Basilica of San Albino, 2280 Calle Principal. Hosted by international Mole chef Pilar Cabrera. Cost \$75. Call 523-3988.

7 to 10 p.m. GLBTQ Drag **Show,** Corbett Center Student Union Ballroom, NMSU campus. Free. Call 646-7031.

5 to 6 p.m. Beginning belly dance class, My Place Jewell 140-A Wyatt Drive. Learn to dance and use props. Cost \$2. Call 526-9509.





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AtTheMovies

The dark tale of an isolated reformery

Movie is based on a true story in Norway

Review by **Jeff Berg**

Dark and brooding, but blessed with a refreshing look at an old story, "King of Devil's Island" is based on a true story that took place in Norway.

Bastoy Island, home of an isolated reformatory for boys from 1900 to 1953, might be seen as a wintry version of our own Alcatraz. It is a place replete with rocky shores, distance from the mainland (not to mention everything else) and one that added snow and cold Arctic winds to the mix. It certainly was a place where "maladjusted" boys could be deprived of everything except drudging routine and discipline, and that's indeed what it became.

In this story, it is 1915 and Erling, a somewhat intimidating, tough and smart lad, arrives at Bastoy and immediately sets about to make things different, and not in a lovey-dovey way.

He challenges authority at every turn, and with the support of the younger, more easily

intimidated Olav, sees and announces the things only others see.

Totalitarianism – as we've noticed a few times in the midle-east and would notice if someone like Rick Santorum were elected president – never works for long.

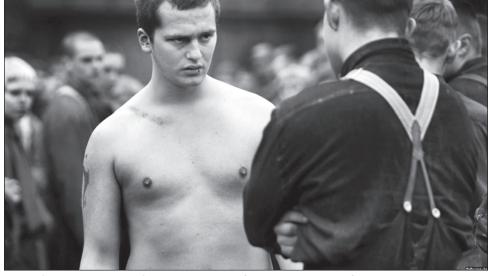
As Erling continues to be incorrigible, it is revealed that one of the instructors is also a big time pedophile.

Hell hath no fury like Erling, although it is not in a completely violent way. Erling, a "Cool Hand Luke" character –

Erling, a "Cool Hand Luke" character – sans any sign of a sense of humor – along with the occasionally humanitarian institute director, beautifully played by Stellan Skarsgard, are what help carry the film, along with the very well nurtured friendship between Olav and Erling.

They have moments that are almost like story times, when they develop an ongoing adventure story, and the illiterate Erling is given some basic reading and writing lessons by Olav, who is secretly a victim in many ways.

Skarsgard – as the headmaster – does



Erling (Benjamin Helstad) leads the boys of the Norwegian reformatory – the Bastoy – to a violent uprising against a brutal regime, now playing at the Fountain Theatre.

"King of Devil's Island" begins Friday, April 13, at the Fountain Theatre GRADE

in Mesilla. Running time is two hours and

it is in Norwegian, with English subtitles.

overlook some things and is siphoning off funds, but when his boundaries are touched things change dramatically.

"King of Devil's Island" could be just like any other bad-boys-in-prison film, but it is greatly enhanced by the smaller details, along with the fact that it never takes an overt defense of what happens on Bastoy – until the end – and doesn't make judgments about what is going on. After all, it is 1915, and touchy feely punishment for criminals

didn't really exist then.

Ironically, Bastoy still exists, albeit in a completely different way. Still a part of the Norwegian prison system, it is now seen as a model of a new form of criminal justice: one that allows for more levity and training as opposed to oppression and violence. It is also said to be the first ecological

prison in Norway's so-called liberal prison system. It is a minimum-security facility that rehabs inmates with things such as horseback riding and no walls, overcrowding, armed guards or strict discipline.

But 100 years ago, things were much different and when Erling, Olav and the others finally have had enough, all hell breaks loose, with ice as a major ally.

Taut, believable and moving, the "King

of Devil's Island" is a realistic and gripping piece of work.

Jeff Berg should be on Devil's Island...jeffberg@ lascrucesbulletin.com.

Jeff Berg is a board member of the Mesilla Valley Film Society and freelance writer for several publications. His reviews reflect his own opinion, not of the film society or the board.

A warrior's strength, dignity and heart

'Ulzana's Raid' to play at the Fountain Theatre

The CineMatinee for 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 14, is "Ulzana's Raid" (1972, 103 minutes, rated R).

Burt Lancaster was one of America's most versatile actors. He made his role in "Ulzana's Raid" one of his best. The film has a gritty realism and its main character has a determined, no-nonsense acceptance of his destiny that makes it stand out among Hollywood's long line of Westerns. Trust me, it's a lot better than its title would suggest.

Lancaster plays McIntosh, a scout for the Army in the late 1880s in Arizona. He is assigned to help a party of troopers find a band of renegade Apaches led by a warrior named Ulzana.

There is not much in the way of plot. Ulzana has decided to leave the reservation and bring strength and dignity to himself and his followers by raiding the nearby countryside. By killing others, he and his people believe they can gain power from their victims.

McIntosh accompanies a young lieutenant, played by Bruce Davison, who is ordered to bring Ulzana in, dead or alive – preferably dead.

Veteran director Robert Aldrich ("Vera Cruz," "The Dirty Dozen," "The Longest Yard") fashions from this simple premise a tight, violent, little-suspense thriller, with ever mounting tension in good measure. Each side waits for the other to make a mistake. It's not another Old West shoot 'em up but a strategic chess match between

McIntosh and the cavalry on one side and Ulzana and his band on the other. What's best, the movie plays no favorites. The white men are portrayed just as bad and just as savage as the Apaches.

Clearly, neither group has any regard for the other. It is only McIntosh who bears no grudge; he is merely doing what he thinks is just and right. Opposite him, the young officer starts out not understanding how people of either race could be so cruel, but he soon learns from experience the meaning of hate.

In some ways, this 1972 film parallels the war then raging in Vietnam, describing a no-win situation for both sides.

CineMatinee is a unique blend of movies presented by the Mesilla Valley Film Society which showcases unique films, past and present, often with an emphasis on life in the West – the new West, Old West or anything in between – and "movies that missed us," notable films that never had a lot of publicity.

The series is designed to show area residents that film is a form of art and education as well as entertainment. At least one film a month for this series has a New Mexico "connection," drawing from the vast pool of movies made in the state – nearly 500 – or perhaps featuring a star/story from New Mexico talent.

Unless otherwise noted, screening time is 1:30 p.m., and admission is \$4 for everyone except film society members who are admitted for \$1.

The Fountain Theatre is located at 2469 Calle de Guadalupe, one-half block south of the Mesilla Plaza. For more information, call 524-8287.



Spring is in full bloom

Museums welcome new events and exhibits

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Aaron Henry DiazFoundation for
Las Cruces Museums



The temperature is warming, native vegetation is blooming, and the desert is once again coming back to life: Spring is here.

After your weekly routines, tasks, and normal day-to-day headaches I'd suggest the perfect place to decompress is at one of our four museums.

Any day is a good day to visit one of our museums, and there are plenty of special exhibits and upcoming events.

In museum news, the 2011 annual report has been released. The board would like to give special thanks to Museum Director Will Ticknor for putting together another comprehensive and informative report. The report highlights that despite ever-decreasing

resources, the museums continued to present high-quality programming and exhibitions to the people of Las Cruces.

Another area of great achievement was in our volunteer hours. More than 8,000 hours of volunteer service were logged last year, a new record that speaks to the dedication and ardor of our museum volunteers.

As we advance into 2012, the community can look forward to the unveiling of new exhibitions and commence-

ment of new programming with the Smithsonian-caliber standard we now maintain.

The Railroad Museum is gearing up for its fifth annual Railroad Days, a two-day celebration of Las Cruces' railroading past, present and future. The event will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, April 20, and Saturday, April 21.

This year, the Centennial Caboose will be on display, and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad and the Union Pacific Railroad are bringing equipment that will be available for

viewing on Saturday. Entertainment will include Harvey Girl re-enactors from the Railroad and Transportation Museum of El Paso, a barbershop quartet, vendors and educational booths.

The Doña Ana Modular Railroad Club will have its spectacular model train layouts running, and Model A's will be on display outside.

We invite everyone to come enjoy

the celebration.

We look forward to the upcoming exhibitions showcasing the artistic talent of our area's graduating students, with the graduating high school seniors exhibit beginning Friday, April 27, and the New Mexico State University senior Bachelor of Fine Arts show beginning

"Russell Lee's Road," the exhibit from New Mexico State University professor and photographer Bruce Berman, continues through April 28. If you haven't already viewed Berman's works, come see an exceptional documentary of rural Southwest living and a great accompaniment to "Journey Stories."

The Museum of Natural History has several exciting events to attend this month. "To the Moon: Snoopy Soars with NASA" continues at the museum through May 8. The three-part series EXPLORE begins at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 14, at the museum with "EXPLORE: Fire," where Dr. Vincent Gutschick of the Las Cruces Academy will delve into the mysteries of fire during family-friendly demonstrations and discussions.

On Saturday, April 21, the museum will lead an expedition to Palm-Park Mine, north of Hatch, where participants can collect specimens of minerals and small invertebrate fossils. Registration for this event is due by April 14.

In celebration of National Astronomy Day, the museum will team up with the NMSU Astronomy Department from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 28. The day's activities include a demonstration on using solar telescopes, the creation of astronomy-themed crafts, a "kitchen comet" cooking class and making a functional star map. Later in the evening, participants can bring their map creations to the Tombaugh Observatory at NMSU for Sky Safari from 8 to 10 p.m.

In Foundation news, we are proud to announce the release of a new hardcover book: "Historic Las Cruces: The Story of Las Cruces & The Mesilla Valley," written by Christopher Schurtz. The past board had a huge hand in making this book a reality, and we thank them for their dedication.

The public can look forward to an event celebrating the release of this exceptional historical account to be announced next month.

If you are not a friend of the Las Cruces Museums visit www.flcm.blogspot.com for more information.

See you at the museums.

Railroad Days coming soon

Locomotive lovers gear up for weekend dedicated to trains

The fifth annual Railroad Days will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 20-21.

The festivities celebrate Las Cruces' railroading past, present and future.

Throughout the two-day event, the Doña Ana Modular Railroad Club will have its model train layouts running and staff will be on hand to answer questions relating to railroading's rich history.

The Centennial Caboose will be on display for viewing as restoration efforts begin on this historic piece of rolling stock.

In addition to the caboose, the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad and the Union Pacific Railroad are bringing equipment that will be available for viewing on Saturday. All of the railroad's rolling stock will be available for viewing from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 21.

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Inside the museum, there will be Harvey Girl re-enactors from the Railroad and Transportation Museum of El Paso and model trains will be running. Outside will have Model A's, a barbershop quartet, vendors and education booth.

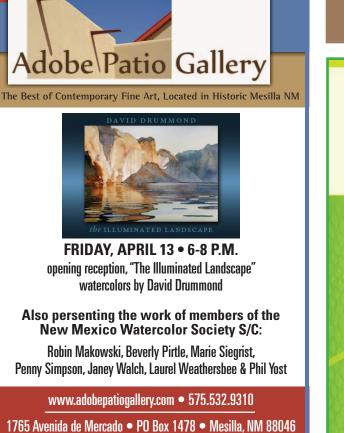
Friday, April 20, is Students' Day with special tours by appointment for groups and activities for the kids throughout the day.

The museum is open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Railroad Days is free and open to the public. The Railroad Museum is located at 351 N. Mesilla St.

For more information, visit http://museums.las-cruces.org or call 647-4480.







THE MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY **Summer Camps** ALL CAMPS WILL BE HELD Monday - Friday • 8 a.m. - noon The Museum of Natural History is currently accepting registration for the following summer camps: **DREAM IT!**, BUILD IT! TEST IT! June 4 - 8, \$150 fee, ages 10 - 12**CRIME SCENE DETECTIVE** June 11 – 15, \$125 fee, ages 7 – 9 **FANTASTIC FLORA!** June 18 - 22, \$100 fee, ages 7 - 9 JUNIOR PALEONTOLOGIST June 25 – 29, \$75 fee, ages 5 – 6 For more information or to register, please call (575) 522-3120 or e-mail khanson@las-cruces.org **從 City of Las Cruces**

Planting seeds for future endeavors

Rio Grande Theatre is planning a busy spring



David Salcido

Art Happens

Well, it's official.

The Rio Grande Theatre's newest tenant, Driftwood Productions, has announced that the very first show to kick off their tenure in their new home will be "Nunset Boulevard," the seventh in the Nunsense series by Dan Goggin.

Considering this troupe is best known for its Nunsense shows, as directed by the late Art Haggerton, this move makes a lot of sense. It's also a beautiful tribute to the man who made it all happen for two decades, as part of the Las Cruces Community Theatre.

We are hopeful those who remember Haggerton and his productions, as well as all those who enjoy musical theater at its finest, will come out to see the continuing fruits of his labors when "Nunset Boulevard" hits the boards July 8-17.

This is also another great opportunity for those in the theater community to get involved. Auditions for "Nunset Boulevard" will take place at the Rio Grande Theatre from 7 to 9 p.m. April 15-16. Five female roles will be cast, ages 17 and up. Actors will be expected to perform one song and do cold reads from the script.

We are also looking for backstage personnel to help with this production, including set builders and costumers. Because this is the first full production by Driftwood in its new incarnation, sponsors and donors are also greatly appreciated to help defray start-up costs.

If you are interested in getting involved in any way, or need more information about

Driftwood Productions and "Nunset Boulevard," call Kathleen Murphy at 571-3387.

Speaking of regular tenants of the Rio Grande Theatre, the Las Cruces Civic Concert Association has begun its annual membership drive and is looking for discerning patrons to help continue its mission of bringing quality musical performances to southern New Mexico.

For more than 40 years, the LCCCA has been wowing audiences with award-winning, internationally renowned musicians performing live on local stages.

The last three seasons have been at the Rio Grande Theatre, though these entertainers are more accustomed to playing such prestigious venues as Carnegie Hall, the Royal Albert Hall and Vienna's Musikverein. We are very proud to be part of this exceptional ongoing series.

The line-up for next season includes concert pianist Jason Coleman, the Ron Thielman Big Band, the critically acclaimed Lee Trio and award-winning cellist Sebastian Baverstam.

Individual price for each concert is \$20, but all four concerts can be had with a membership cost of only \$55.

The LCCCA will conclude its third season at the Rio Grande Theatre Sunday, April 22, when they bring the Poulenc Trio to the stage, so as an added bonus, new members who join before that date will receive free admission to that show.

To find out more, call 521-4051 and do your part to help the LCCCA continue its vital mission of bringing world-class entertainment to the Mesilla Valley.

And, finally, if you haven't yet done so there is still time to get your nominations in for the Doña Ana Arts Council's 2012 Community Art Awards, honoring "special



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individuals who are actively involved in promoting and enhancing the visual and performing arts in our community through leadership, support and advocacy."

If you know somebody who fits that bill, nomination forms can be downloaded from the website at www.las-cruces-arts. org. Deadline to submit a nomination is Monday, April 23.

The Community Art Awards will be celebrated on Thursday, May 31, with a Cubanthemed "upscale street party" in front of the Rio Grande Theatre.

Tickets are \$15 per person or \$25 per couple

and can be reserved by calling 523-6403.

April and May are very busy months here at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St., with a wide array of dance, music, theater and film.

As always, you can visit our website at www.riograndetheatre.com to get the full schedule of events in our calendar section.

And while you're at it, pop in to www.lascruces-arts.org to check out the new overhaul of the Arts Council's website. There is plenty to see and experience.

As always, thank you for your support. We couldn't do any of it without you.

Marchapalooza for babies

Festival benefits Southern NM March of Dimes

By **Amanda Green**Las Cruces Bulletin

A music festival supporting the Southern New Mexico March of Dimes will be held from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 13, at St. Clair Winery & Bistro, 1720 Avenida de Mesilla.

"We are active participants in the March for Babies and the March of Dimes," said Marchapalooza co-organizer Theresa Montoya Basaldua. "So we asked ourselves what else we could do to help fundraise for these great charities."

Planning began, and Basaldua reached out to Bravo Mic Communications to provide emcees for the event.

"Lynz Green and Jack Lutz from The Rocket volunteered to be hosts," Basaldua said. "All of the volunteers and the vendors have been wonderfully supportive and giving."

The night kicks off with the acoustic sounds of Chris Baker; soft melodies of La Cella Bella, a cello quartet; country music from Crooked Beaver Creek; and local rock group Wormhole.

The concert will end with music from Turncoat, a top-40 cover band, Archetyped, who offer a melodic metal, and finally Beyond the Ash, a heavy metal group.

Volunteers from all over the city have gathered to set-up and run the concert, including event organizers from the Pan Am center, stagehands to help set up and break down sets as well as Basaldua and Steven Parra's March for Babies team, The Babysavers.

At 8 a.m. Saturday, April 28, The Babysavers will be one of the dozens of teams participating in the Southern New Mexico March For Babies at Young Park.

"Instead of asking people to donate money for our walk, we're asking that they come to Marchapalooza," Basaldua said. "One hundred percent of all t-shirt and ticket sales will go directly to the March for Babies."

Tickets to the festival are \$15, or \$25 for admission and a Marchapalooza T-shirt. They can be purchased at http://holdmyticket.com/event/38953.

Children 12 and under are free and anyone 21 and over will receive six free wine tastings, courtesy of St. Clair. The winery will also have a concert-friendly menu for guests to purchase from.

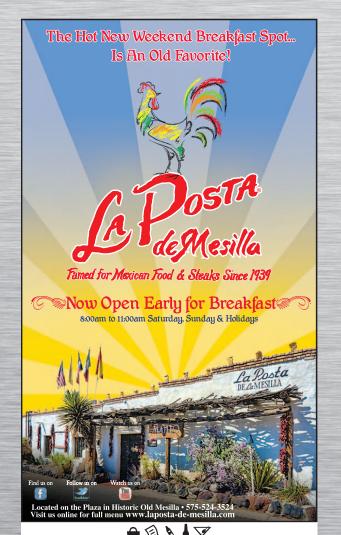
The concert will be general admission and attendees are encouraged to bring chairs, blankets and anything else they need to enjoy the warm evening.

For more information, call Balsaldua at 524-8061.



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Zimmer called a "soft opening."

"After I set up shop, I didn't really

The café is tucked behind Sun

a style Zimmer

The café is

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to fit a variety of

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Coffee Roasters

in Las Cruces.

"The community is important to

Among the café's décor are the

'Artists come in for coffee and

me," Zimmer said. "I want people to

feel comfortable here and know what

works from artists who have wandered

in and approached Zimmer about

end up leaving pieces of themselves

behind," Zimmer said. "Recently, I've

shown Polish pottery, paintings and

vide space for community creativity

and a diverse customer base. Café de

Mesilla has a world map on one wall,

covered in pins. Each pin represents

Zimmer said she is happy to pro-

I'm serving is locally sourced."

hanging a few pieces in her shop.

Café de Me-

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New Mexico."

advertise," Zimmer said. "I wanted

people to discover us by word of

mouth, and slowly the crowds began

- on the north side of the plaza.

Within are brightly colored walls and

A hidden treasure

Café de Mesilla nestled just off the plaza

I fell in love

with Mesilla,

the weather, the

people. It was

perfect.

By Amanda Green

A new door has appeared on the outskirts of the historic Mesilla Plaza. Once an entry way, it had been paved over with sun-baked adobe vears before.

Joyce Zimmer discovered the Dance - a furniture and gift store hidden door, and received permission from officials in Mesilla to recreate it.

"I first noticed the adobe was creased and indented," Zimmer said. "When we discovered it was a door, I knew that I wanted it to be my door."

Recreating the once hidden doorway, Zimmer turned the small, hidden room into her space of dreams.

Café de Mesilla was created with the love and memory of Zimmer's father who passed away shortly before the idea for the café came to "I knew I always wanted to have

my own business," Zimmer said. "So I found something that would suit myself and the town it was in." Zimmer moved to Mesilla in Oc-

tober 2010 from Quebec, Canada, where she worked as a government official.

"I needed a change of scenery," Zimmer said. "I fell in love with Mesilla, the weather, the people. It was

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where a customer is from, From Tai wan to Africa, Canada and beyond, the reach of Zimmer's business is impressive.

"Our customers have been just incredible," Zimmer said. "I've taken a lot of their ideas and advice into shaping the café."

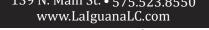
Café de Mesilla hosts a social athering the second and fourth Tuesday of each month and is benning a regular schedule of poetry

The café is open from 9 a.m. to 5 o.m. daily, but will be extending its ours as the weather warms up.



















other media.



Old-fashioned family fun at Springfest 2012



Denise and Xavier Torres, 8, compete in the Springfest egg toss Saturday, April 7, at Young Park.



Kireangel Bahe, 8, and Martha and Eliza Aguirre, 6, hold on tight on an amusement park ride.



Tracy Hall, 2, feeds a goat a piece of straw.



Andrew Alvarez, 3, stacks building blocks.



Aliah Sandoval and Julianne Martinez



Joann Boone and Jacob Makens after a shaving cream fight

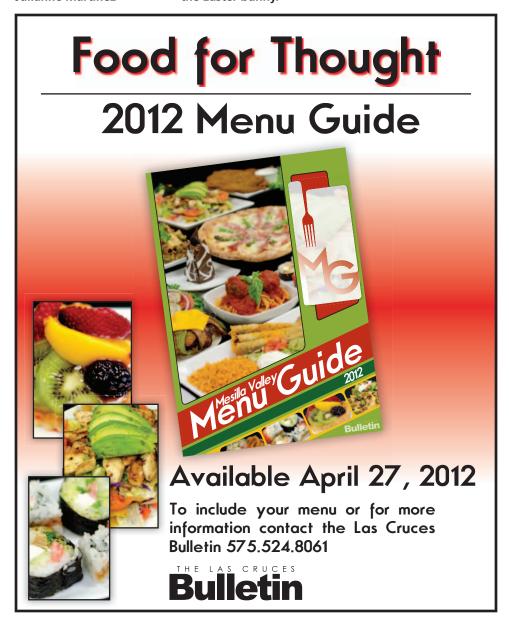


Evelyn Garcia, 4, does



Erica, 6, and Timothy Padron, 9, posed for photos with

















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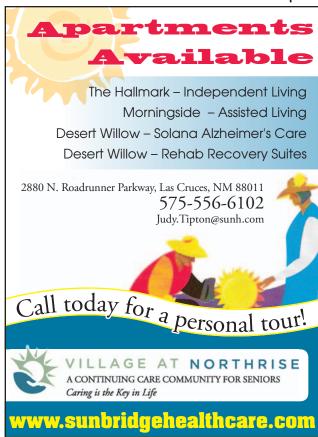
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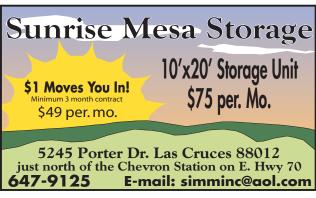


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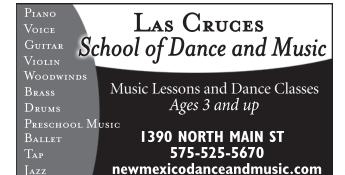
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Thursday, April 19

8 p.m. Bataan Death March - 70th Anniversary

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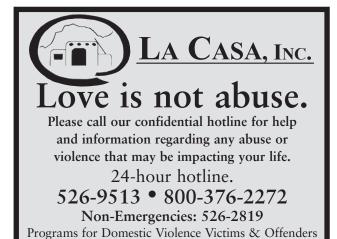
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Sudoku

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 gray matter.

Tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

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BrainGames

Word Salsa

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

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Crossword Puzzles

Diagramless, 21 x 21

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

ACROSS

- 1 Snatch
- 5 Catches
- Young fish
- 10 Cambodian currency
- 11 In a visual way
- 13 Get into
- 14 Wipe out
- 15 Pa and ta ending
- 16 All the rage 19 Some household heads
- 20 Drug tsars 23 Trophy for a matador
- 24 Successes
- 26 Fall behind
- 27 Revelation response
- 28 Biblical mount
- 29 Have real existence
- 30 Fool
- 36 Restricted to a select group
- 42 Anti-slavery fighter, Charles
- 43 Iraqi currency
- 44 Opponents
- 48 Mark or shade with two or more intersecting parallel lines
- 52 Mariner's point
- 53 Surrounding glows
- 55 Imp followers
- 56 Gothic author Radcliffe
- 57 Worries
- 58 Alpine sight
- 59 Balderdash
- 60 Groaner
- Other side 62 Baptist leader?
- Small intake
- Absorb, with "up"
- Talk about old times 65
- 71 Flatten, in a way
- Advertising sign 72 73 Show off
- 74 Gossips

DOWN

- 1 Federal printing office (abbr.)
- Grammy category
- "A jealous mistress": Emerson
- 4 Wedding participant
- 5 Alcoholic cookie?
- 6 Feel fluish
- Make sense
- 8 Arch
- 12 Hold
- 16 Top dog
- Island near Kauai 18 Impermanent
- 20 Arizona city
- 21 Truth alternative
- 22 Seasoned
- Scouts grp. 24
- 25 Galahad, for one
- 31 Horse's hue River to the North Sea
- 32
- 33 It's stranded
- "Listen un!" 35
 - Amp conclusion Repeats 5 times for an
- Abba song
- 38 Strenath
- 39 Advantages 40 __-di-dah
- 41 Time period
- 44 Duds
- 45 The "A" in A.D.
- 46 Brit heroes in WW II
- 47 Overtaking
- 48 Sleeping a little
- 49 Chess end it abbreviation
- Madison Avenue award
- 51 Aesop's also-ran
- Alumni meeting 65 Type of cage
- 66 Botch
- 67 Bygone bird
- Poseidon's domain
- 69 Cygnet's father 70 One-striper: abbr.

ON THE FLY

- **ACROSS**
- 1 Find out 5 "For Whom the Bell Tolls" actor Tamiroff
- 9 Early bird?
- 12 Ben Franklin's belief 17 "A Chapter on Ears"
- essavist
- 18 Sharp dresser
- 19 Lot, often
- 20 Golfing countryman of Seve
- Genesis no-no
- 24 Stat
- "My Fair Lady" girl 26 Bars bought dry 27 "Madama Butterfly"
- accessory
- 28 VCR button
- Former French coin 32 Exercise done on a bench?
- Luggage checker
- 36 Make sacred using oil
- Maine campus town
- 39 Discoverer's cry From __: slight progress
- 42 Putting concession 43 Flower named for a
- legendary beast
- 45 Bridge expert Culbertson
- 47 Takes to court
- 48 Run away
- 49 Skirt feature
- 50 Dallas sch.
- 51 Fruity spread
- 55 A-list Two-time Golden Lion winner
- Scrub the launch
- 59 Quenches
- 60 Hinder 61 Old Greek assembly area
- Perform using blades
- 63 Made level
- 65 Trial answers 66 Musical liability 68 More calamitous
- 69 Unstable, metaphorically 72 Carpooler's lane
- 74 Flabby 75 Mediation aggv
- 76 Slippery fish 77 Studio stance 78 ABC dramedy ". Stone
- 79 Stylish but simple dress color
- 83 Long-eared bounders 84 Old Italian bread

- 86 Enzyme suffix 87 Perjurers Assembles
- 89 Last to come out Flip call 92
- "... the grace of God __" 93 Superfund
- enforcer: Abbr.
- 94 Word heard before hiking? "__ porridge hot 95
- Steinbeck family 98 Horror host

dubbed "Mistress

- of the Dark" 1964 Burt
- Lancaster thriller 106 Gob
- 107 Seine sights 108 Part of Q.E.D.
- Helper 110 They take a while to read
- 111 Old map letters 112 Old Sinclair rival

113 Radiance

- **DOWN** Exec often seen in his PJs
- Band with the 1977 album "Out of the Blue"
- 3 Get out in the open
- 4 Broccoli . 5 Nut
- Invasive Asian It can be half-baked
- Fellows Home of the volcano Chimborazo
- 10 Grouse
- Laughs at, perhaps Rounded felt hat Symphony that includes a
- funeral march Starter: Abbr. 15 Watch the kids 16 Lea sound
- 19 In the area 20 Pacific Northwest
- metropolis Graff of "Mr. Belvedere' SLR setting

28 Indian tunes

- 29 Problem
- Take some heat Wipe out Smith, at times 32
- 34 Put away platefuls Courteous Places to see smileys,
- briefly 38 Scott Turow memoir
- 39 Lace end 41 Memory units
- 43 Very, in slang 44 Media workers' org. 47 Celerity Roofing material

53 Lusitania sinker

- Modify Bread that's boiled before it's baked
- 54 Trunk Savanna grazer "The Maids" playwright
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- Defendant's need 61 62 Broccoli part
- 63 Lemon of the '50s 64 Concertmaster's instrument
- 65 Race prize Rebelled 69 Big blowout
- 70 Creeps up on 71 Min. parts "Roman Holiday" scooter
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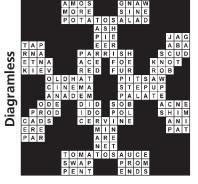
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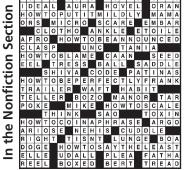
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

Fact or fiction? Eve gave Adam the apple and Adam swallowed it. But it looks like a bit got stuck in his throat - now known as Adam's apple.





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between Jack

Dawson and Rose

DeWitt still pulls

heartstrings.

'Titanic' goes 3-D

Review by Christine Peterson

Just as in 1912, as the deck of a ship shouldn't have been adjusted to not include enough lifeboats for aesthetic's sake, "Titanic's" already powerful storyline shouldn't have been left to sink when filmed in 3-D.

The film's undeniable ill-fated romance

between Jack Dawson (Leonardo DiCaprio) and Rose DeWitt (Kate Winslet) still pulls heartstrings. "My Heart Will Go On," will become stuck in your head again after viewing, and tears will come to vour eves when you realize that Rose does, in fact,

The story of the tragic sinking of the Titanic, on it's maiden voyage (not to mention they sold tickets with the promise the ship was "unsinkable") runs concurrently to the meeting, wooing and untimely demise of Jack and Rose's curious relationship.

The tale is a classic homage to the idea of the star-crossed lovers. Similar to Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" Jack is from the poor, working, third class, while Rose is

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her by her upper-class rich fiancee (Billy

With the use of some of the most advanced computer animated graphics available at the time (it was only 1997, and Windows XP was still in beta testing) "Titanic" shocked audiences with the realistic sinking of a massive ship. At the time, it was a masterpiece, and a marvel of filmmaking.

However, all of this was already captured without the use of a 3-D format. (Three

dimensional films were originally created using red/blue filters, but now are enhanced through the use of multiple, digital projectors.)

Director James Cameron's tribute to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the sinking Titanic does a disservice to his already great tribute.

The 3-D effect enhances nothing except the last 20 minutes of the film. China plates flying from cabinets, glass shards and floating bodies will pop out at you, but that's

where it stops.

All of the reasons why someone would want to see "Titanic" in 3-D, and spend the extra few bucks for the format, aren't there.

The footage of the algae-ridden Titanic,



A poor gambler, Jack Dawson (Leonardo DiCaprio), woos a wealthy, soon-to-bemarried Rose DeWitt (Kate Winslet) aboard the ill-fated maiden voyage of the Titanic.

the iceberg, the iceberg shards, the gushes of water going through the ship prior to the full sinking, are all in 2-D.

The "Heart of the Ocean" diamond necklace that Winslet wears during the famous drawing scene isn't even in 3-D – which, even in the 2-D version, seemed to pop on screen.

The 3-D worthy parts of the film, such as the iceberg, are not only still in 2-D, but still portrayed with 1990s film technology.

The focal point of the screen is in 3-D and everything framed around it is blurred.

For the first two plus hours of the film, the focus is not on how great the story and cinematography are, but at how awkward the framing is around the 3-D focal point. I was left wondering why Cameron would think that highlighting certain people's faces in 3-D would do anything to enhance his movie.

The emotion was already there; there was no need to further exaggerate it.

While the 3-D format may be distracting, it can't detract from the great acting of DiCaprio and Winslet. Watching the film 15 years after its debut reminds some people of where the actor was pre-"Inception" and where it all started for Winslet before winning her Oscar for "The Reader."

The magic of "Titanic" is still there: the panic felt for Rose when she contemplates a suicide attempt, the horrifying scenes of Jack and Rose shivering in the water, the great scene stealing from Kathy Bates as "new money-comer" Molly Brown, and the heartwrenching account from a "100-year-old

All is how it is remembered from the first viewing of "Titanic."





While filming the original "Titanic," James Cameron went on several dives to visit the Titanic on the ocean floor. He logged more time with the vessel than the ship's maiden voyage passengers.



"Titanic 3-D" is great for moviegoers who weren't around in 1997, the 2-D format.

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Grade

TITANIC 3-D

Starring: Leonardo DiCaprio, **Kate Winslet Runtime: 194 minutes** Rating: PG-13

Director: James Cameron

AtTheMovies

Picking the Flicks



The Lorax

Ratings: PG

Plot Overview: A young boy searches for the one thing that will enable him to win the affection of the girl of his dreams.

Starring: Zac Efron, Danny DeVito

Director: Chris Renaud



Titanic 3-D

Ratings: PG-13

Plot Overview: This spectacular epic re-creates the ill-fated maider voyage of the White Star Line's R.M.S Titanic.

Starring: Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet

Director: James Cameron



The Hunger Games

Ratings: PG-13

Plot Overview: The nation of Panem forces each of its 12 districts to send a teenage boy and girl to compete in the Hunger Games

Starring: Jennifer Lawrence, Liam Hemsworth

Director: Gary Ross



Journey 2: The Mysterious Island

Ratings: PG

Plot Overview: A young boy receives a coded distress signal from a mysterious island where no island should exist.

Starring: Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson

Director: Brad Peyton



21 Jump Street

Ratings: R

Plot Overview: Two police rookies use their youthful appearances to go undercover at a local high school.

Starring: Channing Tatum, Jonah Hill

Director: Phil Lord



A Thousand Words

Ratings: PG-13

Plot Overview: A fast-talking literary agent must stop talking and conjure up some outrageous ways to communicate, or he's a goner.

Starring: Eddie Murphy **Director:** Brian Robbins



Act of Valor

Ratings: R

Plot Overview: An elite team of highly trained Navy SEALs must immediately embark on a heart-stopping secret operation.

Starring: Roselvn Sanchez, Alex Veadov

Director: Mike McCov



Jeff, Who Lives at Home

Ratings: R

Plot Overview: Slacker Jeff discovers his destiny when he spends the day with his brother as he tracks his brother's adulterous wife

Starring: Jason Segel, Ed Helms

Director: Jay Duplass



American Reunion

Ratings: R

Plot Overview: All the "American Pie" characters return to East

Great Falls for their high-school reunion. Starring: Jason Biggs, Alyson Hannigan

Director: John Hurwitz



John Carter

Ratings: PG-13

Plot Overview: A war-weary former military captain is transported to Mars, where he reluctantly becomes involved in a conflict among the inhabitants.

Starring: Taylor Kitsch

Director: Andrew Stanton



Silent House

Ratings: R

Plot Overview: A young woman finds herself alone, sealed inside her family's secluded lake house.

Starring: Elizabeth Olsen **Director:** Chris Kentis



Wrath of the Titans

Ratings: PG-13

Plot Overview: Dangerously weakened by humanity's lack of devotion, the gods are losing control of the imprisoned Titans.

Starring: Sam Worthington **Director:** Jonathan Liebesman



The Three Stooges

Plot Overview: Larry, Curly and Moe grow up finger-poking, nyuknyuking and woo-woo-wooing their way to misadventure.

Starring: Sean Hayes, Will Sasso **Directors:** Bobby and Peter Farrelly

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Mirror Mirror

Ratings: PG

Plot Overview: Seven courageous rebel dwarfs join forces with Snow White as she fights to reclaim her birthright and win her prince.

Starring: Julia Roberts, Lily Collins

Director: Tarsem Singh



The Cabin in the Woods

Ratings: R

Plot Overview: Five friends go to a remote cabin in the woods. Bad

Starring: Chris Hemsworth, Kristen Connolly **Director:** Drew Goddard

OPENS FRIDAY, APRIL 13



Lockout

Ratings: PG-13

Plot Overview: An ex-government agent accepts the dangerous mission of rescuing the President's daughter from rioting convicts.

Starring: Guy Pearce, Maggie Grace

Director: James Mather **OPENS FRIDAY, APRIL 13**



New this week

Tuesday, April 17

Mission Impossible: Ghost Protocol

Rated: PG-13 Genre: Action

Starring: Tom Cruise, Jeremy Renner **Director:** Brad Bird

Born to Be Wild

Rated: G

Genre: Documentary Starring: Morgan Freeman **Director:** David Lickley

Shame

Rated: NC-17

Genre: Drama

Starring: Michael Fassbender, Carey Mulligan

Director: Steve McQueen

7 Below

Rated: R Genre: Suspense Starring: Val Kilmer **Director:** Kevin Carraway

Top Grossing April 6-April 8

The Hunger Games (Week No. 3)

American Reunion (Week No. 1) \$21,500,000

Titanic 3-D (Week No. 1)

Wrath of the Titans (Week No. 2)

Mirror Mirror (Week No. 2) \$11,100,000

21 Jump Street (Week No. 4) \$10,000,000 The Lorax (Week No. 6)

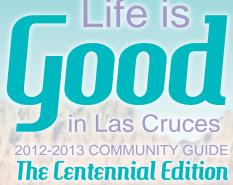
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Health & Well Being

Helping the less fortunate



Several student groups from the New Mexico State University College of Health and Social Services (CHSS) will help make a difference in the lives of women and children in domestic violence situations in Juárez.

Led by NMSU's Returned Peace Corps Volunteer Student Organization, the students will host an international food tasting fundraiser with the proceeds going to Centro de Protección de Mujer a Mujer, a domestic violence shelter for women in Ciudad Juárez. Several other student groups from NMSU also are slated to participate.

A silent auction, international food tasting and live entertainment are part of the evening's events. The fundraiser will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, April 28, at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 Missouri Ave.

Motivated by her own experiences, Angela Fierro Sandoval founded the Mujer a Mujer Center. She continues to serve

as the center's director. On March 18, 2002, the shelter's staff of seven began offering services. More than 10 years later, the shelter has helped about 13,000 women and children. The Juárez government offered a larger building near a police department. Due to an overwhelming response, the shelter has since moved to another area in Juárez.

Most of the women and children who use the shelter come from cities in Mexico, but some come from other Central American countries. While some of the clients only have an elementary education, others, mainly older residents, have no formal education.

The center gives its residents skills – and hope. Donations to the shelter may have declined, but the small staff continues to offer housing and services. Classes on legal and human rights are taught. Workshops on computers, sewing and other activities that help bring economic freedom are offered. The residents learn about self-empowerment, building selfesteem and breaking the cycle of violence. Medical, legal and counseling assistance also is offered to the shelter's residents.

Through the work of the staff and the generosity of others, Mujer a Mujer is accomplishing its mission of offering a temporary shelter that provides safety to women and their children in violent situations so they may leave the cycle of violence. The center gives them the tools they need to help them improve their quality of life.

Mujer a Mujer is helping realize its vision of changing the stigma of abused women and promoting an egalitarian gender society with the same rights and opportunities for all.

Bob Nosbisch is a senior program specialist with the College of Health and Social Services at New Mexico State University.

Confronting autism head on

Finding resources for people with autism

By **Isabel Rodriguez**

April is National Autism Awareness Month, and despite the numerous advancements that have been made in the past two decades, there is still room for more development in the

While parents now understand what signs to look for to determine if their young one should be tested for autism, it is not yet clear what sort of resources are available to adults diagnosed with the disorder.

Unfortunately, there are not a lot of resources (designed) for young adults," said Katrina Hille, clinical director of the Mariposa Autism Service Center. "That's a nationwide problem, even within the medical field of

"Most resources focus on early intervention so, hopefully, the individual won't need as much support (later on)."

In other words, the sooner a child begins therapy, the easier it should be to unlearn the behavior that is interfering with his or her socialization skills

Resources and support services

Autism spectrum disorder is characterized by limited speech or communication, repetitive behavior (such as rocking oneself) and lack of social skills. The cause of autism is currently unknown.

According to the Centers for Disease



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Isabel Rodriguez
New Mexico State University's National Student Speech Language Hearing Associate
program students Fielding Estepp and Jason Saenz go over the materials that are
used as learning aides. The "session" they are depicting is somewhat akin to the work Estepp reviews with clients.

Control and Prevention, 1 in 88 children have been identified with an autism disorder.

Hille explained the services that the Mariposa program provides families with autistic children.

"We do applied behavioral analysis (ABA), which involves behavior modification and social skills groups," she said. "Most of our children are 6 or 7 years old, but we have some as

Typically, children are diagnosed when they

are about 3 years old. An assessment of each child helps determine what kind of therapy best suits him or her. Each session is personalized to better assist individuals.

"For a young learner about 3 years old, we always start with communication," Hille said.

"Basic, non-verbal communication – if I point at something, can they point at it, too? Can they follow my direction, my eye gaze?"

Because Mariposa's aim is to help children

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Lace up your walking shoes

March for Babies is quickly approaching

By Lorena Sanchez

Over the past 20 years, March for Babies has become a community event the entire family can take part in.

It's a walking event people can join as an individual or as a team," said Becky Horner, director for the Southern New Mexico Division of the March of Dimes. "Co-workers, friends and family can come out and walk.'

Opening ceremonies for the event will begin at 7:30 a.m. with the send-off at 8 a.m. Saturday, April 28, at Young Park, 1905 E. Nevada Ave. It's not just a walking event – in the past, some participants have chosen to run or ride their bikes throughout the route.

March for Babies is March of Dimes' biggest fundraiser. In 2011, the Las Cruces event raised \$170,000, easily surpassing its goal of \$150,000. This year's goal is set at \$200,000.

"The walk spreads awareness," said Seren Estrada, who has participated in the walk for the past seven years. "Premature births are a growing problem. We need to do something

According to data provided by the March of Dimes, half a million babies in the United States are born premature, of those, 3,716 occur in New Mexico.

Money raised during the March for Babies



Adrianna Estrada was born at 25 weeks and weighed 1 pound 9 ounces. She died 18 days later. In her memory, the Estrada family will participate in the 20th annual March for Babies, Saturday, April 28, at Young Park.

will support the March of Dimes efforts in the community through programs that work to ensure healthy, full-term pregnancies.

"My husband and I got involved with the March of Dimes in 2004, after our son was born premature," Estrada said.

Estrada said her son, Ethan, was born 12 weeks early, weighed 2 pounds, 2 ounces and required a lot of treatment. She then discovered the treatments her son received were developed through research done by the March

"We didn't want anyone to go through what we went through so we decided from then on to support the March of Dimes," Estrada said.

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Autism

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interact in their natural environment, Hille said that families are encouraged to participate in the therapy sessions, but not required.

Because of the heightened awareness of autism, some parents or teachers may become concerned that a child has autism when in fact they do not.

Hille said that in this case, it is better to assume.

"If you're not asking questions, you're not getting answers," she said. "It's right to assume anything, than to not know, and have it interfere later on."

Now, Hille said, she would like to see more developments to determine the cause of autism.

"There is no biological pinpoint at this moment. It would give parents peace of mind to know what causes autism, and it would be easier getting a diagnosis if we had something concrete."

Teresa Bringas, a New Mexico State University graduate student, agreed she would like to see more research done, either pinpointing the cause of autism or leading to better therapy for clients.

Bringas currently is a clinician for the NMSU communications disorders program, and gets to work with an array of clients, including kids with autism. As part of the program, she receives training in speech language pathology.

"We specialize in a lot of things, including language therapy for children with autism," she said.

"Pragmatics is the social aspect of language ... if (two

people) are having a face-to-face conversation, there are social skills involved – eye contact, body language, one person would wait for the other to pause before speaking – and autistic children tend not to understand these things. That's where we come in."

Pragmatics, she added, is just the tip of the iceberg in terms of services the program provides.

"Autism is just growing exponentially," said Bringas. "I had one professor who told me that back in the 1980s when he was in school, he was told he would probably see one child with autism in his entire career.

"Fast forward 20-plus years and it's so prevalent."

Autism in the classroom

Teachers take special care of students who have not been diagnosed, but whose parents suspect they might be dealing with autism.

"If the parent has a concern, we have to refer them to the Teachers Support Team Committee," said Nora Almanzar, a kindergarten teacher at Lorenzo G. Loya Primary in San Elizario, Texas. "We go through different tiers where teachers have to monitor the student's progress and use different research-based interventions.

"It gets done on a regular basis when the committee comes up with whatever strategy needs to be used with the student. It takes a whole year (or longer) to get diagnosed and a lot of documentation is required."

Almanzar explained that when a student displays some of the classic signs of autism, she works one-on-one with the student, using visual and hands-on aids.

"If it's a first-year student, we have to give them time, because we don't know if it's a development issue," she added.

As a general education teacher, Almanzar sometimes receives suggestions from a special education teacher on how to create a more comfortable work environment for students.

Rachel Norman, a special education teacher

at Loya Primary, said Almanzar is one of the teachers most receptive to her suggestions. For example, a child may be irritated by decorations hanging from the ceiling. Sometimes, Norman said, she has had to rearrange her own classroom to accommodate a single student.

Norman works for the Preschool Program for Children with Disabilities, which is part of the national Early Childhood Intervention support system mandated by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

The goal of PPCD is to prepare students to enter general education courses. Sometimes students from PPCD will be placed in a general education course with a special education teacher as an aide. Students may begin the program immediately after their third birthday.

"The puzzle piece is used as a symbol for autism, because just as each spectrum is different, there is something different about each child with autism," Norman said. "Each child needs a specialized plan."

She also said that not all of the students in

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her class have been diagnosed, but their parents might be in the process of getting them diagnosed.

"Doctors don't like to diagnose them, because they're hoping that it's just a developmental delay," she said, emphasizing that the key to teaching a child with autism is repetition.

"I honestly believe that people with autism are highly intelligent. They're so smart, and autism is a neurological disorder. Once you connect with how they learn, the sky is the limit," she said.

Not a diagnosis

Ellen Stevens is a Las Cruces mother whose 14-year-old daughter was diagnosed with

autism two years ago.

"I had known for quite some time," she said. "As a little one, she displayed the classic symptoms. She didn't like affection. It was only when she was really sick that she would want me to hold her.

"One of my first clues was that she had a short attention span, and she was about 4 years old before she was able to carry on a conversation."

Stevens emphasized that while her daughter is not defined by her autism, having confirmation of her disorder made it easier to get her the help she needed.

"I just wanted to be able to say, 'Yes, this is what it is,'" she said. "We just started getting ABA services, and they've been very valuable. A therapist comes into our home and teaches us what to do to help (my daughter) live her life fully.

"It's been a great help to me in getting her ready to communicate in society. I want her to have the skills and be ready in case she's living on her own someday."

Stevens admitted that it hasn't been easy trying to protect her daughter, while allowing her the freedom that she needs.

"For instance, when she was little, she would wander off if she saw something shiny, or there was something like a ball that she was drawn to. She needed more protection for her own safety, so I took to putting her on a leash.

"We were at the mall, and I got barked at and told that I was treating my daughter like a dog."

Knowing that they are dealing with autism, Stevens said, has helped improve their relationship.

"She knows, she understands, and she'll tell people, sometimes, 'I have autism.' It empowers her.

"We don't look at it like it's a bad thing," Stevens said. "It's a little bit challenging, but she's not a diagnosis; she's a person. She's an awesome person."

HealthyHappenings



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.

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 more information, call Doris Fields at 524-7461.

CARING BRIDGE SUPPORT GROUP

Caring Bridge, an activity support group for adults in recovery from mental illness, meets from 4 to 6 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, call Kathy or David at 522-6404 or email bridge@nmsu.edu.

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

A family caregiver support group meets from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays at Café España in the Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces, 705 S. Telshor Blvd. Co-facilitators with many years of experience in senior-care issues will be on hand.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step, spiritual program for those with a desire to stop eating compulsively. There are no fees. The program meets at 7 p.m. Mondays at Unity of Las Cruces, 125 Wyatt Drive. Enter through the back door

through the back door.
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is also offered at noon each
Wednesday at St. James
Episcopal Church, 105 Saint
James St., in the library.

For more information, call Wayne at 647-5684.

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 who have been 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.

HIV SUPPORT GROUP

A Las Cruces HIV Support Group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays at the Las Cruces GLBTQ Center, 1210 N. Main St. The group offers advocacy and support for those infected with or affected by the HIV virus, and focuses on the rebuilding of community, outreach, education, self-advocacy and wellness.

For more information, call Seth at 621-0681.

BRAIN INJURY GROUP

The Brain Injury Group meets from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each Friday at the Housing Authority of Las Cruces, 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.

RED CROSS CPR, FIRST-AID CLASSES

The American Red Cross will be offering CPR and first-aid classes at its Las Cruces location, 1301 E. Griggs Ave., the first and third Saturday of each month. Participants are asked to register by the Tuesday before the class.

For more information or to register, call 800-733-2767.

CITY RECREATION SCHEDULE

The City of Las Cruces offers recreation and fitness classes at city recreation and community centers.

The following classes are held at Meerscheidt Recreation Center, 1600 E. Hadley Ave.:

- Yoga: 9 to 10 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays
- **Pilates:** 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays



 Aerobics: 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays

- Fridays

 Core/Floor Exercises:
 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
 Mondays, Wednesdays and
 Fridays.
- **Zumba:** 7 to 8 p.m.
- Monday through Friday.
 Pickleball: 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Paddles may be rented for \$1.
- Indoor Cycling: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. The following class is held at Benavidez Community Center, 1045 McClure Road:
- Zumba: 6 to 7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays For more information, call 541-5185.

The following class is held at Club Fusion Teen Center, 101 E. Union Ave.:

• Zumba: 7 to 8 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call

The following classes are held at the Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave.:

- Aquatic Fitness: 9 to 10

 a.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays
 and Fridays.

 Safe Strength Gentle
- Cardio Water Workout: 10 to 11 a.m. Thursdays.

 Water Fitness for
- Non-Swimmers: 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays.
 Seniors Aquatics Class: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and
- Fridays. Classes are drop in.
 Aqua Fit: 1 to 2 p.m.
 Wednesdays and Fridays.
- Aqua Zumba: 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Saturdays.
- Relax and Stretch: 1 to

2 p.m. Tuesdays. For more information, call 541-2782.

The following class is held at the East Mesa Recreation Center, 5589 Porter Drive:

• Zumba: 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. All classes are \$2. For more information, call 382-1662.

T'AI CHI CHIH AT MOUNTAINVIEW

MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4311 E. Lohman Ave., offers T'ai Chi Chih sessions taught by instructor Rose J. Alvarez-Diosdado from 9 to 10 a.m. and from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. each Monday. Sessions are also available from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Tuesdays.

Sessions are taught in the Women's Resource Room, and are free to Senior Circle and Healthy Women members, otherwise, a \$2 donation is requested.

For more information, call 505-359-5256 or 312-8320, or email rositaad@aol.com.

YOGA CLASSES AT UU METHODIST

Olivia Solomon is offering yoga classes for all levels from 9 to 10 a.m. Tuesdays and from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. Thursdays at the University United Methodist Church, 2000 S. Locust St.

For more information, call Solomon at 522-5350 or email wildyoga@yahoo.com.

YOGA CLASSES

Karen Nichols is offering 90-minute yoga classes for adults and upper teens at 6 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays at My Place Jewell, 140-A Wyatt Drive. Donations in excess of space rental benefit Jardín de los Niños. Participants should bring a yoga mat and any props they may need. Classes are suitable for all levels of experience.

For more information, email Nichols at karen_f_n@yahoo.com or leave a message at 882-4943.

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

The Las Cruces Chapter Parkinson's Support Group meets at 10 a.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico, 4441 E. Lohman Ave.

For more information, call Kay Laurel Fischer at 522-4047 or Bill Wallace at 680-2520.

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.

T'AI CHI CHIH

Instructor Rose Alvarez-Diosdado will teach T'ai Chi Chih: Joy Thru Movement classes from 9 to 10 a.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month at Young Park, 1905 E. Nevada Ave.

For more information, call 505-359-5256 and leave

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CICLOVÍA SET FOR APRIL 29

Las Crucens looking for a fun way to get healthy and active can participate in the Ciclovía health event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, April 29, at Young Park, 1905 E. Nevada Ave. Ciclovía is free and offers horseshoes, walking, jogging, dancing, Zumba, Yoga, volleyball, jump rope, jumping balloon and more. These fun physical activity events will be held each month through October.

Ciclovia is sponsored by the Doña Ana Diabetes Action Coalition and the Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach.

For more information, call June Donohue at 522-0289 or for information in Spanish call Beatriz Favela at 202-2376.

HEARING LOSS ASSOCIATION

The Hearing Loss Association of America Las Cruces Chapter meets at 1:30 p.m. the third Saturday of each month at Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

For more information, call Bert Heger at 532-0413 or email hlalascruces@yahoo.com.

APHASIA SUPPORT GROUP MEETS

The Southern New Mexico Aphasia Support Group is a community group for social conversation, support and education about aphasia. The group meets at 4 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico, 4441 E. Lohman Ave.



We are pleased to announce the addition of a new service to the residents of Dona Ana County. Mesilla Valley Hospice has formed a subsidiary named My Physician, Private Healthcare Advisor. My Physician will be accepting new patients beginning April 30, 2012. This service is NOT LIMITED to hospice patients.

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March

Estrada and her family have participated in the March for Babies every year since

As for Ethan, "We were told to expect a lot of problems," she said. "There have been no lasting effects. He's 7 years old and

Sadly, the Estradas went through the heartache of another premature birth in

"My daughter, Adrianna, was born in August 2011 at 25 weeks and weighed 1 pound, 9 ounces," Estrada said. "She received a lot of treatments and when she was 18 days old, she had a freak brain bleed and passed away."

This year, the family will march in memory of Adrianna as part of Team Babysavers. The team has organized Marchapalooza, a music festival that will he held from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 13, at St. Clair Winery & Bistro, 1720 Avenida de Mesilla. Tickets are available at http://holdmyticket.com.

The team, along with the more than 150 registered teams, will take part in the 7.5-mile walk that begins and ends at Young Park.

There will be a shortcut route for families with young children and strollers or individuals who prefer not to walk the entire route. There will also be seven different checkpoints along the route where walkers can recoup and have a snack or beverage.

Courtesy vehicles will be on hand to pick up participants who are struggling or anyone who feels they need to complete the walk earlier than they had anticipated.

There will be family-friendly activities at the park all morning, including a jumping balloon, a demonstration by the Southwest Dairy Farmers, kids activities, a clown, carnival games, food, refreshments and more. Information booths will also be set up to provide more information on healthy and pre-term births.

Radio Las Cruces will cover the event and the Kiwanis Club will cook hot dogs for hungry walkers once they complete the route.

Sarah Payne will take part in the walk as

part of Team Shanna, named for her daughter who was born at 24 weeks and diagnosed with cerebral palsy.

Payne has also gotten creative with her fundraising. She has organized a cake decorating competition that will take place from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at the Las Cruces Home Builders Association, 2825

There are two categories, amateur and professional. Cakes will be decorated and brought to the event for judging.

The three winners in each category will receive a trophy. To register, visit http:// cakesforacauselc.blogspot.com.Registration ends Thursday, April 19.

The event is open to the public for a small entrance fee. There will also be a silent auction. Some of the competing cakes will be up for auction along with items donated by the community.

"I enjoy decorating cakes and decided to have this competition," Payne said. "I hope this will become an annual event the community can look forward to and the March of Dimes can count on.'

Proceeds will benefit the March of Dimes

"Premature births and birth defects affect everybody," Payne said. "The research the March of Dimes has done has helped my daughter in a lot of ways and contributed to her survival and her thriving.

Horner said March for Babies is an important cause to support because the March of Dimes provides support to babies born prematurely, but also aids in ensuring that full-term babies are born healthy. The organization has advocated for the now mandatory screenings of all newborns in New Mexico for illness and birth defects. If treated immediately, long-term issues from these illnesses or defects can be avoided or lessened.

'The March of Dimes is helping babies and families in our community," Horner said. "All babies benefit from the March of Dimes. Babies born too soon, sick or needing extra care, that is where the programs

For more information or to register for the March for Babies, visit http://marchforbabies.org

A badminton showdown



John McCaffrey knocks the shuttlecock over the net on Saturday, April 7, at the New Mexico State University Activity Center. The badminton tournament is part of the Doña Ana **County Senior** Games. Senior Games winners will have the option to compete in July at the New Mexico Senior Olympics.

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2012 DOÑA ANA COUNTY SENIOR GAMES SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date/Time	Event	Location
Fri., April 13, 6 p.m.	Basketball Freethrow and Three Point	Meerscheidt Recreation Center
Sat., April 14, 8 a.m.	Archery	B & J's
April 14 - 16, 1 p.m.	Air Gun	Eagle Lodge
Thu., April 19, 6 p.m.	Talent Rehearsal	Court Youth Center
Sat., April 21, 3 p.m.	Talent Competition	Court Youth Center

Hospice announces new medical records addition

My Physician set to open

Mesilla Valley Hospice announced the addition of a new service to the residents of Doña Ana County.

Mesilla Valley Hospice has formed a subsidiary named My Physician, Private Healthcare Advisor. Dr. Mark Abramson will serve as the lead physician for My Physician and comes with many years of both family practice and case management experience. Judy Sanchez will serve as the executive director for the new corporation.

Net proceeds from My Physician will be used to support charity care and other expenses at Mesilla Valley Hospice.

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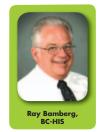


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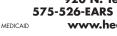
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Profile

Brian Hemmert: Mesilla Valley Hospital CEO settling in

Willingness to work his way up shows commitment

Brian Hemmert is still settling in to life in the Southwest as the CEO of Mesilla Valley Hospital, a private, psychiatric hospital that offers behavioral and health care services to adults and adolescents.

After moving from Pennsylvania eight months ago, Hemmert said he and his family have adjusted nicely to Las Cruces.

What are challenges you've faced?

It's difficult to recruit physicians. When it comes to psychiatrists, it's even more difficult. But as of a month ago we are fully staffed. We were able to recruit some specialists, including a child and adolescent psychiatrist, which are very difficult to find.

What do you enjoy about your job?

Everything. I know that we are changing the lives of our patients, helping their families and saving their lives every day. And the staff is some of the best I've worked with.

What is your vision for the future of this hospital?

I would like to see us recognized as the top specialized hospital in the Southwest.

Are there any improvements you'd like to make or changes you'd like to see?

Since I've been here, we've put in approximately \$350,000 in physical plant

improvements and will continue to work on bettering our facility.

How did you get to where you are today, professionally?

I've come up through the ranks. I started at the bottom and made my way to the top. I started as a mental health technician, got my master's (degree) in counseling, did therapy for a couple of years, and then got into administration. I've been in administration for 15 years and hospital administration for 10 years. I've done inpatient, outpatient and foster care.

How did you get involved in the medical field?

I jokingly say I was born into the field. My mother was a psychiatric nurse, and my father was an administrator at a school for children that required special services.

What motivates you?

The difference I made directly when I worked (directly) with patients and clients. Through the lessons I have learned I can help my administrative team make an impact.

How did you end up in Las Cruces?

My wife and I came for the interview, experienced our first Southwest sunset and fell in love with the area, people and culture.

Details

Brian Hemmert

CEO

Company

Mesilla Valley Hospital

Family

Wife 4 sons

Education

Bachelor's degree in psychology and communication and master's degree in counseling from the University of Dayton

Awards

Rosalynn Carter Leadership in Caregiving Award

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Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Lorena Sanchez Brian Hemmert, CEO of Mesilla Valley Hospital, oversees the operation of the psychiatric hospital.

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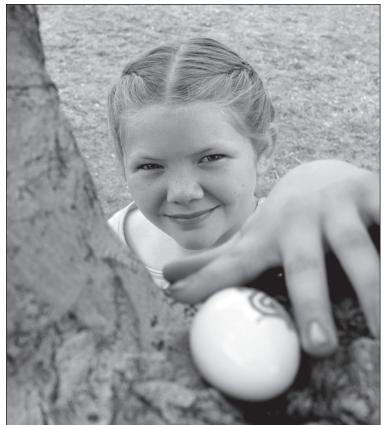
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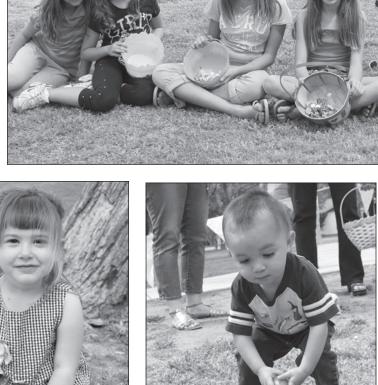
Searching high and low at

St. Paul's Easter egg hunt



Chaeley Boykin, 11, reaches for an Easter egg hidden in a tree during the St. Paul's United **Methodist Church** Easter egg hunt held at Pioneer Park Saturday, April 7.

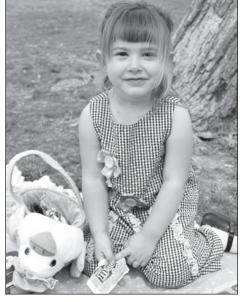
Samantha Stubbs, 2, enjoys her Easter bounty.



Tori Lopez, 8, Miranda Romero, 9, Ally Lopez, 11, Megan Gill, 9, and Taylor Benevento, 10, show their Easter pennies.

The Easter pennies were for the older kids. For every five Easter pennies, they could get an egg. About 1,300 pennies were disbursed.





Dominic Benevento, 1, collects eggs during the event.





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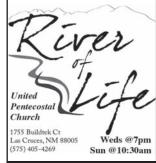
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YARD SALE

Las Cruces Chapter No. 20, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold its annual yard sale from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 13-14, at the Aztec Masonic Hall, 180 E. Boutz Road. The profits will go to local organizations.

HOLY CROSS FLEA MARKET

Holy Cross Catholic Church, 1327 N. Miranda Ave., will hold its eighth annual Holy Cross Flea Market from 7 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 14. The flea market will include more than 40 spaces No early birds.

VENDORS NEEDED

Vendors are needed for

the eighth annual Holy Cross Flea Market, held from 7 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 14, at the church, 1327 N. Miranda St. Spaces are available to all for \$25 to \$40. For more information, call the church at 523-0167 or Joe Fleming at 993-9916.

ROUNDTABLES DISCUSSIONS

Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces, 2000 S. Solano Drive, will hold roundtable discussions from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. each Sunday in April, except April 22. Topics include "All Families Matter: Marriage Equality" April 15 and "Jon Hunner: Becoming a State Different: New Mexico's Stumble to Statehood" April 29.

FUNDRAISING LUNCHEON

St. Paul's United Methodist Women is sponsoring a salad luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 25 in the Fellowship Hall of the church, 225 W. Griggs Ave. An assortment of fresh-made salads will be served with a chicken breast. Take out will be available and walk-ins are welcome. Proceeds will benefit local and other mission projects. Tickets are \$7

Flash mob surprises guests at Young Park

Photos by Zak Hansen

Siddeeq M. Shabazz, of YourDay Las Cruces gives an attendee information on the March of Dimes. Shabazz is part of a flash mob that invaded Springfest Saturday, April 7 at Young Park to raise money for the March of Dimes.





Flash mob participants put their hands in and cheer.



Flashmobbers are caught in mid-air doing jumping jacks as part of their routine.



Members of the flash mob practice their routine



After the flash mob, participants hold up the donations they received for the March of Dimes.

Healthy and hearty donations help those in need

Better food choices aid health, growth

By Kirby Chavez and Stephanie Nicholson For the Las Cruces Bulletin

On any Monday, Wednesday or Friday, you will find lines forming at Casa de Peregrinos, 999 W. Amador Ave., as people in need come to pick up the groceries that will help them make it through the month. Casa, a nutritional safety net for Las Cru-

ces and Doña Ana County, provided nearly 14,000 food boxes last year.

Dedicated volunteers work diligently to package food items specific to the ages, medical needs and preferences of clients and their families. Casa can even provide such items as dog or cat food, baby food and diapers, and personal hygiene products when requested.

Since 2010, demand has increased nearly 40 percent. Although Casa's aim has been to offer enough food for those in need, it now focuses on providing higher quality, more nutritious food. According to the American Journal of Preventative Medicine, overall nutrient intake is directly impacted by individual accessibility to a variety of food. That is, a person will consume fewer fruits and vegetables if availability is limited.

Not surprisingly, studies indicate that economically distressed individuals lack access to wholesome foods such as fresh produce, whole grains and other fiber-rich foods.

Consequently, their diets tend to be higher in total fat, saturated fat, sodium and refined sugar, a dietary pattern contributing to obesity and diseases including type-2 diabetes, heart disease, hypercholesterolemia and hypertension.

As an organization, Casa de Peregrinos wants to be more conscientious about what they are providing, particularly for children who are in critical stages of growth and development. In order to bring about change, we must start analyzing the quality of food being donated. As we hone in on disease prevention in adults and proper growth in children, it is important to have a better understanding of nutritious and health-promoting foods.

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A healthy diet consists of a variety of foods from each food group, including grains and breads, protein, vegetables, fruit and dairy. Here are some general guidelines and suggestions for donations:

Grains and Breads

Choose whole grains when possible for more fiber, vitamins and minerals. Examples are brown rice, oatmeal, air-popped popcorn, whole-wheat crackers, whole-grain pasta, whole-wheat bread, pretzels, granola bars, cereal bars and high-fiber cereals.

Protein

Choose lean meat, poultry and fish with little excess fat. Examples are lean ground beef, skinless chicken, canned chicken and tuna, canned beans, nuts, peanut butter and other nut butters.





New Mexico State University dietetic interns Kirby Chavez and Stephanie Nicholson are working to help improve the nutritional value of the food at Casa de Peregrinos.

Vegetables

Choose vegetables rich in color like red, orange and dark green. Use frozen vegetables, which are just as nutritious as fresh. Canned vegetables are a good choice. Just remember to rinse before consuming to reduce the amount of sodium or look for canned items labeled "low-sodium." Some examples are tomatoes, tomato sauce, salsa, green chile, bell peppers, carrots, squash, sweet potatoes, green beans, and spinach.

Fruit

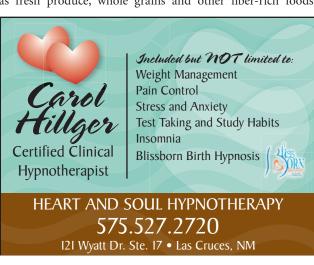
Look for any variety fresh, canned, frozen, or dried. Some suggestions are bananas, apples, oranges, canned pineapple, canned peaches, 100 percent fruit juices, frozen berries and dried apricots. Also, preserves, jellies and jams.

Dairy

Consume low-fat or fat-free milk and dairy products. Some examples are yogurt, cheese and cottage cheese.

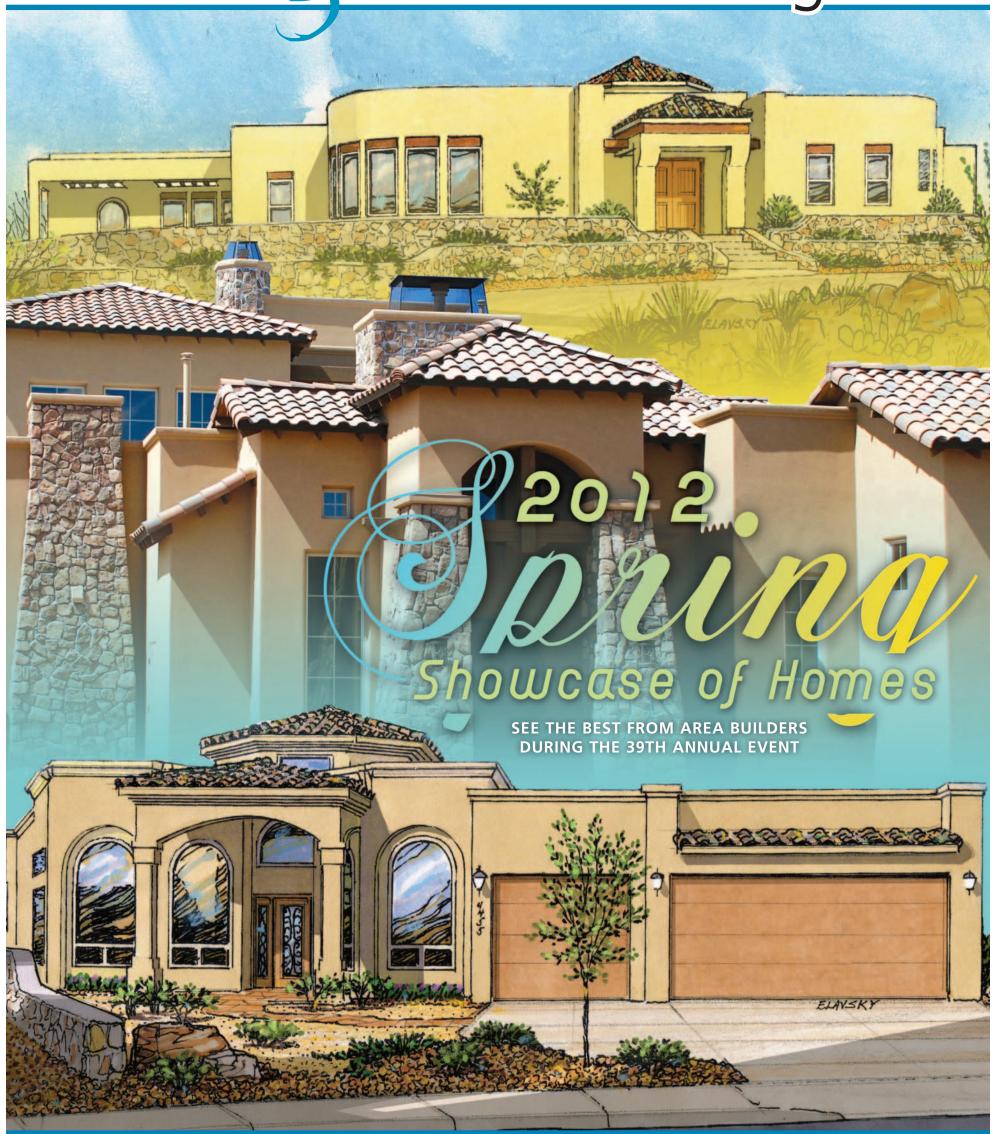
Additional tips to consider when donating are to be mindful when selecting food items. For example, look at nutritional content; try not to donate anything you wouldn't eat yourself; and give complementary items such as pasta and red sauce.

Another great way to affect more families with your donation is to give money. Dollars go a long way in acquiring the food necessary to feed a family. Donate by mail, in person or on-line by visiting www.casadeperegrinos.org.



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2012 Spring Showcase of Homes



The home at 3929 Loma Bella Drive by Classic New Mexico Homes will be featured in the Spring Showcase of Homes April 27-29 and May 4-6.



4112 Calle Belleze built by GL Green & Associates



4255 Lyra Court built by Summit Building & Development





4005 Spotted Dove Drive built by Spirit View Homes



4391 Isleta Court built by Enchanted Desert Homes



6850 Via Emma built by Homes of the Southwest

It's that time of year again

Spring Showcase of Homes displays local builders' talents

By Beth Sitzler

Las Cruces Bulletin

Visitors and residents will have the opportunity to see the best the area has to offer in home construction during the 39th annual Spring Showcase of Homes, put on by the Las Cruces Home Builders Association April 27-29 and May 4-6.

During the 2012 showcase, 27 homes created by 15 area builders will be featured. The homes will display varying styles as well as price ranges, said LCHBA Managing Director Steve Chavira.

"I'm excited about this year's showcase," he said. "We've got some great, quality homes. There is a wide variety to see. A lot of builders have come to the table. It's going to be a great tour."

In addition to covering the style spectrum, Kathryn Blessington of Helping Hands Event Planning said the homes to be viewed in the showcase also fall into a wide range of prices, from the \$100,000 range to \$1.5 million.

"There are quite a few in each price range, too," she said.

"Builders choose these homes to be in the showcase because they feel that's what their niche is," she said. "They represent their talents"

"Almost every area of town is represented and almost every price range," Chavira said.

This year, as with the 2011 showcase, the event has been opened to not just new homes, but also occupied homes and those still under construction

Classic New Mexico Homes has such a home in the Spring Showcase of Homes.

"The timing was correct (for the showcase)," said Kiki Suggs, owner of Classic New Mexico. "We are working on a presale and it should be close to completion for the showcase."

Having previously participated in the showcase in 2006 and 2009, Suggs said it's an opportunity to display the company's artistic and functional abilities.

"If someone is considering having a home built that has a style that is traditional to the area, we are that company," she said.

The home displayed during the showcase, on Loma Bella Drive, features a combination Spanish Mission-Pueblo style, Suggs said.

"It has a beautiful curved staircase leading to a loft that overlooks the great room," she said. "There is handmade tile work and cabinets. We make all of our cabinets and furniture. There also are a lot of vigas and beams, things we use in all of our homes."

A new activity to be featured during the 2012 Spring Showcase of Homes is a scavenger hunt. In the Spring Showcase of Homes magazine is a page devoted to the game. This page also can be found on the LCHBA website.

"One house from each builder will participate in the scavenger hunt," Blessington said.

Blessington said to participate, showcase visitors must read clues provided on the page and find the correlating item.

"There is a clue to each item and the builder or Realtor at the house will give a sticker when the item is found," she said.

After each item has been found and all 15 stickers have been collected, the page must be turned into the LCHBA office, 2825 N. Main St., or Radio of Las Cruces office, 1355 California St., by Monday, May 7.

Radio of Las Cruces will then draw a grand prize for first 50 entries and prizes for all scavenger hunt entries

"We wanted to increase traffic and give people even more reason to go into all of the homes," Blessington said of the scavenger hunt. "It's our way of giving back to the community and doing something fun."

Showcase participants also can get involved by voting on their favorite home in each price range. The winner of the public's choice awards will receive a plaque as well as bragging rights.

"The public's choice awards are really important," said Blessington, adding that it will encourage others to visit the homes entered in the showcase.

Blessington said this year the association is publishing the showcase magazine, which allows for all of the money generated from advertising and the builder entries to go back into the LCHBA.

"We're excited to build more of that home

builders association community," she said.

No matter if visitors are looking for a new abode or are just curious about the local housing industry, the 2012 Spring Showcase of Homes is a great opportunity to see a handful of the best homes the area has to offer.

"I think because it's such a broad range of homes, it gives a really good impression of what types of homes are in the community," Blessington said. "It's great for those relocating or those who already live within the community."

"What I hope they go out to the showcase and see that the building community is very active, despite the things that they are battling, such as impact fees and changes to ordinances," Chavira said. "There are still people buying homes. We wanted to represent

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When

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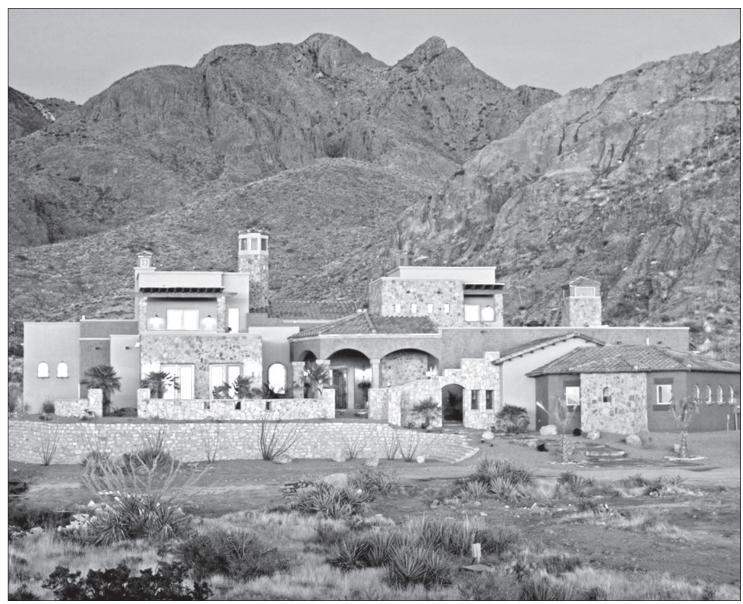
The free tour of homes will take place from 4 to 7 p.m. Fridays, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturdays and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays. For more information, visit www.lascrucesshowcaseofhomes.com.



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One of modern life's wonderful pleasures

Water heater gives comfort, can add costs

Miles Dyson Living Green



We tend to take many modern conveniences for granted. When our hot water heater takes a break, we remember very quickly the ease and pleasure these appliances provide.

The benefits our water heating systems provide do come at a cost. Many homeowners may not consider the impact the water heater makes on their monthly utility budget. In most homes, hot water heating is one of the top utility costs after heating and air conditioning and lights and appliances.

As economic factors continue to increase the cost of electricity, natural gas and propane, it pays to learn about water heating efficiency.

The green standard for efficient water heating is active solar. Some solar water heating systems require no outside electricity or gas for operation. Most will require a small amount of electricity to support re-circulating pumps and emergency backup heat. Solar water heating is more efficient in creating energy from sunlight than electric generation from photo-voltaic panels and will have much faster economic benefit and return on investment than PV panels in most home applications.

If solar hot water heating also supports home heating, utility savings are even greater. Modern solar water heating systems are simpler and more reliable than ever. The most common limitations to solar water heating system selection are initial installation and equipment costs and space requirements.

A good solar installation contractor or Home Energy Rater can show how quickly you will recoup your investment. One of our local solar installation professionals or green homebuilders will help you find or design space for solar collection and storage. Other sun soaked areas of the nation (Florida and Hawaii) require solar water heating on every home, so it's good to remember we have the option for virtually free water heating in Las Cruces as well.

Tankless or instantaneous water heaters have been around for a couple of decades. Natural-gas-fired tankless water heaters often represent the most cost effective non-solar option for heating water at home. Propanegas-fired tankless units are also available, but due to the current high cost of liquefied propane gas, they may not be the most cost effective option.

Gas-fired and electric water heater energy use is measured by energy factor (EF). EF is the amount of energy delivered as heated water in a day divided by the total daily energy consumption of a residential water heater. Water heaters with higher EFs will have lower annual operating costs than comparable models with lower EFs.

Tankless units gain efficiencies by heating water on the fly or instantaneously. That means that a 40-, 50- or 80-gallon storage tank does not have to be kept hot 24 hours a day. It also means that if you have a larger volume demand for hot water (such as a jet tub), you won't run out of hot water. Look for EF numbers of .90 or higher on tankless gas-fired water heaters. Standard tank type gas water heater EFs range from .48 to .60.

Payback on upgrades to tankless, over tank type water heaters, is typically less than five years in new homes or at the time of required replacement in existing homes. The higher the demand for hot water in your home, the quicker the payback.

If you are in an all-electric home, a heat pump water heater may fill the bill. The



An active solar water heater storage and distribution system was used in this Stearns Custom Homes creation in Las Cruces.

technology for these units has been around for a long time. AO Smith, Rheem and other manufacturers now have models available right off the shelf at big box hardware stores. Standard electric tank type water heaters are at the bottom tier for water heating efficiency. Due to the relative costs for electricity versus cheaper natural gas, the .90-plus EF for standard electric water heaters represents the most expensive way to heat water.

Heat pump water heaters are all electric, but rather than a typical electric resistance coil, they use refrigeration technology. Think of running your refrigerator or freezer in reverse. If you have ever moved a running refrigerator (not a good idea) and bumped into the exposed refrigerant lines on the back of the unit you may have received a burn.

The "magic" of phase change and refrigerant technology lets heat pump units move heat from ambient air into the water storage tank just like a refrigerator moves heat to the outside of the insulated box – more than doubling the water heating efficiency of the unit.

When selecting heat pump water heaters, look for EFs ranging from 2.0 to 2.5. Remember, these units move heat into the stored water. Laws of physics are at work here, so cooled air is a byproduct of the water heating process. Heat pump water heaters need to be located in a space where air can be circulated. If located in the conditioned space of a home they can increase winter heating loads. In our cooling dominated climate, the cooled air is mostly a benefit.

What if your less efficient, standard tank

type gas or electric water heater is bought and paid for and happily chugging along in your home? Unless you have very high water heating demand, it probably won't make economic sense to swap it out for a shiny high efficiency solar, tankless or heat pump unit.

Your best bet is to maintain the thermostat at the manufacturer's recommended setting (letter "A" on most units). Keep the exposed water supply lines at the top of the unit insulated. Also consider installation of a simple heat trap on the hot and cold line connections. This provides a thermal break and limits heat loss to the supply and distribution lines when there is not demand for hot water.

Most modern tank type water heaters are well insulated, so adding blanket insulation may not be worth the effort.

Water heaters don't last forever. Eight to 15 years is the typical expected life. Plan ahead for replacement. Talk to experts about strategies to improve your water heating efficiency before your unit gives up the ghost. The marginal increase in price from standard efficiency to active solar or high efficiency water heating, versus your savings in efficiency over the life of your new equipment will keep your household budget in the black and keep your home green

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Active solar water collection panels played a role in a home constructed by Stearns Custom Homes.

Weeknight meals made easy

Celebrity chef shares tips for simple, tasty dining

For most busy Americans, cooking weeknight dinners can be challenging.

Hectic schedules and weariness from the day's activities often prompt many to reach for the takeout menu instead of opting for quick and convenient meal solutions prepared right in their own kitchen.

Celebrity Chef Tyler Florence knows firsthand how hectic weeknight meal prep can be. In addition to managing three busy restaurants and writing several new cookbooks, he also is the father of three growing kids. To help make weeknight meals extraordinary, Florence, who recently teamed up with Alexia Foods, suggests focusing on the main dish and getting a little help on the sides.

"Planning and preparing meals on a weeknight can be daunting, especially when you're feeding a family," Florence said. "Rather than making everything from scratch, I concentrate on the main entree and let gourmet-inspired products like Alexia Sweet Potato Puffs or Alexia Oven Reds help with the rest. These delicious side dishes are the perfect complement to any meal and go from freezer to table in around 20 minutes."

In addition to helping save time in the kitchen, consumers are invited to help decide the next great french fry flavor by visiting www.facebook.com/AlexiaFoods and clicking on the "Reinvent a Classic" tab. Florence has created a simple, yet tasty meal featuring last year's "Reinvent a Classic" fan favorite – Parmesan Lemon Waffle Fries – for an easy weeknight meal.





Tuna Melt Fries

2 (6-ounce) cans of tuna fish (packed in oil)
1/2 red onion
1/4 cup mayonnaise
2 celery branches
Salt and fresh ground pepper
1 (20-ounce) bag Alexia Parmesan Lemon Waffle Fries
12 small slices of Cheddar cheese
3 Roma tomatoes

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Drain oil from tuna and add to a large mixing bowl. Finely dice the half of red onion and celery branches and add to the bowl with the tuna. Add the mayonnaise, salt and pepper to the bowl and combine ingredients.

Bake the Parmesan Lemon Waffle Fries according to the package instructions. When finished, remove the fries from the oven and top each fry with a spoonful of the tuna mixture. Place a slice of cheddar cheese on top of each and return to the oven until the cheese melts. Remove from the oven and top each fry with a slice of Roma tomato. Serve immediately.

Saving lives one donation at a time



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Beth Sitzler Guy Floyd of Las Cruces Abstract and Title Co. relaxes as United Blood Services Donor Care Specialist Louie Rodriguez draws his blood during a quarterly blood drive held at the Las Cruces Association of Realtors office Tuesday, April 10. Floyd began donating blood in college and has donated more than 70 times.



Joy and tears at the Habitat home dedication

Photos by Beth Sitzler

Elizabeth Nuñez, her 5-year-old daughter Tina and husband José, can't control their excitement during the Mesilla Valley **Habitat for** Humanity home dedication Thursday, April 5. The **Nuñez family** - which includes sons José Jr. and Isaac, not pictured have been waiting for their home for several years.





MVHFH Board Member Scott Hendrick hands Fernanda Moreno the keys to her new home. "There is nothing that feels better than being a part of the home dedications and seeing everything come together and the excitement of the owners," Hendrick said. "It's one of the greatest rewards."



Mayor Ken Miyagishima thanks the crowd of volunteers for helping make the construction of the two homes possible.



Pastor Grady McCollough reads a blessing to the crowd during the home dedication ceremony held Thursday on Paseo Del Oro for the Moreno and Nuñez families. Two home dedication events were also held Friday, April 6, for the Muniz and Reza families.



After being on the MVHFH waiting list for three years, Moreno shows off the keys to her new home.



Elizabeth Nuñez hugs MVHFH Board Member Homer Brown after he hands her the keys to the family's new home.





Your locally owned and operated alarm company

Getting to know: Oasis Landscape & Pool Inc.

Your own backyard 'Oasis'

Pool, landscaping company creates low-maintenance getaways

By **Beth Sitzler**Las Cruces Bulletin

When the team at Oasis Landscaping & Pools Inc. goes into a backyard, they work to take a blank canvas and "turn it into a little oasis," said President/CEO Mike Black.

Black established Oasis Landscaping & Pools in 1997 after earning his bachelor's degree in business, with minors in marketing management and economics.

"I had worked for other pool and landscaping companies as a student," he said. "I was always interested in owning my own company.

'I was working as a means to an end doing maintenance and repair for other companies in town. I had graduated and was done with school, and I just really enjoyed what I was doing. I focused on growing the business more at that point."

The first few years of business, operations mainly dealt with maintenance and repair of pools, but soon, Oasis expanded into the pool construction sector.

We started out doing concrete pools," Black said. "We did that for a year or two, but then we realized how much can go wrong with a concrete pool."

Black said a major problem with concrete is it will eventually crack, requiring owners to have their swimming pool repaired and serviced.

"A swimming pool holding that much water, you don't want it to crack," he said.

The company made the switch to composite pools, which feature multiple layers of materials, including a gel coat, vinyl resin, carbon fibers and hand-laid Fiberglas with honeycomb support, as well as a closed-beam construction for strength.

"When we started using Fiberglas pools, there were only a few shapes and sizes," Black said. "Now, there are over 50 shapes

In addition to its durability and life expectancy, composite

pools also are easy to maintain, use less chemicals and add to a home's resale value, Black said.

Black said the company usually works with clients who have a new home or an unlandscaped yard, adding that they will come into the office of Valley Drive with their plot plans.

'We'll start talking size and shape, and we'll come up with a budget," he said.

"The size will, most of the time, determine the budget. An owner wants to make sure they have plenty of room in their yard. Also, sometimes they put in a pool that is too big for what they really need. To help you save money, really consider what you want to use the pool for."

After that initial visit, the Oasis team will go to the property to get a firsthand look at what they are working with and elements such as accessibility for heating and electricity, Black

"Most properties we'll do the pool and landscaping so we can design everything to fit and match," Black said. "We really like free-form type pools. It gives us more artistic ability with the landscaping. We also do a lot of rectangular pools."

An advantage of a rectangular pool is the owner "gets more pool for their money," Black said.

"They get more surface and water area," he said. "Also, we can put safety covers on all pools, but with a rectangular pool, the cover can go under the deck. It gives it a really clean set up. You don't see the tracks.'

Black said Oasis also installs a lot of resistance pools, which come in a variety of sizes and are ideal for therapy.

While the company mainly works with Fiberglas pools, it will install a concrete swimming pool when the client has an odd-shaped yard that a composite pool can't accommodate,

By using the company to take care of their pool and landscaping needs, the homeowner is saving money as well as time,



The company has installed about 200 pools of varying shapes and sizes over the years.

"Also, we know what works well around pools," Black said. "For example, you don't want to plant things that will make the pool a mess. We build first off aesthetics and then make it easy for the client to maintain.

"We try to keep it simple and use low-maintenance plants, unless the client wants something different.'

The company holds a general contactor's license, but Black said the team sticks to jobs that deal with the exterior of the home, such as stucco, painting, fencing, concrete work, patios and gazebos. The company has even had experience in pond

"One client had a swimming pool, but he wanted one for his (koi) fish," Black said. "We used a composite pool for the pond. With concrete, it's hard to control algae, so it's hard to

"Fiberglas is really easy to clean, so it worked out well for this guy's pond. It was a little different plumbing and equipment we put on, but it was pretty neat.

With spring coming to the Mesilla Valley, business begins to take off, Black said.

"Our schedule runs two to four weeks out for start dates," he said, adding that installing a pool takes about four weeks and additional tasks can double that time.

Black said he is continuously branching out to different facets of the industry. Oasis Landscaping & Pools recently became a distribution yard.

"We have several more shells in stock. We have 10 to 12 different models. We had about four to five before," he said, adding that the shells come from California and Texas. "We go all over the state and help other companies get them for their areas.

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Make one at home with a little creativity



Maureen Villmer Practical Design

I often hear, "I wish I had a home office." Well, if you don't have a dedicated space or extra room, here are some places you might find to put a home office.

In a closet

Do you have a closet that you can spare? It doesn't have to be a walk-in closet. It could just be standard depth in a hall.

Take everything out, find another place for your stuff and add a work surface, shelves, electrical outlets and good lighting, and you've got yourself a new home office. I used this idea several years ago with a client who needed all three bedrooms for the many guests that came from Michigan to visit.

We took three-quarters of a standard closet, made it into a home office and left one-quarter for short hanging clothes and shelves for guests in her guest bedroom. It satisfied the dilemma of, "Where do I put my home office?"

Computer armoire

It looks like a TV armoire of old; it takes up minimal space when closed, yet when opened, it contains a whole office space in one small area.

A computer armoire usually only takes up about 42 inches in width (or less) and 6 to 7 feet in height. In this small space, you have room for a pullout for a keyboard, a monitor, a printer and a tower, with plenty of space

for writing. It will also normally include a file drawer and shelves for books.

All you have to do is close the doors to your armoire just as you would close the door to your office.

Dining room or breakfast area

Consider working at your breakfast table or dining room table and get a small cabinet for all the office items that you want to store, such as papers, files or printer. You might consider using to a laptop instead of a desktop.

If you have a breakfast room and a formal dining room, both may not be necessary. Consider turning one of the rooms into your home office. How many times have you used that formal dining room in the last year? That would help make my decision if I were looking for a space to use as a home office.

Hidden in a corner

Maybe you're just a little messy, or maybe you're doing more than computer work and are combining crafts or other hobbies in your office. If so, you may want to conceal your space with a folding screen when not in use.

This would work well in a living room, game room, one end of a large bedroom



I have made padded fabric screens for this purpose to give some insulating properties from sound as well as decorative bamboo or woven screens to protect the

eye from seeing the mess.

Under the stairs

In one home recently, while we were remodeling the kitchen, I found space under a stairwell where we could hide a small home office space.

This space was never used in the original layout of the home. While we were tearing out other areas, it made sense to take this

newfound space and make it into a small computer and home office space.

Unfinished spaces

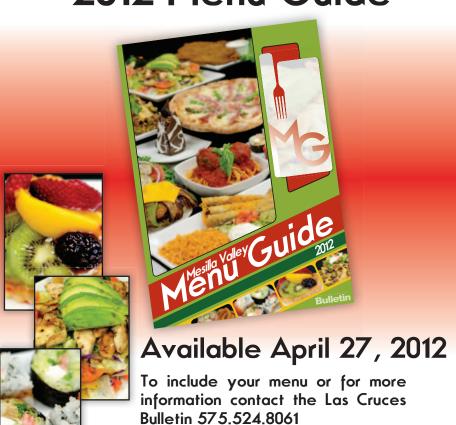
If you are willing to renovate a room in your home, you can create a home office in your garage, attic, basement, laundry room, mudroom or any other unfinished space as well as adding a small building or casita to the backyard to use as a home office.

You need to "think outside of the box" and be creative when it comes to finding new space to make a home office. Take a walk in your own home and see what you can find.

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Canning and beyond

Mason jar for more than food storage

By **Adam Baca**

In 1958, a man named John L. Mason from New York City invented the Mason jar, according to www.pickyourown.org.

He had created a machine that cut threads in the lids, allowing them to be screwed on and the jar to be reused.

When the jar was invented, it's affordability and convenience spurred the rapid spread of home canning and home food storage across

Today, it is very likely you will see a Mason jar in use if you wander into someone's kitchen.

Details

Mason jar wall planter

Using a piece of leftover board, screw clamps to it. You can use as many clamps as you would like, just be sure to place them a few inches apart so the plants have room to grow. Screw the board to the wall.

Fill the Mason jars with soil and the plants you desire. Herbs, such as basil, work great in this planter and allow you to grow your own ingredients, no matter the weather

To attach a Mason jar, slip it though the clamp and hold it in place. Tighten the clamp around the jar to ensure it won't slip out.

When you're done, you'll have your own indoor garden, which can be switched out as your mood or needs change.

Source: www.notjustahousewife.net

Even if you don't see a Mason jar being used, it

According to the website, Mason sold the rights for the jar and died somewhat of a poor man. Maybe if Mason knew the multiple, fascinating uses for the jar, he would have thought twice about selling the rights.

Put the jar to use. Even if you don't have any food to store, there is surely something you can do with this handy item.

- 1. Food storage: This is, after all, what the jar was created for. The Mason jar will be perfect for storing all of the salsa (if there is any left) that remained after dinner. Or if you have a Mason jar available, why not make extra salsa and put it in the refrigerator. You can never have too much salsa.
- 2. Save your coins: It can be tough trying to find somewhere to put all of your loose change. Your pocket can get too full and you are followed around by a jingling noise. Your cup holders in your car may be overcrowded with pennies, leaving you no room to set your drink, forcing you to put it in your lap and possibly spill it. Put the coins in the Mason jar. If you have two jars, use one for silver and the other for pennies.
- 3. Decorate your office or house: Why not use your Mason jar as a decoration. Fill the jar with layers of colored sand to create a rainbow-looking art piece. Fill the jar with various seashells and set it on your desk. Why not break out all of your paints and use the jar as a canvas. The possibilities are endless when it comes to using the jar as a decoration.
- 4. Kids' science project: It is almost summertime and children will be out of school. Why not keep them busy while educating them. Use the jar as a mini science project. Fill the jar with soil and plant some kind of seed in it. This shows kids how to take care of the plant while they are able to see the roots grow.
- 5. It is OK to drink from a mason jar: The dishes are piled up to your head. There are no more clean glasses. You can either drink from a

is likely that you can find one not being used.



dirty glass or clean one. Well, if you have a Mason jar, you also have another option. There is nothing wrong with throwing some ice cubes in the jar and filling it up with some water to drink. Don't forget to take the lid off.

6. Store loose nuts and bolts: It can be rather annoying when you know you have the right size bolt, but don't know exactly where it is. With gas prices as high as they are, a drive to the hardware store might be out of the question. Separate all of your various nuts and bolts, get multiple Mason jars and use the jars as storage. Put masking tape on the jar and write with a marker what it contains.

7. Scoop your dog's poop: It probably shouldn't be your first choice to scoop your dog's poop from your yard, but it works. Maybe someone borrowed your shovel and you have no plastic bags since you switched to the recyclable ones. Just make sure you sanitize it after if you plan on using it for anything else.

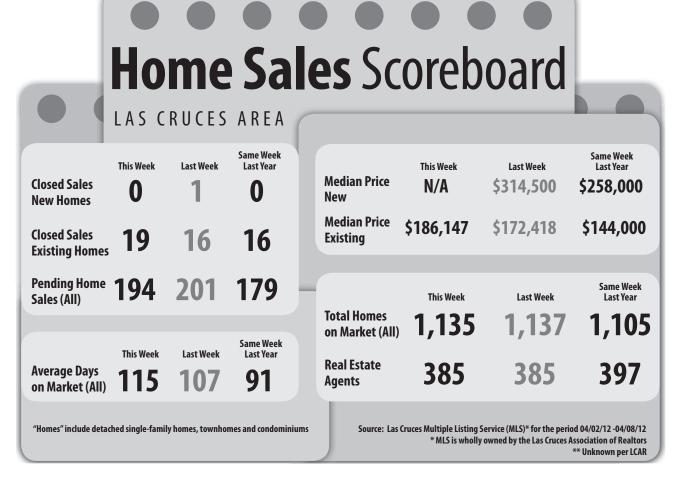
8. Ash your cigarette: Not everyone has an ashtray, or not everyone wants to get up to look for the ashtray. If the Mason jar is around, take the lid off and dump your cigarette or cigar ash in there. It's definitely better than letting your ash fall to the floor.

9. Collect insects: Have your kids turn the Mason jar into a little insect home. Put some dirt in there and maybe some plants. Capture insects from around the home and study them through the jar. With the jar being angled at the top, you can leave the top open so the bugs can breathe, and not have to worry about them

10. Fill it with anything, really: You can put absolutely anything in the jar. Anything that needs to be stored can be stored in the jar. Put it in the pantry, the refrigerator or the garage. Why not even put rocks in it and use it, as a paperweight.







Get spring cleaning help

Gadgets improve an often dreaded seasonal tradition

Spring is often looked at as a season of rebirth. As dormant plants begin to bloom, many find now to be the time to breathe 'new life" into their homes.

If you are someone who considers this season a time to get your household in order, a spring-cleaning session may be in order. Spring cleaning generally is an overhaul of your entire abode - from washing your walls and windows to organizing your closets and throwing out the items you no longer need.

Although this great task can feel overwhelming, there are several gadgets available to help you along the way. Three items manufactured by Quirky to consider when spring cleaning or caring for your home throughout the year – are the Loop, Broom Stopper and Broom Groomer.

These helpful gadgets can be purchased online at www. quirky.com and found at retail stores such as Target, Ace Hardware and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

Broom Groomer

The dreaded dust bunny – a collection of hair and fibers that float across your floors and clutter the bristles of your broom.

Removing those pesky balls of dust is an interruption to your spring cleaning process, and can be unpleasant for those who don't like to get their hands dirty. Now there is another way to get rid of the dust bunnies.

The Broom Groomer is a multi-functioning dustpan. Not only does it include a traditional dustpan for collecting debris, it also features rubber teeth to easily comb out any dust bunnies or other material stuck in the bristles of your broom.

The handle of the Broom Groomer doubles as a foot pedal, so your foot can steady the dustpan when cleaning the bristles, eliminating the need to get your hands dirty.

The front lip is also made from rubber, which allows it to stay in place easier and creates a better seal against the surface you're sweeping, helping to prevent those bits of dirt from get-

When you're done collecting your mess, dump out the pan and the debris and dust bunnies with it. A wall-hanging hole in the easy-grip handle allows for the Broom Groomer to be hung. That way you can find it quickly the next time you need to use

it to sweep something up.
The Broom Groomer, invented by Bill Ward of Ravenel, S.C., costs \$11.99. A Mini Broom Groomer is available for \$9.99, and is great for those small countertop messes.

The Loop

Dedicated to tackling your scrubbing and whipping needs, your dish towel might not be enough to handle all of your

Rather than overlooking this cleaning tool, enhance your dish towel with a Loop. The Loop is an abrasive scrubber designed to "power-up" your towel or cleaning cloth for those tough jobs.

Roughly measuring 1 inch, the Loop is any easy-to-grip tool that can take on multiple jobs. Simply thread your dish towel or cleaning cloth through the opening of the Loop and scrub away. The abrasive pad of the loop will get rid of those sticky messes while the towel whips away any leftover residue.

The Loop can also be used by itself to clean dishes or maneuver in those hard-to-reach places.

When you're done, the Loop can be hung on it's accompanying base. This allows your dish towels to always be within

The Loop was invented by Adam Rehak of Prague, Czech Republic, and retails for \$5.99.

Broom Stopper

How many times have you completed a mopping or sweeping job and placed your utensil against a wall just to have it come crashing down?

Getting your broom to balance against the wall or countertop can sometimes be as difficult as sweeping itself. This is where the Broom Stopper comes into play.

The Broom Stopper, invented by John Jacobsen of Miller Place, N.Y., allows your broom or mop to rest against a wall or countertop without falling thanks to its unique design. A rubberized triangle, the stopper slips around the pole of your cleaning utensil, creating a level surface.

When you set your tool against the wall or the edge of a table or countertop, you don't have to worry that it will fall down.

The Broom Stopper costs \$5.99.



The Broom Groomer





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The Broom Stopper

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Spice up your rice

Use multi-purpose ingredient as a side dish or main entrée

Sunny Conley Chile Knights



Rice is versatile. It can be served as a side with a meal or dressed up with the "works' for a main entrée.

I often prepare rice in advance and store it in the fridge for up to three days. It's great to have on hand, especially for stir-fries. I add a serving the last minute or so of cooking time

But chilled rice is good for a quick lunch. Just add fresh fruit and veggies or a pouch of salmon. Top it with sprinkles of your favorite chile pepper seasoning mix and you're good

Surprisingly, there are more than 7,000 varieties of rice, but the most familiar are brown and white.

Nutrient-wise, brown is best. It's unprocessed, only the inedible outer husk is removed whereas white is stripped of the husk bran and germ. Least nutritious are the quick and instant rice varieties, which have been fully or partially cooked.

Although they take only minutes to prepare, the taste is bland and the texture is mushy. More times than not, I make "fresh" brown rice, but some recipes – I admit – taste best with white.

Whether you prefer one to the other, both taste exceptional with a jolt or two of chile

Chilled Chicken Poblano Rice Salad

2 cups water

1 cup uncooked white rice

3 hard-cooked eggs, peeled and sliced

1 tablespoon olive oil

2 boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut into bite-size pieces

3 tablespoons olive oil

1 teaspoon vinegar

1 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper

1 cup tomatoes, diced

1 poblano pepper, stemmed, seeded and chopped

1 bunch fresh broccoli with stalk, chopped

1 cup frozen peas, thawed

1 cup frozen corn kernels, thawed

Bring water to a boil in a medium saucepan. Add rice and stir. Reduce heat, cover and simmer for 20 to 25 minutes. Remove from heat, and set aside to cool. Place eggs in a saucepan and cover with cold water. Bring water to a boil and immediately remove from heat. Cover and let eggs stand in hot water for 10 to 12 minutes. Cool, peel and slice.

Heat 1 tablespoon of oil in a skillet over medium-high heat. Cook chicken, stirring occasionally, until it's no longer pink and the juices run clear.

Whisk oil, vinegar, salt and pepper together in a small bowl. Place tomatoes, poblano pepper, broccoli, peas and corn together in a large mixing bowl; toss to combine. Add eggs and rice, and toss again. Cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour before serving. Toss with

dressing to coat just before serving. Makes 4

Chiles de Arbol Rice and Bean Dish

1 medium onion, chopped

2 to 4 cloves garlic, minced 1 medium green bell pepper, chopped

2 tablespoons vegetable oil

1 cup uncooked regular rice

2 (15-ounce) cans kidney beans, drained 4 ounces fully cooked smoked ham, diced

1/2 teaspoon ground cumin

1/4 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon dried oregano leaves

1 chiles de arbol, crushed or other small dried red chile pepper such as tepin.

Cook and stir onion, garlic and green pepper in oil until tender. Mix onion mixture and remaining ingredients in an ungreased 2-quart casserole. Cover and bake at 350 degrees until liquid is absorbed and rice is tender, about 55 minutes. Stir before serving. Makes 5 to 6 servings.

East Indian Rice Bowl

3 cups cooked rice (brown or white)*

1 cup cherry tomatoes, halved

1 cup cucumber, seeded and diced

1 cup yellow bell pepper, seeded and diced

1 cup green grapes, halved 1/4 cup red onion, chopped

4 ounces aged cheddar cheese

Toss rice with fruit and vegetables. Toss with dressing. Basmati rice, an East Indian favorite, is a good substitute for this recipe. Makes 6 servings.

Curry Oil Dressing: 1 teaspoon curry powder 1/4 cup olive oil 3 tablespoons white wine vinegar Salt and freshly ground pepper 4 ounces favorite aged Cheddar, diced

Drizzle dressing on rice medley and toss until well coated. Add cheese. Toss. Serve in individual bowls, if desired.

Healthy Mexican Brown Rice

Consider serving this for breakfast topped with a fried egg.

1 large onion, diced

1 bell pepper, stemmed, seeded and diced

2 cloves garlic, chopped

1 1/2 cups uncooked brown rice Oil, as needed

3 cups vegetable stock

1 (15-ounce) can diced tomatoes, undrained

1 tablespoon chili powder

1 teaspoon oregano

1 teaspoon cumin Cayenne pepper, to taste

Stir-fry the onion, pepper, garlic and rice in oil until onions are translucent. Add the stock and tomatoes plus the juice. Bring to a boil, and stir in herbs. Reduce heat, cover and simmer for 40 minutes, or until rice is done and liquid gone. Fluff and serve. Makes about

Brown Rice Pepper Tabouli

This keeps well in the refrigerator 2 to 3 days and is great for lunch.



Whip up a colorful and healthy meal with rice.

2 cups cooked brown rice, cooled 2 large tomatoes, chopped 1 to 2 medium cucumbers, chopped 1 serrano pepper, stemmed, seeded and minced 1/2 cup scallions or fresh chives, chopped

1 to 2 cups parsley, chopped 1/3 cup fresh mint, chopped 1/2 cup red onion, chopped 1 clove garlic, minced

In a large bowl, mix together all ingredients and toss with dressing. Serve portions on a bed of butter lettuce or stuff in hollowed out large tomato halves. Makes 6 servings. 1 teaspoon sea salt 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil

In a small bowl, whisk together ingredients.

1/4 cup fresh lemon juice

Sunny Conley, a former Las Crucen, is an award-winning cookbook author and food columnist. If you have a chile recipe or idea to share, contact Conley at sunny.conley@gmail.com.



nampions of Change

Las Crucen a 'Champion for Change'

Tierra del Sol executive director honored in Washington

By Adam R. Baca

On March 29, 10 leaders from around the nation were invited to the White House and recognized as Champions of Change, in honor of the late César Chávez, who dedicated his life to improving the lives of others.

Among the 10 invited from around the nation was Las Crucen Rose Garcia, the executive director of Tierra Del Sol Housing Corp. Through her work, Garcia has helped improve the quality of life for farm workers as well as others throughout the border region for more than 30 years.

"It was a wonderful experience with national leaders," Gar-

Along with the other nine Champions of Change honorees, Garcia was invited to the White House and was asked to participate on a panel, which was moderated by television station Telemundo and Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar.

Garcia said they were able to provide input and answer questions regarding community needs.

"I was able to express some of the top needs in New Mexico," she said. "New Mexico is in a special part of the country ...

sometimes you have to improvise."

After sitting in on the panel, Garcia and the nine others got to meet President Barack Obama and spend a little bit of time with him. Obama expressed his recognition of the life and work of Chavez, Garcia said.

'He was very cordial," she said.

Not only did Garcia get to meet the president, which was a surprise to her, she also was able to correct his pronunciation of Las Cruces, she said.

Larry Salazar, who is a member of the board of directors at Tierra del Sol, said the original goal of the corporation has been to help farm workers find affordable homes. It is a nonprofit organization and is funded by government grants.
"Many people care about the farm workers," Garcia said.

"New Mexico and west Texas is an area in the country that has

a very substantial agriculture economy." Now, Tierra del Sol not only assists farm working families, but helps other families who may qualify and are in need of assistance. The corporation offers various projects, such as the self-help program, in which families who qualify are able to help build their own home to help bring the financing costs

The corporation assists families in need with the entire home buying process. There is also a rehabilitation program, where an old house will be rehabilitated.

Garcia said the Anthony, N.M., office also contains a computer lab where individuals who don't have a computer can go to help with school or work.

"That's been a result of Rose's leadership," Salazar said of Tierra del Sol becoming a multi-faceted corporation, starting

from its roots of helping farm workers.

"They do a great job with helping people," said Francisco Moran, who is a member of the board of directors of Tierra del Sol.

He said what TDSHC does is great for the entire community as he knows very well the hard work farm workers do.

"I used to go out and work in the fields," Moran said.

The César Chávez Champions of Change recognition celebrates the life and legacy of the Civil Rights leader Cesar Chavez. Garcia, as well as Salazar, were able to meet Chavez before he passed away. March 31 marked what would have been his 85th birthday. Garcia said he was a very soft spoken and humble person.

"Cesar Chavez has always been one of my personal heroes," Salazar said.

With help from Garcia and Tierra del Sol, the lives of many

farm workers and other families in need have benefited. "It's wonderful to work in the community," Garcia said.



Garcia poses with César Chávez' grandson.

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President Barack Obama greets Rose Garcia during the Champions of Change event March 29 in Washington, D.C.

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