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John Keith remembered

Bulletin sports editor had a full, vibrant life

Las Cruces Bulletin sports editor John "Ranger" Keith lived the last 20 years of his life in Las Cruces, but prior to settling here, he built a career that had an impact nationwide.



KEITH

Keith died Sunday, March 13, and in the following days, news of his passing sparked vivid memories and emotions from people all over the country.

Not just a sportswriter, he was a talented musician and cartoonist. He perfected the job of university sports information director, and molded a litany of disciples in that profession.

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Champs, Champs, Champs



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Mesilla Valley Christian Schools, Mayfield High School and Oñate High School all brought home championship trophies from state tournaments in Albuquerque Saturday, March 12. State championships were won by the Oñate boys and Mayfield girls in Class 5A, and by the Mesilla Valley Christian Schools boys in Class 2A. For more coverage of the championship games, see Sports.

Hall to join school board

Former teacher will fill District 2 vacancy

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

The Las Cruces school board has selected a former advanced education teacher to fill out the remaining two years on the District 2 seat left vacant by an elected member resigning for personal reasons.

Barbara Hall, whose 25-year teaching experience ranged from kindergarten to high school, with two years in New Mexico State University's master teacher program where she is currently a student teacher supervisor, was picked from a field of five applicants Wednesday, March 16.



HALL

The day before, sitting board members interviewed the applicants, who included former school board member Lonnie Briseño, former state Public Regulation Commissioner Tony Schaefer, retiring teacher Susan Colquitt and Victor Contreras of Loafs

and Fishes Ministries.

Contreras and Schaefer said they offered business experience. Schaefer and Briseño also have experience sitting on elected board. Colquitt and Hall leaned on their real-classroom experience.

Though budgetary challenges face the board, school performance is also being scrutinized.

"We need to look carefully at everything," Hall said.

She noted that good educators don't need the latest technology to teach, so keeping up adequate building maintenance may be a better use of limited resources at this point in time. Hall also made the suggestion that the district curtail buying new textbooks until the state's finances improve.

In terms of instruction, Hall said the community has told her that the school's gradu-

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Grading change vexes students

NMSU grade proposal has pluses, minuses

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

A proposal aiming to reduce grade inflation at New Mexico State University has some students worried that it will hurt their GPAs.

The proposal fractional weights to grades with a "+" that increases the grade by .3 or a "-" that decreases the grade by .3. According to the proposal, a student whose work is between an A and B would earn 3.3 if given a B+ or 3.7 if given an A-. There is no additional weight given to an A+ since it's only worth 4.0, as would be a straight A.

Although the NMSU Faculty Senate approved the new grade system March 3, the Student Senate rejected it a week later after students flooded student government representatives with emails, mostly against the proposal.

Daniel Parrott, a criminal justice major at NMSU, said the new system meant that if a student got one grade less than an A, that

student would lose the chance to ever regain a 4.0 GPA. He agreed that the GPA should be capped at 4.0, but that there should be an option for A+ grades to offset an A-, he said.

"These changes would raise the bar of academic achievement for all NMSU students, while making an A- less of an irreversible punishment or mistake for students maintaining a 4.0 GPA," Parrott said.

Fractional grading systems were intended to raise the bar of academic achievement, he said, but added that the current proposal does more to set marginal students up for failure.

Students must retain at least a 2.5 GPA to qualify for certain financial aid or inclusion into a fraternity or sorority, said Ana Holguin, a sophomore studying education.

Holguin noted that when she calculated her GPA under the new system, it dropped from a 4.0 to 3.7

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Las Cruces growth was no surprise, except that the official city's population didn't break 100,000



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A chat with the chair



Adm. Michael Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, speaks to senior noncommissioned officers at the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy during his visit to Fort Bliss, Thursday, March 10.

Photo for the Bulletin by Sgt. Erik Thurman

Campaign targets suicide

VA offers hot line for depressed veterans

The Department of Veterans Affairs is reaching out to veterans in crisis and their families in a new public service announcement on suicide prevention resources, such as the Veterans Crisis Line at 800-273-TALK (8255).

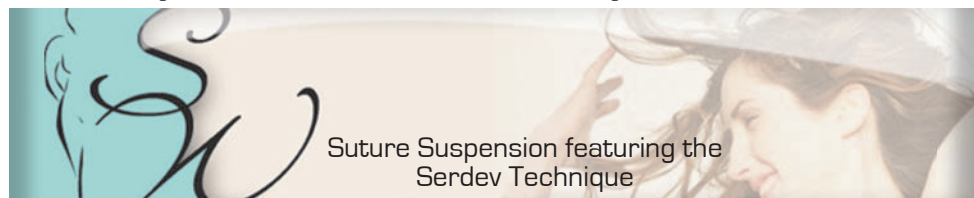
"As more veterans return from Iraq and Afghanistan, the critical need for mental health care is rising," said Sonja V. Batten, assistant deputy chief patient care services officer for mental health. "Suicide is preventable."

The new television spot encourages veterans in crisis to call the crisis hot line number at 800-273-TALK (8255) and then push No. 1 on their telephone keypad to reach a trained VA mental health professional who can assist the

veteran 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

So far, more than 379,000 have called the hot line, and more than 200,000 of these callers have identified themselves as veterans, family members or friends of veterans. The hot line has led to more than 13,000 rescues.

The hot line also operates an online Veterans Chat program, which provides veterans, their families and friends with the ability to communicate anonymously online in real-time with a trained VA mental health professional. Veterans Chat can be accessed through the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline's webpage at suicidepreventionlifeline.org/Veterans/Default.aspx.



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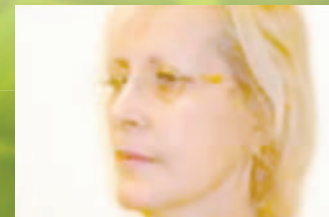
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From the publisher

BY DAVID MCCOLLUM

Adios, Ranger

John Keith is gone. The world just lost its most entertaining and best-loved curmudgeon

I first met John Keith in 1969, shortly after he had been named to replace his father as the sports information director at the University of Oklahoma. I was a senior at Oklahoma State University and was an editor at the OSU Alumni Magazine. The "bedlam" OU vs. OSU wrestling match was coming up and I was looking for some story angles for our magazine.

John patiently took time from his incredibly busy schedule to listen to my request, and in a matter of moments he had provided me with about a dozen creative ideas and gave me permission to go wherever and interview whomever I chose for the feature article. I was impressed that this John Keith guy, who didn't know me from Adam, took the time to visit with the "enemy" from OSU. Little did either of us know that our lives would come together again, 27 years later in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

From a sportswriter's point of view, John Keith's career had taken him to the top of the mountain where he had seen the face of God. He stood beside OU coach Barry Switzer as the Sooners earned two consecutive national football championships in 1974 and 1975. John took credit for handling the nationwide publicity that helped win two Heisman trophies, Steve Owens in 1969 and Billy Sims in 1978.

John was well known and was universally well liked for his laid back, friendly style. He was a marathoner, a cartoonist and an accomplished musician. Those who knew him well are certain that he could have had a successful career in any of those endeavors had he chosen to pursue them. Perhaps his favorite avocation was playing the banjo. Many nights and weekends he would entertain players, coaches and their friends with his witty renditions of bluegrass songs and banjo classics.

Later, Johnny Keith was the sports publicist for Texas A&M, the Houston Oilers NFL team and the University of New Mexico. At UNM John was the SID in 1983, the year that Jim Valvano's North Carolina State Wolfpack completed their Cinderella run at the Final Four in The Pit to win the NCAA basketball championship. In 1991, John lost his youngest son, Casey, at age 20, in a tragic auto accident. Shortly thereafter John moved to Las Cruces where he served as public information officer for the City of Las Cruces and then became a sports columnist for the Las Cruces Sun-News.

In 1996, I accepted a transfer from Bethlehem, Pa., to become president of the Las Cruces Publishing Company and publisher of the Sun-News. The first person to greet me at the Sun-News was none other than John Keith. For the next five years, we would tell tales, and maybe a lie or two, about our days in Oklahoma and would discuss our mutual friends in the sports business.

In 2003, I had been gone from the daily for about three years and was working in southeast Texas, when John called and said that the Bulletin was for sale and that Jaki and I should buy it. He added that if we would buy the Bulletin, he would join us and we could make it the best community newspaper in the region. Because I wasn't responding with great enthusiasm to his suggestion, he continued to call every day for three months before we acceded to his idea to buy the Bulletin and move back to Las Cruces.

True to his word, John Keith resigned from the daily and joined us at the Bulletin. He was a key team player until sometime Sunday when he moved on to his next "assignment."

John Keith's value to our company cannot be underestimated. His columns added wit, energy and credibility to our newspaper. He was beloved by his fellow employees. He was respected by other members of the media. Coaches and players appreciated his candor, accuracy and humor.

John Keith is survived by his former wife, Novie, who lives near Albuquerque, and son, Duke, a popular radio sports show personality at KLAQ-FM in El Paso. John once said, "I never had my own identity. First I was the son of Harold Keith, and now I am Duke Keith's dad."

We disagree with John's perspective. There has only been one John Keith. There will never be another. The mold has been broken. We are all honored to have been part of John Keith's life, and that he has been part of ours. He will be missed.

Rest in Peace, John Keith. We love you, man.



Letters to the Editor

Limit government

Enough is enough. Washington still isn't listening to what the common people are saying regarding health care and spending.

Government should be responsible for two things: defense of our freedom and protecting the border. That is the job of the government, and it seems they can't even do that.

Our voices must be heard, and I challenge others who believe in changing our future to write to our elected officials. Let's stand and take our country back.

Michael Reaves

No more immigrants

Mickael Swickard (Las Cruces Bulletin, March 11) said there is "room enough for any and all" legal immigrants. Absurd!

Only three nations – China, India and the United States – have populations of more than 300 million, while we are the world's fourth fastest growing nation.

With our huge resource consumption, is a global problem.

A 1972 presidential commission – when we were only 200 million – warned that we should never become 300 million. They feared, prophetically, that we would be unable to adequately educate, provide medical care for or employ our citizens. They feared it would impoverish the nation to build adequate new

infrastructure, as the old crumbled.

Since 1950, we have matched India's growth a century earlier and, like India, we are on track to become a China-like 1 billion this century, despite a Clinton-appointed sustainable development commission pleading that immigration be slashed to slow the population explosion.

During the Great Depression, F.D.R. insisted on immigration below 20,000 a year. During the Great Recession, with millions unemployed, we accepted more than 700,000 legal immigrants, the highest level ever and five times historical norms.

So, contrary to "room enough for all," there obviously isn't.

Kathleene Parker

Repeal abortion decision

I read Vicki Simons's Letter to the Editor in the Las Cruces Bulletin, Friday, March 11, three times scrutinizing it for the one service to women most often associated with Planned Parenthood – abortion. It isn't there. Simons conveniently neglects to mention the lawfully approved taking of an innocent human life.

By omitting this "service" a more positive spin is placed on this horrible act. Abortion should never have been legalized.

I say reverse Roe vs. Wade and remove this abomination from our nation's history.

Ken Bland

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Promises of bold action melt away in lethargic '11 legislative session

Leadership vacuum left in wake of Richardson administration

Jay Miller
Inside the Capitol



It appears little will come of this session. Usually during the final week of the session, things start coming together and much legislation passes.

But this session can only be described as lethargic with occasional outbursts of emotions. This isn't a recipe for the bold action Gov.-elect Susana Martinez promised. The truth is that New Mexico never has seen the bold action it experienced during the eight years of the Richardson administration.

Any other governor pales in comparison. Had Martinez followed any other governor, we might not have noticed much difference. But for eight years, Richardson controlled the action. There weren't any other real leaders.

House Speaker Ben Lujan brought the House along, supporting Richardson's initiatives. The Senate fought him but majority floor leader Michael Sanchez was always look-

ing over his shoulder to be sure he was leading the majority of his troops in the direction they wanted to go.

So now lawmakers are left without anyone of the Manny Aragon, Raymond Sanchez, Aubrey Dunn or John Mershon variety who would pick up the cudgel and say, "Here's what we're going to do." It's not that today's leaders are not capable of such actions. It's just that they aren't accustomed to doing it since Richardson was such a powerful force that he called all the signals.

One major power Richardson used to full advantage was his line-item veto authority. He could threaten to veto the pork projects of any recalcitrant lawmaker. Martinez has said she will veto all pork. That's not a bad idea from a public policy standpoint but it weakens her hand significantly.

Of course, accomplishing nothing isn't too

bad an idea either. The only bill that has to pass is the budget measure. Very little else has. With a week left in the session, only one bill had reached the governor's desk. That was the so-called "feed bill" that funds the Legislature.

Former Gov. Bruce King, who vetoed many a bill in his time, always insisted the Legislature passes far too many bills anyway. He said many of the bills he passed early in his legislative career, he later introduced measures to repeal.

Very little is coming out of the governor's office other than law enforcement messages. Many reports are coming in about the difficulty of gaining access to the governor herself. Everything is being filtered through top aides.

During the 2010 political campaigns, gubernatorial and legislative candidates said their top priority was jobs, jobs, jobs. We're

“ Many reports are coming in about the difficulty of gaining access to the governor. ”

not hearing about jobs now. Neither Martinez nor legislators are talking about what they promised would be their top priority. No one took the leadership.

Consequently, we now have a leadership vacuum. Or so it seems. It is possible that Martinez – or someone else – is quietly making major changes. Deep beneath the surface, agency regulations may be loosening. Maybe they are being overlooked or not being enforced. If so, we aren't getting the transparent government we were promised.

I'm getting reports that new managers are calling employees into their offices and informing them that they know everyone's party registration and who they supported for governor last year. And they are lowering salaries of everyone they can.

So maybe the bold initiatives the new governor promised were in the areas of law enforcement and taking driver's licenses from illegal aliens. In that case, it doesn't look like a very successful session. The driver's license bill died twice. But it did get debated, sometimes in a very rancorous manner.

Former state GOP chairman John Dendahl long tried to get Martinez to run for attorney general. It appears he had the right idea.

And the \$450 million deficit the governor complained about quietly disappeared. Less than \$200 million seems to have taken care of the problem. Or did we just kick the can a little farther down the road?

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Letters to the Editor

U.S. military retirees are shortchanged

U.S. Sens. Jeff Bingaman and Tom Udall need to openly support veterans' concurrent receipt of both military retired pay and Veterans Administration disability payments. Sen. Reid was planning to make the text part of the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

Because of an outdated and unjust 19th century law, career military retired veterans currently are the only group of federal retirees required to waive their retirement pay in order to receive VA disability. Reid's legislation ends this discrimination against career military men and women by providing our nation's heroes with the full pay and benefits they have earned.

The current law was passed in 1891 and is a slap in the face to service members defending our freedoms around the world. It is unconscionable to deny veterans who've honorably served their country the full retirement and disability pay they've earned.

We need to do more to deliver for the men and women in uniform who've risked their lives to keep us safe. Our senators should immediately sign on to this legislation and make sure it finds its way to President Obama's desk this year.

A civil service retiree may receive both civil service retirement and VA disability with no offset. The current

law sends the wrong message to our service members defending our freedoms around the world.

Mark Best

Unions paved way for rise of middle class

Do you ever think of the time, energy and emotion spent on solving the same problems over and over again?

Take labor unions for example. As early as the 1300s, laborers came together to bargain for better working conditions with the result that employers and the government made it illegal for workers to bargain collectively (Ordinance of Labourers, 1349). From that time forward, working class people have struggled to better their conditions by banding together.

In the United States since the beginning of the industrial revolution, labor unions have accomplished: putting an end to child labor;

establishing an eight-hour work day with paid overtime and a five-day work week with weekends off; securing a guaranteed minimum wage and unemployment insurance for workers who lose their jobs; winning workers' comp benefits for workers injured on the job, pensions, health care insurance, paid sick leave, vacations and holidays, safety standards and the Family Medical Leave Act; and helping to win passage of the Civil Right Acts and Title VII that outlaw job discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex or national origin. And they have done all of this through collectively bargaining – which they also had to work hard to achieve.

Perhaps the biggest overall contribution of unions has been to give us a strong middle class. Today that middle class is dwindling rapidly as we become a nation of haves and have-nots. Moneyed interests are growing exponentially and they are no friend of unions or the middle class.

We need a strong middle class and we need to support our unions and remember what they have done for us. We need to support their right to collective bargaining, which is a form of workplace

democracy that gives workers some control over their work environment and thereby enhances their human dignity.

Let's support the workers in Wisconsin and other states. Let's ask ourselves, "Do we

need a stronger middle class in our country?" If so, do corporations or unions better support that need? Think about it.

Shirley Armstrong

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE



The simple answer

I was on the shuttle bus to pick up a rental car at the Denver airport when we passed a giant rearing blue horse with glowing red eyes. On my bus were an Asian man and his child. They were tourists going skiing, so I deduced from their luggage. The boy exclaimed, "Daddy, what's the matter with that horse!" I could see the dad trying to think of an answer. He said, "I think he is ... mean."

He might have harbored the suspicion that the red-eyed blue horse was intended to be a politically incorrect slur on equines, or a blatant corporate-funded endorsement for Visine, or a protest against the Denver Broncos, or most likely, the sculptor was related to the present governor of Colorado.

I admit that sometimes I have the urge to butt in. Give him my two-cents worth. Maybe even clear things up. Explain the blue horse is an exhibition of modern art and put the kid's fears to rest, but then wisdom overcame my mouth and I realized, "Ya know, I don't have a dog in this hunt."

When we question the motives for someone's action or decision, our imagination can go wild. My daughter had a suitor. A nice boy, but insecure. I only heard her side of the telephone conversation: "No, but thanks. I just don't feel like going. No, there's nothing wrong. No, I'm fine. Yes, my car is running fine. No, there's no snowdrift in the driveway. It's nothing you said, I just don't feel like ... of course not, there's no one else."

This could go on for hours! Her real reason for not going? She just didn't feel like it. Ockham's Razor is one of those pieces of

wisdom that have lasted through the ages. It states that the easiest solution is usually the best.

Why did the chicken cross the road? She had an intrinsic sense of direction to migrate? She saw a dead bug? She was driven from her homeland by an abusive rooster? The simple answer is: to get to the other side.

How did you get on the top of Mt. Everest? "Well, I was just standin' here and these two Sherpas invited me for lunch."

How did you get to be president of the Rotary Club? "I missed the last meeting."

How did you manage to stay on that rear-in' buckin' horse? That was an amazing ride! "My jacket got hung on the saddle horn."

They tell of a crusty ol' coyote hunting-duster pilot in Montana who was teaching flying lessons. One particularly talkative student showed up for his sixth lesson. Ol' Montana told him to climb in on the pilot's side, that he was ready to solo.

"Gosh," said the student, "I've only had five lessons, most people say you need at least seven, I'm not sure I'm ready. I've read about the danger of flying before your confidence is built up, the need to know all the rules, and even though I consider myself a good student, I'm just concerned we might be jumpin' the gun, are you sure I'm ready to solo, what if I crash?"

Ol' Monty patted him on the arm and said, "Son, this isn't my plane and yer no kin to me, so take your best shot."

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Some things are worse than leaking radiation

Having no electricity would be far worse

Michael Swickard
In My Opinion



While the earthquake and tsunami hit Japan, many political aftershocks are being felt strongly in our country. Much debate involves nuclear energy being used for domestic power generation. Sadly, so much being said about nuclear energy generation just is not so.

When it comes to nuclear power generation, we Americans are standing on a whale fishing for minnows. We have no vision. It all starts with our national energy policy. Shuckins, that is right, we do not have one. When Americans talk about energy policy, we are blind. Worse than blind, stupid. Worse than blind and stupid, intentionally so.

In the four decades since the worldwide energy crisis began in the early 1970s our nation still has no real energy policy. Year after year politicians pontificate, but Americans have no unified policy of discovery, deployment and extension.

The closest to an energy policy this nation has found is really an anti-energy policy pushed by the "green" political agenda. Not only is this not an energy policy, it has no real standing because "green" technologies rely upon traditional energy sources for validity. For every wind farm there must be a traditional source of power standing by for when the wind stops. Wind and solar as a mainstream energy source do not make energy sense.

Our nation could not have done worse in our 40 years in the energy wilderness. We had no Moses. When the first energy crisis began in 1973, politicians rightly said that we had to get off of foreign oil to put our country's future into our own hands. Then they did everything they could to do the opposite. We are far more fragile as a nation now than we were 40 years ago.

As to the connotation in Japan, the powerful earthquake did little damage but the resultant tsunami was devastating beyond the structural damage.

First, it made the Japanese prey to people who are trying to use an anti-nuclear agenda rather than deal with Japan's problems.

Second, it uncovered some bad civil engineering design. In the early 1950s, Japan put

the power controls for several first generation nuclear power plants on the ocean side of the power plants. There were engineering reasons for that placement, but it put the backup power directly in the path of the tsunami wave, which then took out the backup control power.

If those secondary power sources were on the other side of the plant, we would not be worried about nuclear issues. Frankly, the bad design ran 60 years without a problem until a very tall wave of water showed the lunacy of putting the diesel generation on the incorrect side of the nuclear plant.

The overall lesson in Japan though is being missed by most people. While it is appropriate to have some concern about the nuclear power generation, there is something far worse and deadly than having a nuclear incident in a power plant. It is having no power at all. Consider this: it is winter in Japan and with 11 of their 51 reactors out and off line, so they are being threatened with actual real death by

“ Power is life; lack of power is death. ”

lack of power.

Japan lost several nuclear plant generation inputs and several more traditional generation plants with the wall of water. They are faced with rolling blackouts, food shortages, disruption of transportation and the intentional effort to inappropriately scare their population by anti-nuclear political action groups.

A concern about the danger of radiation is appropriate within the science realm. This is not that, rather it is way beyond making sense. While leaking radiation is bad, having no power at all is far much worse because in our world today no power equals humans who cannot survive.

I am not trying to scare you, I am just stating a fact that most people ignore. Power is life: lack of power is death.

We Americans take energy for granted. A month without any energy in New Mexico and most of the population would be dead. Not suffering, dead. All that sustains our lives starts with energy. And we, as a nation, have no coherent energy policy. It is time to stop talking and start getting a real sustainable policy.

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Good fortune in La Mesa



Raul Estrada of Mesilla claimed a \$200,000 prize from the New Mexico Lottery recently. Estrada's quick-pick ticket for the March 12 Powerball drawing matched the winning white ball numbers of 1, 4, 12, 41 and 47. The odds of winning a \$200,000 Powerball prize are approximately 1 in 5.1 million. "I always play for the dream and the dream has come true," Estrada told lottery officials in Albuquerque. Estrada said he and his wife Josefina plan to invest their prize, adding that it will be great fun to see that much money on a financial statement every month. Estrada purchased his winning ticket at Eagle Grocery Store No. 2 located at 108 E. San Francisco St. in La Mesa.

Agriculture week wraps up

Importance of agriculture in economy noted

By **Marvin Tessneer**
Las Cruces Bulletin

The New Mexico Department of Agriculture urged consumers to observe National Agriculture Week March 13-19, to recognize 20,000 state farmers for their daily supplies of food and fiber and contributions to the state economy.

- The NMDA reported:
- In 2009, the agriculture industry put nearly \$6 billion into the state economy.
 - The New Mexico No. 1 cash crop in 2009 was cattle and calves, producing about \$1 billion in cash receipts, followed by milk from 160 family-owned dairies that generated \$950

million for the state. The state ranks ninth in the nation in milk production and fourth in cheese production.

- New Mexico has the largest concentration of pecan orchards in the world, about 36,000 acres of producing trees.
- New Mexico also is a large producer of green chile, onions, peanuts and potatoes. "Did you know that in the United States consumers spend about 9 percent of their income on food, much less than in other countries? That's thanks to our farmers and ranchers who produce the low cost food," according to a NMDA news release.

Anti-meth program begins

Rotary groups join forces in fundraising

Rotary Clubs of Las Cruces and Anthony, N.M., are working together to get an anti-methamphetamine program called "Don't Meth With Us" into local schools.

"Don't Meth With Us" was started in Farmington, N.M., four years ago and has proved to greatly reduced meth use by young people. According to San Juan County Juvenile Services, the number of arrests linked to drug use has declined from 39 in 2005 to only one in 2009. Juvenile authorities credit the "Don't Meth With Us" program for the reduction.

The program has quickly spread across North America and the local Rotary Clubs have made it a project to



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson
John Schwabke, "Don't Meth With Us" chair, accepts a donation of \$1,000 from George McCoy and Judy Picker of Las Cruces Fine Properties Tuesday, March 15.

bring to schools throughout southern New Mexico.

To contribute or get involved in the local training,

contact George McCoy at 532-9645. To learn more about the program see its webpage at www.dontmethwithus.com.

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Dealing with Difficult People	Apr 27	Wed	9:00am-4:00pm	\$150
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Senate ups rebate cap

Bill puts a \$50M limit on film incentives

By **Trip Jennings**
The New Mexican

A powerful Senate committee Monday capped at \$50 million what New Mexico could pay out to qualifying TV and film productions in tax rebates in a single year. The vote by the Senate Finance Committee is the latest action in the fight over how many dollars to wring from film-industry incentives in order to help balance a proposed \$5.4 billion state budget.

Unclear Monday was Gov. Susana Martinez's reaction to the latest version of the bill. Her office didn't respond to a request for comment. For weeks, Martinez has pushed for a \$25 million cut, but in its latest incarnation, the bill would save only \$19 million, or \$6 million short of her stated goal, said Senate Finance Committee Chairman John Arthur Smith, D-Deming. That small gap forces state lawmakers to make up the difference elsewhere to balance the state budget, a responsibility that might be easier than it sounds, Smith said.

"I think oil will give us a windfall," the Deming Democrat said.

In coming months, Smith said, the tax revenue New Mexico derives from oil drilling in the state might flow at a greater rate than originally projected by state economists. That, in turn, could fill the state's operating reserve with unexpected dollars. Tapping the reserve for \$6 million could be the easiest thing to do.

Lawmakers hope to pass a \$5.4 billion state budget proposal by noon Saturday, March 19, when the 60-day legislative session adjourns. Early Monday afternoon, Senate President Pro Tem Tim Jennings, D-Roswell, said he thought the proposed state budget would come up for a vote on the Senate floor Tuesday, March 15. But Sen. Majority Leader Michael Sanchez, D-Belen, appeared less certain.

"I don't know when it will come up," Sanchez said of House Bill 2, the budget bill.

Sanchez also sounded unsure whether the

state budget proposal or the film bill would go to the Senate floor first. On Monday, Senate Democrats, who hold a 27-15 advantage over Senate Republicans, met behind closed doors, presumably to hash over questions of strategy and sequencing of bills.

Sanchez said it makes sense to consider the film incentives bill before voting on the budget bill, "but we'll see."

In recent weeks, the film-incentives legislation, House Bill 607, has been the subject of a powerful tug-of-war between the governor and legislative leaders.

Meanwhile, film industry insiders and advocates have warned that significant changes to the program will render New Mexico a has-been in stiff competition with other states and countries for film productions.

They sent that message when the House earlier altered HB607 to put a \$45 million cap what the state can pay out to qualifying TV and film productions each year. Film-industry advocates had hoped for a \$65 million limit.

On Monday, the Senate Finance Committee made more changes to HB607, raising to \$50 million the limit on what New Mexico can pay out and also stripping out a provision that film industry advocates have said would save New Mexico money in the next budget year.

The removed provision would have paid rebates to TV and film productions in a three-tiered process. Under the removed provision, rebates to productions valued under \$1 million would have been paid in one year; those valued between \$1 million and \$5 million over two years; and rebates valued at more than \$5 million over three years.

Under the state's current film production tax credit program, TV and film projects spend money in New Mexico and then the state reimburses a quarter of what each production spends in "qualified expenses" — a broad category that contains any direct production expense in New Mexico that has a state tax attached. New Mexico paid out \$65.9 million in "qualified expenses" to productions for the year that ended June 30.



House makes U-turn on state pension plan

Newer employees would see benefit cuts

By **Trip Jennings**
The New Mexican

Two days after rejecting legislation calling for a later retirement age for some state workers and public school teachers, the New Mexico House took up the once-rejected bill Tuesday, March 15, and passed it on a vote of 37-32.

The surprising turnaround for House bill 644, which advocates say would shore up the state's two major pension plans, showcased the shifting political alliances in the House, where Democrats hold a slim 37-33 majority over Republicans. Twenty-seven Republicans sided with nine Democrats, including the sponsor, Rep. Mimi Stewart of Albuquerque, to support the legislation. Also supporting the measure was the chamber's only Independent, Rep. Andy Nuñez of Hatch.

Meanwhile, 26 Democrats and six GOP lawmakers opposed the bill.

Stewart said additional lawmakers grew to comprehend the bill's urgency since the House rejected the measure Sunday on a 38-28 vote.

"I talked to people, people talked to each other, people started to understand the enormity of the problem we are facing," Stewart said, explaining the flip in votes from Sunday, March 13, when the legislation was shot down on a 38-28 vote.

Supporters say the legislation is required to shore up the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) and the Educational Retirement Board (ERB). Neither fund has enough money to cover all its pension obligations. It's called an "unfunded liability," or the gap between the amount of money required over the long haul to pay for promised pension benefits and the dollars that are actually sitting in each fund.

Opponents, however, say the legislation would force some public employees to work an additional 12 years to qualify for a full pension. For example, an 18-year-old who, under current rules, could retire at age 43 would have to work to the age of 55 to receive a pension.

Representatives of the state's public unions were left fuming with the bill's passage on the House floor.

One union representative accused Stewart of being "unethical" in pushing the bill through.

"She told a number of untruths about the union," Carter Bundy, political director for Council 18 of the American Federation of

State, County Municipal Employees, said of Stewart. "We've come to her with dozens of ideas for shoring up these plans."

Stewart defended herself following Tuesday's vote during a short confrontation with Bundy in the hallway outside the House.

"That's not what I said," Stewart said to Bundy when he accused her of saying that unions weren't open to suggestions on how to shore up the two pension funds.

Outside, Bundy continued his criticism of Stewart.

"I don't see Mimi Stewart giving back her pension," Bundy said. "She has a very nice pension. She got hers, and now she's willing to pull the rug out from other people after they've relied on it, changed their life plans on it, they've bought houses here."

The main provisions of the bill would up the retirement age to 55 for state workers and public school teachers who by July 1 hadn't logged five years in PERA or ERB. It also would alter the annual cost-of-living adjustment for state workers without five years in PERA as of July 1. None of the provisions in Stewart's legislation would apply to public workers or public school teachers with five years or more in PERA or ERB as of July 1. The legislation also exempted uniformed employees such as police and firefighters, Stewart said.

Rep. Luciano "Lucky" Varela, D-Santa Fe, said legislators studying the pension plan had not endorsed the idea encapsulated in Stewart's bill.

"They were promised a certain plan. We are violating that plan," Varela said of the employees potentially affected by her legislation.

Rep. Debbie Rodella, D-Española, questioned why the state needed to change the rules for workers and teachers with less than five years in the system.

"I don't think it's fair to change the rules in the middle," she told her colleagues. But Rep. Conrad James, R-Albuquerque, said the underfunded pension plans could wreak havoc with the state's operating expenses, forcing the state to take drastic measures.

"If we don't take action now, there will be layoffs and furloughs."

Labor unions and supporters of the bill now move their fight to the state Senate. It was unclear Tuesday what kind of reception the legislation would receive in that chamber.

Legislative roundup

Driver's license fight continues

The New Mexican Report

Shortly after midnight Thursday, March 17, after the state Senate gave a thumping to a House-passed bill that would deny driver's licenses to illegal immigrants, Gov. Susana Martinez issued a statement vowing to keep the fight going.

"It is unfortunate that the Senate Democratic leadership rejected a bipartisan compromise to repeal the law giving driver's licenses to illegal immigrants, which had passed the House with a significant bi-partisan majority," Martinez said. "The people of New Mexico sent a loud and clear message that they want this dangerous law repealed, but some in the Legislature chose to shut out the voices of their constituents in favor of partisan political gamesmanship. I promised the people of New Mexi-

co that I will fight to repeal this law, and that fight will continue."

The Democratically controlled Senate voted, mostly along party lines, for a heavily amended version of House Bill 78, sponsored by Rep. Andy Nuñez, I-Hatch. The amended version still would allow undocumented residents to get driver's licenses but would impose new requirements.

Martinez has had her campaign committee buy radio ads in favor of the bill, while the state Republican Party several weeks ago launched automated calls to voters concerning the issue.

The bill is back in the House. If the House doesn't concur with the Senate amendments, a conference committee would try to forge a compromise.

Both chambers would have to approve any compromise bill.

The Permanent Fund

The House has rejected a proposal to provide \$700 million for public education over the next decade by maintaining a higher payout from a state permanent fund. The proposed constitutional amendment, sponsored by Rep. Jim Trujillo, D-Santa Fe, would have kept the yearly distribution from the Land Grant Permanent Fund at its current level rather than allowing it to drop starting in 2013. Opponents said the proposal would erode the fund's future value, reducing distributions for generations to come. Supporters said extra money is needed for public school reforms.

The measure, House Joint Resolution 1, failed on a 35-35 vote in the House Thursday, March 17. It was a mostly party-line vote with Democratic Reps. Rhonda King of Stanley and Dona Irwin of Deming joining Republicans in opposition. Proposed constitutional amendments are subject to voter approval. Unlike a bill, a proposed constitutional amend-

ment doesn't require the governor's signature.

Sex offender registry

By a vote of 70-0, the House passed a bill Thursday that would require substantially more information regarding sex offenders when they register. HB298, sponsored by Rep. Antonio "Moe" Maestas, D-Albuquerque, also would add the crimes of kidnapping, false imprisonment of adults and criminal solicitation of a minor by an electronic device to the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act, according to a news release issued Thursday.

"This legislation will give New Mexico the strongest sex offender law in the nation," Maestas said in the news release. "The key is that registered sex offenders remain in compliance so that no harm comes to our communities."

HB298 would amend the current law to clarify residency provisions; require palm prints and a physical description in addition to fingerprints; and provide for verification

of the initial registration.

The bill would also add to the act the crime of kidnapping and false imprisonment with intent to inflict a sexual offense regardless of age, the news release said. The bill now goes to the Senate.

Special plate for golfers

The Senate passed a bill Thursday, March 17, authorizing the Motor Vehicle Division to issue and sell a special license plate with a golfer logo. Proceeds would help to promote golf in the state, according to a news release.

SB492, sponsored by Sen. Vernon Asbill, R-Carlsbad, would authorize MVD to offer the specialty plate for an annual fee of \$35 in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fees, the release said. Twenty-five dollars of the fee would be distributed to the Department of Tourism to promote golfing. The other \$10 would go to defray costs of making the special plate.

Another Eagle takes flight

Corey Martinez was presented the Eagle Rank by his father Tom, mother Paula and scoutmaster Jim Mahoney, Sunday, March 13, at the Las Cruces Country Club. His Eagle project was to clean up and restore the Alicia Melgaard Memorial Pet Cemetery located on the East Mesa. The project included designing and building a gazebo, building a bench, tearing down a storage shed and adding solar lights to pathways.

Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Niki Rhynes



NMSU students in Japan are safe

Meanwhile, disaster offers many lessons to professor

By **Todd G. Dickson**

Las Cruces Bulletin

Last week's devastating earthquake in Japan quickly became personal for Kristian Chervenock, New Mexico State University's assistant dean for the Study Abroad program.

Six NMSU students were in Japan and on the Las Cruces campus were 12 Japanese exchange students.

Immediately, Chervenock's office sent out a flurry of emails, both checking on the students in Japan and the Japanese students studying here.

The good news is the NMSU students in Japan weren't in the northern part of the country, where the 9.0 earthquake and tsunami caused massive damage and a nuclear reactor crisis.

"We've heard back from all six and they are all safe and fine," Chervenock said Tuesday, March 15.

Chervenock was getting ready to follow up on seeing how the Japanese students were doing. In the email he sent to them, Chervenock encouraged them to make use of the counseling services offered at the university.

Meanwhile, watching the developments very closely at NMSU is physics professor James Ni, who is a seismologist with an expertise in earthquakes and tsunamis as well as a strong understanding of nuclear energy.

The event in Japan had all three, making a case study for Ni's classes in the coming years.

There were a number of factors that were remarkable about the Japanese earthquake, he said. An earthquake of that scale was not expected there because of the nature of the faults off the western shores of Japan's islands, he said.

But the North American plate pushed under Japan with great force, Ni said, and it was the degree of uplift that created such a giant surge of ocean water into Japanese northern villages and farm fields.

The shift was so severe that Japan's position on the globe is now eight feet closer to the United States and the Earth's rotation has been altered, Ni said.

According to the Associated Press, the quake caused a rift 15

miles below the sea floor that stretched 186 miles long and 93 miles wide.

"It's a dynamic Earth," Ni said. "The only constant is change."

While the disaster was worse than Three Mile Island, it's not as bad as Chernobyl ... yet. When Ni spoke to the Bulletin, the severity of the problems at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear plant had been increased with two reactors being cooled by seawater. Since then, the Japanese government increased the maximum radiation dose that workers could be exposed to so workers in shifts can keep attempting to stabilize the damaged reactors.

How bad the situation really is will depend on how events play out in the coming days.

The release of radiation isn't necessarily a bad sign, Ni said. There is radioactive material mixed in with the steam that has been released. If the nuclear reactor cores aren't breached, then it can be contained by the just keeping them cool. If the cores have begun melting, he said, more severe containment maybe required, such as encasing them with concrete mixed with lead.

NMSU

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Part of the motivation for the grading system was there were too many students graduating NMSU with a 4.0 GPA, according to a power-point presentation made by the Faculty Senate ad hoc committee that developed the proposal.

Faculty Senate Chair Mark Andersen said some of the points being raised by students now come from a misunderstanding of how the current system works. NMSU's current grading system does really officially recognize any "+" or "-" and that means any form of the grade A is only worth 4.0, Andersen said.

For those high-performing students who worry about their GPA for entrance into some kind of post-secondary institution, most of those – say Texas Tech's Medical School – will likely recalculate the applicant's GPA to its own grading system, Andersen said.

Breana Sylvas, a junior studying business, said she didn't feel there was enough effort to get students involved in giving input to the proposal. Andersen said the ad hoc committee has worked on the proposal since September 2010 and there were student government representatives on the ad hoc committee. He said review by financial ad and other departments found that very few students would be adversely affected by the change.

At a NMSU regents meeting Monday, March 14, Rodrigo Mora, a Graduate School student senator, said he believed that 22 percent of student grades will go down under the proposal.

Mora said NMSU President Barbara Couture has identified student success and retention as top priorities. Many of NMSU's are first in their family to go to college, he said, and work to support their studies, some even raising children at the same time.

Mora said he didn't understand why NMSU would switch to a grading system that would make maintaining a good GPA harder and discourage students.

Travis Delany, student government president, said he wants to work with the faculty to help clear up some of the "misinformation."

Andersen said the Faculty Senate's vote would normally mean the new academic policy could start in the summer of 2012 without any other actions, but the regents will make a final decision on the proposal because of the concerns raised by students.



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Qualified city residents are being sought to serve on the City of Las Cruces Ratepayer Advisory Committee (RAC), which is an ad hoc City board. The RAC will function as a ratepayer advisory board in City utility rate hearings before the Las Cruces Utilities Board on behalf of the City's residential and small commercial customer rate classes. The RAC will file testimony and evidence at rate hearings on behalf of the city's residential and small commercial customer ratepayers, and will represent their interests in the Utilities Board rate proceedings.

TO QUALIFY FOR APPOINTMENT AS A MEMBER OF THE RAC, A RESIDENT MUST BE:

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Coming Up

B&G club will screen film

The Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces, 303 W. Las Cruces Ave., will host a community screening of the film "Waiting for Superman" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 23. The film explores the current state of U.S. education and follows five children whose dreams, hopes and untapped potential reveal all that is at stake.

The purpose of the screening is to explore how communities can improve the educational outlook for every child by bringing parents and teens together with education, business and government leaders to identify solutions to the escalating high school dropout crisis.

Admission to the screening is free. Teen club members will also be hosting a concession stand fundraiser to raise money for their field trip fund. For more information or to RSVP, call 526-1519 or email apriltanaya@gmail.com.

Roundtable meets March 19

The Pan American Roundtable will meet at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 19, at the Double Eagle Restaurant, 2355 Calle de Guadalupe, in Mesilla. New Mexico State University emeritus faculty members Charles Harris and Ray Sadler will speak on their latest book, "The Secret

War in El Paso: Mexican Revolutionary Intrigue, 1906-20." The authors have earned their second American Spur Award from Western Writers of America for this book. Reservations are required. For more information, call Chris Wohl at 522-8919

Railroad club has open house

The Mesilla Valley Model Railroad Club will hold an open house from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 20, at its clubhouse at the Southern New Mexico State Fairgrounds.

The club will show its large HO-scale layout and allow visitors to run their own trains on the layout.

Directional signs to the clubhouse will be posted at the entrance to the fairgrounds.

For more information, call 532-9338.

GOP women meet March 25

The Federated Republican Women of Doña Ana County will meet at 11:30 a.m. Friday, March 25, at Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. A ceremony will honor four 90-year-old members. Guest speaker will be Marita Noon, executive director of Energy Makes America Great Inc.

Cost of the buffet luncheon is \$8.25. Reservations

will be accepted until Monday, March 21.

For more information or to make a reservation, call 527-5574.

Gym Magic holds classes

Gym Magic Sports Center and Pre-School Gym Magic, 2341 Entrada Del Sol, is offering a swim clinic and a spring break camp during March.

- 9 a.m. to noon March 21-23: Swim camp for children age 5 and up. All levels of swimmers are welcome.

- 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 21-25: Spring break camp. Pre-camp and post-camp care is available. Participants will enjoy swimming, arts and crafts, gymnastics and sport. Children age 3 to 5 will attend in Ashley Garden preschool. Children age 6 and older will participate in the main gym.

For more information, call 523-1616 or visit gymmagic.com.

Oñate reunion

The Oñate High School classes of 1989-93 are having a joint class reunion May 27-29. Fun activities are planned. For more information, call Amanda Lopez Askin at 649-9442 or Carla Rodriguez at 644-3118

Pi-Yoga classes

Pi-Yoga Health Studio, 207 Avenida De Mesilla, will present "Making the Law of Attraction Work in Your Life," from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Saturday March 26. The class is intended to help participants with their personal and professional goals, increase

their awareness and spiritual growth and assist them in attracting more of what they want in life. Cheryl Vallejos, professional business coach and senior Law of Attraction practitioner will facilitate. Cost for the workshop is \$22. For more information, call 526-0977.

Ciclovia is March 27

Las Cruces looking for a fun way to get healthy and active can participate in monthly Ciclovia health event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, March 27, at Young Park, 1955 E. Nevada Ave. Ciclovia is free and offers bike riding, horseshoes, walking, jogging, dancing, aerobics, jumping balloon and more. These fun physical activity events will be held each month through October at Young Park.

Ciclovia is sponsored by the Doña Ana Diabetes Action Coalition and the Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach, a nonprofit organization, is fiscal sponsor.

For more information, call June Donohue at 522-0289, or for information in Spanish, call Beatriz Favela at 202-2376.

Green jobs forum slated

The New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions and the New Mexico State University Arrowhead Center, in collaboration with the New Mexico Departments of Higher Education and Public Education and the New Mexico Green Chamber of Commerce, are hosting the E3 Green Jobs Forum Tuesday, March 22.

Join businesses, educa-

tional institutions and workforce system representatives for this free event at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. The goal of the event is to bring employers, educational institutions and the workforce system together to network and discuss their needs in employing and educating the green workforce and determining future collaborative opportunities.

For more information, contact Vickie at 646-5265 or e3forum@nmsu.edu.

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- 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday, Organ Community Resource Center, 5880 Second St., Organ. Call 373-1923.
- 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday, Chaparral Community Resource Center, 190 County Line, Chaparral. Call 824-4173.
- 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday, Radium Springs Community Resource Center, 12060 Lindebeck Road, Radium Springs. Call 523-8650.
- 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday, South Valley Community Resource Center, 180 La Fe Ave., Vado/Del Cerro. Call 233-0946.
- 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, Doña Ana County Utility Department, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Call 525-6194.

- 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, SCSWA Transfer Station, 2865 W. Amador Ave. Call 528-3800.

- 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, Lower Rio Grande Public Water Works, 215 Bryant St., Mesquite. Call 233-3947.

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District 33, Precincts 18, 19, 37, 38, 39, 40, 49, 54, 55, 56, 57, 78, 82, 98, 101, and 108 at Mesilla Park Elementary School, 995 West Union Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico

District 34, Precincts 8, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 81, 96, and 97 at La Mesa Community Center, 744 San José Street, La Mesa, New Mexico

District 35, Precincts 27, 33, 34, 36, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 50, 51, 52, 53, 58, 68, 91, 93, and 94 at Headquarters, Democratic Party of Doña Ana County, 1400 South Solano Drive (corner of Solano Drive and Foster Road), Las Cruces, New Mexico

District 36, Precincts 1, 2, 3, 21, 22, 23, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 35, 60, 84, 86, 87, 88, 90, 92, 95, 100, 107, and 111 at Cafeteria, East Picacho Elementary School, 4450 North Highway 85, Las Cruces, NM

District 37, Precincts 4, 20, 24, 26, 59, 61, 63, 67, 69, 83, 85, 89, 99, 102, 103, 106, 112, 113, and 115 at Cafeteria Building, Desert Hills Elementary School, 280 North Roadrunner Parkway, Las Cruces, NM

District 52, Precincts 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 76, 77, 79, 80, 104, 110, and 114 at Hillrise Elementary

School, 1400 South Curnutt Street, Las Cruces, NM

District 53, Precincts 5, 6, 62, 64, 65, 66, 75, 105, and 109 at Highland Elementary School, 4201 Emerald Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico

There will be District Meetings on Saturday, April 9, 2011, registration begins at 9 a.m., meetings start at 9:45 a.m., to elect district officers, at The Beverly Hills Hall, 150 North Hermosa Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico

The Doña Ana County Central Committee Meeting will be held on Saturday, April 9, 2011, registration from 9-9:45 a.m. and from 10:45-11 a.m., the meeting will start at 11 a.m., at The Beverly Hills Hall, 150 North Hermosa Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico, to vote on proposed Resolutions and changes to the Rules of the Democratic Party of Doña Ana County and to elect a County Chair and Vice-Chair and members of the State Central Committee from Doña Ana County

The State Central Committee Meeting will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2011 at the Kiva Auditorium, Albuquerque Convention Center, 401 North 2nd NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Meeting will start at 10 a.m.

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Jaques Valier's advances in rocketry cost him his life

Pioneer experimented with solid-fuel rocket sleds

By **Michael Shinabery**
New Mexico Museum of Space History

Newspapers worldwide announced Jacques Valier's May 17, 1930, death, although details varied and were mostly wrong, said "Max Valier - A Pioneer of Space Travel" (NASA/1976, translated from the original German publication).

Just two years earlier, on March 15, 1928, Valier had "built the world's first rocket car," powered by solid fuel, said his biography at the International Space Hall of Fame in Alamogordo. The next month, on April 11, Valier demonstrated the vehicle in a 40-second test. J. Kuhr Huddle, the American consul to the Department of State, summarized it in an April 17 memorandum, which in 1970 was published in "The Papers of Robert H. Goddard Vol. II."

"If such a device is finally perfected ... it is to be assumed that it would possess capabilities of being worked into a constructive force of considerable magnitude and that also it might form a terrible engine of destruction in the hands of subversive elements," Huddle wrote.

Observers described "an astonishing demonstration of the practicality of rocket-propelled apparatus which its sponsors claim is capable of overcoming the force of the earth's gravity," Huddle said. He included a Der Mittag newspaper story reporting the "peculiar vehicle (was) a low, light racing car without motor ... Its rear is a steel box with 12 round openings from which project the steel nozzles of the propulsive rockets." When the driver ignited them, the car surged forward with "an ear-splitting, whizzing roar," followed by "a trail of fire (that) belched onto the concrete track ... The explosive force brought the car to a speed of (62.14 mph) within eight seconds."

According to Huddle, automaker Fritz von Opel not only financed Valier, but also "turned over to (him) all the facilities of Germany's largest auto factory in furtherance of (Valier's) projects." He added that Der Mittag reported Valier touted a flying car-turned-rocket airplane would eventually travel "at the borders of the terrestrial atmosphere ... from Berlin to New York in two hours." The sole development roadblock was "but a monetary problem."

Goddard, in an Oct. 14, 1929, correspondence, felt Valier took "the idea of the rockets for his rocket car" from a Smithsonian article he had written.

Valier was born in Bozen, Austria-Hungary, in 1895. He studied astronomy, mathematics, and physics at the University of Innsbruck, then "enlisted in an (Army) aviation unit" during World War I," his biography said. Post war "he attended schools in Vienna and Munich. Although he never received an advanced degree he became a successful writer on scientific matters."

"Valier differs basically from the other people concerned with rockets in that he was an astronomer," according to "Max Valier - A Pioneer of Space Travel." "He has never worked on the rocket for a Ministry of War nor for war purposes. He believed that he was serving peace on earth whilst directing people's gaze into the vastness of the universe. In this way he hoped that they would forget quarrels and wars."

As did Wernher von Braun and Willy Ley, Valier discovered Hermann Oberth's 1923 "The Rocket into Interplanetary Space." After devouring the book, Valier "was immediately compelled to write a letter to Oberth," according to "Max Valier - A Pioneer of Space Travel." The two began cor-

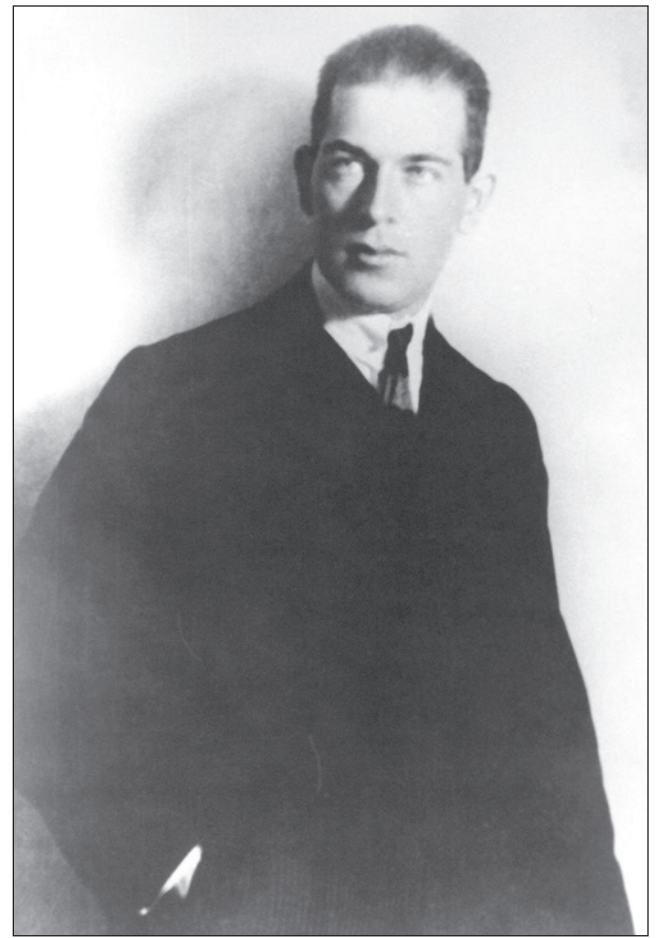
responding and, in 1924, the biography stated, "with Oberth's assistance, Valier wrote a popularized discussion of rocketry and outer space, 'Advance Into Space.'" Others ridiculed him as a "sensationalist" and called him a dreamer with a "bald thick skull," said "Max Valier - A Pioneer of Space Travel." But his passion was infectious, and the book quoted a contemporary who recalled: "Valier visited us frequently from 1926 onwards. He arrived like a rocket, full of plans and enthusiasm, flung his old bicycle into a corner of the passage of the house and stormed into the atelier (workshop). 'I need a new form of an aircraft, a racing car, a rocket, a naviplane' he shouted and drew a few sketch drafts from his pocket."

In 1927, Valier helped found the Spaceflight Society; counted among the more than 500 members a year later were co-founder Ley, von Braun, and Oberth. On Dec. 8 of that year, "Max Valier - A Pioneer of Space Travel" said he and Opel signed a contract "to which Valier offered the Opel company his project of rocket propulsion."

In 1929, Valier built a solid fuel-powered rocket sled, which the biography said "reached a speed of 250 mph." "Max Valier - A Pioneer of Space Travel" quoted Valier referring to an Oct. 3, 1929, sled run that stated "all four wheels flew off the vehicle as a result of the spokes having broken." Subsequently, he modified the design to travel on a "system of runners" that eliminated "rotating parts."

Valier died in Berlin when a chemical reaction in the combustion chamber of a liquid-fuel experiment exploded on a test stand, "the fault of a risk - still unknown at that time - inherent in the new propellant," said "Max Valier - A Pioneer of Space Travel." "He died for the great idea to which he had dedicated his life."

A year later, on May 2, 1931, the editor of RWZ, Heinrich Weinz, explained how Valier "was the victim of a fatal accident which occurred while he was testing his first large reaction



New Mexico Museum of Space History archive photo

A youthful Max Valier who, in later pictures, has a shaved head

motor with liquid fuel." Newspapers had wrongly attributed his death from "the domed cover of a tank (penetrating Valier's) chest," to an exploding gas bottle after which "Valier was found dead beneath a heap of debris from shattered steel cylinders."

Others built on Valier's achievements, claimed credit, and his work was "quickly forgotten," according to "Max Valier - A Pioneer of Space Travel." The book pointed out Weinz "rightly denounces the unkind forgetfulness of those who took up (Valier's) work, which was extremely successful technically and experimentally, and developed it just a little further, without making any mention of the man whose suggestion it had been, and who had laid the foundations."

Michael Shinabery is an education specialist and Humanities Scholar with the New Mexico Museum of Space History. Shinabery may be contacted at michael.shinabery@state.nm.us.





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Deadline to apply is Thursday, May 5th.

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Raising funds for the Mayor's Top Teens

Photos by Todd Dickson

Las Cruces Mayor Ken Miyagishima and City Councillor Gill Sorg were among the early arrivals at the Mayor's Top Teens breakfast fundraiser Thursday, March 17. Over the past four years, the program has recognized 168 local high school students for performing well in academics, being involved in the community and overcoming adversity. The program has given out almost \$24,000 in scholarships, said Tyson Murphy of the Las Cruces Optimist Club.



Jack Barclay, Cathie Smith LoCicero and Jeanne Luper were appropriately in green for St. Patrick's Day as they get ready to have breakfast at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum.



Mayfield High School seniors Taylor Black, 17, and Andrew Zapien were two Top Teens at the breakfast.

Top Teens Katelyn Reichardt Oñate High School senior, and Crystal Juarez, 16, a Las Montañas Charter High School junior



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Educators listen to student



Las Cruces Public Schools photo
Toni Angel, 15, a ninth-grader at Arrowhead Park Early College High School, gave her perspective about the school Tuesday, March 15, to Brenda Dann-Messier, U.S. assistant secretary for Vocational and Adult Education, and Las Cruces Public Schools Superintendent Stan Rounds. Dann-Messier with students and staff of ECHS, which is temporarily located at Doña Ana Community College.



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson
Capt. Josh Smith is joined by Ziegler, Barber and Collins in front of the CH-46E helicopter.

Helicopter headed for White House

Made in wartime, its most recent mission was rescue

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

A helicopter that made a stop last week at the Las Cruces International Airport has been in use in every conflict since the Vietnam War usually to transport young Marines.

But soon it will be carrying a much different passenger – the president of the United States.

The CH-46E was made in 1967 and most recently was used in Pakistan for rescue and relief missions in last year's floods, said Marine Capt. Andrew Krawczel.

The CH-46E is being phased out to be replaced by the new V22 Osprey, Tilt-Rotor Aircraft – called that because it flies as both a helicopter and a fixed-wing plane, said Michael Strubhar, a local veteran who visited the six-man Marine crew at Adventure Aviation Friday, March 11.

The helicopter model is well known by troops for their transport reliability and are called Battle Phrogs, he said.

Lt. Col. Jeffery Palmer said when the helicopter squadron got word that the presidential helicopter fleet was looking for new vehicles, this one was chosen.

Many people don't realize that all of the president's helicopters are "veterans," so to speak, in that they were in use by the military before being "retired" for use by



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson

Sgt. Tyrone Barber, Lance Corp. Nick Ziegler and Corp. Matthew Collins pause in the back of the CH-46E helicopter during its stop last week at the Las Cruces International Airport. The helicopter made in 1967 is en route to Arlington, West. Va., to be refurbished for use in the Presidential Squadron.

the president, he said.

Although the helicopter normally carried 12 combat-loaded Marines, it can carry much more – and did during the Pakistan flooding, said Lance Corp. Nick Ziegler. To rescue people, the helicopter carried up to 40 people at times, he said.

Ziegler said the helicopter is a reliable, sturdy helicopter. It maneuvers well in confined areas and can make numerous

flights daily, he said.

"It is another vertebrae in the backbone of the military," he said. "She's been an awesome workhorse."

Besides carrying Marines and rescuing Pakistan villagers, it also has carried press corps and officials during President Obama's visit to Mumbai, India, Smith said. It did not carry the president during that visit, he said.

District Spelling Bee set for Friday

Contest pits elementary and middle school students

This year's Las Cruces Public Schools District Spelling Bee for students in grades four through eight will be held Friday, March 18, in the LCPS Performing Arts Center at Oñate High School, 5700 Mesa Grande Drive.

Registration will be from 8 to 8:30 a.m. The spelling bee will begin at 8:45 a.m., said spelling bee coordinator Marci Behrens, a teacher at Valley View Elementary School.

Each participating school can send two participants and one alternate. Awards will be given to the top three spellers. Every participant will receive a ribbon.

Local schools have been holding spelling bees in the lead up to Friday's districtwide contest.

Also, Lynn Middle School sixth-grader Olivia Weinbaum placed seventh overall among 159 New Mexico and west Texas participants in the El Paso Times Regional Spelling Bee, held Wednesday, March 9, in El Paso. She was the top speller among all 60 New Mexico entrants.

Weinbaum's words included "staccato," "chassis," "Bobadil" and "schadenfreude." This was her second year competing in the El Paso bee. She was a finalist last year as a fifth-grader.



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New Mexico State University's Zeta Phi Beta sorority and the Cinderella Project are collecting formal dresses of all styles and sizes to give to needy area high school girls for their 2011 proms.

The coordinators of the dress drive are looking to collect and distribute at least 150 dresses to students from southern New Mexico high schools in Las Cruces, Hatch and Chaparral.

Besides dresses, donations of dress racks, hangers and accessories are also welcomed. Hip Hop Closet, a clothing store in Las Cruces, will donate full-

length mirrors. Volunteers, hair stylists and make-up artists are needed.

Dresses can be donated by contacting a member of the sorority or by dropping them off to La Tienda de Jardin, a women's boutique with new and almost new clothes, at 335 La Colonia in Las Cruces.

The "Cinderella Shop" will be open for a single day, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 26, at Corbett Center's Pete's Place on the NMSU campus. All area high school girls are invited.

Local high school proms are:

- San Andres High School: 8 p.m. to

midnight, Saturday, April 16, "Masquerade Ball" in the school gymnasium, 2355 Avenida de Mesilla.

- Mayfield High School: 8 to 11:30 p.m., Saturday, April 30, "Old Hollywood" at the Grapevine, 3900 W. Picacho Ave.

- Oñate High School: 8 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, April 30, "Timeless" at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave.

- Las Cruces High School: 8 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, May 7, "Chicago Nights" at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave.

For more information on prom dress donations or to make a cash contribution, contact Zeta Phi Sorority Inc. Treasurer Crescent Muhammad at 527-1193, 496-9317 or cmuhamma@nmsu.edu.

CrimeStoppers

Robbery

Las Cruces Police are investigating an armed robbery that occurred after a fender bender in the parking lot of a local credit union.

At around 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, Las Cruces police were called to a report of an armed robbery in the parking lot of the FirstLight Federal Credit Union at 3791 E. Lohman Ave.



LCPD detectives learned that the victim was in a vehicle and leaving the bank's parking lot when he got into a minor fender bender with a gold Kia sedan. The driver of the Kia exited his vehicle and started an argument with the victim. The Kia's driver then returned to his car, retrieved a handgun and pointed it at the victim while demanding money.

No injuries were reported. The Kia believed to be involved in this incident has been located, but its driver is still outstanding.

Anyone with information on this incident is asked to call Las Cruces Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477) or send a tip via text message to LCTIPS (528477).

School board

Continued from page A1

ates often lack problem-solving skills, so that's an area where the schools should more actively teach.

Hall said she rejected the one-size-fits-all philosophy that sometimes happens in educational reform efforts.

"We need to remember that not everyone learns in the same way," she said. "Everyone has different learning styles."

Also, teaching needs to be engaging.

"As a teacher, you can stand up and lecture until you're blue in the face, and if students aren't interested, they're not going to learn," she said.

Hall earned the most votes in rankings given on paper by current board members Connie Phillips, Bonnie Votaw and Chuck Davis.

Votaw said she was very pleased with the quality of applicants and believed she could have worked with any of them.

Briseño had served on the school board's budget committee. Colquitt cited her strong commitment to the school district. Schaefer said the challenge facing schools to make them better is to make what's taught more relevant. Contreras cited better parental involvement as key to improving student performance.



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There once was another native Oklahoman who spread wisdom through humor. Las Cruces Bulletin sportswriter Craig Massey made that connection, calling Ranger "our Will Rogers."

Gary Ward, Aggie assistant baseball coach and as much Oklahoman as Las Cruces, echoed Rogers when talking about Ranger.

Ward said: "There was nothing I knew about John I didn't like."

Ranger emerged from Dad's shadow to become SID legend

BY RICHARD COLTHARP

Harold Keith served as sports information director at the University of Oklahoma from 1930 to 1969. He is regarded by many as the man who invented the occupation.

But it may have been Harold's son, John "Ranger" Keith, who perfected the SID's role.

In 1987, John left his SID position at the University of New Mexico for the same position at Texas A&M, whose head coach, Jackie Sherrill, was struggling with media relations.

"Jackie Sherrill personally called Dad," said John's son Duke who works in sports radio in El Paso. "Jackie knew of Dad's reputation, and had heard he was the best. And I believe Dad did make a difference for Jackie at A&M."

John began his career as an SID following time working as a sports-writer and cartoonist in Colorado and Oklahoma in the early 1960s. In 1967, he went to Kansas State University as an assistant SID. At KSU, he worked with then Wildcat basketball coach Tex Winter, who later gained fame for his Triangle offense that helped Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls win six NBA titles.

Two years later, he was taking over the chief SID job at OU, succeeding his father, Harold, in 1969.

"He was absolutely the best sports information director that I ever worked with," said Ted Leitner, who

was OU's radio play-by-play man in 1971-72, and currently the radio voice for the San Diego Padres and San Diego State University. "He would do whatever it took to make you feel at ease. He could be depended on to get you the information and resources you needed to do your job. He treated everyone the same, whether you were a conference executive or the team's water-boy. Nobody ever did the SID job better than Johnny Keith."

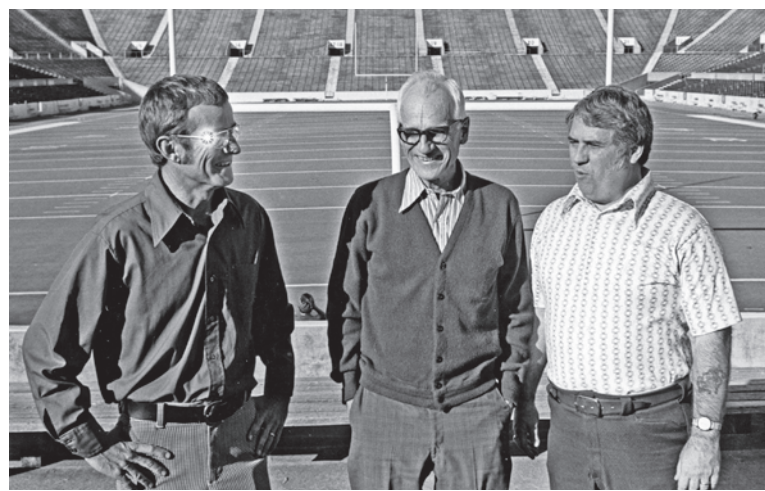
Dick Mullins, a former New Mexico State SID, who did the same job at Arizona State in the 1970s, said of John, simply, "That is a remarkable person."

In 1979, John headed west to become SID at the University of New Mexico. In 1983, John hired a young man named Greg Remington from Baylor to come to Albuquerque and work in the SID department.

Two months later, the two were helping coordinate the NCAA Final Four, held that year at The Pit. Even casual basketball fans will recall that 1983 final game, when North Carolina State upset the heavily favored Phi Slamma Jamma team from the University of Houston, punctuated by Coach Jim Valvano running around on the court looking for someone to hug.

Remington remained at UNM until retiring in 2010 as an associate athletic director.

"John was not intimidated by university presidents or head coaches or



John Keith and Harold Keith of the University of Oklahoma, and Don Bryant of the University of Nebraska, stood in the late 1960s at OU's Owen Field, three guaranteed members of the sports information directors Hall of Fame, if there was such a thing.

athletic directors," Remington said. "He would be able to offer his two cents, and usually was pretty accurate. He got the ear of administrators, people above him, and they said, 'You know, that's a pretty good idea.'"

Remington also reflected on John as a friend.

"We enjoyed each other's company from first time we met the last time I saw him, which would have been at the UNM-New Mexico State football game last fall in Las Cruces," Remington said.

Before John got to UNM, the Lobos had an SID named Eddie Groth, who later left the SID world and came to NMSU as head of information services ("One day I decided, how come I always work weekends, and stopped," Groth said).

"I met John at an SID national convention in Chicago about 40 years ago, when he was at OU and I was SID at New Mexico Highlands," Groth said.

"John was a colorful character, of course. He had personal contacts with all the really important sports editors and sports columnists in the country. He knew how to get the contacts and

he got it done." Groth said John had a knack for hiring good young talent.

"I said, John, you never had to write much," Groth said. "And he said, 'No, I had great kids; they did all the work.'"

One of those kids was Colin Killian, who recently left the Texas A&M sports information department after 23 years, having been hired in 1987 by John, following a unique job interview.

"I was 25," Killian said. "I knew the SID at Texas Tech, where I went to college, and he was really good friends with Ranger. Evidently he put in a good word for me."

Killian met John in College Station, Texas, the night before the scheduled interview, and John invited him out for a beer.

"I wasn't even sure I should even order a beer, but I went ahead," Killian said. "We had a few and talked, and afterward I asked him what time to be at his office for the interview the next morning."

Ranger replied: "What are you talking about? That was the interview. You're hired."

he did and sometimes he didn't. But if he didn't, he'd learn it right there while we were playing."

John was also a talented cartoonist, and was working on a book on rural New Mexico taverns, with photographer Niki Rhynes. He might have been most himself walking with his dogs up in some New Mexico mountains.

It seems everyone knew his love for Speaker, a golden lab mix John had from the late 1980s through the early 2000s.

One former colleague, Brook Stockberger of Las Cruces, said when he learned of John's passing, "So long, mi amigo. Give Speaker a scratch behind the ears for me."

Ranger's Ride

1933 born Jan. 23, Norman, Okla.

1951 graduated, Norman (Okla.) High School

1950s on the road as banjo player for the Clyde McCoy Band

1961 married Novie

1963 graduated from Central State University, Edmond, Okla.

1964-65 sportswriter, cartoonist for the Boulder (Colo.) Camera

1965 son Duke born, Boulder, Colo.

1965-66 sportswriter, Tulsa (Okla.) World

1966-67 sportswriter, Oklahoma Journal

1967-68 assistant sports information director (SID), Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kan.

1968 assistant SID, University of Oklahoma, Norman, Okla.

1969-1978 sports information director, University of Oklahoma, Norman, Okla.

1970 son Casey born, Norman, Okla.

1978-79 author, artist of "O'Bradovich," a syndicated (but not widely enough) comic strip

1979-1987 SID, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, N.M.

1986 divorced from Novie

1987-89 SID Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

1989-91 community relations director, Houston Oilers, NFL

1991 son Casey died in a car accident

1991-95 public information officer, City of Las Cruces, Las Cruces, N.M.

1995-1996 humor columnist, cartoonist for the La Veta/Cuchara Signature, La Veta, Colo.

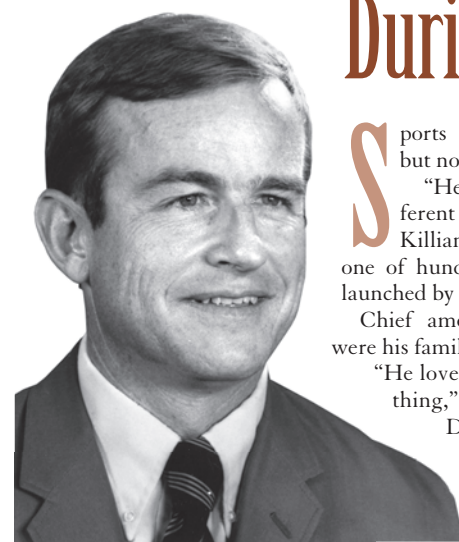
1996-2003 sportswriter, Las Cruces Sun-News

2003-2011 sports editor, Las Cruces Bulletin

2011 died March 13, Las Cruces, NM

What is an SID?

Sports information director is the term given to an administrator who serves as a liaison between a university athletic program and the media. The job deals with long hours, mounds of statistics and all personality types. Called an SID for short, this person deals with high-profile coaches and athletes in the best and worst of moods. He or she simultaneously deals with cranky sports journalists typically working on a tight deadline.



During the off season

Sports were John Keith's work, but not his life.

"He had a whole lot of different sides to him," said Colin Killian of College Station, Texas, one of hundreds whose careers were launched by John Keith.

Chief among his outside interests were his family, his dogs and his banjo.

"He loved his boys more than anything," Killian said of John's sons Duke and Casey. "He was a good Dad. He was always talking about his boys and, later, his grandkids. It was

devastating when he lost Casey."

In 1991, Casey, John's youngest son, died in a single-car accident, falling asleep at the wheel just short of his 21st birthday. The grief took a toll on John, but afterward, he helped friends get through similar tragedies.

"Musicians have a saying, 'I wish I could do what he throws away,'" said Jim Shearer who played Dixieland jazz in Las Cruces with John. "It was always a thrill to play with him. He was a hell of a musician, a very natural player.

"He never read music. We'd start to play a song and he'd say, 'Hell, I wrote that tune, I know that tune.' Sometimes



With a sparkle in his eyes

BY CRAIG MASSEY

I heard of John "Ranger" Keith long before I finally met him.

He had been the sports information director at the University of New Mexico when I was in college across the state at Eastern New Mexico University. I knew he was outstanding at what he did when I saw his name in a column in the Amarillo Globe-News. The columnist Putt Powell, who had covered Texas sports for decades, mentioned the public relations job "Johnny Keith" was doing at Texas A&M. He had transformed football coach Jackie Sherrill's image and made him likable.

I wanted to be a sports information director and hoped to someday work with him and learn from this guy.

It happened, but not how I thought it would.

Our paths crossed about seven years later, in 1994. I was sports editor at the Las Cruces Sun-News and saw his name at the top of one of the City of Las Cruces' news releases.

A few weeks later, the Dallas Cowboys hired Barry Switzer.

I knew Ranger was friends with Switzer and worked with him at the University of Oklahoma in the 1970s. Ranger was an enthusiastic supporter of Switzer and he was excited about the move. "A great hire," he kept telling me. I interviewed him on the subject, and this started a friendship and partnership that lasted the past 17 years.

While his day job was the city's public information officer, his true passion was sports and his night job was writing for us. Like Switzer years earlier, the New Mexico State University coaches who got to know him, loved him. For a group of young sportswriters who came and went over the next few years, Ranger was a source of many things – mainly wisdom and laughter.

He always reminded me of the

character Gus McCrae in the Lonesome Dove book and miniseries – an older, wiser, funnier guy to whom people were drawn. He never took things too seriously. He had a playful attitude. He told great stories. But he was also very talented. He was our Will Rogers.

He and I eventually left the Sun-News and began writing part-time for the Las Cruces Bulletin when the newspaper was purchased by our former boss at the Sun-News, David McCollum and his wife Jaki. Ranger enjoyed college sports greatly and his weekly columns and articles about the Aggies revealed his writing talent.

Along the way, he managed to influence and entertain yet another group of young newspaper people.

Underneath his gray mustache was a mischievous grin. Behind his thick glasses, there was a sparkle in his eyes.

The eyes. The ones that witnessed so many great games, the ones that admired so many pretty waitresses, began to fail him. Later, his kidneys were the problem. The toll began to mount in recent months and he wasn't able to write anymore.

Then, on March 13, we lost Ranger.

Ranger loved life and most of what was in it. He loved his friends and family. He loved his dogs. He loved cafeterias and buffets. He loved going on long walks early in the morning with his dogs. He loved college football. He enjoyed listening to the local high school football games on the radio. He preferred whipped cream on top of his pumpkin pie. He liked to flirt.

Ranger's name is in the newspaper again this week. It reminds me of that column in the Amarillo newspaper 24 years ago. Like then, it mentions something he did well. Live.



2008 Texas Horse of the Year, Stealth Cat, takes a nibble at John Keith's notebook at Sunland Park Racetrack & Casino in February 2010. The horse cost the veteran sports writer \$20 the next weekend, prompting Keith to declare the beautiful thoroughbred a broken-down nag.

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'I'll be damned. There's an old warrior right there.'

'Stay in the game, Barry'

Johnny Keith was an amazing man. He grew up in the shadows of the OU football stadium. His father, Harold Keith, was the long-time legendary SID (sports information director) at OU. Harold was a soft-spoken genteel man who would fit in perfectly in the South. Johnny, on the other hand, was an outgoing, friendly character who was always the entertainer.

He had great humor and great one-liners.

We would have players and coaches gather at our home and there would be Johnny, playing his beloved banjo. In fact, as good as he was as an SID, he was also a very talented musician who loved to play to a crowd. One of his signature banjo solos, and I can visualize him playing it right now, was "I'll Fly Away."

He and his wife Novie could really sing beautifully those gospel songs.

Johnny knew everyone in the sports business and media. Because of where he grew up, his knowledge of OU football history was unmatched. He was a tremendous asset to the university and especially to our football program.

One of his favorite sayings was to remind me to "Stay in the game, Barry. Stay in the game. Don't give up." We won a bunch of football games during our time together at OU, including two national championships (1974-75).

Johnny Keith was certainly a special guy. He always made me smile. He will be sorely missed.

— Barry Switzer, former University of Oklahoma football coach

'Friend'

Sadly, we have lost one of the great legendary sportswriters of the Southwest in the person of John Keith. He covered sporting events and athletes with fervor and complete professionalism. While he provided interesting sports coverage, John's clever sense of humor permeated throughout. John was admired and respected by his peers and all those athletes and coaches about whom he wrote. The Bulletin readers have been very fortunate to have had a man of his journalistic abilities in our community. John was an unassuming, wonderful human being who will be sorely missed by his family, avid readers and those of us who were lucky enough to call him "friend."

— Lou Henson, former NMSU and University of Illinois basketball coach

'Keep pounding 'em out'

When I came back to Las Cruces, I saw John Keith's byline and I said, "I'll be damned. That's an old warrior right there."

I asked him why he didn't go fishing or something. Why he was still doing this. He said, "Because this is what I love doing."

That's the same reason I keep doing what I'm doing. So I told him, "You're

my hero. Keep pounding 'em out. Keep writing those stories."

— Gary Ward, NMSU baseball coach, longtime Oklahoma State University baseball coach

'Be careful'

Ranger Writer! His writing ability was fantastic and his sense of humor, nobody had a better one.

We'd always kid him, but if you had something to say about him, you'd better be careful because he always had a clever answer back. Always.

That guy is one of my favorite persons of all time.

— Jim Bradley, longtime Mayfield High School football coach

'It'll work out'

Johnny was the most all-around talented person I've ever known. He was a wonderful writer, musician and artist, and also a fine athlete. I remember when he trained and ran a marathon.

And he was great with people. Everybody liked Johnny Keith. I will miss him a bunch.

I owe my career to him. He plucked me out of a group of hippies at the OU student newspaper 40 years ago and set me up in the SID business.

A couple of years ago, he said he was proud of me — except when people complained about the BCS, and then he claimed he didn't know me!

He was thoughtful and calm. When some problem came up and people were in a frenzy, Johnny would sit back and watch it all, and say, "It'll work out." And it always did.

— Bill Hancock, executive director, Bowl Championship Series; former director of the NCAA basketball championship

'A real pro'

I have lost a great friend and a great Sooner. Johnny and I won the Heisman Trophy together in 1969 at Oklahoma. He always took credit for me winning the Heisman. Said it took a great sports information director to get me the Heisman. A real pro who was loved by all who knew him.

— Steve Owens, star running back at OU and in the NFL

'A lot of respect'

I remember John Keith well. I liked him and had a lot of respect for him.

He claimed to have been responsible for Steve Owens and Billy Sims winning Heisman trophies. Actually, I hold him personally responsible for the fact that I did NOT win the Heisman.

— Joe Washington, star running back at OU and in the NFL, member of 1974-75 OU national champions

'A practical way'

You can truly call him an icon in the business. I really had a lot of respect

for him. John was a pro, obviously. He had been in the business a lot of years and worked for some of the giants. But he had a very practical way about him. He was a very wonderful guy. He's going to be missed.

— Dr. McKinley Boston, NMSU athletics director

'A lot of talent'

My heavens, that was a lot of talent for one person.

— Greg Remington, retired associate athletic director, University of New Mexico

'Living life to its fullest'

As SID at OU, Johnny didn't like spring football. He'd had enough by spring, so he would go with the track guys. That's how I got to know him. Years later, I was running a newspaper in La Veta, Colo. One day in 1995, I got a call from Johnny, who was in Las Cruces.

"Carpenter," he said, "I got a deal for you. I just retired and I thought about moving to La Veta and helping you out with your newspaper. Can you use some help? The only catch is I'm on Social Security and can't make much money."

I said, "That's no problem." So he walked to work or rode his bike, came in and wrote, and then walked or rode home.

He drew cartoons for us and wrote a column. He won the Colorado Press Association's best humor column award three years in a row.

He was just a genuinely honest guy, a hard worker and always an optimist. He enjoyed living life to its fullest.

— Rick Carpenter, Boise, Idaho. OU track athlete, class of 1976, and former publisher, La Veta/Cuchara (Colo.) Signature

'Smile at first sight'

Johnny Keith's love of sports took him many places. At each stop he earned the utmost respect of the coaches, the athletes, the universities, the newspapers and hundreds of fellow writers.

Johnny made you smile at first sight. He impressed you with his humor, knowledge and his integrity.

What advancing age did not take from him was his enthusiasm for life. If John Keith counted you as a friend, that's just about the nicest thing that will ever happen to you.

— Frank Boggs, former sports editor and managing editor at The Daily Oklahoman

'A free lunch'

The term "unique" is overused but it most certainly applied to John Keith — Ranger. His remarkable collection of life experiences, his off-center perspective on life and his wry sense of humor made Ranger special indeed.

As I discovered, he always improved my quotes and would abandon any task for a free lunch. The world will be less interesting without Ranger around.

— Michael Martin, chancellor at Louisiana State University, former NMSU president

'Completely generous'

He was the Willie Nelson of sports writers. He was a maverick who did things his own way, and yet was completely generous and totally likable. He was completely democratic in the way he treated people.

— Rus Bradburd, Las Cruces author ("Forty Minutes of Hell") and former basketball coach

'Let Speaker out'

During my time at the El Paso Times covering New Mexico State athletics, I got to know "Ranger." He was great company — it was hard to be in a bad mood when he was around. I always loved his writing style — when you read his copy, you could hear his voice. My favorite memory was his relationship with his dog, Speaker. Truly a case of man's best friend. The two were inseparable, and many a post-game function were cut short because "he had to go let Speaker out." While we are sad to see him go, it's comforting knowing that he'll be with one of best pals again.

— Nick Jeziemy, Idaho Statesman

'Late into the night'

I met Johnny in 1955 when I was a sophomore football player at the University of Oklahoma. The players lived in a dormitory less than 100 yards from Johnny's house. He was a gifted banjo player and would practice and play every day. We could hear that banjo late into the night. He knew every player's name and enjoyed his close friendships with the team and coaches. Everyone loved Johnny Keith.

— Chuck Bowman, founder of Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Now living in Edmond, Okla.

'Adventuresome spirit'

As a freshman football player at OU in 1957, some teammates invited me to a Norman restaurant to hear a local band. A teammate pointed out the banjo player and said he was Johnny Keith, son of the legendary OU Sports Information Director, Harold Keith. He was a pretty darn good banjo player!

Years later, I got to be good friends with John when he succeeded his father as SID in 1969. I was an assistant on coach Chuck Fairbanks' staff, and I was impressed at the job Johnny was doing reporting and promoting the football program. It is not easy to replace a legend even though that legend is your father. But John proved he, too, could be one of the best.

The reporting and promotion on

the local and national levels by John and his staff was very important in the team's accomplishments.

John's adventuresome spirit led him to other outstanding sports programs where he continued to excel. He enjoyed the west and New Mexico the most. He called Las Cruces his home and was proud to be working for the Bulletin. He enjoyed covering New Mexico State Aggie and Las Cruces sports.

I visited him in Las Cruces several times each summer. He would visit me at my place near Cloudfcroft and enjoyed hiking in the Sacramento Mountains.

John was an unforgettable character with a great sense of humor. He will be missed by all.

— Leon Cross, retired associate athletic director, University of Oklahoma

'One of a kind'

Johnny Keith was instrumental in helping set up the football "Game of the Century" between Oklahoma and Nebraska on Thanksgiving Day in 1971. At that time only NFL games were being played on Thanksgiving. There was trepidation about holding the game on the holiday. John was right in the middle of the conversations and negotiations with the biggest names in television at that time, such as Walter Byers and Roone Arledge. John believed in the idea and helped convince me to sell it to the national network. As it turned out, it was one of the greatest college games ever, Nebraska won, 35-31.

Johnny Keith was Johnny Keith. In my entire career, I never met a more engaging, likeable, honest sports information director. John Keith was one of a kind.

— Wayne Duke, commissioner, Big 8, 1963-71; commissioner, Big 10, 1971-1989

'Full of life'

He was full of life and loved by everyone. There was only one Johnny Keith in the world and I was honored to know him and to work with him.

— John MacLeod, former OU basketball coach

'Just like family'

You gave it your all and I'm glad you were at OU when we had that great run to two national championships. You took care of us just like family and I thank you. God bless.

— Jimbo Elrod, All-American defensive player, 1975

'We need John to reincarnate himself'

He always knew his stuff and you always trusted him. And he was always positive. As much negative stuff as there is in this world, we need John to reincarnate himself as a writer again.

— Rocky Ward, current NMSU baseball coach

Straight from the horse's mouth

In the words of John Keith ...

"Don't let the truth get in the way of a good story."

"Title IX is the worst thing that ever happened to college sports."

"I never had my own identity. First, I was Harold Keith's son. Now, I am Duke Keith's dad."

"In Oklahoma, there are only two sports that anyone cares about — football and spring football."

"Being a sports marketing director is the easiest job in the world, so long as your team is winning."

"No problem is ever so big that it can't be resolved with a kamikaze ... or two ... or three."

"Don't worry, they'll work that s--- out." (calming his staff and fellow workers as they dealt with crisis management.)

"Nothing ever gets done at a meeting."

An empty place in our hearts

John Keith
Sports Editor



John Keith, 1933 - 2011

Three times the fun

Trio of Las Cruces teams are state high school champions

By **Craig Massey**
Las Cruces Bulletin

It was a sports day like Las Cruces has never seen.

Three state championships by teams from three different schools, all in a matter of about 10 hours. On Saturday, March 12, The Pit in Albuquerque felt like home to the teams from the City of the Crosses.

State basketball championships were won by the Oñate boys and Mayfield girls in Class 5A, and by the Mesilla Valley Christian Schools boys in Class 2A. It was the Knights' first-ever boys state basketball title and the first for second-year head coach Saul Perez. For the Mayfield girls and the MVCS boys, the championships were the third for each program and each head coach – George Maya at Mayfield and Terry Adler at Mesilla Valley.

Oñate High School

The Knights spent much of the season ranked No. 1 in the state and entered the tournament as the top seed. After defeating Hobbs in the opening round, the Knights survived a near miss last Wednesday when they edged La Cueva, 61-60, in the quarterfinals. After beating Cleveland 67-50 in the semis, they downed Manzano 54-48 in the championship game.

"It's a good day at Oñate High School," Perez said Monday, March 14. "The student body and the staff have been excited all day.

It's awesome. We accomplished our ultimate goal."

The Knights were powered by senior guards Tim Jacobs and Terrel de Rouen, along with several other solid players who knew their roles and played to their strengths. While the talent was evident, Perez said the team had some intangible qualities as well.

"Chemistry, hard work and commitment," Perez said. "Three great qualities that defined this team."

Perez said about two weeks into the season, the players changed their huddle-break word to "Family."

"When I heard that, it wasn't a surprise to me that it all came together," he said.

Perez said after the championship game, he phoned and texted several of the coaches that mentored and influenced him early in his career as an assistant coach – coaches such as Mike Harper, Ron Geyer and David Dixon. He simply wanted to tell them "thank you."

"It's an amazing experience," said Perez, who is a native of Deming.

Mayfield High School

Mayfield entered the state tournament as the No. 3 seed and was on a roll during the last three weeks of the season.

"We had to sweep the second half of the district (schedule) just to tie Oñate (for the top record in the district)," Maya said. "We did



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Oñate High School guard Terrel de Rouen slashes past a Manzano basketball player in the Knight's 54-48 victory in the state championship game at the University of New Mexico Pit in Albuquerque Saturday, March 12.

that and forced the playoff game, which we won. We got better as the season went along and came together as a team in the last three or four weeks."

Maya said the urgency in the final weeks of the season "got us ready for state."

Mayfield beat Rio Rancho in the first round, then knocked off Carlsbad, 52-47, in the quarterfinals, and Hobbs, 48-41, in the semis. In the championship game, the Trojans defeated Cibola, 51-42.

Mayfield standout Elena Holguin poured in 30 points in the final game. She will play for New Mexico State University next year.

It was a difficult week for Maya, whose father has cancer and is in an El Paso hospital. The coach missed the team's game against Carlsbad March 8 to be at his father's bedside. When his condition improved, Maya headed to Albuquerque, only to return to El Paso again between the semifinal game and the championship game.

"Tuesday was really hard," Maya said. "There's no way I could leave him. Thursday was a better day, and when I told him we made the final four, he nodded his head

for me to go. It made his day when we told him we won it."

Mesilla Valley Christian Schools

The SonBlazers were the top seed and the dominant team in the state last year on their way to the state championship. But not a lot of people saw it coming this year.

MVCS returned no starters from last year and coach Adler faced a rebuilding job. The team, which was the No. 5 seed, beat a good Texico squad in the preliminary round, then won a double-overtime game against Bosque in the quarterfinals, 66-65. The most impressive win came in the semifinals when Mesilla Valley knocked off their rival and top-seeded Tularosa, 58-47. The title game was an easy 69-42 win over Tucumcari.

Adler said he believed his team was much better than the credit it received heading into the state tournament. He called his squad "a team of destiny."

"We were the No. 5 seed, but outside of our district, they

Mayfield High School's Jenna Banegas plays tough defence against Cibola in the 5-A championship. The Trojans finished up a late season surge by claiming the championship with a 51-42 win over Cibola Saturday, March 12 in Albuquerque.



NMSU hosts Mastodons

Former Aggie coaches visiting team

The New Mexico State University Aggie baseball team (11-5) plays four games against IP Fort Wayne at Presley Askew Field Friday through Sunday, March 18-20. Game time for Friday is scheduled for 6:05 p.m. with a doubleheader beginning at 3:05 p.m. Saturday, March 19. The series finale will begin at 1 p.m. Sunday, March 20. Fans can catch the games against IPFW this week on the radio at KSNM-AM 570 with Jeff Matthews.

This is the first meeting between NMSU and IPFW. Bobby Pierce, who played for the Aggies from 2001-02, coaches the Mastodons.

He appeared in 50 games as a junior and earned second team All-Big West honors, finishing third in the Big West in doubles (21), sixth in on-base percentage and ninth in batting (.356).

The Aggies are 8-0 at home heading into week five of play. As a team, NMSU is hitting .403 when playing at Presley Askew Field and have scored 117 runs. The last home win came when NMSU defeated UNM 9-4 in front of a big crowd. The Aggies went 20-10-1 at home in 2010.

Senior shortstop Ryan Aguayo is hitting

.633 with 16 RBI at home, and catcher Chuck Howard has nine RBI and one home run with a .450 batting average at home this season.

After four weeks of play, the Aggies lead the WAC in many offensive categories. NMSU is the league leader in batting average (.318), slugging percentage (.466), on-base percentage (.422), runs scored (152), hits (178), RBI (147), doubles (34), home runs (13), total bases (261) and walks (90).

A few Aggie players are also leading the WAC in individual statistics. Second baseman Parker Hipp leads the way in slugging percentage (.679), on-base percentage (.507), RBI (24), home runs (4), total bases (38) and walks (15). Third baseman Zach Voight leads the conference in runs scored (23), and pitcher Dan Reid is in the top 10 for ERA (2.45) and

innings pitched (25.1).

Local police and fire departments will be honored Friday, March 18, and Saturday will be "Boy and Girl Scouts Day" with all members of the Boy and Girl Scouts entering the game for free. Parents can get tickets for only \$4. Members of the Boys & Girls Club can get in free to Sunday's series finale, and parents can purchase tickets for \$4. A post-game clinic will be available for kids on Sunday as well. Tickets can be purchased the day of the game or by calling 646-1420.

Parents can also enter their children 12 and under for a chance to meet the PA announcer and announce the batters for the Aggies. Winning entries will receive an email to confirm the date of their choice. Sign up at www.nmstatesports.com.



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Champions

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hadn't seen our team," Adler said. "We played very good against Tularosa."

Adler credited his four seniors – Sean Harris, Carlos Wooten, Connor Wagner and Nate Nunley – with taking charge and providing leadership to a team that entered the season short on experience.

"We had a group that kept working hard all year long," Adler said. "We had a rough start, but they grew up and learned to play together. They kept getting better and better."



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Mesilla Valley Christian Schools Carlos Wooten scores a layup against Tucumcari in the SonBlazers championship victory Saturday, March 12, in Albuquerque.

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Christian Kabongo scores a layup during the Aggies' 66-60 WAC quarterfinal win over Nevada Thursday, March 10, in Las Vegas, Nev.



Senior Gordo Castillo races up court after forcing a Nevada turnover.



Coach Marvin Menzies and Kabongo speak during the semifinal game against Boise State.



Freshman center Chili Nephawe tries to draw an offensive foul during the Aggies' 81-63 loss to Boise State Saturday, March 12, at the WAC Tournament in Las Vegas, Nev. The loss brought an end to the Aggies' 2010-11 season.



The New Mexico State University cheerleaders entertain the crowd at the WAC Tournament.

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Charlie Blanchard
Golf Doctor

I think somebody long ago applied the word “slice” to golf upon noticing that a slicer’s club moves across the ball much like a knife cuts or slices across a roast – from the outside in. Your clubface then imparts clockwise spin to the ball (for righties) resulting in an often dramatic, right-to-right bending ball that vaguely resembles a foul ball into the right field bleachers in baseball. A slice – the bane of golfers since they sent featheries sailing into the gorse centuries ago. Also called a banana ball, shrimp, pitchout and powerfade, there is no question that the slice can be an emotional thing.

Eyes welling up with tears, one of our golf-schoolers shared this with me: “I slice every time. I know I’ll do it and I can’t stop. It’s frustrating and humiliating. I cringe on the tee, especially when I’m playing with strangers. I think about it all the time, even at work.”

I’m guessing that golf teachers, golf club companies, golf gadget-makers and golf magazine publishers have spent more time, money and effort trying to find a solution for habitual slicers than any other facet of golf. Maybe it’s due to the fact that 80 percent of amateur golfers slice the ball.

Do something

It puzzles me how the dreaded slice has become regarded as a disease and an affliction that requires us to seek a “cure.” If anything, club-throwing, shanking, sandbagging, stupid

wardrobes, drinking and driving (even putting under the influence) would classify more accurately as behaviors needing a cure. Still, most golfers who play with an awful slice go on for years feeling miserable and yet do nothing about it.

Every time we have a group at our Performance Golf Schools, we notice our slicers doing pretty much the same things. With some concentrated work, we may not “cure” their slice, but they hit the ball a lot straighter. By making a more fundamentally correct swing move, you reduce the amount your club swipes across the ball, curtailing the spin and straightening out the curve. It can’t be otherwise; there shouldn’t be much of a mystery to it.

I think the big challenge is motivating slicers to seriously address the problem and learn a better golf swing. Old dogs can learn new tricks. My two older golden retrievers can testify to that. And maybe I’m a dreamer, but I think some suggestions are worth considering if you struggle with your slice.

Almost all the slicers we’ve seen over the years tend to swing with an “over-the-top” move, instead of dropping the club down inside the path to the ball. This causes the club to return to the ball from the outside in, and usually with the clubface open. The slice is further worsened by doing what we call “casting,” or simply flipping the club down with the hands, before making any weight shift.

Accompanying these two defective moves we see a “chicken wing” right elbow with hunched shoulders moving horizontally not vertically. Correcting these flaws could take a little time, but don’t get discouraged, it can be done.

Some tips

So here are some tips we give our students to help them turn their slice into a gentle fade at worst.

When PGA swing teacher Herb Wimberly starts with chronic slicers, the first thing he looks at is their set up, including alignment (mostly feet), stance, grip and, most importantly, position of the shoulders. Wimberly advises us that most of our mistakes are made even before we take the club away from the ball, mainly because of how we are positioned and aimed. He tells us to have our shoulders, chest, hips, knees, toes and eyes all aligned parallel to our target line. Once you’re square to your target, adjustments can be made from there. Most struggling golfers are not aligned squarely.

What I’ve found in helping golfers with their slice struggles is that it doesn’t matter how unconventional the back swing may be, what really matters is how the club head is returned to the ball at impact. We have seen so many golfers who look like they start their swing way outside or way inside, but still get the job done and hit quality shots. What matters is the path coming into the ball.

Slicers usually take their club back too far and too high, making it difficult to get it on a proper swing plane and an inside path. Shorten your swing, especially if you lack flexibility – as the majority of over-50 players do – or if you’re an endomorph (fat). You can generate adequate club head speed with a three-quarter swing.

Along with your newly abbreviated back swing, you’ll need to firm up your left arm and flatten your left wrist. Two swing aids you should consider are the “Tac-Tic” that goes on your elbow and clicks when you bend too far; the other is the “Dynamics Swing Glove,” which is a high-quality golf glove extending up your wrist disabling the pronation of your wrist. With respect to golf clubs themselves, if you haven’t discovered offset clubs check them out. The offset shape alone could reduce your slice by 30 percent.

Equipment

As for other swing equipment to help you correct your slice, get a block of Styrofoam

and place it an inch outside your ball. A large head cover will also do. If you’re coming over the top and outside in, your club will hit the foam. On the more elaborate side, you can buy a product called the Inside Approach, which is a foam-covered rod that forces you to an inside swing path to keep from grazing the stick, and is endorsed in infomercials by Jack Nicklaus.

For hardcore cases, use your golf bag or a 2-by-6 board – but don’t hit the end of it.

Beware of expensive golf products, including DVDs that promise an instant cure to your slice. As H.L. Mencken said, “For every complex problem there is a solution that is simple, neat and wrong.”

If you are a slicer, and know that you’re going to keep on slicing, think of the law of inertia, which says “a body in motion remains in motion unless acted upon by an outside force.”

In your case, the “outside force” is a golf teacher. You need somebody with a keen eye for the golf swing, and a great sense of communication, to give you feedback.

Intuitively you must realize there is cause and effect going on here. There are at least a hundred causes for the repeated (I won’t say incurable) slice. It could be a weak grip, bad posture, swinging too fast, turning too fast, heel hits, inappropriate clubs. How to pinpoint the cause of your slice? Have your teacher or swing coach look at your swing and identify the swing flaws.

“No one becomes a champion without help,” Johnny Miller said.

Trust me, slice causes aren’t in your mind, they’re in your swing mechanics. If inveterate slicing keeps you from having fun playing golf, start by having your swing analyzed, not your brain.

Dr. Charlie Blanchard is a licensed psychologist specializing in sports and leadership who works with PGA professionals and young golfers. While Blanchard is recuperating from a recent accident, the Bulletin will be running “classic” editions of his column.

Oñate High School

High School

Athletes of the Week

Chino Saldivar

Chino Saldivar is a 17-year-old junior at Oñate High School. He plays guard on the Knights’ basketball team and averaged 5.2 points, 1.6 assists and 1.9 rebounds per game. Saldivar made 77 percent of his free throws. His best game this season, he shot 13 points against La Cueva in the state tournament and made a huge three-pointer in the championship game against Manzano that secured the victory for the Oñate Knights. He has a great work ethic and is a dedicated, hard-working and selfless player. Saldivar is a good student, with a 3.0 GPA. Outside of school and sports, he enjoys hanging out with friends.

Brandon Rosales

Brandon Rosales is a 16-year-old junior at Oñate High School. He plays shooting guard on the Knights’ basketball team. Rosales had 13 points and three steals against Manzano in the 5A state championship game; 11 points came in the fourth quarter and six of eight from the free throw line that same quarter. He has a great sense of humor, a positive attitude, is coach-able, supportive and a team player. He is a dedicated student with a 3.0 GPA and outside of school and basketball enjoys hanging out with friends and playing video games.

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Aggie Insider

Ags getting noticed

Baseball, softball players receiving attention for on-the-field prowess



Jack Nixon
Jack's Corner

The Aggies' baseball and softball teams have once again played the type of ball that garners national attention. Two players from each diamond sport have been singled out as we head toward the end of the scholastic season.

Baseball head coach Rocky Ward's squad is 11-5 heading home for a four-game series with IPFW. The Mastodons are the first of six home stands, including three four-game WAC series.

Sophomore infielder Parker Hipp has been one of the standouts thus far, having been tabbed Verizon WAC Player of the Week twice. The award came most recently Feb. 28-March 6 and during that span, Hipp hit .571 with nine RBI aided by a grand slam and a double. Hipp struck out only once at the YMBL Cardinal Classic.

Aggie senior shortstop Ryan Aguayo received conference player of the week honors as well as being named National Player of the Week by CollegeBaseball-Insider.com. Aguayo hit .611 in five games versus Buffalo, going 11-for-18, with two perfect games at the plate. He set a career high when he tallied eight RBI. He had a perfect game at the plate going 4-of-4 with two home runs and one walk. He is the ninth Aggie to earn the national player of the week honor.

Senior right-handed pitcher Dan Reid and junior left-handed pitcher Trey Ross have been steady on the mound with a combined record of 6-1 in eight starts.

The Aggie softball team continues to challenge the nation's best. After facing No. 4 Arizona in a doubleheader, March 15, NM State hosts No. 16 Nebraska for four games March 18-20 at the NM State Softball complex.

Head coach Kathy Rodolph picked up career victory No. 400 made doubly sweet when the Aggies beat UTEP, 1-0, March 9.

Senior first baseman Hoku Nohara is living up to her billing having just taken the player of the week honors for a hitter after blasting six home runs in five games. The cleanup hitter swatted a home run in four of five contests and belted two homers in each of the Aggies' final two games. The hitter of the week honor is the fourth for Nohara, who is also the school's all-time home run leader.

The honors have come to NM State pitchers as well. Sophomore right-handed pitcher Alex Newman earned pitcher of the week honors from the WAC for her performance at the UTEP Invitational. The sophomore from Rio Linda, Calif., made two starts and four appearances in El Paso, all resulting in wins. With eight games between the two squads you have some variety to choose from. Don't let a little breeze keep you from enjoying the top talent in both dugouts this spring.

A unique place to ride

Campus sells itself to riding prospects



Audrey Van Eman
Equestrian
Head Coach

The New Mexico State equestrian team program, I feel, is unique compared to any other program in the nation.

I have found in my time here as coach that our team and university is a gem among the powerhouse schools we compete against outside the WAC.

As coach Robin Morris and I are starting to bring our competition and recruiting season to a close, we have found that NM State is a draw for the serious collegiate equestrian.

We are very excited about our recruiting class for next year and are looking forward to a winning season. The largest enticement for our potential recruits is roster size. NM State's equestrian roster is smaller than most. Many of the varsity equestrian universities carry up to 60 ladies on their roster.

Here at NM State, we carry 25-30 for the season. This means for the task of recruiting, we can really focus on the best of the best, and not try to fill a large number of roster spots. For the recruits, it means more specialized attention from the coaches, more time in the saddle at practice, higher frequency of practices, greater chance of competing and a larger chance for scholarship and financial aid.

As a team, our small size makes for a large family. There is a cohesive bond between our student athletes that carries far outside of practice and competition, and anyone who spends time with our team cannot ignore it.

Because the largest and most prestigious horse shows and competitions are held outside of New

Mexico, we find that most of our strongest recruits are from out of state. One of the most frequent questions that we as coaches get from potential recruits is, "What's the weather like out there?"

I can't think of any other place in the nation that has weather so perfect for riding. It doesn't rain us out during our practice season. We never have to cancel competitions or slop through the mud. It (nearly) never snows. There are no hurricanes, tornados, floods, earthquakes or below-freezing temperatures during the day. No humidity when it's hot.

This winter we brought in three recruits from the East Coast that confirmed that NM State is on the top of their list. If this program didn't sell itself, the weather did.

The last thing I hear from my recruits that makes them fall in love with NM State and the equestrian team is the campus atmosphere.

NM State is unique from nearly all other Varsity Equestrian universities because our facilities are actually on campus. Our potential recruits see that you can go straight to practice from class or the dorms rather than get in the car and drive for 20 minutes to a farm out of town.

They get to see that the facilities are open to the public and that often families and students that love horses come out to visit us.

I am truly excited for next season. Though I am losing some of my most experienced and confident riders as the seniors are graduating, the freshmen I anticipate on signing are some of the strongest junior amateur riders in the nation.

NM State may not be the largest or flashiest school in varsity equestrian, but, in my opinion, it has so much more to offer.

This Week

In Aggie Athletics

Friday, March 18
Women's Track & Field
Univ. of Arizona-Dave Murray
Tucson, Ariz.
3 p.m.

Softball
Nebraska
Las Cruces
4 p.m.

Baseball
IPFW
Las Cruces
6 p.m.

Men's Tennis
TCU
Fort Worth, Texas
6 p.m.

Saturday, March 19
Women's Track and Field
Univ. of Arizona-Willie Williams
Tucson, Ariz.
1 p.m.

Softball
Nebraska
Las Cruces
1 and 3 p.m.

Baseball
IPFW
Las Cruces
3 and 7 p.m.

Men's Tennis
Columbia
Fort Worth, Texas
6 p.m.

Equestrian
South Carolina
Columbia, S.C.
All day

Sunday, March 20
Softball
Nebraska
Las Cruces
Noon

Baseball
IPFW
Las Cruces
1 p.m.

Men's Tennis
Texas-Arlington
Fort Worth, Texas
TBA

Monday, March 21
Men's Golf
Oregon Duck Invitational
Eugene, Ore.
All day

Aggie student-athlete spotlight



Tim Madigan
Senior
Men's Golf

Senior Tim Madigan recorded the Aggies' only round of under-par golf in the final round of the Fresno State Lexus Classic, with a 4-under-par 68. Madigan carded five birdies on the

day, finishing at 1-under-par 215 for the tournament and tying for fourth overall. Madigan's final round of 4-under par was the second best score of the day.



Alex Newman
Sophomore
Softball

Sophomore right-handed pitcher Alex Newman pitched a complete game shutout against UTEP in the Aggies 1-0 win, March 9. In seven innings, Newman gave up just four hits and

a walk while striking out six to give the Aggies a season sweep over the Miners.



Gordo Castillo
Senior
Men's Basketball

Senior guard Gordo Castillo concluded his Aggie career at the 2011 WAC Tournament. He led NM State to the tournament semifinals for the sixth consecutive season.

Castillo ended his career as No. 5 on the all-time 3-point field goals made list.



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A Las Vegas ending



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Greg Owens
New Mexico State University senior guard Jasmine Lowe drives in the paint during the Aggies 72-67 loss to Utah State Thursday, March 10, in the WAC tournament in Las Vegas, Nev. NMSU had reached the tournament quarterfinals by defeating Hawai'i 71-59 Wednesday, March 9.

SportsBriefs

Spence out as women's head basketball coach

New Mexico State University women's basketball coach Darin Spence has resigned as head of the program.

"Coach Spence has resigned his position as head women's basketball coach effective April 30," NMSU Athletic Director McKinley Boston said. "Coach Spence has managed his program in a very professional manner over the past eight years and I thank him for that service."



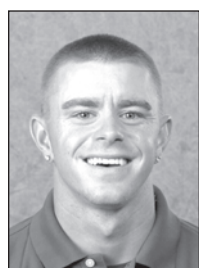
SPENCE

"I want to thank New Mexico State University and the city of Las Cruces for the opportunity to be the head women's basketball coach over the last eight years," Spence said. "We made a lot of strides in this program and had lots of firsts and that is something that I'm very proud of. I'm just at the point in my career, where I need a new challenge."

Tim Madigan is selected WAC Golfer of the Week

New Mexico State University's Tim Madigan has been named the Verizon Western Athletic Conference Golfers of the Week for March 7-13.

Madigan, a senior from Rio Rancho, N.M., tied for fourth place at last week's Fresno State



MADIGAN

Lexus Classic. Madigan carded a 1-under 215 (75-72-68) to finish five strokes back of the leaders. His 4-under-par 68 in the final round was the second best of the day by anyone in the field and the only round under par for any Aggie golfer during the tournament.

It is the first time in his career that Madigan has won a WAC golfer of the week or month award.

The Aggies will continue their spring tournament schedule March 21-22 at the Oregon Duck Invitational in Eugene, Ore.

Walker names Martin offensive coordinator

New Mexico State University football coach DeWayne Walker announced Wednesday, March 16, that offensive mastermind Doug Martin has been named the Aggies' new offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach.

"Coach Martin wants to be here in Las

Cruces and he wants to be an Aggie," Walker said. "Being at Kent State, and before that at Eastern Carolina, he understands what it takes to build a program. I spent a lot of time talking to him about that very thing. I think he is a leader the players can believe in and buy into his offensive system. After going through the interview process, I feel that coach Martin is a guy that can come in here and help us get the job done."

"I'm really excited for the opportunity to come coach at New Mexico State and at a school that is a member of the WAC, a conference that is known for throwing the ball," Martin said.

NMSU softball takes on nationally ranked teams

The New Mexico State softball team proved it could play with any team on the national stage Tuesday, March 15, pressuring the No. 7 Arizona Wildcats to extra innings in game two in a 7-5 setback after a 7-2 defeat earlier in game one at the New Mexico State Softball Complex.

NMSU (18-7) showed determination in the midweek tilt, leading Arizona (23-4) 1-0 in game one before the U of A offense awoke. Freshman pitcher Celsa Walker came into the game and held the Arizona offense in check but NMSU could only post one run the rest of the way off of 2010 All-America selection Kenzie Fowler. That run was a solo shot by sophomore Teresa Conrad in the bottom of the sixth.

In the nightcap, NMSU trailed early but fought back to take the lead at 5-4 with four runs in the bottom of the fifth. On defense, the Wildcats blinked bringing Fowler back into the circle in relief duty of freshman hurler Shelby Babcock. Arizona added one to tie the game then faced Walker again. This time the Wildcats got to the freshman with a two-run shot in the top of the eighth by Brittany Lastrapes, her second round tripper of the game, to give U of A the winning margin.



THEIS

In game one, sophomore Carissa Theis started in the circle for the Aggies. After a game-opening walk and a double two batters later, Theis got out of a jam with a ground out and strikeout to retire the Wildcats.

The road doesn't get any easier for the Aggies as they host No. 14 Nebraska for a four-game series this weekend. NMSU and the Cornhuskers meet at 4 p.m. Friday, March 18, for a single game. The teams play again at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 19, and at noon, Sunday, March 20.

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Aggies fall to Idaho in the WAC season opener

Photos by Niki Rhynes

New Mexico State begins California road trip

The women's tennis team of New Mexico State University lost a close 4-3 match to Idaho Monday, March 14, in Las Cruces to open conference play.

The Aggies started off strong by winning two of the three doubles matches. Senior Isabela Kulaif and freshman Annemieke Witte defeated Yvette Ly and Molly Knox 8-5 in the No. 2 doubles match and sophomore Ginete Pinero and freshman Ros-Polly Nguyen defeated Barbara Maciocha and Natalie Kirch 8-4.

Idaho was able to come back and win four of the six singles matches to win the match. Witte and sophomore Jodie Williams were able to rack up singles wins for the Aggies.

Witte defeated Silvia Irimescu 6-2, 6-4, in the No. 3 match and Williams was able to

defeat Knox 5-7, 7-6, 10-8, in the No. 5 match while battling an ankle injury.

"We had a lineup that was not supposed to play today due to health issues," said head tennis coach Ivan Fernandez.

Pinero and Williams each played while dealing with ankle injuries. Junior Natalia Salum did not play due to an overnight illness.

"We should be able to win a lot more of these matches with our full lineup," Fernandez said.

NMSU will travel to California next week for a three-match road trip, starting with Cal State Fullerton in Fullerton, Calif., at 2 p.m. Monday, March 21. The Aggies then continue on to play Cal State Northridge at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 23, and Loyola Marymount at 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 25.

Junior Manon Sylvain prepares to return a volley during the Aggies match against Idaho at the New Mexico State University Tennis Center Monday, March 14.



Annemieke Witte defeated Idaho's Silvia Irimescu 6-0, 6-2 during the Aggies' opening match in the WAC conference.



Jodie Williams bested Idaho's Molly Knox in singles play 5-7, 7-6, 10-8.

H I G H S C H O O L

SportsSchedule

Las Cruces High School

Through March 19 Baseball at New Mexico Baseball Invite..... TBA
 March 18-19..... Softball..... at Southern N.M. Softball Tournament TBA
 Saturday, March 19..... Track (coed)..... at Alamo Rolla Buck Track Meet9 a.m.
 March 25-26..... Softball..... at Rio Rancho Tournament TBA



Mayfield High School

Through March 19 Baseball at New Mexico Baseball Invite..... TBA
 March 18-19..... Softball..... at Southern N.M. Softball Tournament TBA
 Saturday, March 19..... Track (coed)..... at Alamo Rolla Buck Track Meet9 a.m.
 Monday, March 21 Softball..... Churchill High School 1 p.m., 3 p.m.



Oñate High School

Through March 19 Baseball at New Mexico Baseball Invite..... TBA
 March 18-19..... Softball..... at Southern N.M. Softball Tournament TBA
 Saturday, March 19..... Track (coed)..... at Alamo Rolla Buck Track Meet9 a.m.
 Tuesday, March 22 Softball..... Churchill High School 8 a.m., 10 a.m.



Mesilla Valley Christian Schools

Through March 19 Baseball at Dexter Baseball Tournament TBA



NM STATE UNIVERSITY ATHLETE of the WEEK



Vanessa Valles
Senior, Softball

Senior designated player Vanessa Valles hit the game-winning solo home run in the Aggies' 1-0 win over UTEP, March 9. The senior hit .667 with a single and a home run and posted a slugging percentage of 1.667 against the Miners.



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Hermosa Heights Elementary School fifth graders participate in a hands-on activity using tongs to pick up marbles to learn about the adaptation of birds before heading out on a hike at Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park Friday, March 11, as part of the Birds of the Feather Explore Together program sponsored by the Audubon Society.



Darrion Jackson, James Ebling and Jonah Lucero look for items on their nature and wildlife scavenger hunt sheet. Items included different types of birds, plants and animal tracks.



Heritage educator LuAnn Tafoya, Natasha Nuñez and Melanie Palacio look at a possible bird claw embedded in bobcat scat found on a hands-on discovery field trip at Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park, made possible by Audubon New Mexico.

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In the news

Columbus officials charged with trafficking firearms to Mexico

A police chief, mayor, village trustee and eight others will remain in custody after appearing in Las Cruces federal court Tuesday, March 15, on charges of trafficking firearms to Mexican cartel members.

A federal grand jury indicted 11 members of the alleged firearms trafficking ring headquartered in Columbus, N.M., a small border village across from the Mexican city of Puerto Palomas, on firearms and smuggling charges. The defendants charged in the 84-count indictment include: Angelo Vega, the Columbus chief of police; Eddie Espinoza, the mayor of Columbus; and Blas Gutierrez, a village trustee in Columbus. Defendant Ignacio Villalobos has not been apprehended and is considered a fugitive.

The indictment is the result of an intensive year-long investigation initiated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) that later expanded to include the Drug Enforcement Administration and the U.S. Attorney's Las Cruces Branch Office. The investigation has been designated as part of the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) program. The principal mission of the OCDETF program is to identify, disrupt and dismantle the most serious drug trafficking, weapons trafficking and money laundering organizations, and those responsible for the nation's illegal drug supply.

The indictment alleges that between January 2010 and March 2011, the defendants engaged in a conspiracy to purchase firearms for illegal export to Mexico. During this 14-month period, the defendants allegedly purchased approximately 200 firearms from Chaparral Guns in Chaparral, N.M., which is owned and

operated by defendant Ian Garland. According to the indictment, the defendants purchased firearms favored by the Mexican cartels, including AK-47-type pistols, weapons resembling AK-47 rifles but with shorter barrels and without rear stocks, and American Tactical 9 mm caliber pistols. The defendants allegedly obtained firearms from Chaparral Guns by falsely claiming they were the actual purchasers of the firearms when in fact they were acting as a "straw purchaser" who were buying the firearms on behalf of others.

During the investigation, law enforcement officers seized 40 AK-47 type pistols, 1,580 rounds of 7.62 ammunition and 30 high-capacity magazines from the defendants before they crossed the U.S.-Mexico border. The indictment alleges that 12 firearms previously purchased by the defendants later were found in Mexico and were traced back to these defendants. Officials said as part of the investigation, every effort was made to seize firearms from defendants to prevent them from entering into Mexico, and no weapons were knowingly permitted to cross the border.

Las Cruces Optimist celebrates 50th anniversary April 7

New Mexico State University President Barbara Couture will be the keynote speaker at the Las Cruces Optimist 50th anniversary celebration from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, April 7, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave.

Also speaking will be the Optimist's high school student winner of the regional speech scholarship contest held in El Paso.

To RSVP, contact President Ron Leone at 525-7231, or email the 50th Anniversary Committee co-chair Connie Spence at spencedna@aol.com.

Above and beyond



New Mexico State University photo

Ralph Lucero Sr., fifth from left, is joined by his family, as well as President Barbara Couture, Provost Wendy Wilkins and members of the New Mexico State University Board of Regents after Lucero was named the first recipient of the Above and Beyond award for his noteworthy performance as the Office of Facilities and Services plumbing supervisor. The award was presented to Lucero during an official regents meeting Monday, March 14.

New regents organize

New Mexico State University Regent Laura Conniff was elected to serve as chair of the Board of Regents at a regular meeting of the board Monday, March 14.

Regent Isaac Pino was elected vice chair and new regent Christopher Dulany was elected as secretary/treasurer. They will serve in these roles for one year.

Conniff, who has previously served the board as chair, is a broker and co-owner of Mathers Realty Inc. and co-owner of Leveldale Farms and Conniff F. Cross Farm. Pino serves the City of Santa Fe as director of both the Department of Public Works and the Community Services Department. Dulany, who is newly seated as the student regent on the board, is a

graduate student.

Regents also presented the first Above & Beyond award to Ralph Lucero Sr., supervisor of the plumbing shop in the Office of Facilities and Services.

The new award recognizes full-time employees who go "above and beyond" their regular responsibilities and for demonstrating a positive attitude that inspires others. Lucero was honored for leading the efforts of the plumbing shop in response to the many water pipes that froze and burst due to the cold weather and electrical power outages experienced in early February. Lucero supervises employees responsible for the plumbing in all buildings, the potable water and wastewater systems, and the natural gas distribution piping on the Las Cruces campus.

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It's feeling like spring at Guzman's Garden Center

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Anne Davis of El Paso looks at blueberry bushes Wednesday, March 16, at Color Your World Guzman's Garden Center, 540 N. Telshor Blvd. Davis said she is trying to replenish her garden after the winter's freeze, which affected her ivy and cacti the most.



At Guzman's, Jessica Reyes prices a new shipment of geraniums, a perennial flowering plant.



Nate Cote, former state representative, gets an autograph from Donna Brazile, national Democratic Party strategist and news commentator, Monday, March 14, in the Corbett Center Ballrooms at New Mexico State University. She gave a speech to mark both Black History and Women History months.

Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson

Brazile seeks new voices 'Partisan pool of poison' hurting debate

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

If you follow political debates on issues, you probably have heard national Democratic strategist Donna Brazile's assured commentary often as a counterpoint to conservatives.

What many found at her speech Monday, March 14, at New Mexico State University, was a woman who also is warm, funny, at times even vivacious – a proper gumbo of personality for a black woman who grew up in New Orleans and went onto to become a major force in the national Democratic Party, working on every presidential campaign from 1976 to 2000, including as Al Gore's campaign manager.

Noting the disputed outcome of that election, Brazile said she's learned that in politics

"you win some, you lose some – sometimes in the same election."

Brazile urged those in the audience whose politics were aligned with her liberalism to be brave and get involved.

"Nobody will take notice of your priorities if you're not in the room," she said. "I know this, the more we run, the more we win."

But she also cautioned supporters that the American people want leaders to listen to each other, instead of getting bogged down in what she described as a "partisan pool of poison" that characterizes much of today's political debate. Brazile said the national budget deficit can't be solved by just cutting spending and with cuts that are mainly felt by the poor.

"We're not going get anywhere until we come together," she said.

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Looking Back

This week in the history of the Mesilla Valley

Marvin Tessneer's
Out of the Past



100yearsago

1911

• Theodore Roosevelt arrived in Las Cruces at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 15, 1911. A group of 34 prominent citizens met the former president at the Mesilla Park station and accompanied him to the Las Cruces Depot, where he was introduced by Mayor R.L. Young. Roosevelt cautioned not to let private individuals get in control of irrigation and electric power and told college students among the crowd to be "truthful, upright and obedient."

• Ladies who joined the Federation of Clubs tendered the delegates a large reception at the Elks Hall. The hall was "beautifully decorated" by Martha Frenger. "All pronounced the function the greatest social success Las Cruces has ever known."

• C.P. Wilson, a pecan experimenter at the agriculture college, wrote about the suitability of pecan growing in the Mesilla Valley. He said Texas varieties should do well, but southern varieties may not adapt to cold winters.

75yearsago

1936

• The second annual city school singing contest at the Rio Grande Theatre was well attended and every available space was taken. The Alameda school won first place in toy orchestras. In the intermediate group Central was first and Washington was second.

• Valley pioneer Albert J. Fountain, 72, died after a brief illness. He was a son of the famous Col. A.J. Fountain, whose disappearance had "grown into a Southwest legend." He was twice superintendent of Las Cruces schools, had held the office of probate judge and founded the Gadsden Museum. He was buried at San Albino Cemetery in Mesilla.

50yearsago

1961

• Vice President W.B. O'Donnell of New Mexico State University praised local legislators Sen. James Patton and Reps. Bobby Mayfield and Ray Davenport for "superb support of both public schools and higher education" in New Mexico.

• A deputy sheriff from Lovington, N.M., with 20 years of experience was appointed Las Cruces police chief. C.L. Rogers was also former police



Photo reproduced courtesy of the New Mexico State Library Rio Grande Historical Collection
Former President Theodore Roosevelt speaks to a crowd of about 300 who gathered at the Las Cruces Depot on March 15, 1911. With Roosevelt on the platform is Las Cruces Mayor R.L. Young and the director of the agricultural college band.

chief in Big Springs, Texas. Rogers was expected to take over duties on March 20 with an annual salary of \$6,800.

• The Las Cruces Bulldogs won their third-straight New Mexico basketball title, defeating Los Alamos 77-53. Lou Henson was Coach of the Year and Dave Olson was Most Valuable Player. Olson and David Vargas were selected to the All-Tournament Team and Bobby Benegas and Benny Fielder were honorable mentions.

• Arizona State University defeated the NMSU Aggies 86-72 and advanced to represent the Border Conference in the NCAA tournament. The Aggies, playing without Billie Jo Price, tied the game at halftime on a Gary Ward jumper,

but with George Knighton fouling out, the Sun Devils pulled away and secured the victory.

25yearsago

1986

• Area residents voiced their concern about the possible sale of Memorial General Hospital. Speakers decried the lack of openness concerning the possible sale and formed a group called Concerned Citizens for Memorial General Hospital.

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AQUATICS CLASS

Aquatics class (senior exercise class) with Nora Bailey is offered on a first-come, first-served basis from 11:30 a.m. to noon Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at Frenger Pool, 800 Parkview Drive. Donation suggested.

AEROBICS CLASS

Aerobics class with Luis Ortega is at 9 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Eastside Community Center, 310 N. Tornillo St. Donation suggested.

HATHA YOGA

Yoga classes are held at the Benavidez Community Center, 1045 McClure Road. Nora Bailey, a certified instructor, leads Hatha yoga classes beginning at 8 a.m. Mondays,

Wednesdays and Fridays. Donation suggested.

BLOOD PRESSURE AND GLUCOSE CLINICS

Blood pressure and glucose clinics by Alpha Nurses are:

- 10 a.m. to noon, Monday, Benavidez Community Center, 1045 McClure Road
- 10 a.m. to noon, Tuesday, Mesilla Park Community Center, 304 W. Bell Ave.
- 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday,

Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

- 10 a.m. to noon, Thursday, East Side Center, 310 N. Tornillo St. Donation suggested.

CORE-FLOOR EXERCISE CLASS

Core-floor exercise classes with Lucille Garcia are held from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St., and from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Thursday at Mesilla Park Community Center, 304 W. Bell Ave. Donation suggested.

T'AI CHI CLASSES

T'ai chi classes with Jason Shoberg are held from 3 to 4 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Donation suggested.

CHESS

Chess games are played from 8:30 a.m. to noon Fridays at the Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. All are welcome. Participants are asked to bring chess sets, boards and clocks.

CHINA PAINTERS

China painters class is from 1 to 4 p.m. Mondays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

MAH JONGG

Mah Jongg is played from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

JEWELRY MAKING

Jewelry-making classes are from 1 to 4 p.m. Mondays, and Jewelry Lab is from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

BINGO MANIA

Bingo Mania is from 12:30 to 2 p.m. Wednesdays at the Eastside Community Center, 310 N. Tornillo St. No money is involved. Donations of old and/or new knickknacks for prizes are welcome. Call 541-2305 or 541-2304 for more information.

CANASTA

Canasta is played from noon to 4 p.m. Wednesdays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. All are welcome.

HORSESHOES

Horseshoe-pitching practice is held from 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday behind Munson Center. For more information, call Burt Trujillo at 522-4849.

STAINED-GLASS

Beginning and advanced stained-glass class meets at 8 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and intermediate stained-glass class meets at 1 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays at Munson Center, 975

S. Mesquite St.

PINOCHLE

Pinochle players meet from noon to 5 p.m. Fridays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

WATERCOLOR PAINTING CLASS

Watercolor painting class is held from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Mondays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

WOODCARVING

Woodcarving class meets from 9 a.m. to noon Fridays at the Eastside Community Center, 310 N. Tornillo St.

HANDS 'N' FEET CARD GAME

Hands 'n' Feet card game is from noon to 4 p.m. Thursdays at Eastside Community Center, 310 N. Tornillo St.

TRAVEL CLUB

The Voyagers Travel Club is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday at Munson Center. Trips currently being booked include:

- **Albuquerque/Gathering of the Nations:** April 28-30. \$280 double, \$305 single
- **Mount Rushmore and Black Hills of South Dakota:** May 14-22. \$769 double, \$1,019 single.
- **T or C Ladies Spa Experience:** May 23-24, two days/one night \$190 double \$224 single
- **Alaska Cruise and Tour:** Sept. 7, 11 days/10 nights. Call for details.
- **Hawaii Cruise:** Nov. 5. Call for details.
- **Branson Show:** Nov. 12-20. \$869 double, \$1,109 single. For more information, call Helen Glover at 528-3166.

DAY TRIPS

To register for a walking group or fishing trip, seniors must present their membership card along with payment. Checks must be made out to the City of Las Cruces. There is a minimum of eight participants and maximum of 10 to 13. For more information or to sign up, call 528-3000.

WALKING GROUP

All walks depart from Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St., at 9 a.m. and return by approximately 11 a.m. In case of bad weather, walks will take place at Mesilla Valley Mall. Minimum participants eight, maximum 14. For more information, call 528-3000 from 8:15 to 8:30 a.m.

SWINGING DANCERS

The Swinging Dancers of Munson Center meet at 7 p.m. Saturdays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Couples, individuals and guests are welcome. Doors

open at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$6. For more information, call 523-1871.

THE THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB

The Thursday Bridge Club meets for lunch and bridge at 11 a.m. each Thursday at the Las Cruces Country Club, 2350 N. Main St. Anyone who plays bridge is welcome. For more information, call Beverly Nelson 523-6106.

INCOME TAX PREPARATION

The Southwest Tax Coalition is offering free tax preparation from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8:30 a.m. to noon Fridays through April 14 at 3880 Foothills Drive. Evening hours are from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. In addition, taxes will be prepared from 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Women's Intercultural Center, 303 Lincoln St. in Anthony, N.M. For more information, call 527-8799.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS

Area drivers ages 50 and older can take the AARP Driver Safety Program. The next class is from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, April 4, at Golden Mesa Retirement Village, 151 N. Roadrunner Parkway. The cost is \$12 per person for AARP members and \$14 for non-members, paid at the door. Participants must bring a valid driver's license and a pen or pencil. For more information, visit www.aarp.com.

MYSTERY TOURS

A mystery tour will depart from Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St., at 9:30 a.m. the last Friday of the month. All trips will be within the surrounding area and will return by 11:30 a.m. Trips may be for sightseeing, visiting a museum or touring new buildings. Trips are limited to the first 14 participants. Some trips have fees. Sign up begins the first Monday of each month at the center or by calling 528-3000.

SEMINAR FOR RETIREES

Retirees are invited to a free seminar on Medicare, long-term care, life insurance, annuities and tax savings at 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 29, at the Las Cruces Events Center, 522 E. Idaho Ave. The event is sponsored by the local agents for Bankers Life and Casualty. Free refreshments will be served. For more information, call 636-7333.

SENIOR EXPO

The Southwest Senior Lifestyle Exposition will be Friday and Saturday, March 18-19 at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave.

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John Livingston Keith, known by many as "Ranger," known by others as "Johnny," but known mostly as a friend to those whose lives he touched, died March 13, 2011, at his home in Las Cruces. He was 78.

John was born Jan. 23, 1933, in Norman, Okla., and grew up in a house about 100 yards from Owen Field at Oklahoma Memorial Stadium, home of the University of Oklahoma Sooners football team. This would have an indelible impact on John's life.

John's father, Harold Keith, was the long-time sports information director at OU, and his mother, Virginia Livingston Keith, was an accomplished artist who liked to draw and paint.

After graduating from Norman High School in 1951, John played the four-string plectrum banjo professionally, traveling with the Clyde McCoy Band. Music remained a lifelong passion.

John later returned to Oklahoma to complete his collegiate studies, earning a degree from Central State University, now the University of Central Oklahoma, in 1963.

His first job after college was in 1964 as a sports writer and cartoonist for the Boulder (Colo.) Camera. In 1965, he began work as a sportswriter for the Tulsa (Okla.) World, and in 1966 joined the Oklahoma Journal in Oklahoma City.

In 1967, John moved to Manhattan, Kan., where he began following in his father's footsteps, working as an assistant sports information director at Kansas State University.

In 1968, he returned to OU as assistant sports information director, serving with his father, whom he succeeded a year later.



From 1969-78, John was SID at OU during a tenure that saw coaches Chuck Fairbanks and Barry Switzer keep the Sooners at or near the top of the national college football polls. John's career as OU SID was bookended by Heisman Trophy awards: Steve Owens in 1969 and Billy Sims in 1978.

John left OU and spent a year working on a comic strip, "O'Bradovich," but when it did not get syndicated in enough newspapers for his liking, he returned to college sports, taking a job as sports information director at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque.

He served at UNM from 1979 until 1987, when he was recruited by Texas A&M University head football coach Jackie Sherrill to become sports information director there. In 1989, he left Texas A&M to become community relations director for the Houston Oilers.

In 1991, John returned to New Mexico, serving as public information officer for the City of Las Cruces until his retirement in 1995.

But full retirement did not work for John Keith, and he found himself in the mountains of southern Colorado, in a small town called La Veta. John's parents owned a house there, and Virginia loved to paint the mountainscapes.

At the weekly newspaper, the La Veta/Cuchara Signature, John returned to cartooning, and wrote a humor column that earned awards from the Colorado Press Association.

Longing to return to the warmth of southern New Mexico, John came back in 1997 to work for the Las Cruces Sun-News as a sportswriter. In 2003, he took the position of sports editor at the Las Cruces Bulletin, a position he held until his death.

John had great love for his dogs, most notably his longtime companion Speaker, a golden lab mix. He enjoyed hiking in the Gila Wilderness with Speaker. John also enjoyed running, and in the 1970s ran two marathons.

John is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Duke and Mona Keith, grandchildren, Sarai, Ysaac, Casey and Amanda, and one great grandson, Kaleb, all of El Paso, Texas. He is also survived by a sister, Kathleen Hollinger of Houston, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Virginia Keith, and a son, Casey.

He was married for 25 years to Novie Keith of Albuquerque.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 19, 2011, at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Las Cruces, 518 N. Alameda Blvd., with Fr. Daniel Cave officiating. A reception will follow at The Game Sports Bar & Grill, 2605 S. Espina St., in Las Cruces.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the El Caldito Soup Kitchen, c/o St. Andrew's, 518 N. Alameda Blvd., Las Cruces NM 88005.

Arrangements by Getz Funeral Home, 575-526-2419. To sign the online guestbook visit www.GetzCares.com

DEATH NOTICES

MELENDREZ

Julian Thomas Melendrez, 22, of Las Cruces, NM, passed away on March 10, 2011.

Visitation was Tuesday, March 15, 2011, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., at St. Genevieve's Catholic Church where a prayer vigil followed at 7 p.m. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, March 16, 2011, at the same church. Burial followed at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Arrangements are with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.

ESTRADA

Lorenzo Serna Estrada, Sr., 55, passed away March 10, 2011, in Houston, Texas. Services are pending with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.

RUBIO

Funeral services for Lorenzo Rubio, 46, of Las Cruces, New Mexico, were held on March 15, 2011, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, burial followed at Masonic Cemetery. Arrangements are with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.

MOLINA

Memorial services for Frank C. Molina, 66, of Las Cruces, New Mexico, will be 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 19, 2011, at VFW Post 6917 located at 5845 Bataan Memorial West in Las Cruces, New Mexico. At Mr. Molina's request cremation has taken place. Arrangements are with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.

YARRINGTON

Eugene Yarrington, 87, of Las Cruces, New Mexico, passed away on March 11, 2011, at his home. Services are pending with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.

FLORES

Joy M. Flores, 21, of Las Cruces, NM, died Sunday March 13, 2011, in El Paso, Texas. A visitation will be held on Thursday March 17, 2011 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Getz Funeral Home with a prayer service to follow at 7 p.m. A funeral service will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Friday March 18, 2011 at Getz Funeral Home with Rev. Chuck Workman officiating. Burial will follow at Masonic Cemetery. Arrangements by Getz Funeral Home.

GUTIERREZ

Ralph J. Gutierrez, 89, passed away at his home on March 14, 2011.

Survived by brother, Edward (Mary Sue); sons, Tom (Rebecca Vigil), John, and Jamie (Renee); daughters Jeana Gutierrez (Jim Laws) and Joni Gutierrez (Lowell Catlett); several grandchildren nieces and one nephew. He was preceded in death by his wife, Jean, his sons Jeffrie and Steve, and his sister Maria Spencer.

Rosary at 7 p.m. Friday March 18, 2011, at The Cathedral of Immaculate Heart of Mary. Memorial Mass at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 19, 2011 at The Cathedral of Immaculate Heart of Mary.

In lieu of flowers please consider donations to The Cathedral of Immaculate Heart of Mary Building Fund or to Mesilla Valley Hospice. Arrangements by Getz Funeral Home and Getz Family Crematory 526-2419. To sign the online guestbook go to www.GetzCares.com

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Longtime local pharmacist dies

Gutierrez remembered for giving

Bulletin Staff Report

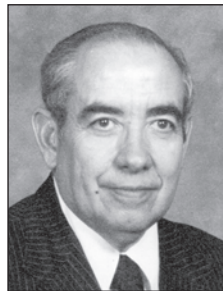
Ralph J. Gutierrez, who locals still remember as their pharmacist, died Monday, March 14, at the age of 89.

For Gutierrez, running a pharmacy was a family enterprise. His father established the Valley Drug Store, which was located across the street from St. Genevieve's Church. After his father retired Ralph moved the drugstore to the corner of Main Street and Amador Avenue, now My Brother's Place Restaurant, and called it City Drug Store.

In 1981, Gutierrez moved his pharmacy to Telshor Boulevard and opened Medical Center Pharmacy. In 1995, he sold the pharmacy and retired.

Gutierrez was active in the Army Reserves and achieved the rank of major. He met his wife Jean Breakiron while they were both in the Army and were married in 1946. He was a devoted member of the Cathedral of Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Gutierrez received several awards throughout his life including the University of New Mexico, Distinguish Alumni Award College of Pharmacy in 1986 and New Mexico Pharmaceutical Association Bowl of Hygieia Award in 1983.



He was also named to the Democratic Party of New Mexico 2nd Congressional District Hall of Fame in 1990. His daughter, Joni, is the state representative from Mesilla.

Nationally, both A.H. Robbins and Merck, Sharp, & Dohme have honored Gutierrez with Outstanding Achievements in Pharmacy Awards.

Gutierrez served on the board of directors at Memorial Medical Center and the Bank of the Rio Grande, as well as the New Mexico Board of Pharmacy.

He is survived by his brother Edward, sons Tom, John and Jamie Gutierrez, daughters Jeana and Joni and six grandchildren. Hew was preceded in death by his wife Jean, his sons Jeffrie and Steve and his sister Maria Spencer.

Recitation of the Rosary will be held at 7 p.m., Friday, March 18, at the Cathedral of Immaculate Heart of Mary, 1240 S. Espina St. A memorial Mass will be held at 10 a.m.

Saturday, March 19, at the Cathedral of Immaculate Heart of Mary, 1240 S. Espina St.

Memorial donations may be made to the Cathedral of Immaculate Heart of Mary Building Fund or to Mesilla Valley Hospice, 299 Montana Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88005.

Arrangements are by Getz Funeral Home and Getz Family Crematory corner of Solano Drive and Bowman Avenue, 526-2419. To sign the online guestbook go to www.getzcares.com.



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In honor of Women's History Month, and being a woman in business, I feel that I should pay my respect to all the hard-working women.

After I graduated college, I noticed something that I already knew, but never wanted to admit to myself – I look young.

I immediately entered the engineering field, as a marketing coordinator for a Dallas-based engineering firm, and was surrounded by older males.

I remember calling my family and friends and telling them 50 reasons why I was going to fail at the job. The biggest ones being that I am a woman in a male-dominated industry, and that I look too young to be promoting a service most of these men have had time to master.

Then I realized it's all about attitude and determination.

Women have come so far in the workforce and are nearly equal to men, with a few exceptions. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics from the U.S. Department of Labor, women working as personal financial advisors earn 58 percent of what men earn – lower than the overall ratio of women's to men's earnings, which is 81 percent.

Although women still earn less overall, there are some professions in which we shine, including the health services industry and elementary/middle school teachers – quite a shift from the factories in the '60s.

In 2010, more women were employed in the education and health services industry than in any other industry; in the 1960s, manufacturing employed the most women.

I guess this column is really about telling women that we can do anything men can do. We have an entire month dedicated to us, and modern society has created an environment that fosters success.

Continuing education is prevalent, especially in Las Cruces, such as programs at the Doña Ana Community College and New Mexico State University.

In 1970, 22.1 percent of women in the civilian labor force had either attended some college or graduated with a degree. By 2010, that figure had increased over three-fold to 66.7 percent.

At 23 years old, about 23 percent of young women held a bachelor's degree (or higher), compared to about 14

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Arts district brings business

Designated cultural district will assist artists, Downtown

By **Samantha Roberts**
Las Cruces Bulletin

While the arts scene in Las Cruces is becoming more prevalent, there is still something missing – a designated arts and cultural district.

This type of district is a place-based community, an economic development area that is rooted in a dynamic arts and cultural environment and, according to Lori Grumet, public services director for the city of Las Cruces, this is a district that will give Las Cruces more resources.

"Designating an arts and cultural district in Las Cruces is important because it gives us the access to funds that are currently out of reach, such as resources from the New Mexico Department of Tourism," Grumet said. "The designation also gives us technical resources that we don't have locally."

In addition to these advantages, Grumet also said the district will promote job growth and creativity.

"In developing the art and cultural district, the first goal would be to organize a major event that will potentially draw people from outside the community," she said. "People would come here to participate in events, purchase art, eat at our restaurants, stay in our hotels and promote the creative output of our citizens."

Described by Grumet as a win-win situation for the art and business communities, she said there is still a lot that needs to be done to obtain the designation.

Even though the State of New Mexico is



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The proposed arts and cultural district, which would likely encompass Downtown Main Street, would allow businesses to receive grant funding from the state and other tax incentives.

not accepting state designation applications, Grumet said cities larger than 50,000 can self designate, and she plans to hold a public meeting at 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 30, at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St., to obtain the city's input.

"We will start with the self-designation process and keep our sites on the state requirement," she said. "When they reopen the (state) process, we will still have to submit the formal application, but they are also working to have the local designation folded into the program."

Wanting the entire process to be a community effort, Grumet said they are constantly looking for the public's opinion.

"We will be meeting to gather ideas for the main event we want to host, and want to know what the community would like to see happen and gather their thoughts," she said.

Other than the general discussion, the meeting will also provide the opportunity for everyone that attends to write out their thoughts about their expectations and goals.

"The meeting will be a blend of thoughts," she said.

In addition to other requirements, the self-designation requires the hosting organizations, to come up with a set of goals for the first two years, and Grumet said this is also something she wants the community to be involved in.

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Sapphire develops research center

Algae fuel could replace gasoline, diesel and jet fuel

By **Marvin Tessneer**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Sapphire Energy has developed its West Mesa Industrial Park plant into an algae field research and development center, said Bryn Davis, New Mexico operations manager.

The algae "green crude oil" production company is constructing a half-acre greenhouse that will be covered with plastic to allow sunlight to stimulate the algae.

"We'll be able to grow algae in small containers with a controlled environment," Davis said. "This will allow us to experiment faster on a small scale at our field test site before moving outside to larger ponds."

The process will be a blend of engineering, science and agriculture in one operation. The

company has acquired 10 acres at the West Mesa Industrial Park and has the option to purchase up to 100 more acres.

Sapphire has also acquired 1,000 acres in Luna County to produce green crude.

The company and contractors are reviewing designs to construct water raceways to cover from 100 to 300 acres underwater to produce algae, Davis said.

Many researchers have good ideas, but they have to develop them to make them work, he said.

Algae is a microorganism that uses sunlight and photosynthesis to produce green crude oil. The Luna County site will not compete with agriculture.

The land is marginal and the water is brackish, but there is ample sunlight, the Sapphire information report emphasized.

Producing algae green crude oil does not depend on crops or valuable farmland. It can deliver 19 to 100 times more energy per acre than field crop biofuels.

The Sapphire goal is to produce



Sapphire Energy has proposed replacing jet fuels with green crude oil created in a greenhouse at its West Mesa Industrial Park plant.

green crude as a "drop-in fuel" transportation replacement fuel can be used as gasoline, diesel or jet fuel.

"There's no need to change the energy infrastructure or equipment," Davis said. "The fuel that we're producing is indistinguishable from the fuels

that we're producing now."

Sapphire plans to start extracting green crude by the summer of 2012.

Algae raceways are constructed with concrete blocks that are lined with plastic. Small paddle wheels circulate the water to keep the

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Building Las Cruces



Lohman Heights

Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Samantha Roberts

Lohman Heights, a future complex that will include a mix of medical offices and retail stores, is expected to be completed by mid April. For more information, call 650-5888.

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algae from settling.

Green crude is the oil that algae produce by combining sunlight and carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, which can be refined into fuel, gasoline, jet fuel and diesel.

Sapphire has compiled a list titled "Why Does Energy Matter So Much?" that discusses countries energy consumption.

Driven primarily by transportation fuel

consumption, the United States' demand for crude oil exceeds its supply, forcing the nation to rely on imports to meet the domestic supply deficit.

As the U.S. produces renewable fuels, it provides energy security and reduces carbon dioxide emissions. Algae biomass is among the renewable energy leaders.

Electric, thermal and transportation energy use in the U.S. emit about 5,890 million tons of carbon dioxide per year, and liquid fuel and coal emit 4,715 million tons per year.

Arts district

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To self-designate, Grumet said the following needs to happen:

- Presentations that make people aware of the process
- Public meetings
- Assimilating commentary of what the community wants
- Assign a project coordinator that will be in charge of planning the first main event and determining where that person is going to be within a participating organization
- Determine how the project will be funded
- Written legislation from the city
- A presentation/proposal to the city council
- Voting by the city council

Once the ordinance is adopted, Grumet said that will be their signal to continue to move forward. She said she is hoping to have the ordinance passed in the fall, and stresses the hard work and research that will go into the process.

"We are putting the proper input and proper thought into this," she said. "We are doing a lot of the homework and strive to come up with a collaborative plan that involves what the community wants."

"It will be difficult because we are doing this on a shoestring (budget), but after it takes off, we will have the opportunities for grant funding and assistance."

Grumet said the advantages will also extend to business owners within the designated district.

"There are economical advantages for business owners within the district; they will have access to application to the Local Economic Development act (LEDA) that allows businesses within the district to apply for a larger tax credit for restoration of historical

Details

Arts and cultural district self-designation public meeting

When

5 p.m. Wednesday, March 30

Where

Rio Grande Theatre
211 N. Main St.

Cost

Free

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buildings," she said.

While picking the exact location of the arts and cultural district has yet to happen, Grumet said the self-designation allows for up to one-square mile that can be expanded.

"We want to be cautious about how big we start," she said. "But as things progress, we are willing to look into growing the area as big as we are allowed."

Although the criterias seems strenuous, they are set to ensure success of the district.

"Meeting the goals we set establishes accountability," Grumet said. "The checks, balances and hoops they ask everyone to jump through are enforced to ensure success."

For more information, call Grumet at 528-3477 or email lgrumet@las-cruces.org.

Women

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percent of young men.

If I had started my job at the engineering firm with the mentality that I was not going to fail, that no matter how I thought they saw me, I could change

their perception with my knowledge, my research and my determination, I would have liked that job a lot more.

Instead, I quit. I let the job defeat me and gave up.

Situations like that are difficult but common. It is easy to say "I can't," but I think we owe it to all the women's rights activist and leaders to say "we can."

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can see eBooks we're publishing right now becoming interactive versions in five years."

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"Being able to provide our publications in this new and exciting format is just another way that Extension continues to provide useful information to New Mexicans," she said.

A 'big' move

The new Sonic Drive-In, 2925 N. Main St., opened Friday, March 11, to hungry customers. Directly west of Daddy O's car wash, the new location sits just feet away from the old location, 3011 N. Main St. CVS pharmacy will replace the old Sonic.

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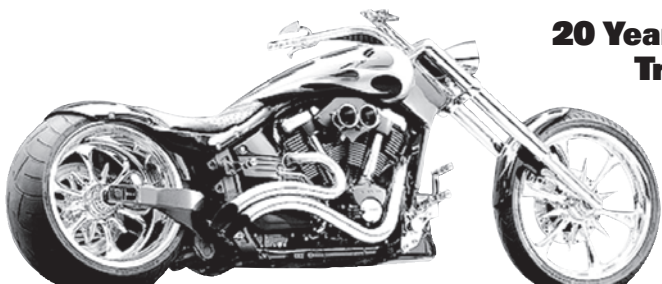
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Japan likely to recover quickly

Economic impact of Sendai quake unlikely to derail global recovery



Chris Erickson
State of the Economy

The economic toll from last week's Sendai earthquake and tsunami heart wrenching scenes from Japan tell about the human toll of the Sendai earthquake. The financial toll, when the accounting is done with be the greatest in world history

The direct economic impact of the Sendai earthquake is likely to be small and concentrated in the region directly affected. Based on similar natural disasters, such as the 1995 Kobe quake, we can expect Japanese Gross Domestic Product to decline by 0.2 to 0.5 percent over the next two quarters. But the decline should be short lived and will be followed by a surge in construction spending that will likely boost GDP.

As I write this, the fate of the Fukushima Daiichi complex is uncertain, but significant disruption of the Japanese electric grid seems almost certain. Rolling blackouts are expected. Should a melt down occur, the economic cost

of the earthquake could doubled to 1 percent of GDP.

Recovery for a rich economy like Japan, with access to global financial markets as well as to the significant domestic savings of its notoriously thrifty citizens will be easier than for poor nations. Haiti's economy remains crippled after last year's magnitude 7 earthquake, which killed more than 300,000 and left 1 million homeless. The Sendai quake was 100 times more powerful than the Haitian quake, yet the cost in human life is expected to be much less. This reflects better construction practices and superior infrastructure.

The observation that the national economy may recover quickly does not preclude the possibility of significant effect on the Sendai region. The Kobe region after the 1995 quake took considerable time to recover. Then there is also the example of New Orleans, which has suffered a permanent population decline subsequent to Hurricane Katrina. The densely populated Sendai region could suffer considerable disruption over several decades if the Fukushima Daiichi facilities were to release substantial radiation.

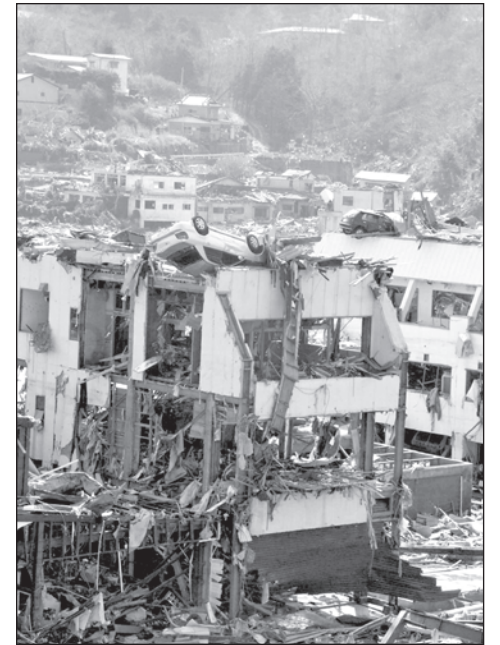
The impact on industrial production

in Japan will vary by industry. Japan has been suffering from the global recession, so has unused industrial capacity that can be brought on line. The Japanese auto industry, for example, is operating at 80 percent of capacity, so it should be able to make up for lost production.

The issue here is whether bottlenecks will developed because of disruptions of suppliers. The most significant problem in this regard is the disruption in electric power. The disruption of port facilities and the closure of roads also present a challenge.

The macroeconomic impact on the United States is likely to be negligible and what effect there is likely transitory. One might see bidding up in building supplies on the West Coast as materials are diverted to the reconstruction effort, but few will notice that much.

Financing the recovery will put fiscal strain on the already heavily indebted national economy. The national debt of Japan is the highest among industrial countries. But much of this debt is held by domestic savers who are likely to tighten their belts and save even more in the face of rebuilding needs. So the fiscal impact likely will be absorbed domestically.



Although the impact of the earthquake in Japan is physically catastrophic, the economic repercussions should be minimal.

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Is there enough time left?

With days in the session winding down, the fates of bills are hanging in the air

By **Phaedra Haywood**
The New Mexican

Only one of six different bills aimed at fixing a property tax law that several district judges say is unconstitutional appears to be making progress toward possible passage this legislative session.

Changes proposed under Senate Bill 108 would reduce the taxable value of various residential properties in Santa Fe and other counties by amounts totaling millions of dollars and result in tax increases of about 10 percent or more for some owners. It likely would lower

taxes for about 14,000 Santa Fe County taxpayers, though by how much is unknown.

The bill seeks to address inequities among taxpayers created by a 2001 law that caps increases in home values for tax purposes at 3 percent a year, unless and until the property changes hands. At that point county officials can reassess the property at market value.

The law's original purpose was to protect longtime residents from experiencing swift increases in tax bills caused by rapidly escalating property values in their neighborhood – a situation referred to as “tax lightning.” Or, as one couple who is challenging the law in court

said, it's aimed at protecting “the little old lady on Canyon Road whose house has become so valuable she can't afford to live there any more.”

But two judges in Bernalillo County and one in Doña Ana County have ruled the law unconstitutional because it allows for an adjustment of property tax liability based on something other than age, income or occupancy – the only acceptable bases for property tax adjustments according to the state constitution.

Critics say the law puts an unfair burden on people who haven't owned their homes very long, because the “tax lightning” is simply delayed until the home changes hands and the increased tax burden is placed on the new owners. Recent buyers often end up with tax bills much higher than those of their neighbors living in similar homes.

Emboldened by the court decisions, about 2,400 Bernalillo County taxpayers filed for refunds in state District Court on the grounds that the state law is unconstitutional. One representative case on the topic has been sent to the New Mexico Court of Appeals while the others have been stayed pending the higher court's decision.

Senate Bill 108 proposes to fix the inequity by recalculating the values of homes that changed hands between 2004 and 2010. The values would be recalculated as if those properties also had been given the protection of the three percent cap. The proposed law then would maintain the cap on valuation increases for all residential properties, regardless of whether they change ownership.

The bill's sponsor, Sen. Tim Eichenberg, D-Albuquerque, said the bill proposes to begin the fix in 2004 because that is when all 33 counties in the state began applying the cap created by the 2001 law, which was implemented over a phase-in period.

Recalculating values under the proposal would likely decrease the total value of residential property in Santa Fe and other counties, which could result in a higher tax rate to generate the revenue needed. Longtime owners whose property values were limited by the current law's cap could see higher tax bills. The

adjustment could also result in a lower tax bill for those whose values weren't capped earlier but now would be reassessed as if they had been.

Estimated amounts of those increases or decreases are a topic of debate.

Assistant County Assessor Gary Perez said his preliminary number crunching indicates that making the adjustments in Santa Fe County would result in an approximately \$633 million decrease in the amount of taxable value in the county. That decrease would result in a higher tax rate, Perez said, which means some property owners could see an increase of as much as 13 percent in their tax bills.

“Somebody has to pay the difference,” Perez said. “When you bring down the value, you have to make it up in a tax rate increase.”

Perez said there are about 14,000 properties in Santa Fe County that would need tax-value adjustments if the law passes. Those owners would likely see a drop in their property taxes, but Perez said it's difficult to calculate how much because there are so many variables involved.

Eichenberg said his calculations indicate a smaller tax increase, perhaps around 10 percent for those who do experience one.

“So, if you pay \$2,000 now on a \$300,000 house,” he said, “it goes up to about \$2,200.”

Sens. Mark Boitano, R-Bernalillo, and Steven P. Neville, R-Aztec, also introduced bills aimed at addressing the issue, but neither made much progress toward becoming law. Parts of those bills have been rolled into SB108 and Boitano and Neville are supporting that bill.

SB108 has cleared the Senate and several House committees. The only committee it still must get through before reaching the House floor is the House Taxation and Revenue Committee, where similar bills died last year.

House Bill 451 – which sponsor Rep. Terry H. McMillan, R-Las Cruces, says is “almost identical” to SB108.

With the days left in the current session quickly waning, other bills on the topic seem destined to suffer the same fate.

It's possible that – as happened last year – none of the proposed bills will pass, leaving the situation unchanged for another tax year. But Eichenberg and Perez both said the pending lawsuits and pressure from taxpayers likely will push lawmakers to adopt a fix.

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Profile

Ceci Vasconcellos:

Hobbies and work are one and the same

Arts council executive director hits the ground running

By **Samantha Roberts**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces born and raised, Ceci Vasconcellos made a move to the The Golden State to live amongst the stars, but after all the polish and glamour, she returned home and has been named the executive director of the Doña Ana Arts Council.

A Mayfield High School and New Mexico State University graduate, Vasconcellos said she has always had a desire to write.

"I graduated with a bachelor's of arts in journalism because I wanted to be a writer," she said. "But after I thought about it, I realized making money in that field would be difficult."

Needing a change and seeing more opportunities in the West, Vasconcellos moved to California to live with her sister and said she did a little bit of everything.

"I landed in the music industry in artist relations," she said. "If I had known about this career option before, I would have done things a little different, such as my past schooling choices."

Artist relations has its perks, such as attending events and shows and working with celebrities, but Vasconcellos also handled public relations, press releases, promotions and all the chaos behind the scenes.

From artist relations, Vasconcellos went into publicity because she said she really wanted to do more writing, so she took a job in press corporate communications and was there for the next 15 years.

"I loved this job," she said. "It was really neat because Warner Brothers would ask our company to help with their premiers."

This included walking a few Hollywood favorites down the red carpet, such as Jason Alexander (George Costanza from "Seinfeld").

"We did it all," she said. "On the red carpet it was important for us to know who they were wearing, so we could tell the press, and their name."

Vasconcellos said she remembered walking Alexander down the red carpet before he was a household name.

"I kept forgetting who he was and had to ask other people," she said, adding that the red carpet was a highlight to her job.

The music industry took a hit after the Napster controversy, and companies began to streamline jobs, Vasconcellos said.

"So I left and started working with the Record Industry Association of America (RIAA) as a lobbyist," she said. "We represented the big corporate labels and were responsible for the gold and platinum awards you see artists receiving once their album sells a certain number."

But along with the downfall of buying CDs – because people were downloading music off the Internet – also came the downfall of the California economy and Vasconcellos moved back to Las Cruces in 2007 with her husband and two children.

"The economy was getting bad and the cost of living versus salaries was not adding up," she said. "Las Cruces is also a good place to raise kids."

Vasconcellos said her husband Mark, a filmmaker and actor, also saw film opportunities in New Mexico, including Las Cruces

and Albuquerque.

"We thought about moving to Albuquerque, but just saw it as moving from one big city to another," she said. "So we chose Las Cruces to be close to my family."

Although Vasconcellos admits that coming back to the City of the Crosses was a "culture shock," she said she was excited to see Las Cruces' growth.

"When I left Las Cruces, I was a country bumpkin venturing into a big city," she said. "And when I returned, I had been polished by the big-city life. They were both a big adjustment."

"Las Cruces has a thriving art (community), and I don't think people realize that. In the next few years, I see Las Cruces becoming more comfortable in the large-city skin. I see more businesses coming here and a growing arts community. People are going to start coming here for arts and culture."

Vasconcellos, who has served as the interim executive director for the arts council since

2010, was named executive director in March.

As executive director of DAAC, Vasconcellos said her organization is staying busy with exciting projects.

"We are working to establish an official arts and cultural district," she said. "As a council, our goal is to promote artist through different events and programs."

She said another goal of DAAC is to develop more programs that will involve all kids from elementary through high school, such as a glee club or a talent competition that mimics "American Idol."

"We are still doing the CAT program (Career Art Path)," she said. "And we have expanded it to include digital photography and hope to add game and fashion design."

CAT is a two-week-long summer camp for middle school students (sixth to ninth grade), which includes intense workshops using various media.

The DAAC also has strong ties to the Rio Grande Theatre, which houses its offices and is promoted through council efforts.

"We are kind of one in the same,"

Vasconcellos said, referring to the Rio Grade Theatre and DAAC. "We promote Every Other Tuesday, host two gallery exhibits that change monthly and participate in the Downtown Art Ramble."

The arts council also puts on Renaissance ArtsFaire, the Las Cruces Arts Fair – a new event that will be at the Las Cruces Convention Center March 25-27 – Color Las Cruces, Youth at Risk at La Casa, a monthly networking luncheon as well as serves as a fiscal agent for smaller organizations.

With all of these events, Vasconcellos said she stays busy and has little time for additional hobbies.

"Luckily, I am doing what I would be doing if I had hobbies," she joked. "I do like to be outdoors and recreational sort of things."

Other than being around the arts and inspiration, Vasconcellos said she also enjoys working with creative people and seeing an event or program that showcases the talent in Las Cruces come to life.

"It's very fulfilling to see these events happen and come about," she said. "But the most enjoyable part of my day is the people. Everyone is so much nicer here than California. Here, they are down to earth, friendly and warm."

“Las Cruces has a thriving art community, and I don't think people realize that.”

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'Everyone is an Artist' at student exhibit

Youth art exhibit was made possible by Young Philanthropists

Courtesy of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico

The Young Philanthropists (YP), an initiative of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico, set out to do two things when it formed in 2010 – foster philanthropy in a new generation of charitable minded people and grow relationships through social events. Now, a year later, the YP will celebrate the success of its first grant award through a youth art show.

AppleTree Educational Center, in Truth or

Consequences, received the YP first annual grant award of \$2,700 in December 2010 for middle school students at the Boys & Girls Club to create, display and sell their art, donating the proceeds to a charity of their choice.

The grant was presented to Tyler Summerlin, an art teacher at the partnering Boys & Girls Club, and Halyn Rice, a student involved with AppleTree during the third YP networking event of the year Dec. 8, 2010, at the Preston Contemporary Art Center.

"This is an excellent opportunity for the youth that will benefit from the award," Summerlin said. "It is an honor for us to partner with the Young Philanthropists."

The art exhibit opened at the Grapes Gallery in T or C Friday, March 11, and ran through Wednesday, March 16. In Las Cruces,

the exhibit opens Friday, March 18, and will be displayed during library hours through Saturday, March 19, at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave.

YP participants learn about philanthropy and award annual grants, like the one to AppleTree, from contributions. To join, YP contribute \$125 per year and 75 percent of the donation goes into a permanent endowment fund, and 25 percent goes into a grant-making fund to award to a deserving charity or cause each year.

When the 2010 grant was awarded, 48 donors had joined and raised \$6,000. Of that amount, \$4,500 was put into a permanent endowment for future generations, and \$1,500 was designated for the first Young Philanthropists Grant Award. An additional \$1,200 was raised by three Las Cruces rotary clubs to match the \$1,500.

For more information on how you can become a Young Philanthropist, or support the organization as a sponsor, visit cfsnm.org or call 521-4794.

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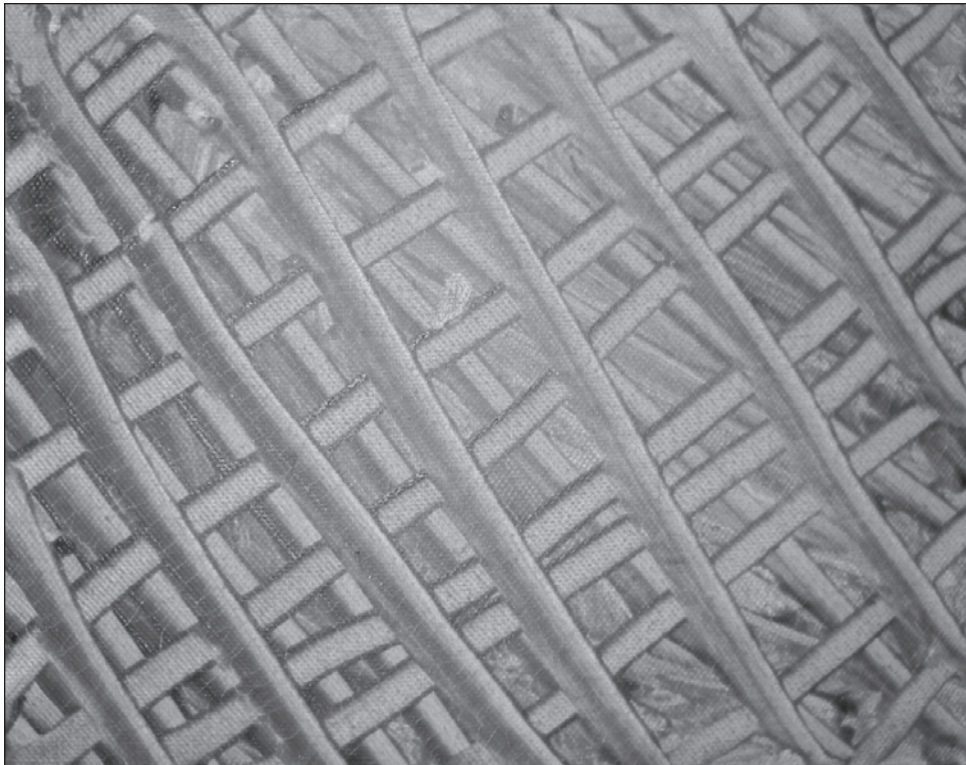
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Where

Thomas Branigan Memorial Library
200 E. Picacho Ave.

Contact

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"Fenced In" by Matthew Duran, 11, is part of the exhibit that was funded by Young Philanthropists.



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Permit #	Permittee	Owner	Project	Address	Value	Permit
20111070	Hakes Brothers Construction LLC	Sonoma Ranch East II LLC	Res/New	4341 Del Prado Way	\$169,740	\$4,068
20111069	Hakes Brothers Construction LLC	Ornithes Inc.	Res/New	7592 Sierra Alta Place	\$156,620	\$1,735
20111074	Jose M. Rodriguez	Olga M. and Armando Rodriguez	Res/Alt	1812 Newton St.	\$2,500	\$42
20111073	Progreen Superior Coating and Roofing Inc.	Patrick D. Vielma	Reroof	432 Augustus Road	\$6,800	\$68
20111072	Graces Pools By Design Inc.	David A. and Jamie S. Fresquez	Swimming Pool	1159 Warm Springs Lane	\$32,000	\$198
20111085	Milagro Maintenance & Repair LLC	Charles Wendler ET UX	Reroof	1985 McClane Road	\$5,316	\$59
20111084	Indian Construction	Joel and Irma Ornelas	Res/New	4701 Zachary Place	\$167,362	\$2,055
20111101	RGM Builders LLC	Hipolito C. and Guadalupe Mendez Rv Tr	Reroof	524 Mesquite St.	\$4,000	\$51
20111110	Cesar Duran	Cesar and Jessica Duran	Res/Add	2809 Meriwether St.	\$600	\$31
20111144	Tim Curry Construction LLC	University Presbyterian Church	Comm/Add	2010 Wisconsin Ave.	\$600,000	\$1,882
20111114	Erick Vasquez	Erick Vasquez	Res/Add	6509 Teal Drake Court	\$500	\$30
20111141	Erasmio's Roofing LLC	Evangelina Borunda	Reroof	1210 N. Willow St.	\$3,100	\$46
20111121	Progreen Superior Coating and Roofing Inc.	Jose and Amelia A. Angel	Reroof	5115 Emerald St.	\$6,700	\$67
20111137	Desert View Homes	Ornithes Inc.	Res/New	3575 Sierra Del Sol Ave.	\$172,364	\$2,313
20111138	Desert View Homes	NM Lots LLC	Res/New	4013 Monte Sombra Ave.	\$142,516	\$1,711
20111136	GL Green & Associates	Bellagio I LLC	Res/New	4322 Capistrano Ave.	\$254,118	\$434
20111129	Summit Development	Sonoma Ranch East II LLC	Res/New	4355 Calle Amarilla Arc	\$197,784	\$4,116
20111175	Vica One Inc.	Donald and Loarnzel Hawkins	Res/New	4360 Isleta Court	\$248,050	\$3,370
20111109	GM Builders Inc.	Klatt and Escobar Inc.	Comm/Alt	1001 W. Picacho Ave.	\$12,500	\$101
20111135	GL Green & Associates	Bellagio I LLC	Res/New	4324 Capistrano Ave.	\$241,654	\$413
20111174	Erasmio's Roofing LLC	Daniel A. and Linda C. Lujan	Reroof	4924 Agate St.	\$7,285	\$71
20111147	GS Roofing	Mary Lou Narvaez	Reroof	1345 Third St.	\$8,350	\$77
20110688	Chaparral Construction Co.	Brewer Oil Co.	Comm/Alt	1321 Avenida De Mesilla	\$178,000	\$679
20111088	Maria Sanchez	Marcos Renteria and Maria G. Sanchez	Res/Add	1023 Rhapsody Lane	\$1,500	\$41
20111086	Hakes Brothers Construction LLC	Sonoma Ranch East II LLC	Res/New	4395 Calle Amarilla Arc	\$169,740	\$4,068
20111201	Denney Construction LLC	First American Bank	Res/New	5164 San Carlos Court	\$248,378	\$3,370
20111202	Advanced Building Solutions LLC	Victor and Nell B. Rose	Reroof	1510 Country Club Road	\$11,750	\$97
20111198	Summit Development	Janet Pitt	Res/New	4172 Capistrano Ave.	\$253,708	\$3,411
20111186	Los Años	ARCML06 LLC	Res/Add	1751 W. Hadley Ave.	\$700	\$32
20111167	Fuenco Contractors	Mesilla Valley Business Park LLC	Comm/Alt	1680 Hickory Loop	\$5,000	\$57

* Information from the BIA-SNM is provided by City of Las Cruces and Doña Ana County permit offices



Doña Ana County Building Permit Report March 4-11

Permit #	Contractor	Owner	Project	Address	Subdivision	Permit
36361	Self	Matthew Statz	Swimming Pool	5086 Lost Padre Mine	Talavera Unit 2	\$94
36364	Homes of the Southwest by Kolson	Daniel Kolson	Res/New	6840 Via Emma	Picacho Hills Country Club No. 3 Rep. 4	\$548
36367	R. Hines Construction	R. Hines Construction	Res/New	1891 Santa Nova Arc	The Sanctuary Phase 1	\$788
36369	Self	Gordon Marlowe	Res/New	5119 Silver King Road	N/A	\$625
36370	Future Tech	Joe Flores	Reroof	3536 Calle Bedado	Bosque Bedado Rep No. 3	\$120
36375	Self	Stephen Browning	Reroof	1460 Railroad Road	N/A	\$168
36377	Oasis Pools	Robert and Lucinda Oheim	Swimming Pool	1332 Saltillo Place	Las Estancias De Picacho	\$118
36381	Self	Leonor Soria	Res/Add	21 Outback Drive	N/A	\$240

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In Good Company: Casa de Autos

Keeping it a family affair

Casa de Autos welcomes everyone into their 'home'

By **Samantha Roberts**
Las Cruces Bulletin

It all began across the street 34 years ago in a dirt lot with a single-office facility. Since then, the small car dealership, started by owner Danny Gamboa, has matured and in 2007 moved to its current location, 715 E. Amador Ave.

Gamboa said his experience selling cars for other companies gave him the confidence to start his own business.

"I wanted to move up the ladder," he said, "but when I saw that I wasn't going to go any further, I thought, 'If you can sell cars for them, then you can sell for yourself.' It wasn't just that I knew I could do it, I was going to do it."

With little hesitation, Gamboa started Casa de Autos, a name that stands for community, customer service and home.

"When my dad named Casa de Autos (House of Cars) he wanted it to be like that – a home," said Gabe Gamboa, sales associate and son of Danny Gamboa. "That is how I see our business, and just like a home, at Casa de Autos, you will be treated like family."

With Danny Gamboa's son Gabe and daughter Tess working at the business, family transcends beyond a warm welcome to the customers.

"It is their choice if they want to work here," Danny Gamboa said. "They have been through the formal education, but they haven't been through the school of hard knocks. I have paid the price for my mistakes, and I try to teach them so they can learn. It's my job to guide them."

Gabe Gamboa said going to work for the family business was always a 50-50 struggle.

"I grew up immersed in the business," he said. "I always loved it and was never ashamed at the thought of working there."

"Since (my sister and I) were little, we have been involved. There were never any expectations, but as time went on, we

each gained responsibility."

After college, Gabe Gamboa said he "wanted to explore and venture out," which prompted his move to California.

Working for companies in Los Angeles, such as Disney and MTV, Gabe Gamboa said he "got it all out of his system" and came back to Las Cruces to work for the family business.

"When you grow up seeing a company grow and mature you build relationships," he said. "Even if it's through a small job, such as running to the DMV, you gain a growing interest and become more immersed every day."

Son Othello, 8, has already developed an interest in the business and Gabe Gamboa said he could see him following a similar suit.

"We take a photo with everyone who buys a car from us and Othello likes to jump in the pictures," he said. "He does stuff around here for us, such as shuttling keys, but he's more PR than anything."

Above all else, Casa de Autos prides itself on customer service that is attentive and one-on-one, Gabe Gamboa said.

"Since there are so few of us, we each wear many hats," he said. "But if you come here looking for your car dealer, you are going to find us. If you need to talk to us we will be here."

While family has shaped Casa de Autos, so has the Las Cruces community.

"To have a business within the community you need to stay involved," Gabe Gamboa said. "Through giving back to people that help our business grow, we are helping the community and they are helping us. Since we treat our customers like family, if you ask for help, we are going to do our best to give it to you."

Throughout the community, Casa de Autos focuses on philanthropy and giving back to the area high schools, New Mexico State University, local churches and the Aggies Wheels program.

Another unique aspect of Casa de Autos is what's under the hood, or what's in their showroom, if you will.

Inside the 18,000-square-foot building are nearly a dozen classic cars, ranging from a 1965 Super Sport Impala Convertible to a 1970 Chevelle.

"Some of these cars have been around since I was little," Gabe Gamboa said. "A lot of them have been traded in for other cars, and they all come showroom ready."

With the large assembly of classics, Gabe Gamboa said people come in everyday to take a look the collection.

"A lot of people come from Ruidoso," he said, adding that

“Buying a car is the second largest investment that most people make. Our customers need to be comfortable.”

GABE GAMBOA,
Sales associate

Details

Company

Casa de Autos

Address

715 E. Amador Ave.

Phone

527-0272

Hours

8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday

8 a.m. to noon Saturdays



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Samantha Roberts
Danny and Gabe Gamboa and Tess Garcia of Casa de Autos shows off one of the dealership's classic cars.

the showroom cars are for sale, unless specified.

Battling the negative stereotype of car salesman, Gabe Gamboa said Casa de Autos tries to make the car buying experience different than any other dealership.

"Buying a car is the second largest investment that most people make," he said. "Our customers need to be comfortable before, during and after."

"Before we sell our cars, they go through a 40-point inspection and are tested for everything. During the sale, we want the customer to be comfortable talking and dealing with our staff, and after, maybe the most important, are you happy with the car? Are you happy with us?"

Along with the teachings from the school of hard knocks, Tess Garcia said her dad has also taught her two very important business lessons when dealing with customers – listen to them and don't lie.

Although she didn't grow up around the family business, Garcia said she has found a job that has everything she is looking for.

"I wanted to be up and moving around," she said. "I wanted to feel like I was in charge of something and could make decisions. Although I was hesitant to work for my dad because it's hard to find the balance of father versus boss, he is a good boss and I have learned to accept anything he says."

With any family business comes family feuds, but she describes the atmosphere of Casa de Autos as fun and relaxed.

"We listen to music and overall there is a peaceful atmosphere," she said. "We eat lunch together and talk about our experiences throughout the day – each a learning experience that makes our team stronger. I can actually say I like coming to work."

Along with the experience, Garcia said the job has given her the confidence to work in many other business fields and knowledge to manage a successful company.

"We are celebrating our 34th anniversary this March and that is very exciting for us," she said.

"If you are wanting to go into this field, you have to work hard," Danny Gamboa said. "Like any retail field, you have to be straight with people and work for the pay check you want. You can't expect to work 40 hours a week, take a one-hour lunch every ay and make a huge amount."

Garcia agrees with her father's philosophy and said he has taught them the hard way.

"He taught us to work hard and be straight with people," she said. "He always said don't promise something outside that you can't deliver on paper, and if we did, he made us pay for it out of our pocket."

The future for Casa de Autos is bright, and Danny Gamboa said he hopes his business continues to grow.

"The more customers we treat right, the more repeat business we get," he said, "and the more business we get, the more growth we will have."

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In Good Company: Casa de Autos

Q&A

Talking with sales associate Gabe Gamboa

What is unique about your business?

Casa de Autos was started by my father Danny Gamboa. We are unique in a lot of ways. Our showroom has a hair salon and attorney office, and our company is family owned and operated.

Where do you see the business in five years?

Our mantra is not going to change by leaps bounds. If I had been asked this question in 2006 or 2007, I would have said we needed to expand. Now, it's more about maintaining the business and being able to continue to do the great business that we have done. We want to continue the great business that my dad has laid down the foundation for.

What is your business philosophy?

We don't really have one philosophy, but we pride ourselves in customer service.

What is the best part of your job?

I wake up every morning excited to come to work, and I get to work closely with my family.

Who are your customers?

Our clientele is diverse, but we see a lot of local clients come in.

How do you keep your competitive edge?

We try to stay informed and keep up to date with everything going on around us.

How are you marketing the store?

We still believe that word of mouth is the best type of advertising. Excellent customer service and word of mouth are our main forms of advertising.

What do you look for in an employee?

I don't do much of the hiring, but I can tell you that our employees have been here forever. Some employees have been with us for more than 15 to 20 years. My dad tries to take care of everyone that works here because they are vital to our internal structure.

We don't have a high turnover rate.

What is the best business decision you've made so far?

Implementing our new store was a great business decision. The company was growing and my dad saw the need, so we built the new 18,000-square-foot building.

What adjustments or improvements have you made so far?

This question goes hand-in-hand. The showroom was a big improvement and helps to create a unique buying experience as far as purchasing a vehicle – you can even get your haircut here.

What is your opinion of the Las Cruces business climate?

Lending is tough so you have to be creative.

What advice would you give to others starting a business?

It's tough right now and it's a lot of hard work. You have to be creative in this business and continue to strive for out-of-



Classic cars fill the showroom at Casa de Autos

the-box ideas. You also have to be prepared to wear many hats, from a custodian to a salesperson. The more you can do yourself, the less you have to pay out.

What items do you carry, in brief, and their price ranges? What is your most popular item?

We don't have the Ferraris or Porsches. We carry a lot of basic transportation, such as four-door autos, pickups, jeeps and passenger vehicles. Our inventory is not exotic, more of your typical domestic four doors.

What are your business goals?

Everyone has their own goals

here. For me personally, it is to serve the community and serve our customers. I always try to take care of the people that come through the doors, and will continue to do so as long as we have Casa de Autos.

What is the most important thing about your business that you wish people knew?

We create a family environment and there is always someone to talk to around here. Our customers can come over here and you can find my dad. The name on the billboard – he's here. You can speak with Tess, my dad or me at anytime. Larger facilities have 25-20 people running around, how can you find the owner?



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Press Women's conference

The New Mexico Press Women, a nonprofit organization, will host its annual conference April 8-9 in Las Cruces. Anyone interested in donating to the silent auction, a special part of the annual event that raises money for two \$750 college scholarships awarded annually to New Mexico students pursuing careers in journalism, public relations, writing, photography and other areas in our field. Scholarships are talent- and need-based. Based on last year's applications, the need is great in New Mexico. Some students are immersed in college and need funding for books and other school-related expenses. Others are about to graduate and need one last vote of confidence as they set out to accomplish their dreams.

Last year, the press women raised about \$1,000. They are seeking gift certificates and items to auction. For more information, call 505-338-3004 or email swalton@sandiaprep.org.

SCORE announces 2011 seminar schedule

Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) has announced its 2011 seminar schedule. Each seminar is held from 6 to 8 p.m. at MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4311 E. Lohman Ave. Pre-registration begins are 5:30 p.m. The schedule is as follows: April 21, an introduction to Internet tools that may assist your business; May 12, how to start and operate a home-based business; Sept. 15, how to get money from a bank; and Oct. 13, the pros and cons of owning a franchise business. Call SCORE at 523-5627 to reserve a seat.

Support literacy

In New Mexico, 1-in-4 adults read at or below a fourth grade level. Literacy Volunteers of Doña Ana County provides free one-to-one tutoring to adults who seek services. When shopping at Mesilla Valley Mall's Barnes & Noble Booksellers Saturday, April 2, a percentage of the purchase price will be donated to LVDAC. Purchases of food, beverages, books, magazines and Nooks all count. To contribute, use the Bookfair ID No.10416600 at the cash register or just mention your support to the cashier. For more information about our Adult Literacy Program, call Paula at 527-7544 or visit www.readwritenow.org.

Civitan Club recruitment

The New Mexico Civitan Club is looking for interested citizens to join and help charter a new Civitan Club in Las Cruces. The club works to provide fellowship, community knowledge, personal development and networking opportunities to its members and service to Las Cruces and the surrounding communities. The group meets from noon to 1 p.m. Thursdays at the IHOP Restaurant, 2900 N. Telshor Blvd. For more information, call District Governor-Elect Dennis Good at 505-269-8501, email goodd1@aol.com or visit www.civitan.com.

Buy Local business fair

Businesses with 10 employees or less are invited to introduce themselves to the public in a small business fair emphasizing buying locally. The event takes place from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, at the Las Cruces Event Center, 522 E. Idaho Ave. The event is free and open to the public. Visitors will have a chance to win one of potentially 30 doorprizes, which include gift cards and goods donated by vendors.

The event's theme, "Buy Local," is intended

to promote the concept that buying from locally based businesses contributes to the health of the area's economy. While getting acquainted with these small businesses and learning what they have to offer, attendees can earn eligibility to win gift cards and other door prizes that will be given away throughout the evening. Participants will be given a card to be punched by each vendor they visit. After five vendors, they are eligible to win a door prize.

Vendor applications can be picked up at the event center between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday, or vendors can request an application be sent to them via email. The fee for a table at the event is \$25, plus a \$25 gift card or other item of equal value to be given away as a door prize.

Only 30 vendors will be featured in the event, however, organizers anticipate staging the event in the future, possibly more than once a year. Vendors who cannot be accommodated in the first Buy Local Small Business Fair will be placed on a waiting list for the next one.

Businesses that would like to sponsor the event are encouraged to contact the event center. Their names will be featured prominently on the event's literature.

For additional information or to get a vendor application, call George Pintar at 680-6515.

WAVE seeking participants for print project

The WAVE (Wellness, Alcohol and Violence Education) program and Take Back the News are inviting community members impacted by sexual and dating violence to share their stories in an upcoming Take Back the News Community Print Project. By sharing your story, you confront the stigma associated with sexual and dating violence and encourage others to better understand this important issue. A sense of empowerment can be achieved through the public sharing of your experience. By adding your voice – your story – you also will help others understand how violence affects real people, including survivors and their loved ones. For more information, call WAVE at 646-2813 or visit www.facebook.com/wave.nmsu.

Automakers launch ad campaign

The Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers launched an advertising campaign in New Mexico Wednesday, March 16, to educate lawmakers and Gov. Susana Martinez about the negative impacts an auto dealer franchise bill would have on consumers and the state's business environment.

"H.B. 123/S.B. 36 needlessly intrudes into the business relationship between automakers and their dealers and would result in higher costs for consumers," said John Whatley, interim CEO of the Auto Alliance. "The bill also sends a negative message to employers in other industries that the New Mexico Legislature could interfere with their business relationships at any given time. During a period of economic anxiety and high unemployment, this is the last message New Mexico lawmakers can afford to send to job providers."

H.B. 123/S.B. 36 is a complex bill that would make sweeping changes to New Mexico's franchise law dealing with automobile dealerships. Automakers are concerned with provisions in the bill that would increase reimbursement costs for warranty work and sharply restrict the time within which quality control audits of dealerships can be conducted.

For more information, visit www.autoalliance.org.

On the Agenda

Understanding Social Security Benefit seminar

Toby Rue, a financial advisor of Morgan Stanley Smith and Barney announces a seminar on understanding the benefits of social security at 2:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, March 18-19, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. The speaker will be Ray Vigil, a public affairs specialist at the Social Security Administration. Seating is limited. For reservations or more information, call 521-2377.

Date: Friday and Saturday, March 18-19

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Location: Las Cruces Convention Center 680 E. University Ave.

Contact: 521-2377

Mexican investors to visit Las Cruces

More than two-dozen Mexican investors will visit Las Cruces as part of a Foreign Investment Trade Mission organized by the Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces and the New Mexico Economic Development Department Office of Mexican Affairs from 2 to 7 p.m. Friday, March 18, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. For more information, email jepnow@gmail.com.

Date: Friday, March 18

Time: 2 to 7 p.m.

Location: Las Cruces Convention Center 680 E. University Ave.

Contact: jepnow@gmail.com

Administrative Professionals Conference

The 10th annual Administrative Professionals Conference is around the corner. The annual conference is recognized for its first-class presenters and results-oriented training and development, not to mention networking opportunities with like-minded professionals.

Attending this conference provides access to speakers and breakout sessions to improve work performance. Fine tune communication skills, enhance leadership skills, exchange ideas with peers and increase knowledge and awareness of stress management and how health affects work performance.

The conference will be held from April 27-28 at the Head Start Conference Center, 11670 Chito Samaniego. To register, visit www.apcsouthwest.com or call 915-838-1000.

Date: April 27-28

Location: Head Start Conference Center 11670 Chito Samaniego

Contact: 915-838-1000

Sen. Bingaman to speak at E3 Green Jobs Forum

New Mexico State University's Arrowhead Center will host the E3 Green Jobs Forum, designed for employers, educators and employees around New Mexico, from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, at the New

Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. U.S. Sen. Jeff Bingaman will speak at noon. The event is free, but registration is required and can be made at www.greenjobsforum-eorg.eventbrite.com. The forum's goal is to bring employers, educational institutions and the workforce together to network and candidly discuss their needs in employing and educating a green workforce and determining future collaborative opportunities. For more information, call 646-5265 or email e3forum@business.nmsu.edu.

Date: Tuesday, March 22

Time: 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum 4100 Dripping Springs Road

Contact: 646-5265

Memorial Medical Center hosts Spring Health Fair

The Spring Health Fair, hosted by Memorial Medical Center, is free and open to the public and will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 6. Physicians and staff from the following practices will be there to answer questions and share their expertise: Bone + Joint Center of Southern New Mexico, General Surgery Associates, MMC Cancer Center: Medical Oncology & Ikard Radiation Oncology and New Mexico Cardiovascular Associates. Refreshments and giveaways from each practice will be given as well as free blood pressure and blood glucose screenings.

Date: Wednesday, April 6

Time: 2 to 6 p.m.

Location: Memorial Medical Center Medical Office building 2450 S. Telshor Blvd.

Contact: 522-8641

Public hearing for Teriyaki Bowl

Teriyaki Bowl is fighting for approval from the city for its drive-thru window to be functional during a city council meeting 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, at City Hall, 700 N. Main St. The city feels there is not enough space for a convenient functional drive-thru in the parking lot. Owner Trinh Ngo is asking for support from the public to help voice that the public would love for her to have a functional drive-thru.

Date: Tuesday, March 22

Time: 6 p.m.

Location: City Hall 700 N. Main St.

Contact: 524-2055

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Local organizations and businesses are encouraged to send business briefs and photos for the Business section of the Las Cruces Bulletin to business@lascrucesbulletin.com.

Snippin' for success

Upcoming ribbon cuttings

Law Office of Jill V. Johnson

When: 9 a.m. Friday, March 18

Location: 1730 Tierra De Mesilla, Suite 8

Roadrunner Relocation Services

When: 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 22

Location: 760 W. Picacho Ave.

LEGAL NOTICES

Las Cruces Bulletin - your legal publication for Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-2889

FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB,
Plaintiff,

vs.

CAROLYN HUGHES, and if
married, JOHN DOE A (true
name unknown), her spouse,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 23, 2011, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 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 209 Casas Bella Court, Santa Teresa, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 68, CASAS BELLA DE SANTA TERESA, 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. 1246 ON NOVEMBER 14, 1984 IN BOOK 13 PAGE(S) 343 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 February 9, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$314,546.80 and the same bears interest at 6.3750% per annum from February 1, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$2,801.84. 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
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
PO Drawer 16169
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
575-642-5567

Pub # 10431
Dates 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-10-2652

CITIMORTGAGE, INC.,
successor in interest to ABN
AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. by
merger, Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD R. FRIETZE; JOSIE
D. FRIETZE; JPMORGAN
CHASE BANK, NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION, successor in
interest to Washington Mutual
Bank, FA, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 23, 2011, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 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 2065 O'Donnell, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 7, Block 5, College Park Replat, in the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on March 18, 1963, recorded in Book 8, Page 91, Plat Records, Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on February 14, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$90,497.49 and the same bears interest at 5.7500% per annum from December 16, 2010, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,397.14. 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
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
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Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
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Pub # 10432
Dates 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-2587

US BANK NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION as Trustee for
JD ALT 2006-S2, Plaintiff,

vs.

TOM TALBOT, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 30, 2011, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 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 220 Mesa Vista Road, Anthony, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

A tract of land situate about 4 ½ miles southwest of Anthony, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 7, T.27S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys and being more particularly described as follows, to wit;

Beginning at a ½ inch rebar set on the south line of a 30 foot wide road easement for the southeast corner of this tract, Whence the New Mexico Reference Monument No. 40 marked by a brass cap set in concrete bears N. 80 deg. 10' 30" E., a distance of 47.29 feet;

Thence from the place of beginning S. 80 deg. 10' 30" W., 167.92 feet to a ½ iron pipe found for the southwest corner of this tract;

Thence leaving the south line of the 30 foot wide road easement N. 9 deg. 49' 30" W., 258.08 feet to a ½ inch rebar set for the northwest corner of this tract;

Thence N. 79 deg. 16' 25" E., 167.94 feet to a ½ rebar set for the northeast corner of this tract;

Thence S. 9 deg. 49' 30" E., 260.72 feet to the place of beginning, containing 1.000 acres of land, more or less, subject to a 30 foot wide road easement north of and adjacent to the south boundary line.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on February 14, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$172,042.75 and the same bears interest at 7.5000% per annum from January 1, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$3,146.27. 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
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.

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Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
575-642-5567

Pub # 10433
Dates 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF OTERO
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT

CASE NO. DM 2011-005
Judge: IV

JUAN LOPEZ LANDEROS,
PETITIONER,

CLAUDIA L. LOPEZ,
RESPONDENT.

NOTICE OF SUIT

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED
RESPONDENT:

You are hereby notified that a suit has been filed against you in the said Court and County by the above-named Petitioner, requesting a Dissolution of Marriage on the grounds of incompatibility, and a division of property and debts.

You must file a Response or responsive pleading within 30 days of the date of the last publication of this Notice or judgment by default will be entered against you and the relief requested in the Petition will be granted.

Juan Lopez Landeros
229 Archangel Way
Chaparral NM 88081

WITNESS the Honorable William H. Brogan, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the district Court of Otero county, this 6th day of January, 2011.

/s/ Jan Perry
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT
COURT

BY: /s/ Angela Harris
DEPUTY

Pub # 10447
Dates 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

CASE NO. DM 2011-180
Judge: Douglas R. Driggers

RHONDA MACPHERSON,
F/K/A, ARCHIBALD RICH
MacPHERSON, Petitioner,

vs.

PAMELA BODENSIECK,
Respondent

NOTICE OF SUIT

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED
RESPONDENT:

You are hereby notified that a suit has been filed against you in the said Court and County by the above-named Petitioner, requesting a Dissolution of Marriage on the grounds of incompatibility, and a division of property and debts.

You must file a Response or responsive pleading within 30 days of the date of the last publication of this Notice or judgment by default will be entered against you and the relief requested in the Petition will be granted.

Rhonda MacPherson, f/k/a,
Archibald Rich MacPherson
16249 East. Slysong Cr. #12
Organ, NM 88052

WITNESS the Honorable Douglas R. Driggers, District Judge of the Third Judicial District of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 28 day February, 2011.

BY: /s/ Javier Cuevas
DEPUTY

Pub # 10448

Dates 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-200903347

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,
Plaintiff,

vs.

CASEY C. CRAHAN, KELLY
CRAHAN, GE MONEY BANK,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 30, 2011 at 10:30 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 19, Block 9, THE RIDGE AT NORTRHRISE PHASE V, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on August 23, 2004, in Book 20 Page(s) 770-771 of Plat Records.

The address of the real property is 3113 Moon Light Arc, Las Cruces, NM 88001. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on January 5, 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 \$444,930.19 plus interest from November 8, 2010 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.875% 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.

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
c/o Castle Stawiariski, LLC
20 First Plaza NW, Suite 602
Albuquerque, NM 87102
Attorney for Plaintiff
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(505) 848-9500

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Pub # 10449
Dates 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-200903207

CITIFINANCIAL, INC.,
Plaintiff,

vs.

ALBERT HERRERA AKA
ALBERTO HERRERA; RACHEL
S. HERRERA; BANK OF THE
RIO GRANDE, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 30, 2011 at 10:30 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

A tract of land situate northwest of Anthony, Doña Ana County, New Mexico in Section 16 and 17, T. 26S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys as part of U.S.R.S. Tract 25-48 and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at an iron rod found at the southwest corner of this tract a point on the south line of U.S.R.S. Tract 25-48 and the east line of the Three Saints West Lateral, whence the section corner common to Sections 8, 9, 16 and 17, T.26S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys bears N. 11°55' 28" E., a distance of 2115.00 feet;

THENCE from the place of beginning and following along the east line of the Three Saints West Lateral N. 16°15'03" E., 881.50 feet to an iron pipe found for the northwest corner of this tract;

THENCE leaving the Lateral N.75°55'08" E., 212.92 feet to an iron rod set at the northeast corner of this tract identical to the northeast corner of U.S.R.S. Tract 25-48;

THENCE S. 22° 35' 57" E., 107.12 feet to a point on the westerly right-of-way of the Anthony Drain;

THENCE along the drain around the arc of a curve to the left having a radius of 414.67 feet, an arc length of 305.82 feet through a central angle of 42°15'22" and whose long chord bears S. 2°16'19" E., 298.94 feet to a point of tangency;

THENCE continuing along the west line of the Anthony Drain S. 23°24'00" E., 351.76 feet to an iron rod set at the southeast corner of this tract;

THENCE leaving the drain and following along the fence line along the south line of U.S.R.S. Tract 25-48 S. 74°15' 30" W., 213.86 feet to an iron pipe found for the closing corner of Sections 16 and 17;

THENCE continuing along the south line of U.S.R.S. Tract 25-48 S. 74°47'57" W., 456.06 feet to the place of beginning, containing 7.163 acres of land more or less. Subject to easements of record, Field notes by Botsford Land Surveying, Inc., May 1991.

The address of the real property is 3522 Three Saints Rd, Anthony, NM 88021. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on January 11, 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 \$89,097.33 plus interest from December 28, 2010 to the date

of sale at the rate of 9.2496% 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.

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Dates 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 2011

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

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Pub # 10450

Dates 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 1, 2011, Lower Rio Grande Public Water Works Authority, P.O. Box 2646, Anthony, NM 88021, filed application numbered LRG-5810 with the State Engineer for Permit to Use Supplemental Wells within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County to use existing well LRG-5810 located within the NE1/4 SE1/4 NE1/4 of projected Section 26, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, on land owned by Brazito Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association, to supplement existing well LRG-3338-5-2 located within the NE1/4 SE1/4 NW1/4 of projected Section 1, Township 25 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, located on land owned by Lower Rio Grande Public Water Works Authority, for the continued diversion of 875.422 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for municipal, commercial and related purposes within a portion of the Lower Rio Grande Public Water Works Authority service area, owned by Lower Rio Grande Public Water Works Authority members, described as follows:

Section
Township
Range

35, 36
24 South
2 East

1, 2, 3, 11, 12, 13
25 South
2 East

31
24 South
3 East

5 - 8, 16 - 21, 27-29
25 South
3 East

9, 22, 33 & 34
25 South
3 East

Proposed supplemental well LRG-5810 is located north of Mesquite, NM and may be found at the physical address of 885 Three Hawks Road.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writers complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially 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 will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub # 10451

Dates 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 22, 2011, Stanley Sharp, on behalf of Odessa Merrell Wilson, 505 Gavilan Avenue, La Mesa, NM 88044, filed application numbered LRG-800-POD 2 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 old well LRG-800 located on land owned by the applicant within the SE1/4 NW1/4 NW1/4 of Section 15, T25S, R02E, NMPM at approximately X = 1,492,202 Y = 414,957 ft. (N.M.S.P., Central, NAD83), and transferring the diversion of up 3.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater claimed for domestic purposes at the applicant's residence to proposed new well LRG-800-POD 2 to be drilled to an approximate depth of 250 feet and fitted with 1-1/2-inch casing also located on property owned by the applicant within the SE1/4 NW1/4 NW1/4 of said Section 15 at approximately X = 1,492,202 Y = 414,940 ft. (N.M.S.P., Central, NAD83). Old well LRG-800 and proposed new well LRG-800-POD 2 are located at the applicant's residence, at 505 Gavilan Avenue near La Mesa. Old well LRG-800 will be properly plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation, or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailine, address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with fictions 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub # 10452

Dates 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 2011

LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE is hereby given that on February 16, 2011, Willa Dean Esslinger, 224 Esslinger Rd., La Mesa, NM 88044, filed application no. LRG-4008-POD 6 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-4008 located on land owned by the applicant within the NW1/4 NE1/4 NE1/4 of Section 24, T25S, R02E, NMMPM, and drilling replacement well LRG-4008-POD 6 with 16-inch casing to a depth of approximately 320 feet below ground surface to be located on land owned by the applicant within the NW1/4 NE1/4 NE1/4 of said Section 24 at approximately X=1,504,944 Y=409,725 ft. (N.M.S.P., Central, NAD83) through LRG-4008-S-4 located on land owned by the applicant within the NW1/4 SW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 19, T25S, R03E, the SW1/4 SW1/4 NE1/4 of Section 13, T25S, R03E, the NW1/4 NW1/4 NE1/4 of Section 30, T25S, R03E and the NW1/4, NE1/4 NE1/4 of Section 25, T25S, R02E, NMMPM, respectively, for the continued diversion of that amount of shallow groundwater, used in conjunction with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, required for beneficial use for the irrigation of 431.94 acres of land owned by the applicant within Pt. E1/2 NW1/4 SW1/4 of said Section 13; Pt. SW1/4 SW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 18, T25S, R03E, NMMPM; Pt. NE1/4 of said Section 24; Pt. NW1/4, and Pt. W1/2 SW1/4 of said Section 19; Pt. NE1/4 of said Section 25; and Pt. W1/2 NW1/4, NE1/4, and SE1/4 SW1/4 of said Section 30. The proposed location for well LRG-4008-POD 6 is located approximately 170 ft. south of the intersection of Lister Ave. and the Chamberino East Lateral, approximately 1.1 miles northeast of La Mesa, NM. Well LRG- 4088 is located approximately 110 feet southeast of said intersection and will be properly plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation, or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub # 10453
Dates 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 2011

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

NO. CV11-287
Judge Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Toni Michelle Garcia

FOR CHANGE OF NAME OF Kiley Michelle Ziehl

AMENDED NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME (OF PERSON UNDER 14 YEARS OF AGE)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Toni Michelle Garcia, has filed a Petition to Change the Name of her child, from Kiley Michelle Ziehl to Kiley Michelle Garcia. This petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta, District Judge, on the 21st day of April, 2011, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., at the 201 W. Picacho County Courthouse, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Toni M. Garcia
6631 Prairie Dog
Las Cruces, NM 88012
575-636-3338

Pub # 10454
Dates 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on January 28, 2011, J. W. Wolslager Jr., P.O. Box 371887, El Paso, TX 79937 filed application numbered LRG-1695-POD3 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by abandoning use of well LRG-1695 located within the NE1/4 SE1/4 NE1/4 of projected Section 26, Township 23 South, Range 1 East, NMMPM, and by continuing the diversion of amount of water to be determined by the courts supplemental to the surface rights on record with the Elephant Butte Irrigation District (EBID) from a replacement well drilled to a depth of 300 feet and fitted with 16 inch casing and located where X=1,469,703.77feet; Y=466,649.16feet, NM State Plain coordinate system central zone NAD 83, on land owned by the applicant for the continued irrigation of 35.509acre(s) all of which is located within the Pt. SW1/4 NW1/4, Section 25, Pt. S1/2 NE1/4, & Pt. NE1/4 NE1/4 SE1/4, of Section 26, all in Township 23 South, Range 1 East located on map LRN-12 of the Lower Rio Grande Basin Hydrographic Survey Subfile No.LRN-280120277.

Proposed change location of well LRG-1695-POD3 can be found 1/2 mile north of Hwy 28 on the east side of Motel Blvd, North of Mesilla, NM.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop Suite J, Las Cruces, 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 sent within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3.

Pub # 10455
Dates 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 2011

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

NO. CV11-287
Judge Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Toni Michelle Garcia

transferring the diversion of that quantity of shallow groundwater required for beneficial use, combined with surface water from the EBID claimed for the irrigation of 1.5 acres of land owned by the applicant and located within the NW1/4 NW1/4 NE1/4 of projected Section 28, T23S, R01E, NMMPM, to proposed new well LRG-3251-POD 8 to be drilled to an approximate depth of 150 feet and fitted with 6-inch casing also located on property owned by the applicant within the NW1/4 NW1/4 NE1/4 of said Section 28 at approximately X = 1,456,818 Y = 468,163 ft. (N.M.S.P., Central, NAD83). Proposed new well LRG-3251-POD 8 will be located at the applicant's residence, at 114 S. Fairacres Rd. Old well LRG-3251 will be retained for other rights.

Any person, firm or corporation, or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub# 10459
Dates 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2009-1728

SAHOPATH, LLC, Plaintiff,

v.

ROBERT DAVENPORT d/b/a DAVENPORT JEWELERS, Defendant.

ALIAS SUMMONS THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

TO: Robert Davenport d/b/a Davenport Jewelers. ADDRESS: 335 Wall Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001

You are required to serve upon Casey S. Stevenson (Plaintiff's attorney) an answer or motion in response to the complaint which is attached to this summons within thirty (30) days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service, and file your answer or motion with the court as provided in Rule 1-005 NMRA. If you fail to file a timely answer or motion, default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Attorney or attorneys for Plaintiff: Casey S. Stevenson Scott Hulse, P.C. P. O. Box 99123 El Paso, Texas 79999-9123 Telephone: (915) 533-2493 Facsimile: (915) 546-8333

RETURN STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA)

I, being duly sworn, on oath, state that I am over the age of eighteen (18) years and not a party to this lawsuit, and that I served this summons in _____, 2011, by delivering a copy of this summons, with a copy of com-

plaint attached, in the following manner:
[] to the defendant _____ (used when defendant accepts a copy of summons and complaint or refuses to accept the summons and complaint)
[] to the defendant by [mail] [courier service] as provided by Rule 1-004 NMRA (used when service is by mail or commercial courier service).

After attempting to serve the summons and complaint on the defendant by personal service or by mail or commercial courier service, by delivering a copy of this summons, with a copy of complaint attached, in the following manner:
[] to _____, a person over fifteen (15) years of age and residing at the usual place of abode of defendant, (used when the defendant is not presently at place of abode) and by mailing by first class mail to the defendant at (insert defendant's last known mailing address) a copy of the summons and complaint.
[] to _____, the person apparently in charge at the actual place of business or employment of the defendant and by mailing by first class mail to the defendant at (insert defendant's business address) and by mailing the summons and complaint by first class mail to the defendant at (insert defendant's last known mailing address).

[] to _____ an agent authorized to receive service of process for defendant _____

[] to _____, [parent] [guardian] [custodian] [conservator] [guardian ad litem] of defendant _____ (used when defendant is a minor or an incompetent person).

[] to _____ (name of person), _____, (title of person authorized to receive service. Use this alternative when the defendant is a corporation or an association subject to a suit under a common name, a land grant board of trustees, the State of New Mexico or any political subdivision).

Fees: _____
Signature of person making service _____
Title (if any) _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 2010

Judge, notary or other officer authorized to administer oaths _____

Official title _____

USE NOTES

1. Unless otherwise ordered by the court, this return is not to be filed with the court prior to service of the summons and complaint on the defendant.
2. If service is made by the sheriff or a deputy sheriff of a New Mexico county, the signature of the sheriff or deputy sheriff need not be notarized.

Pub # 10466
Dates 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-CV-201002882

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

THE ESTATE OF ANTHONY L. ARANDA, DECEASED; ANTHONY L. ARANDA JR.; OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE

NAMES ARE UNKNOWN, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT ON FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendants The Estate of Anthony L. Aranda, Deceased and Anthony L. Aranda Jr.

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 4144 Broadway Road, Las Cruces, NM 88005, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

LOT 4, VALLEY VISTA SUBDIVISION, UNIT 3, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON FEBRUARY 19, 1997, IN BOOK 18 PAGES 632-633 OF PLAT RECORDS.

Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before 20 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 J. Lucero 20 First Plaza NW, Suite 602 Albuquerque, NM 87102 Attorney for Plaintiff (800) 286-0013; (505) 848-9500

WITNESS THE Honorable MANUEL I. ARRIETA, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, of the Third Judicial District of New Mexico Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, this 28th day of February, 2011.

James H. Dempsey CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Deputy

10-2936 FC01

Pub # 10467
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 25, 2011, Rosane Camuney, 833 N. Alameda, Las Cruces, NM 88005 filed application numbered LRG-14941-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 abandoning use of well LRN07-0026 located where X=1462733feet, Y=495260feet NM State Plane Coordinate System, Central Zones, NAD83, and by continuing the diversion of amount of water to be determined by the courts supplemental to the surface rights on record with the Elephant Butte Irrigation District (EBID) from a replacement well drilled to a depth of 200 feet and fitted with 10 inch casing and located where X=1462889feet, Y=492775feet NM State Plane Coordinate System Central Zone NAD83 on land owned by the applicant and the replacement well will not be drilled within 50 feet of a well of other ownership for the continued irrigation of 4.8acre(s) all of which is located within part NE1/4 of Section 34, Township 22 South, Range 1 East, NMMPM located on map LRN-7 of the Lower Rio Grande Basin Hydrographic Survey Subfile No. LRN-280070230. Proposed change location of well LRG-14941-POD1 can be found at 4506 Northwind, Las Cruces, NM 88007. The old well will be

retained by other water right owners.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop Suite J, Las Cruces, 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 sent within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3.

Pub # 10468
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 28, 2011 Jerry Tharp, 3206 Maese Ln, Las Cruces, NM 88007 filed application numbered LRG- 1480-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 use of well LRG-1480 located within the SW1/4 NW1/4 NW1/4 of projected Section 14, Township-23 South, Range 1 East, NMMPM, where X=1464332feet, Y=477787feet NM, State Plain Coordinate System, Central Zone, NAD 83 and by continuing the diversion of 3 acre feet of ground water or the historical beneficial use whichever is less from a replacement well drilled to a depth of 165 feet and fitted with 4 inch casing, not to be drilled within 50 feet of any well of other ownership, and located where X=1464345feet, Y=477789feet, NM State Plain Coordinate System, Central Zone NAD 83 on land owned by the applicant for the continued domestic and related purposes all of which is located within the Pt. NW1/4, of said projected Section 14. Proposed change location of well LRG-1480-POD2 can be found at 3206 Maese Ln, Las Cruces, NM. The old well will be plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially effected. 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 will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub # 10470
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 25, 2011, Ramon L. and Amelia Armendariz, PO Box 213, San Miguel, NM 88058, filed application numbered LRG-14942-POD1 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Dona Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-1689-S-7 on land owned by William W. Bivins, Jr. located within the SE1/4 NE1/4 SE1/4 of projected Section 32, Township 24 South, Range 02 East, N.M.P.M., and drilling new well LRG-14942-POD1 with 8" casing drilled to a depth of 200 ft. on land owned by the applicant located within the SE1/4 NW1/4 NW1/4 of projected Section 04, Township 25 South, Range 02 East, N.M.P.M. at approximately X=1,486,369 Y=424,933 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83), for the claimed combined diversion of shallow groundwater and surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District in that amount required for beneficial use for the irrigation of 3.81 acres of land owned by the applicant and Sandra and Oscar Armendariz located within Pt. NW1/4 of said Section 04, also identified as USRS/EBID Tract Nos. 18-12B and 18-12A LT 1, respectively. Well LRG-1689-S-7 is located approximately 3,700 ft. northwest of the intersection of the Santo Tomas Drain and NM HWY 28 and proposed well LRG-14942-POD1 will be located approximately 1,750 west southwest of said intersection, northwest of San Miguel, NM. Well LRG-1689-S-7 will be retained for other water rights.

Any person, firm or corporation, or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially 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 will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub # 10471
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 23, 2011, George H. Gates, PO BOX 217, Fairacres, NM 88033, filed application numbered LRG-11451-POD1 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-11451-POD1, located within the SW1/4 SE1/4 NW1/4 of projected Section 22, Township 23 South, Range 01 East, NMMPM at approximately X=1,460,949 Y=471,251 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) with 16" casing to an approximate depth of 200 ft. on land owned by the applicant, supplemental to existing well LRG-11388, located on land owned by Orlando L. and Christina R. Salazar, within the W1/2 SW1/4 NW1/4 of said Section 22, for the continued diversion of that amount of shallow groundwater required for beneficial use, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 54.22 acres or land located within Pt. W1/2 of said Section 22. In addition, 7.0 acres of land located within Pt. W1/2 of said Section 22 is irrigated via groundwater only. Proposed well LRG-11451-POD1 will be located approximately 300 ft. west of the west end of Rivers Edge Ln. Existing well LRG-11388 is located approximately 1,850 feet east southeast of the intersection of Wagon Wheel Trail and N. Fairacres Rd., west of Las Cruces, NM.

Any person, firm or corporation, or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub # 10472
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

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

No. CV-2010-3129

BANK OF OKLAHOMA, N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

THE ESTATE OF ANTHONY L. ARANDA, DECEASED; ANTHONY L. ARANDA JR.; OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 25, 2011, Ramon L. Armendariz, Jr. and Amelia Armendariz, P.O. Box 213, San Miguel, NM 88058, filed application numbered LRG-4945 with

the State Engineer for Permit to Use Supplemental Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County to use existing domestic well LRG-4945, located at X = 1,486,186 Y = 424,917 NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central FIPS 3002 Feet, on land owned by the applicant, to supplement existing domestic well LRG-14652, also known as well LRN05-0048 as described in Subfile No.: LRS 28-005-0006 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey, located at X = 1,486,194 Y = 424,905 NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central FIPS 3002 Feet, on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of 3.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for domestic and livestock purposes. Wells LRG-4945 and LRG-14652 are both located northwest of San Miguel, NM and may be found at the physical address of 6515 Country Road B-010.

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Pub # 10469
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

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the State Engineer for Permit to Use Supplemental Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County to use existing domestic well LRG-4945, located at X = 1,486,186 Y = 424,917 NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central FIPS 3002 Feet, on land owned by the applicant, to supplement existing domestic well LRG-14652, also known as well LRN05-0048 as described in Subfile No.: LRS 28-005-0006 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey, located at X = 1,486,194 Y = 424,905 NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central FIPS 3002 Feet, on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of 3.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for domestic and livestock purposes. Wells LRG-4945 and LRG-14652 are both located northwest of San Miguel, NM and may be found at the physical address of 6515 Country Road B-010.

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Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

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

No. CV-2010-3129

BANK OF OKLAHOMA, N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

THE ESTATE OF ANTHONY L. ARANDA, DECEASED; ANTHONY L. ARANDA

LEGAL NOTICES

Las Cruces Bulletin - your legal publication for Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico

vs.

DAVID R. GONZALES and DEBORAH GONZALES, 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 1228 Antelope Pass Drive, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 6 IN BLOCK NUMBERED L OF SANDHILL CENTER HEIGHTS, PHASE 7, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID SANDHILL CENTER HEIGHTS, PHASE 7, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MAY 17, 2006 IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 625-626.

The sale is to begin at 2:15 p.m. on April 15, 2011, 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 Bank of Oklahoma, N.A.

Bank of Oklahoma, N.A. was awarded a judgment on February 28, 2011, in the principal sum of \$137,298.53, plus outstanding interest due on the Note through February 15, 2011, in the amount of \$7,539.60 and accruing thereafter at the rate of \$21.63 per diem, plus late charges of \$319.00, plus escrow advances of \$1,178.71, plus a fee advance of \$700.00, plus attorney's fees in the amount of \$850.00 and costs in the amount of \$503.61, with interest on the above-listed amounts, attorney's fees and costs at the rate of 5.750% per annum from date of the entry of the judgment until paid.

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

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

/s/ Faisal Sukhanyi, Special Master
c/o Leverick and Musselman, L.L.C.
5120 San Francisco Road NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109
(505) 858-3303

Pub # 10473
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2009-3332

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD AVALOS, and if married, JANE DOE AVALOS (true name unknown), his spouse, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 6, 2011, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at

the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 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 1041 Calle Griega, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 47 IN BLOCK NUMBERED B OF PHASE 2A OF MISSION ESPADA-PHASE 1 AND 2A, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID MISSION ESPADA-PHASE 1 AND 2A, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON FEBRUARY 21, 2006, IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 534-536.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 2, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$328,696.92 and the same bears interest at 6.5% per annum from January 4, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$5,443.77. The Plaintiff and the Crossclaimant have the right to bid at such sale and submit their bids verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The Crossclaimant may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash after first paying the judgment of the Plaintiff. 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
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
PO Drawer 16169
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
575-642-5567

Pub # 10474
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 28, 2011 Jorge Escobedo, 17950 Castillo Rd, La Mesa, NM 88044 filed application numbered LRG-14949-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 use of well LRG-14949 located within the NW1/4 SW1/4 SW1/4 of projected Section 11, Township 25 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, where X=1495995 feet, Y=416499feet NM, State Plain Coordinate System, Central Zone, NAD 83 and by continuing the diversion of 3 acre feet of ground water or the historical beneficial use whichever is less from a replacement well drilled

to a depth of 250 feet and fitted with 4 1/2 inch casing, not to be drilled within 50 feet of any well of other ownership, and located where X=1495995feet, Y=416497feet, NM State Plain Coordinate System, Central Zone NAD 83 on land owned by the applicant for the continued domestic and related purposes all of which is located within the Pt. SW1/4, of said projected Section 11. Proposed change location of well LRG-14949-POD2 can be found at 17950 Castillo Rd, La Mesa, NM 88044. The old well will be plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially effected. 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 sent within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing post-mark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3.

Pub # 10475
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

NOTICE OF VEHICLE SEIZURE

March 2011

TO REGISTERED OWNERS, SECURED PARTIES AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS:

You are hereby notified that the Doña Ana Sheriff's Office has seized the following vehicles and intends to proceed with forfeiture of each vehicle to the County of Doña Ana pursuant to DAC Ordinance #232-07 pertaining to the seizure and forfeiture of vehicles related to DWI Offenses:

Description
VIN#
REGISTERED OWNER
2002 YAMAHA 4 WHLR
GREEN 5Y4G01Y12A080675
EDWARD LOPEZ

1985 CHEVY S10 PICKUP
WHITE
1GCB514E8F8222083 ALBERTO
VASQUEZ

1992 PLYMOUTH VAN BLUE
1P4FH5430KX685384
PAULA FERNANDEZ

1985 ISUZU PICKUP WHITE
JAACL14A1F0726415 RONALD
TREVINO

2001 FORD FOCUS 4DR
SILVER
1FAFP371W132656
CARLOS SOLEDAD

1983 NISSAN PICKUP WHITE
JN6ND0650D005928 GRANT
DUTCHER

1986 CHEVROLET
MONTE CARLO GRAY
1G1GZ37H6GR162991
ISAAC DIAZ

1988 VW FOX BLACK
9B2BA0304P001880
GEORGE PENA

1987 NISSAN SUV RED
JN8HD16Y9HW008069
TERESA VILLA

1992 BUICK 4 DOOR WHITE
1G4AG54N3N6442595 MARIA
VIESCAS

1995 HYUNDAI 4 DOOR
SILVER KMHC21F5SU142099

CLAUDIA OLVERA

1996 NISSAN 4 DOOR
WHITE
JNKCP01D9TT537722
LEXUS STORE OF LX

1988 PONTIAC 4 DOOR
MAROON
1G2HZ54C9JW231699
GERI CURTIS

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

Pub # 10476
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 7, 2011, Steve Crenshaw, on behalf of Cielo Dorado Homeowners Association, 1 Cielito, La Union, NM 88021, filed application numbered LRG-10043 with the State Engineer for Permit to Use Supplemental Well to Supplement Groundwater within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by using existing well LRG-10043 located on land owned or leased by the La Union Mutual Domestic Water Association within the SE1/4 NW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 13, Township 27 South, Range 02 East, N.M.P.M. at approximately X=1,501,117 Y=415,179 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83), for the continued diversion of up to 110.5 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for domestic, livestock and landscape irrigation purposes within the Cielo Dorado Subdivision, located within Pt. Section 04, Township 28 South, Range 03 East and Pt. Section 33 of said Township and Range. This well will supplement existing wells LRG-14116-POD 1 and LRG-14116-POD 2 owned by the Cielo Dorado Homeowners Association and located within the SW1/4 SW1/4 SE1/4 of Section 33, Township 27 South, Range 03 East, N.M.P.M. Well LRG-10043 is located approximately 1.8 miles west of the intersection of County Road A-020 and Alvarez Rd., northwest of La Union, NM. Wells LRG-14116-POD 1 and LRG-14116-POD 2 are located approximately 3,300 feet east southeast of the intersection of McNutt Rd. and Crawford Road, within the Cielo Dorado Subdivision, southeast of La Union, NM.

Pub # 10478
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

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

No. PB-10-125 (Arrieta)

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LEE E. GEMOETS, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative in care of Joseph M. Holmes, P.A., P.O. Box 366, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-0366, or filed with the Third Judicial Court of Doña Ana County, 201 W. Picacho Blvd., Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Dated: February 25, 2011

/s/ Mark Gemoets
3113 Dyer St.
Las Cruces, NM 88011

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

tion no. LRG-8561 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-8617 located on land owned by Page Bartlett and Doris Fulbright within the SW1/4 SW1/4 NE1/4 of Section 28, T27S, R03E, NMPM, and instead to use existing well LRG-8561 located on land owned by the applicant within the SW1/4 NE1/4 SW1/4 of Section 21, T27S, R03E, NMPM at approximately X=1,518,939 Y=342,619 ft. (NMSB, Central, NAD83) for the continued diversion of that amount of shallow groundwater, used in conjunction with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, required for beneficial use for the irrigation of 45.68 acres of land owned by the applicant and located within Pt. SE1/2 of said Section 21 and Pt. N1/2 of said Section 28. Well LRG-8617 is located approximately 2,530 ft. southwest of the intersection of Sombra Verde Ave. and HWY 28, and will be retained for other rights. Well LRG-8561 is located approximately 1,520 ft. southwest of the intersection of HWY 28 and Wallace Rd, approximately 1.5 miles southeast of La Union, NM.

Any person, firm or corporation, or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing post-mark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

The contents of the unit consists of: Love Seat, boxes, misc.
Date of public disposal: March 19, 2011
Time: 10:00 am
Place: AAA Affordable Self Storage, 5495 Lassiter Rd. Las Cruces, NM 88001

Sherry Owens
LLC member
Pub #10480
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 2011

AAA Affordable Self Storage LLC 5495 Lassiter Rd. Las Cruces, NM 88001

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all the contents of your storage unit #A 34 at AAA Affordable Self Storage will be publicly disposed of to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$570.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: Furniture, boxes and misc.

Date of public disposal: March 19, 2011

Time: 10:00 am

Place: AAA Affordable Self Storage, 5495 Lassiter Rd. Las Cruces, NM 88001

Sherry Owens
LLC member
Pub #10481
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 2011

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE WAIVER

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Notice is hereby given that the Las Cruces City Council will hold a Public Hearing to discuss the issuance of a waiver of the church/school distance restriction for a Governmental Liquor License for the City of Las Cruces at its Las Cruces Convention Center, located at 680 East University Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

The Public Hearing will be held in conjunction with the regular meeting of the Las Cruces City Council to be held on Monday, April 4, 2011, 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, Alcohol and Gaming Division, may approve issuance of the license.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 2nd day of March 2011.

Esther Martinez, CMC, City Clerk
Pub # 10482
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 2011

Attorney at Law

Pub # 10479
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 2011

AAA Affordable Self Storage LLC 5495 Lassiter Rd. Las Cruces, NM 88001

TO: Mary Medford 2200 Cimarron Dr. Las Cruces, NM 88011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all the contents of your storage unit #E 5 and E 6 at AAA Affordable Self Storage will be publicly disposed of to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$430.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: Love Seat, boxes, misc.

Date of public disposal: March 19, 2011

Time: 10:00 am

Place: AAA Affordable Self Storage, 5495 Lassiter Rd. Las Cruces, NM 88001

Sherry Owens
LLC member
Pub #10480
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 2011

AAA Affordable Self Storage LLC 5495 Lassiter Rd. Las Cruces, NM 88001

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES N. WEBB, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Alice M. Webb has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of James N. Webb, deceased. 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 Personal Representative c/o SAMUEL I. KANE, P.A., (Samuel I. Kane, Esq.), 1018 E. Amador, Las Cruces, NM 88001, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, City of Las Cruces, bearing case number PB-2011-0018.

The contents of the unit consists of: Furniture, boxes and misc.

Date of public disposal: March 19, 2011

Time: 10:00 am

Place: AAA Affordable Self Storage, 5495 Lassiter Rd. Las Cruces, NM 88001

Sherry Owens
LLC member
Pub #10481
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 2011

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The Public Hearing will be held in conjunction with the regular meeting of the Las Cruces City Council to be held on Monday, April 4, 2011, 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, Alcohol and Gaming Division, may approve issuance of the license.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 2nd day of March 2011.

Esther Martinez, CMC, City Clerk
Pub # 10482
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 2011

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

Notice is hereby given that the Las Cruces City Council will hold a Public Hearing to discuss approval or disapproval of the issuance of a Governmental Liquor License for the City of Las Cruces at its Las Cruces Convention Center, located at 680 East University Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

The Public Hearing will be held in conjunction with the regular meeting of the Las Cruces City Council to be held on Monday, April 4, 2011, 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, Alcohol and Gaming Division, may approve issuance of the license.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 2nd day of March 2011.

Esther Martinez, CMC, City Clerk

Pub # 10483
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 2011

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

Cause No. PB-2011-0018
Judge: Alice M. Salcido

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES N. WEBB, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Alice M. Webb has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of James N. Webb, deceased. 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 Personal Representative c/o SAMUEL I. KANE, P.A., (Samuel I. Kane, Esq.), 1018 E. Amador, Las Cruces, NM 88001, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, City of Las Cruces, bearing case number PB-2011-0018.

Dated this 10th day of February, 2011.

/s/Samuel I. Kane
Attorney for Alice M. Webb,
Personal Representative of the
Estate of James N. Webb,
deceased

Prepared by:
SAMUEL I. KANE, P.A.
1018 E. Amador
Las Cruces, NM 88001
(575) 526-5263

By /s/Samuel I. Kane
Attorney for Personal
Representatives

Pub # 10489
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 2011

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

No. CV-2010-3110
Judge: Martin

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS CRUCES, on behalf of the LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.

BRUCE SAARI, WESTERN FUNDING INC., AND 1997 BMW 71L, SILVER; VIN: WBAGJ8322VDM06656; License Plate No.: KXW 274 (New Mexico) Respondents

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Bruce Saari, the above named

Respondent.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1997 BMW 71L, Silver; VIN: WBAGJ8322VDM06656; New Mexico License Plate No. KXW 274.

2. You are the named Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

CITY OF LAS CRUCES
By:
/s/ Harry S. (Pete) Connelly
Interim City Attorney
P.O. Box 20000
Las Cruces, NM 88004
575-541-2128
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 7th day of March, 2011.

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
BY: /s/ Mary E. Apodaca
DEPUTY

Pub # 10490
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

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

No. CV-2010-3347
Judge: Martin

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS CRUCES, on behalf of the LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.

TERRY RICHARDSON, AND 1982 FORD F250, TAN/BROWN; VIN: 1FTHX25ZXCCKA01733; New Mexico License Plate No. 078 PRD, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Terry Richardson, the above named Respondent.

LEGAL NOTICES

Las Cruces Bulletin - your legal publication for Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico

No. CV-2011-89
Judge: Martin

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS CRUCES, on behalf of the LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.

MICHAEL JORDAN, MARIA MONTOYA, AND 1991 MERCURY 2 DR, TAN; VIN: 1MEPM6042MH606236; New Mexico License Plate No. JZG 109, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Michael Jordan and Maria Montoya, the above named Respondents.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1991 Mercury 2 DR, Tan; VIN: 1MEPM6042MH606236; New Mexico License Plate No. JZG 109.

2. You are the named Respondents for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

CITY OF LAS CRUCES
By:
/s/ Harry S. (Pete) Connelly
Interim City Attorney
P.O. Box 20000
Las Cruces, NM 88004
575-541-2128
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 7th day of March, 2011.

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
BY: /s/ Mary E. Apodaca
DEPUTY

Pub # 10492
Dates 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-201002271

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,

Plaintiff,

v.

CHRISTOPHER G. GALLEGOS; BANK OF THE WEST; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHRISTOPHER G. GALLEGOS, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on April 14, 2011 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 17, Block 1, DESERT GREENS SUBDIVISION, PHASE II, 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 November 1, 1996, in Book 18, pages 562-563 of Plat Records.

The address of the real property is 1982 Desert Greens, Las Cruces, NM 88011. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on January 25, 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 \$161,906.56 plus interest from January 29, 2011 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.0% 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.

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
c/o Castle Stawierski, LLC
20 First Plaza NW, Suite 602
Albuquerque, NM 87102
Attorney for Plaintiff
(800) 286-0013;
(505) 848-9500

10-0566
Pub # 10493
Dates 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-2010-02692

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

JOE A. CIENFUEGOS JR.; CITIBANK, N.A., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on April 14, 2011 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 numbered 17 in Block numbered D of Arrowhead Estates 9, Las Cruces, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Arrowhead Estates 9, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New

Mexico on 03/17/2005 in Plat Book 21, Folio 163-164

The address of the real property is 3522 Omaha Court, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on February 16, 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 \$247,277.23 plus interest from November 26, 2010 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 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.

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
c/o Castle Stawierski, LLC
20 First Plaza NW, Suite 602
Albuquerque, NM 87102
Attorney for Plaintiff
(800) 286-0013;
(505) 848-9500

10-2779 FC01
Pub # 10494
Dates 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-201002778

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

GEORGE W. LAROSE; WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF GEORGE W. LAROSE, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on April 14, 2011 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:

A tract of land situate northeast of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in the NE ¼ of the NW1/4 of Section 33, Township 21 South, Range 3 East, N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys, and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at an iron rod set on the centerline of McArthur Road for the northeast corner of this tract, whence the north ¼ corner of Section 33, Township 21 South, Range 3 East, N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys bears N. 00°12'22" East, 1156.60 feet;

Thence from the point of beginning and along the centerline of McArthur Road, S. 00°12'22" West, 165.22 feet to an iron rod found at the centerline intersection of McArthur Road and Tres Yuccas Road for the southeast corner of this tract;

Thence along the centerline of Tres Yuccas Road, N. 89° 58' 52" West, 166.24 feet to an iron rod set for the southwest corner of this tract;

Thence leaving the centerline of Tres Yuccas Road, N. 00° 11' 32" East, 165.15 feet to an iron rod found for the northwest corner of this tract;

Thence N. 89°59'37" East, 166.28 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.630 acre of land, more or less.

The address of the real property is 7205 Macarthur Rd, Las Cruces, NM 88012. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on February 16, 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 \$108,261.43 plus interest from February 10, 2011 to the date of sale at the rate of 5.875% 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 cancel-

lation 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.

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
c/o Castle Stawierski, LLC
20 First Plaza NW, Suite 602
Albuquerque, NM 87102
Attorney for Plaintiff
(800) 286-0013;
(505) 848-9500

10-2859 FC01
Pub # 10495
Dates 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-201003244

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

AARON W. ELZA; NATIONAL CITY BANK, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on April 14, 2011 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 numbered 76 of Tierra Verde - Phase 2, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Tierra Verde - Phase 2, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on May 26, 1999 in Plat Book 19, Folio 283-284.

The address of the real property is 2003 Via Tesoro, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on February 17, 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 \$217,661.90 plus interest from January 31, 2011 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.

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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10-3956 FC01
Pub # 10496
Dates 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 2011

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

Case No. CV 2010 - 2091
Judge James T. Martin

GECU, a/k/a GREATER EL PASO'S CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,

v.

JUAN VICENTE ROSALES and CRIS J. ROSALES, a/k/a CRISTINA J. ROSALES, husband and wife, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on the 15th day of April, 2011, at 11:00 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 Defendants in and to the following real property located in said County and State:

A tract of land situate in the Town of Chaparral, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located in Section 16, T.26S., R.5E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys, and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a 1/2" iron rod found on the Easterly line of Tumbleweed Drive for the Southwest corner of this tract: WHENCE the Southwest corner of Section 16, T.26S., R.5E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys, bears S.17°01'34"W., 2332.69 feet;

THENCE, from the point of beginning, along the Easterly line of Tumbleweed Drive, N.00°11'22"W., a distance of 140.00 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found for the Northwest corner of this tract;

THENCE, leaving Tumbleweed Drive, N.89°45'14"E., a distance of 345.29 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found for the Northeast corner of this tract;

THENCE S.00°11'22"E., a distance of 140.00 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found for the Southeast corner of this tract;

THENCE S.89°45'14"W., a distance of 345.29 feet to the point of beginning, enclosing 1.110 acres of land, more or less. Subject to a 15.00 foot wide drainage easement parallel and immediately adjacent to the Southerly boundary. Also subject to all other easements and reservations of record.

The street address of the subject property is 658 Tumbleweed Rd., Chaparral, NM 88021.

Said sale will be made pursuant to the Judgment on the Pleadings, Default Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure, Order of Sale, and Appointment of Special Master, entered on March 14, 2011, 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 \$77,809.72 through February 24, 2011, on which post-judgment interest shall run at 6.125% per annum until satisfied in full, which the Special Master calculates to be a per diem of \$11.88541 for 50 days to the date of the Special Master's sale (the "Sale"), for total post-judgment interest of \$594.27, together with attorney fees incurred and costs of sale to the date of sale, and a reasonable Special Master's fee. The Plaintiffs have the right to bid at such sale and submit their bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiffs may apply all or any part of their 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 number.

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 bidders 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 15th day of March, 2011.

/s/Lea Brownfield,
Special Master
P.O. Box 57
Mesilla, NM 88046-0057
Telephone (575) 524-4924

Submitted by:
Kelly P. Albers
LAB OFFICE OF KELLY P. ALBERS, P.C.
650 Montana Avenue, Suite D
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Pub # 10497
Dates 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2011-31

BAC HOME LOANS SERVING LP, fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP, Plaintiff,

vs.

JACK MALONE, if living, if deceased, THE ESTATE OF JACK MALONE, Deceased, and if married, JANE DOE



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INVITATION B/P/RFQ (BID/PROPOSAL/REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION)

Description	Number	Pre-Bid/ Pre-Proposal Meeting	Opening
Road Construction Materials Price Agreement www.las-cruces.org/financial_srvs/Purchasing/ construction_bids/downloads/B10-11-503/	Bid 10-11-503	None	March 31, 2011 @ 10:00 a.m.
Occupational Medical Services Price Agreement www.las-cruces.org/financial_srvs/Purchasing/ bids/ downloads/P10-11-510/	RFP 10-11-510	None	April 5, 2011 @ 4:00 p.m.
Hot and Cold Delivery Trucks www.las-cruces.org/financial_srvs/Purchasing/ bids/ downloads/B10-11-506/	Bid 10-11-506	None	April 5, 2011 @ 10:00 a.m.
Lead Based Paint Inspections Price Agreement www.las-cruces.org/financial_srvs/Purchasing/ bids/ downloads/P10-11-504/	RFP 10-11-504	None	April 6, 2011 @ 4:00 p.m.
Electronic Airport Layout Plan www.las-cruces.org/financial_srvs/Purchasing/ bids/ downloads/P10-11-511/	RFP 10-11-511	None	April 12, 2011 @ 4:00 p.m.

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

Copies of bid documents and additional information/clarifications regarding solicitations may be obtained by contacting the City Purchasing Department by mail at P.O. Box 20000, Las Cruces, NM 88004; by phone at (575)-541-2525; by fax at (575)-541-2515, by email at bidclerk@las-cruces.org; or physical address at City Hall, 700 N. Main St, Room 3134, Las Cruces, NM 88001.

Pub # 10502
Dates 3/18, 2011

LEGAL NOTICES

Las Cruces Bulletin - your legal publication for Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico

MALONE, (true name unknown), his spouse; NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY; and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF JACK MALONE, Deceased, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: Defendant(s) Jack Malone, if living, if deceased, the Estate of Jack Malone, Deceased, Jane Doe Malone (True Name Unknown), possible spouse of Jack Malone and The Unknown Heirs, Devisees and Legatees of Jack Malone, Deceased

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 2655 La Luz Street, in the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

LOT 11, TIERRA DEL SOL, 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 JANUARY 10, 1973, IN BOOK 11 PAGE(S) 36 OF PLAT RECORDS.

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 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 8th day of March, 2011.

JAMES H. DEMPSEY
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Mary E. Apodaca
Deputy

Pub # 10498
Dates 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 1, 2011, Brian Meador, 291 Diaz Road, Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-3662 POD4 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-3662, located at X=1,463,367 Y=510,104 NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central FIPS 3002 Feet, on land owned by Verl Wilson, and drilling a new

well to a depth of 125 feet for 6-inch casing to be located at X=1,463,060 Y=509,776 NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central FIPS 3002 Feet, 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 for the irrigation of 4.0 acres, owned by the applicant, located within the NE1/4 of projected Section 15, Township 22 South, Range 1 East, NMPM. The site for new well LRG-3662 POD4 is located north of Las Cruces, NM and may be found at the physical address of 291 Diaz Road. Old well LRG-3662 will be retained for other rights.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially 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 will be accepted as a valid protest as long

as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub # 10499
Dates 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 2011

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

No. PB 2011-24
Judge Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAROLYN WALLACE McCracken, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Carolyn Wallace McCracken, deceased, and all persons having claims against said Estate are required to present their claims within two [2] months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned at: Ralph Lavern McCracken, P.O. Box 147, Radium Springs, N M 88054 or

filed with the Clerk of the above entitled Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

/s/ Ralph Lavern McCracken
P.O. Box 147
Radium Springs, NM 88054

Pub # 10500
Dates 3/18, 3/25, 2011

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

NO. CV-2011-361
Douglas R. Driggers

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Alexya Rae Alvarez

FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Alexya Rae Alvarez, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a petition to Change Name in the Third District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from Alexya Rae Alvarez to Alexya Rae Williams, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Douglas R. Driggers, District Judge, on the 27 day of June, 2011, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., at the Third

Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho Ave., Ctrm #6, Las Cruces, New Mexico

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Alexya Alvarez
3901 Sonoma Springs Av. # 906
Las Cruces, NM 88011
Mailing address if different:
4237 Wildcat Canyon Dr.
Las Cruces, NM 88011
575-202-7367

Pub # 10501
Dates 3/18, 3/25, 2011



New Mexico State University, an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer, will accept proposals until 2 p.m. local time in the office of the Director of Purchasing for the following:

Request for Proposal #: I010125-P "ARROWHEAD DRIVE PHASE II"

Proposal due Date: Thursday April 28, 2011
A pre-proposal conference will be held on Wednesday April 6, 2011 at 1:30 PM (local time), at the Office of Facilities Planning & Construction Conference Room, on Wells Street, west of Locust Street. A site visit will be

held immediately following the pre-proposal conference.

Proposal Documents will be available on Friday, March 18, 2011 from Molzen Corbin, Engineers located at 1155 Commerce Dr., Ste. F, Las Cruces, NM (575) 522-0049.

Pub # 10503
Dates 3/18, 2011



New Mexico State University, an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer, will hold Proposals at 2 p.m. local time in the office of the Director of Purchasing for the following:

Proposal Invitation: I0100871-RA Architectural/Engineering Services for Pan American Center Re-Roof Project

Proposal Due Date: 4/12/11

Proposal forms will be sent on request by calling the Central Purchasing and Risk Management Office @ (575) 646-2916.

Pub # 10504
Dates 3/18, 2011



New Mexico State University, an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer, will accept proposals until 2 p.m. local time in the office of the Director of Purchasing for the following:

Request for Proposal #: I0101279-P "CHILLED WATER SYSTEMS IMPROVEMENT: SITE UTILITY DISTRIBUTION PACKAGE"

Proposal due Date: Thursday April 28, 2011
A pre-proposal conference will be held on Tuesday April 5, 2011 at 10:00 AM (local time), at the Office of Facilities Planning & Construction Conference Room, on Wells Street, west of Locust Street. A site visit will be held immediately following the pre-proposal conference.

Proposal Documents will be available on Friday, March 18, 2011 from the Office of Facilities Planning and Construction (OFS) of New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM (575) 646-1016.

Pub # 10505
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Preston exhibition
Contemporary gallery hosts second show of the year

Las Cruces Arts Fair

Inaugural event brings the arts to convention center March 25-27



A 'fair' new time for art

Thanks to convention center, indoor event now possible

By **David Edwards**
Las Cruces Bulletin

As Glenn and Sally Cutter watched the new Las Cruces Convention Center being built across University Avenue from their fine art gallery, it occurred to them it would be a great venue for an arts fair.

"The Renaissance Faire is one kind of fair," Sally Cutter said. "And this will be a different kind of fair that will be a little more upscale and it will be inside – a different venue."

An indoor art fair is a "new concept" for Las Cruces and the Cutters mentioned it to Doña

Ana Arts Council (DAAC) board member George Griffin and his wife, Maggie. The four decided to join forces to make it happen.

"We all wanted to do something for the arts council. We wanted to help make it more visible in the community," Cutter said. "We hope this will do it in some way – to give more focus to the arts."

Las Cruces artists are participating in the juried show as well as some from El Paso and many from Albuquerque. Artists are coming from farther into Texas, and as far away as Pennsylvania and Oregon.

Eighty artists will have booths in the fair as well as a number of guest artists, including Karen Yank, an award-winning public art sculptor from Santa Fe who recently was awarded the contract to create artwork along Interstate 10 at the Motel Boulevard and Mesilla interchanges, and Aryk Gardea, who received his Bachelor of Fine Art degree from the University of Texas-El Paso and a Master of Fine Art from the San Francisco Art Institute. Gardea specializes in humorous ceramic sculpture often themed for a children's nursery.

Local papier mâché artist Stephen Hansen will display some of his most well-known sculptures and New Mexico State University metalsmithing students will not only display many student-made jewelry creations, but will give demonstrations of metal casting, embossing and Pavet stone setting. The Potter's Guild of Las Cruces will also have guest artists participating. Demonstrations will be going on all the time, and Bob Diven will be doing portrait caricatures during the fair.

The Cutters and Griffins began attending other art shows to see what kind of art they should bring and personally talked to hundreds

of artists to encourage them to attend.

"We are excited about it and think it's going to be a big deal. We feel we can raise quite a bit of money for DAAC, which is desperately needed," Sally Cutter said.

There will be a preview gala from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friday, March 25, with entertainment, hors d'oeuvres and an upclose visit with the artists as well as an advance look at the art available for purchase. Tickets are \$75 per person. Funds raised from the gala will go specifically to the Rio Grande Theatre.

A painting titled "Billy the Kid meets Pat Garrett in Mesilla" by late Picacho artist Cliff Donaldson will be raffled off. Artist categories include acrylics, oils, pastels, watercolors, textiles, metalwork, weaving, glass, jewelry, mixed media, photography, porcelain, pottery, sculpture, wood, pencil and pen and ink.

Glenn Cutter said one of the purposes of creating the arts fair was to offer a spring event by the arts council.

"It's on the opposite end of the calendar from the Renaissance (ArtsFaire)," he said. "And it's a different approach. It's marketed more at the arts consumer. The other (Renaissance fair) has a very big 'play' content because of the medieval aspect with lots of children, swords and dragons. Although we have a nice children's component, this is targeted more at the adult art consumer."

Children from 6 to 12 years of age will have their own art experience at the fair. Jewelry making, tri-media drawing, computer generated drawing and paper folding will be offered. Completed art works may be matted and framed for the participants to take home.

It is hoped that the fair will raise money for DAAC programming and the Rio Grande Theatre.



The Cutters said much of the inspiration came from George Griffin, who really felt another arts council supported event was needed and most of the work has been done with volunteers without having to additionally burden DAAC staff. That was part of the commitment from the beginning of the project, but DAAC employees have worked closely with and continue to support the fair's organizers.

The artist response was great for a first-time event, and the sponsor support has been tremendous as well, the arts council reported, and with 80 artists, numerous guest artists and ongoing demonstrations, the convention center is going to be really "arted" up.

The Las Cruces Arts Fair will take place at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave., from noon to 5 p.m. Friday, March 25; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, March 26; and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 27. Admission is \$5 per person, and children 12 years old and under are admitted free.

For more information call the Doña Ana Arts Council at 523-6403 or visit www.daarts.org. or click on the Las Cruces Arts Fair logo or www.las-cruces-arts.org. For a complete schedule of events, visit www.mustseelc.org.

Details

Las Cruces Arts Fair

When

Noon to 5 p.m. Friday, March 25
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Featured Artist: *Daryl Howard*

Finding some magic in a wood block

Texas-based artist studied with Japanese master

By **David Edwards**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Now let me see if I've got this straight. To make a woodblock print, you have to take a piece of wood and draw a pattern or picture on it. Then you carve away the parts you don't want to appear on the printed paper, leaving only the parts you do want to appear in the design.

Now after you have carved everything, you have to ink/paint the woodblock and then quickly, before the paint dries, you press it onto a piece of paper and pull it off when the image has transferred. The paper will contain the image you created. Now, if you want to add more colors, you have to make a new carving for each one to be added to the precisely cut paper.

Whew! Well it sounds and looks like a lot of trouble, but the results can be beautiful. And if you are Daryl Howard, your results are remarkably beautiful.

The Austin, Texas, artist will be showing her work at the inaugural Las Cruces Arts Fair, March 25-27, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. According to one of the fair organizers, Glenn Cutter – who should know a thing or two about art – Howard's booth is great looking, "a really professional presentation.

She really knows how to do that."

Howard's artwork by itself is pretty impressive – even without the booth part. They are intricate, delicately shaded and spectacularly colored. Using a hand-carved block of wood, a dampened piece of handmade mulberry Kizuki paper and sometimes a large press, she creates work that almost seems impossible to have been created using this technique. At least for someone like me who can barely carve a notch in a stick.

Woodblock prints have been around since the second century B.C. in China and made their appearance in Japan in about 770 A.D. Howard, as a young artist and military wife, studied with Japanese master Hodaka Yoshida until she perfected the technique.

"The technique of woodblock printmaking is part of my soul," she said. "After 30 years of sketching, carving and printing, I am still as excited as I was when I pulled my first print with Hodaka Yoshida in Tokyo."

She returned to the United States and her home state of Texas. With a Bachelor of Fine Arts already under her belt, Howard began graduate work at the University of Texas-Austin, eventually receiving a Master of Fine Arts degree. She also developed another medium – mixed-media collage.

“ There is something magic about using the elements of the planet ... ”

DARYL HOWARD, artist



"In the Moment Before I Enter"

Handmade papers, gemstones, metallic leaf and earth pigments are used in her mixed media work. She said her collage process is always evolving, with a piece building and layering upon the previous one.

"The textural thread within my collage work leads from one collage to the next," she explained. "There is something magic about using the elements of the planet – gold, silver, copper, gemstones and pigments made from soils. My collage work connects and grounds me to the earth. These processes have become my way of expressing my world. It involves seeing images through a series of shapes, arranged and colored to represent the essence ... the magic ... that I experience."

Recently, she has demonstrated evidence of a return to her artistic roots – evidence of antique Japanese woodblocks is appearing in her collage work.

Howard has exhibited her work in galleries and shows across the country, and she is part of a number of permanent collections. She has also published three limited edition companion volumes to her art "A Warm Stone To Dream Upon I, II and III."

In 1980, she began hosting parties on her 50-acre ranch as a new means of making her work available to the public. The parties became so



Local artist Daryl Howard will display her work at the Las Cruces Arts Fair March 25-27 at the Las Cruces Convention Center.

popular that the 40-foot tent that originally housed the soirées was replaced by a six-sided steel structure known as The Water's Edge Pavilion. These get-togethers not only expose her work to new audiences, but also support nonprofits and charitable institutions.

Las Cruces residents will have a rare opportunity to see her work and discuss it with her face to face at the Las Cruces Art Fair. For more information about Howard, to see more of her work or to watch a video of her creating a woodblock print, visit www.darylhoward.com.





DOWNTOWN

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Upcoming Events

Sat Mar 19	Story Time: Thomas the Tank Engine Book & Train Activity LC Railroad Museum, 11 am–noon (all ages)
Sat Mar 19	"Speaking of Art", El Paso artist Ho Baron, Bronze Sculptor LC Museum of Art, 2pm
Sun Mar 20	Make a Dancing Dragon Branigan Library, 10:30am (kids 4 & up)
Mon Mar 21	"Not for Ourselves Alone", Elizabeth Stanton & Susan B Anthony Branigan Library, 6pm
Tue Mar 22	Every Other Tuesday: Gila Highlander, traditional Irish Songs Rio Grande Theatre, 5:30pm
Wed Mar 23	Make a Windsock Branigan Library, 3pm (kids 4 & up)
Thu Mar 24	Hand Papermaking Branigan Library, 1pm

ONGOING EVENTS:

- Downtown Arts RAMBLE - 1st Friday of the Month 5-7pm
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ArtsBriefs

Mesilla Valley Stamp Show opens March 26

The Mesilla Valley Stamp Club will host the first stamp show in southern New Mexico in two years. The Mesilla Valley Stamp Show 2011 has something to offer beginners and intermediate stamp collectors, as well as advanced philatelists and the general public.

The show will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, March 26, and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 27, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. Admission is free.

Stamp collectors, both local and from out of town, will be exhibiting their stamps and competing for awards in the competitive stamp exhibits. Eleven stamp dealers from four states will bring their varied and specialized stocks of worldwide stamps, postal history and supplies. They will be buying stamps as well as selling. At the junior stamp collector's table, young collectors will be provided free stamps.

The U.S. Postal Service will have a booth from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, where they will sell some of the latest stamps as well as some of the stamps issued last year at face value.

There will be free philatelic door prizes given out every hour during the show.

'Mile Markers' featured statewide

Explore! New Mexico, a multi-media communications company promoting tourism throughout the state, announced its "New Mexico Mile Markers" are now heard on public radio across the Land of Enchantment and parts of west Texas. Stations broadcasting the two-minute radio features are KUNM in Albuquerque, KSJE in Farmington, KRWG in Las Cruces, KENW in Portales and KGLP in Gallup.

"New Mexico Mile Markers" are stories about the people, places, history and culture of New Mexico designed to entertain and stimulate interest in the topic and travel to many of the historic and cultural sites around the state. The stories are aired Monday through Friday. KRWG-FM 90.7 broadcasts the features at 1:04 and 7:59 p.m.



Cheryl Fallstead and Bud Russo, owners of Explore! New Mexico, celebrate the statewide radio coverage of "New Mexico Mile Markers."

Stories aired since the Jan. 3 kick-off include features about Smokey Bear, Jal, Poeh Museum, Kit Carson, Valley of Fires, Judge Roy Bean and New Mexico's most infamous character Billy the Kid.

Call to Artists

LAST CHANCE

CINCO DE MAYO

Nopalito's Galería, in the historic Mesquite district, is extending an invitation to artists for submissions for its first Cinco de Mayo exhibition and festival celebrating culture. The festival and opening reception will be held Saturday, May 7, with food, music and a community art mural contest by local high school students. The exhibition will be on display May 7-31, and submissions are due Friday, March 18. For more information, call Victor Gallegos at 520-6600 or at nopalitosgaleria@hotmail.com.

CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION

Congressman Steve Pearce has invited high school students from across New Mexico's 2nd Congressional District to apply for this year's Congressional Art Competition. Since this competition was created in 1982, hundreds of thousands of high school students from around the country have participated at the local level. The winning entry from last year's competition currently hangs in the tunnel of the Cannon House Office Building in Washington, D.C.

The winning piece of art from each district will be displayed on the grounds of the U.S. Capitol. Furthermore, the winner will receive two complimentary roundtrip tickets and two nights' complimentary hotel accommodations to enable him or her to attend the unveiling ceremony in Washington, D.C.

Submissions must be no larger than 28-by-28 inches framed. It is strongly recommended, but not required, that submissions be matted. Pearce's office will arrange to have the winning entry framed before it is shipped to Washington, D.C.

Application materials are available online at pearce.house.gov, under "Serving You." The application form, artwork and signed release form must all be submitted to Congressman Pearce's Roswell Office, located at: 1717 W. Second St., Suite 100, Roswell, NM 88201. All materials must be submitted no later than Friday, April 22. For more information, contact Will Cavin at 575-622-6200 or will.cavin@mail.house.gov.

NEW MEXICO FILMMAKERS SHOWCASE

The New Mexico Film Office announced a call for entries for

the 2011 New Mexico Filmmakers Showcase in Albuquerque May 13-16 at the Guild Cinema. The showcase is an annual event featuring a vast range of creative talent of New Mexicans from around the state. Last year, nearly 100 filmmakers had their work screened.

The showcase is open and free to the public, with no cost to enter a film or attend the screenings. This year's deadline for entries is Friday, April 15.

A panel of local film professionals will critique the films in various categories, and winning films will be traveled around the state by the New Mexico Film Office in collaboration with local theaters and public access channels. Narrative, documentary, animation and experimental films all qualify for entry. There is no minimum run time and the maximum run time is two hours.

As the guild has a limited amount of screen time, film submissions will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m. Friday, April 15. Entry forms will be at www.nmfilm.com. For more information, call 505-255-1848 or 505-476-5611.

VOZ VAQUEROS

Voz Vaqueros, The Singing Men of Las Cruces, is celebrating its 40th year of singing men's choral music. Men singers are invited to join without audition as they prepare to commemorate this milestone with concerts May 21 and 22 in the auditorium of the Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. The group is especially interested in contacting former members and the sons of former members still living in the Las Cruces area for participation in these concerts. Those interested are invited to come to rehearsal from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, March 21, at the Morningside Building Recreation Room at The Village of Northrise, 2880 N. Roadrunner Parkway.

BRANIGAN CULTURAL CENTER

The Branigan Cultural Center seeks proposals for solo and group exhibitions to be presented in 2012. Artists living and working in the Southwest or working with themes of cultural significance are eligible to submit.

Artists/groups must exhibit in 2012 on dates determined by the cultural center. Proposals should clearly indicate the types of objects that will be displayed (paintings, sculpture, etc.) and estimated linear and/or square footage of exhibition space needed for presentation of the exhibit. Final determination of square footage devoted to the presentation

of the exhibition will be made by the Branigan Cultural Center.

For consideration, submit the following proposal materials:

- A brief statement on the proposed exhibit, including the medium of works to be exhibited, theme or general content of the show and title of proposed show
- Artist/s resume/s or mission statement of group including exhibition record
- A CD-R containing five to 10 images (jpg format) of the works intended for exhibition (or works of similar artistic style and quality to be exhibited)

The deadline for submissions is April 30. Submit packages to Branigan Cultural Center, Attn: Director, P.O. Box 20000, Las Cruces, NM 88004. For more information, call 541-2156 or email rslaughter@las-cruces.org.

SOUTHWEST JEWISH ARTS FESTIVAL

Temple Beth El of Las Cruces has issued a call for artists for a juried art show, the Southwest Jewish Arts Festival, which will be held Sunday, June 12, at Temple Beth El. The show is open to Jewish artists from New Mexico and the El Paso area. The media are painting, sculpture, printmaking, ceramics, fiber arts and jewelry. Entry forms are located at the Temple website, www.tbcl.org. Submissions are free and must be post-marked no later than Friday, April 15. For more information, call 524-3380.

EL PASO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The El Paso Symphony Orchestra will be holding auditions from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 16, at the Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza, for Assistant Principal Cello for a one-year contract.

Audition applications and requirements are available online at www.epso.org. For more information, contact the El Paso Symphony office at 915-532-3776. Applications are due by Friday, March 25.

YOUTH TALENT CONTEST

The Las Cruces Mesilla Valley Rotary Club will host the 10th annual Youth Talent Contest Saturday, April 2, at the Court Youth Center, 402 W. Court Ave. More than \$1,500 in cash prizes will be awarded. For more information or to receive an application, contact Stephanie Johnson-Burick at 649-8487 or stephaniejb65@gmail.com.

NEW ART FOR CVB

The Las Cruces Convention & Visitors Bureau is looking for quality local artist to feature in the lobby

gallery. All artists interested in exhibiting their work at the CVB will be required to abide by the following guidelines:

- All submitted work must be of professional gallery quality and will be subject to review by a selection committee composed of CVB and the City of Las Cruces Museum staff.
 - Digital or printed samples of artist work must be made available to the committee for review by submission deadline. Deadlines require all artwork to be on display July through December and must be submitted by April 14.
 - All works must meet the space requirements for canvas art and space and weight requirements for three-dimensional works. Canvas art can be no larger than 24 inches wide or 45 inches tall. Three-dimensional art can be no larger than 22 inches tall, 65 inches wide and 22 inches deep. Total weight of three-dimensional art, including all display materials, must be no more than 35 pounds.
 - Artists are only eligible to display once a year for a one-month period and can use eight easels for display.
- For more information, contact the CVB at 541-2444 or cvb@lascrucescvb.org.

AUDITIONS FOR 'THE 25TH ANNUAL PUTNAM COUNTY SPELLING BEE'

Auditions for the musical "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" will be held from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 16, at the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. Needed are four women and five men between the ages of 16 and 40. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script and singing selections from the score. Rehearsals are May 23-June 23, with a run schedule June 24-July 10 with possible extension to July 17, should audience response warrant.

A perusal copy of the script is on reserve at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library at the Reference Desk.

For more information, contact director Tom Smith at tomsmit@nmsu.edu or 635-5194.

ART MUSEUM SEEKS SOLO AND GROUP EXHIBITS

The Las Cruces Museum of Art seeks submissions of utilitarian and sculptural ceramics for the 2011 exhibition "From the Ground Up XXV." The submission deadline is Friday, April 8. This call for submissions is open to ceramic artists from the Rocky Mountain region of the United States - New Mexico, Texas, Arizona, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Montana

and Idaho. Artists may submit up to four entries that were completed within the past three years. The submission fee for one to four entries is \$30 and is payable to Potters' Guild of Las Cruces. Submission forms can be downloaded from the Las Cruces Museum of Art website, www.las-cruces.org/museums. Mail entries to Museum of Art, Attn: From the Ground Up, P.O. Box 20000, Las Cruces, NM 88004. For more information, call 541-2137.

CHILD COMPOSER PROJECT

The 2011 "Hey, Mozart!" New Mexico competition will be accepting submissions through Thursday, March 31. New Mexico children born on or after March 31, 1998, are eligible to submit one or more of their original melodies, either in music notation or simply by providing a CD of the child performing.

Past "Hey, Mozart!" composers have performed not only at the project's free, community concert in Albuquerque at the Journal Theatre of the National Hispanic Cultural Center, but also in concerts around the state.

The project focuses on the creativity of the composer, not his or her technical performance skills. It recognizes and encourages the creative impulses of children making music. Karl Hinterbichler of the University of New Mexico faculty, is the Music Director for "Hey, Mozart!" He will oversee selection of the melodies and the orchestration of the selected works. For more information, visit heymozartnm.org.

CENTENNIAL ART WANTED

New Mexico-based artists and artisans are invited to submit proposals for special commemorative pieces for the upcoming statehood centennial. A wide range of artistic media will be considered, including glassware, jewelry, basketry, pottery and fiber arts (both wearable and decorative). The work should be inspired by the New Mexico Centennial, but will not include the Centennial logo, nor be a souvenir or promotional in nature.

New Mexico Creates, a program of the Museum of New Mexico Foundation, is working in partnership with the New Mexico Centennial Foundation to promote the "New Mexico Creates/Centennial Commemorative Art" line. The 16-month commemoration period begins fall 2011.

For more information, visit www.nmcentennial.org, call 505-984-2012 or email nmcentennial@gmail.com.

Galleries & Openings

OPENING

THOMAS BRANIGAN MEMORIAL LIBRARY will display a youth art exhibit Saturday and Sunday, March 18-19. Middle school students at the Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces, in partnership with Apple Tree Learning Center in Truth or Consequences, will hold the art show to highlight the art pieces they created with a grant from the Young Philanthropists, an initiative of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico.

The Young Philanthropists awarded the first grant of \$2,700 to Apple Tree Learning Center after the recipient showed the grant would allow middle school students to create art, display their art and sell their art, donating the proceeds to a charity of their choice. The library is located at 200 E. Picacho Ave. Hours are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call 528-4000.

ONGOING

LE RENDEZ-VOUS CAFÉ is displaying "Sing in Spring," paintings by the Ten O'Clock Club. Participating artists include Jan Addy, Margaret Bernstein, June Decker, Alice Dressler, Penny Duncklee, Barbara Howe, Melanie Storm Jack and Marjorie Moeser.

The café is located at 2701 W. Picacho Ave. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday and 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Call 527-0098.

PRESTON CONTEMPORARY ART CENTER opens its second exhibition for 2011. Featured are works by Kevin Box, metal sculpture; Craig Dongoski, drawing; Fran Hardy, painting; and Suzanne Kane, ceramic sculpture. The works will be exhibited through Saturday, June 25. The gallery is at 1755 Avenida de Mercado. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and by appointment. Call 523-8713.

DOÑA ANA COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER is hosting a new student art show with more than 50 pieces of original student artwork from the Las Cruces Public Schools installed in the first-floor corridors. The exhibit includes paintings, etchings 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 of historical photographs in the upstairs rotunda, as well as a photograph of the Organ Mountains donated in 2007 by Las Cruces artist R. Frederick Silva. The piece, titled "Fall Splendor," hangs on a second floor east wall,

Coming soon

The works of artists Sally Quillin and Ruth Ann Sugarman

Opens Friday, April 1
Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery
2470-A Calle de Guadalupe
Call 522-2933

adjacent to the main entrance to the administrative offices of the Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners and the Office of the County Manager.

The Doña Ana County Government Center is located at 845 N. Motel Blvd. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY ART GALLERY

hosts the 2011 Juried Student Art Show. Students from all over the main campus submitted 250 artworks, and the jurors have selected 83 works to represent the best of NMSU student creativity. The show runs through Thursday, March 31.

The NMSU Art Gallery is located in D.W. Williams Hall on University Avenue, east of Solano Drive. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 646-2545.

UNSETTLED GALLERY

is showing "The Edge of Somewhere" by Marjorie Moeser through Friday, March 25. Unsettled Gallery is located at 905 N. Mesquite St. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Call 635-2285.

THE MAIN STREET GALLERY hosts 26 artists to create artwork for the "ABC: Easy as 1-2-3" exhibit through March. The exhibit is based on a simple concept – 26 artists will each select a letter of the alphabet and create a piece of artwork reflecting their personal interpretation of that letter.

The Main Street Gallery is 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. Call 647-0508.

MESILLA VALLEY FINE ARTS GALLERY will feature local artists Rayma Claessen and Bobbie Widner during the month of March. Claessen will exhibit a miniature collection of the Organ Mountains. Widner expresses her talent in subject matters from abroad, mainly France and Italy, where she has studied.

The gallery is at 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe in Mesilla. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call 522-2933.

BRANIGAN CULTURAL CENTER will host "Color 2," the works of renowned artist Gabriella Denton, through

Saturday, March 26. Denton, a native of Rome, is an award-winning artist who has taught painting and drawing. "Fabulous Fiber 2011" will be on display through March 26. Works shown in this exhibit are made out of fibers, such as yarn, paper and reeds.

"Emotional Rescue – The Dream Catchers" will also be on display through March 26. The show is comprised of digital collage dream catchers and medicine wheels created by Las Cruces Dennis Lujan.

The center is located at 501 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 541-2154.

TOMBAUGH GALLERY

of the Unitarian Universalist Church presents "A City of Artists Creates" by members of the City of Artists Promotional Association through Friday, April 1. Artists exhibiting include Pat Bonneau-White, Joanna Bradley, Martha Randell Brown, Rebecca Courtney, Penny Duncklee, Les Fairchild, Susan Frary, Caryl Kotulak, Jan Kosnick, Judy Licht, Carol Lopez, Sandra Marshall, Katja Mayfield, Hetty Smith, Kurt Van Wagner, Frances Vescoso and Phil Yost. The gallery is located at 2000 Solano Drive. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday through Saturday. Call 522-7281.

RIO GRANDE THEATRE GALLERIES will host paintings by Jim Wessels during March. Most of Wessels' work is two-sided, depicting land and seascapes on one side and cosmic space scenes on the other. The galleries are at 211 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 523-6403.

M. PHILLIP'S FINE ART GALLERY is featuring floral still lifes by Russian and European artists during March. The gallery's antique "collection" ranges from a 500-year-old Moorish cassone to classic French sculptures in gilded bronze from the 19th century. M. Phillip's is located at 221 N. Main St. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday or by appointment. Call 525-1367.

LAS CRUCES PUBLIC SCHOOLS' annual High School Art Show, which includes works of art by students from Las Cruces, Mayfield, Oñate and San Andres high schools, continues through April 29. The gallery



"Spring Garden," a painting by Jan Addy, is on display at Le Rendez-Vous through March.

is located in the lobby of the LCPS Administration Building in the Loretto Towne Centre, 505 S. Main St., Suite 249. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Email mreynold@lcps.k12.nm.us.

LAS CRUCES MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

will host "Disease Detectives" through Sunday, June 5. "Disease Detectives" is an interactive exhibit that explores infectious diseases. Visitors can study three cases of illnesses represented by mannequins. They can learn how to examine each patient by taking temperatures, listening to hearts, lungs and other internal organs, and assessing symptoms in order to determine what's making them sick. Then, visitors can analyze test results and try to trace the origins of the microbes at the root of their patients' illnesses.

The Las Cruces Museum of Natural History is next to JC Penney inside Mesilla Valley Mall. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call 522-3120.

SOUTHWEST ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

hosts "Raptors of the Southwest," at Cottonwood Gallery inside the SWEC. The show consists of 42 color prints reproduced from paintings created by Richard Sloan for the "Raptors of Arizona" book, published in 1998. Hawks, vultures, falcons, kites and owls are portrayed in their typical Southwestern habitats. The show will run through March. The gallery is at 275 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 522-5552.

LAS CRUCES MUSEUM OF ART

presents "Sight Unseen," a retrospective exhibition showcasing 30 years of work by sculptor Michael Naranjo. The exhibit will be open through Saturday, April 2. Many of the sculptures on display are cast in bronze with a dark black patina. Works on display include intimate scenes of everyday life, reflections of the pueblo culture and a life-sized figure of an eagle dancer. The museum is at 491 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through

Saturday. Call 541-2137.

UNIVERSITY MUSEUM

hosts "Masked Traditions of Venetian Carnival." This exhibit explores the vibrantly colorful tradition of "il Carnevale di Venezia" through display of costumes, masks and photographs. A major part of the festival of carnival has traditionally been masquerade, which provides a way for ordinary people to adopt an extraordinary personality or character. Many of the masks in this exhibit were commissioned from Venetian mascherari (mask-makers) by costume designer Shawn Dudley Reeves for use on popular soap operas, such as "The Guiding Light" and "As the World Turns." The museum is at 1280 E. University Ave. Hours are noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 646-5161.

THE CUTTER GALLERY

hosts "The Bridge to Tir na nog" by Rosemary McLoughlin. The exhibit is a tribute to her brother Bill, who has recently died of cancer. Tir na nog is the land of eternal youth and her show is a reminder of her brother's wonderful spirit. McLoughlin is well known for her whimsical paintings with cats, family and friends flying around her work in a dream like way. Settings for her work are both magical and based on real life with references from Brooklyn, Europe and Mesilla predominant in her work. The gallery is 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. Call 541-0658.

THE ADOBE PATIO GALLERY & STUDIO

hosts an exhibition focusing on regional excellence, featuring the works of local and area artists. The exhibition includes the vinyl tile murals of Tony Pennock; Joseph Ireland, a long recognized regional artist; the powerful watercolor and pastels of Glenda Buccicci; and many more. The building contains spaces that were designed to show off a variety of paintings and sculptures. The gallery is at 1765 Avenida de Mercado. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and by appointment. Call 523-0573.

BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN NEW MEXICO presents "Winter Gifts of Art," an exhibition of abstract to traditional pieces presented by the City of Artists Promotional Association. Featured artists are Pat Bonneau-White, Rebecca Courtney, Joe Dominick, Penny Duncklee, Les Fairchild, Susan Frary, Jan Kosnick, JoAnn Alcalá Milam, Hetty Smith, Kurt Van Wagner and Roberta Widner. The gallery is at 2825 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Call 526-6126.

NEW MEXICO FARM & RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM

is showing "Vintage Views of Rural Women," a fall exhibit by the Southern Chapter of the New Mexico Watercolor Society that focuses on the different roles women play in agriculture and rural life. The show will be on display through April 3.

"The Dust Bowl: Dark Times in New Mexico" is on display through August. The exhibit revisits the dramatic Dust Bowl and sheds light on the causes, effects and aftermath in New Mexico in the 1930s.

"Greetings to You: Historic Postcards," is also on display through August. With the arrival of email, text messaging and phones that can take photographs and deliver them to a family member or a friend in seconds, communications have changed dramatically in recent years. But there's still nothing like opening your mailbox and holding in your hand a colorful postcard sent by a friend in another city or a family member on vacation. The exhibit traces the history of postcards and is an extensive exhibit that features more than 500 postcards that date back as early as the 1880s.

"Red or Green? The Origins and Cultural Significance of the Chile Pepper in New Mexico" is on display through September. Chile is the subject of this educational exhibit that focuses on New Mexico chile varieties, their history and evolution and how they came to have such a central place in the state's culture. The exhibit traces the origins of the chile, the emergence of regional production centers and how the Spanish brought the plant to the American Southwest in the early 1600s.

The museum is at 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call 522-4100.

DOÑA ANA COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER

exhibits more than 100 pieces of original artwork from Las Cruces and Gadsden public schools. The exhibit includes photography, paintings, etchings, drawings and sculpture. Artists range from elementary to high school students. The gallery is at 845 N. Motel Blvd. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Monday through Friday. Call 525-5801.

EventsCalendar

FRI. 3/18

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Blood drive, Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Free. Call 525-6130.

10 a.m. Friday Morning Storytime, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Free. Call 522-4499.

6:30 p.m. Howling Coyote, First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. Open to acoustic musicians, singers, poets and storytellers. A full stage, sound and lights are provided by Skip Connelley. Free. Call 525-9333 or 915-799-5684.

7 p.m. Planetwalker John Francis, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Francis brings a message of environmental respect and responsibility. Cost \$8-\$10. Call 646-4746.

8 to 10 p.m. Community Contra Dance, Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago. The dance features Dell City's old-time stringband, the Muletones. Cost \$4-\$5. Call 522-1691.

SAT. 3/19

9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market, Downtown Mall, along Main Street. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh produce, unique fine art and much more. Free. Email staff@lascrucesfarmersmarket.org.

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Pet adoptions, Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market along Main Street. Available are dogs, puppies, cats and kittens. Cost \$50-\$75. Call 532-0018.

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. 5,000 Flowers Block Party workshop, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Free. Call 541-2154.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Pet adoptions, Pet's Barn, 1600 S. Valley Drive. Available are dogs, puppies cats and kittens. Cost \$50-\$75. Call 382-0018.

10:30 a.m. Storytellers of Las Cruces, COAS Bookstores, 317. N Main St. and 1101 S. Solano Drive. Gloria Hacker will be the storyteller at the Downtown location, and Jean Gilbert will be the storyteller at the Solano COAS store. COAS will give coupons for free books to all children who attend. Free. Call 526-8377.

11 a.m. "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" storytime, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Free. Call 522-4499.

11:30 a.m. to noon, Magic Carpet StoryTime, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Free. Call 541-2154.

1 to 3 p.m. Basic dowsing class, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Learn the basics of dowsing (questing, divining, water witching), how to use the tools and the benefits associated with dowsing. Cost \$12-\$15. Call 522-4100.

2 p.m. Presentation from sculptor Ho Baron, Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St. Baron will discuss his bronze sculptures and 30-year career. Free. Call 541-2134.

2 p.m. Lippizaner Stallions, Pan American Center, New Mexico State University.

Cost \$11.75-\$29.50. Call 646-1420.

3 p.m. New Horizons Swing Band concert, Atkinson Recital Hall, New Mexico State University. Free. Call 525-9333.

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.

6 to 9 p.m. Live music featuring Benjy Rivas & the BBR Band, Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. No cover. Call 527-5310.

7:30 p.m. Lippizaner Stallions, Pan American Center, New Mexico State University. Cost \$11.75-\$29.50. Call 646-1420.

SUN. 3/20

Noon to 4 p.m. Uptown Craft and Growers Market, Mesilla Valley Mall in front of Sears in the parking lot, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Shop for local arts, crafts and produce. Free. Call 650-7414.

1 p.m. Bingo, Las Cruces Event Center, 522 E. Idaho Ave. Doors open one hour before the games begin, with early-bird sessions beginning before the regular games start. There is a snack bar available. Cost \$10. Call 680-6515.

1:30 p.m. Las Cruces Arts Association monthly meeting, Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. The March program features local arts expert David Edwards. Free. Email artedisplay@yahoo.com.



Jazz Unlimited will perform at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 20, at the First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road.

2 p.m. Moody Men's Collegiate Choir concert, St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave. Free. Call 526-6689.

2 to 4 p.m. Bluegrass and folk music jam, Doña Ana Community College commons area, 3400 S. Espina St. All players are welcome. Free. Call 526-5174.

3 p.m. Mesilla Valley Concert Band performance, Atkinson Recital Hall, New Mexico State University. The band will be playing arrangements by Ken Neidig in honor of his 80th birthday. Call 646-2421.

3 to 7 p.m. Open Mic, Blue Moon Bar, 13060 N. Highway 185. Free. Call 647-9524.

6:30 p.m. Jazz Unlimited concert, First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. Cost \$1-\$8. Call 525-9333.

6 to 8 p.m. "Not for Ourselves Alone: The Story of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony Screening," Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. The screening is in honor of Women's History Month. Free. Call 528-4000.

MON. 3/21

10 a.m. Yarn Junkies meeting, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Meet to exchange knitting ideas. Free. Call 522-4499.

1:30 p.m. Bingo, Las Cruces Event Center, 522 E. Idaho Ave. Doors open one hour before the games begin, with early-bird sessions beginning before the regular games start. There is a snack bar available. Cost \$10. Call 680-6515.

TUE. 3/22

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.

5:30 p.m. Every Other Tuesday presents Gila Highlander, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Free. Call 523-6403.

7 to 9:30 p.m. Argentine Tango Group, Las Cruces Country Club, 2350 N. Main St. Beginners, singles and couples over 21 are welcome to join the Big Band Dance Club. Cost \$5-10. Call 642-1699.

Friday, March 18, 2011

WED. 3/23

9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market, Downtown Mall, along Main Street. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh produce, unique fine art and much more. Free. Email staff@lascrucesfarmersmarket.org.

6 to 8 p.m. Raku pottery workshop, Ceramics Plus of NM, 901 S. Main St. Cost \$40. Call 526-9331.

6:30 p.m. Stitch & Visit 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 lascrucesstitches.multiply.com.

7 p.m. "Waiting for Superman" screening, Boys & Girls Club Clubhouse, 330 W. Las Cruces Ave. The screening is held to explore how communities can improve the educational outlook for every child. Free. Call 526-1519.

7:30 p.m. Big Band on the Rio Grande concert, Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Free. Call 373-2188.

THU. 3/24

9 a.m. to noon, Fiber Club, My Place Jewell, 140-A Wyatt Drive. Cost \$2. Call 526-9509.

1 to 3 p.m. Hand Papermaking workshop, Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Participants will learn the history of hand papermaking and create paper for themselves. Free. Call 528-4005.

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.

5 to 7 p.m. 5,000 Flowers Block Party art workshop, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Free. Call 541-2154.

7 p.m. Bingo, Las Cruces Event Center, 522 E. Idaho Ave. Doors open one hour before the games begin, with early-bird sessions beginning before the regular games start. There is a snack bar available. Cost \$10. Call 680-6515.

8 p.m. Slide concert, Atkinson Recital Hall, New Mexico State University. The group mixes Irish traditions with the modern culture of pub sessions. Cost \$15. Call 646-1420.

8 to 10 p.m. Big Band Dance Club, Las Cruces Country Club, 2700 N. Main St. Dance ballroom, swing and Latin style. Beginners, singles and couples 21 years and older are welcome. Dress code. Cost \$7-\$9. Call 526-6504.

FRI. 3/25

10 a.m. Friday Morning Storytime, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. The Cat in the Hat is a special guest. Free. Call 522-4499.

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The ghostly encounters of Angelica

Film is a product of 102-year-old director

Review by **Jeff Berg**
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

One hundred two. That is the age of the director of this gently engaging and whimsical film, which takes place in Portugal.

Manoel de Oliveira has been making films since the 1930s and is still hard at work. Even after the release of this film, he made another short, and his latest feature was released in South America last fall. I suspect there will be more to come, especially since the screenplay for this one has been rolling through his thoughts since 1952.

Set in the 1950s, "The Strange Case of Angelica" is the story of a beautiful young woman, Angelica, who has died on her wedding day. Still in her lovely gown and holding a clutch of flowers, she lies reposed on a fainting couch when photographer Isaac arrives.

He has been summoned by her wealthy and somewhat snotty family to take her final pictures before she is laid to rest. The matriarch of the family is a no-nonsense woman who is shadowed by another daughter, a nun.

When Isaac spies the resplendent but deceased Angelica, he does a bit of a double take. He completes his assignment and returns to his apartment darkroom to develop the pictures for the family.

However, his first surprise had come when



Angelica is a young woman who dies on her wedding day, and her gentle ghostly encounters with a photographer are explored in "The Strange Case of Angelica."

he looked through his camera lens, and Angelica had opened her eyes.

Isaac has more ghostly, but gentle encounters with this young lady, possibly making him wonder, is she alive or is she Memorex? He tries to continue with his work, preparing the photos for his family, photographing vineyard workers for another project and trying to carry on with his life.

But thoughts, occasional images and many dreams of Angelica continue to interrupt his life, and he becomes somewhat obsessed with the beautiful woman who never speaks a word, but makes loving gestures.

De Oliveira employs a gentle style of filmmaking with this piece – everything is quiet and introspective, and the only hint of adversity is when Isaac deals with Angelica's family,

FILM REVIEW

"The Strange Case of Angelica" opens on March 18 at the Fountain Theatre. Not rated, it is adult material, but barely, and is in Portuguese with good subtitling. It runs for 90 minutes.

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who seem to resent the fact that he is Jewish. He also uses the old style of graphics when the ghostly apparition of Angelica appears (only to Isaac).

It gives the film a somewhat retro look, rather like a "ghost" that would have appeared magically in a film made in the '50s. Angelica remains beautiful throughout, whether she appears in one of Isaac's dreams or is a mere flicker of light while he works in his tiny studio.

If there is a major flaw in this film, it is when Isaac has overly long conversations with the other residents of the boarding house in which he lives. They become tedious, but perhaps it was de Oliveira's intention to show that when one is in love, many other things – including people living on small talk and speculation – become monotonous and time consuming.

"The Strange Case of Angelica" is a pleasant little film, and one must wonder what else this 102-year-old genius has in store for us.

My ex-wife spoke Portuguese. I know some of the stuff she said over the years was not about love ...
jeffberg@lascrucesbulletin.com

Lunafest honoring women filmmakers

Proceeds benefit the organizations devoted to women

The Mesilla Valley Film Society will host the 2011 Lunafest (approximately 100 minutes, not rated), at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at the Fountain Theatre, 2469 Calle de Guadalupe.

Lunafest is a collection of 10 short films by women filmmakers and about women's issues. Included in this year's collection are films from women in North America, Israel and the United Kingdom.

Lunafest is sponsored by Luna, the makers of nutrition bars for women (free samples will be available at the screening). The organization was launched in 2000 in an

effort to raise awareness of women's issues and to promote women filmmakers, who currently comprise 5 percent of filmmakers who have made the 250 top grossing films in the U.S.

All box office proceeds from this event will be returned to Luna, which distributes them to a number of charities, some local and some afar. Fifteen percent goes to breast cancer research with the rest divided evenly among other organizations that support women's causes.

This will be an MVFS special event, and admission prices will be \$3 for MVFS members and \$5 for nonmembers. For details on the films, visit the Lunafest website at www.lunafest.org. This event is sponsored in part by the League of Women Voters of Greater Las Cruces and Mountain View Market. For more information or to help sponsor this event, call 522-0286 or visit www.mesillavalleyfilm.org.



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Ridin' and ropin' at the annual Cowboy Days

Photos by Niki Rhynes

Pony rides were one of many children's activities available during the 12th annual Cowboy Days held Saturday and Sunday, March 12-13, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum.



Justin Martinez participating in team roping Sunday, March 13, as part of the celebration of New Mexico's ranching heritage.

Peggy Goines and Murray Kugler look toward the roping arena.



Redneck stands patiently while Jake Montoya gives a horseshoeing demonstration to onlookers.



Members of the Flying Cloud Theater dressed in Western garb while in a saloon-style setting for the crowd-pleasing gunfight re-enactments that were held every few hours during Cowboy Days.



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Bulletin Restaurant Guide

The spirit of entrées past Chinese restaurant soon to mark 20 years

By **David Edwards**
Las Cruces Bulletin

I can't help but think about something other than food when I walk into the Chinese Kitchen. The building on East Missouri Avenue in the Bonita Plaza brings back a lot of memories.

In the mid '90s, I worked in marketing and several other areas for Family Medical Center ("Taking the Pulse of Las Cruces," remember?). The administration office that contained my cubicle was at 2801 E. Missouri Ave., Suite 27, and the offices extended through suite 29. So whenever I eat at Chinese Kitchen, I think, "My office was right here."

I used to walk around the corner to pick up Chinese food from the old Chinese Kitchen location across the alley on South Telshor Boulevard. Since I was usually short on time and short of cash, the fast service and good food at reasonable prices made the place a popular choice for not only me, but a number of other FMC employees.

Owner Tommy Tan spent 17 years in that original location before moving to the new place almost three years ago. This May marks 20 years in the restaurant business for Tan and his wife Tanya.

"The move was hard and expensive," Tommy Tan said. "Even if it was just a short distance. It took eight months to finish the remodeling. In the meantime, I had customers asking me when I was going to reopen."

Don't expect to be knocked out by the restaurant's décor or ambiance; it is just a plain, simple, clean eatery. One of those little treasures tucked away in a mostly office plaza.



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by David Edwards

Originally from Canton, China, Tommy Tan has owned Chinese Kitchen for 20 years.

Originally from Canton, China, Tan spent several years working in restaurants in El Paso and Las Cruces before opening his own. He really does everything himself and 80 hour work weeks are not uncommon. The Tans work very hard to make sure their customers are happy.

I have eaten mostly typical Chinese dishes from the Chinese Kitchen's menu over the years – combinations, lunch specials (there is a daily one for \$5.75), but I was having to be a bit particular these days in order to meet my current "detox diet" standards.

This meant no gluten (or just about any other grain) and no dairy (not usually a problem here as my beloved cheese doesn't usually figure much into the Chinese menu). And no MSG. That option is happily available with any of the restaurant's menu selections. Tommy Tan assured me he would do his best to accommodate any other requests as far as ingredients in his dishes. It isn't as difficult as you might think, trying to fit dining out with a special diet plan. Don't be afraid to ask.

Determined as I am to explore new culinary territory, I ordered See Jup Chicken – chicken (currently no beef for me unless it's organic and grass-fed, and no pork) with a garlic and black bean sauce. Vegetables are onion, green bell pepper and celery (gotta remember to have them hold the celery next time). I also had them hold the rice, which comes either steamed or fried. Unfortunately, I am only allowed the brown variety. It was a satisfying re-introduction to Chinese Kitchen.

I couldn't really remember trying the dinner menu (it's also available at lunch time though), so I managed to lure the girlfriend away from her English Department duties to try the Shrimp Cantonese – shrimp with chunks of chicken and onion in an egg whip sauce – and chicken with vegetables, meaning carrots, celery (I'll pick it out), cabbage, mushrooms, broccoli, onion and snow peas. Cindy has no dietary restrictions, so rice of each type filled the dishes.

I ordered before she arrived, and knowing how much I enjoy the spicy options, she asked why I hadn't indulged my fiery inclinations.

"Not everyone likes spicy food," I said. "I thought maybe these dishes were different enough. Maybe people get tired of reading about my eating the hot stuff all the time."

When I went back the next day to do my interview with Tommy Tan, I couldn't resist picking up some Chicken in Plum Sauce (hot) which comes with onions, bell peppers and (oopsy) celery. I didn't care what was in it because it definitely was my favorite out of the number of delicious dishes I tried, and I don't believe I wrecked my dietary program. (Please note: when the weight loss challenges ends in a couple of weeks, I am going back to try the hot lo mein or chow mein – maybe both.)

There are plenty of opportunities for those of you allowed to eat a more "toxing" diet and you can just go noodle crazy if you want. Don't be surprised if you pick up a vibe or two from the ghost of that guy slaving away at his computer in the corner.

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- 1 **E.T.**
Katy Perry featuring Kanye West
- 2 **On the Floor**
Jennifer Lopez featuring Pitbull
- 3 **Born This Way**
Lady Gaga
- 4 **S&M**
Rihanna
- 5 **Blow**
Ke\$ha
- 6 **Coming Home**
Diddy Dirty Money and Skylar Grey
- 7 **Look At Me Now**
Chris Brown featuring Lil Wayne and Busta Rhymes
- 8 **Till the World Ends**
Britney Spears
- 9 **You're Perfect**
Pink
- 10 **I Need a Doctor**
Dr. Dre featuring Eminem and Skylar Grey

Top 5 albums

- 1 **21**
Adele
- 2 **Endgame**
Rise Against
- 3 **Lasers (Deluxe Version)**
Lupe Fiasco
- 4 **Sigh No More**
Mumford & Sons
- 5 **Glee: The Music, Vol. 5**
Glee Cast

Source: iTunes

Featured venue: Pan American Center

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By **David Edwards**
Las Cruces Bulletin

My first rock concert was at the Pan American Center on the New Mexico State University campus. It was Gary Puckett and the Union Gap. They had six consecutive gold records and a number of hit singles ("Young Girl, get out of my mind"). I was still in high school, so it had to be 1970, maybe? I remember being thrilled to be there and events at the Pan Am have been thrilling us ever since.

Poco, Redbone, Ricky Nelson, Bill Cosby, Linda Ronstadt, Sting, Prince were all performers that made memories within the friendly confines of the Pan Am. Although opposing basketball teams don't find it so friendly.

Local legend Barbara Hubbard was there from the very beginning.

"I was there when they opened the doors in 1968," Hubbard said. "Actually, about a year and a half before that. Coach (Lou) Henson brought me over from the athletic department to be the business

manager. Our first big concert was Ike and Tina Turner in 1970."

Hubbard, who is still a dynamo at age 83, has been responsible for an incredible list of talented musicians and other enriching acts. The recent hour-and-a-half sell out of tickets for the March 25 George Strait and Reba McEntire show proves that, according to Hubbard, "we are still a market here. It upsets me that we are still considered tertiary."

Despite that ranking, the Pan Am is still able to draw big names. Hubbard has some impressive acts in the pipeline, but can't mention them until they are final. Let's just say they are some really big names in the rock and country music world. That latter genre is still one where she has a lot of pull.

"Mother" Hubbard (a nickname given to her by none other than Bob Hope) has some great memories to share about her career. She remembers presenting Neil Diamond and Olivia Newton John only four days apart. There was Chicago, ZZ Top and Lawrence Welk.

"I wasn't worried about the show

so much as I was about old people having a heart attack getting up and down the stairs," she said.

There was concern about machine guns being fired onstage during an early KISS show and a bomb scare during Prince's Purple Rain concert.

Hubbard's proudest accomplishment is the American Collegiate Talent Showcase – established with Hope as the "Bob Hope Search for the Top in Collegiate Talent" – which offers scholarships across the country to talented performers and behind the scenes workers. ACTS has established 15 endowments at NMSU.

Director of Special Events Scott Breckner gives credit to his staff and the crews at Pan Am for keeping the big shows running smoothly.

"As a performance venue, we have some limitations, such as the tunnel access to the main floor," Breckner said. "But despite them, the people on the operation side make it work. For example, when we had Trans Siberian Orchestra here this last year, we had multiple trucks and a tight timeline with two shows in one day.

But they got it done."

Breckner said Special Events is hoping to secure funding to enable them to purchase critical performance apparatus, such as motorized grids and additional curtaining so a Broadway series with three or four shows a year can be presented.

"That additional equipment will allow us to make it more cost effective," he said. "That keeps our price point low and shows like that will be more affordable for the public."

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FRIDAY EVENING		MARCH 18, 2011													
		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
PBS	22	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)	World	Wash.	McL'ghlin	Need to Know (N)	Rock, Pop and Doo Wop (My Music)	World	T. Smiley					
CBS	3	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament													
ABC	7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	Supernanny (CC)	Primetime: What	20/20 (N) (CC)	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live				
FOX	8	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	Kitchen Nightmares	Fringe "Stowaway"	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb			
NBC	9	News (N)	News	News (N)	Lopez	Who Do You	Dateline NBC (In Stereo) (CC)	News (N)	Jay Leno	Late					
CW	14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	Smallville (CC)	Supernatural (CC)	The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU	Access			
WGN	15	Chris	Chris	Chris	Chris	Mother	Mother	WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Scrubs	South Pk	South Pk	Entou	Curb	
ESPN	26	Winter X Games	Winter X Games												
ESPN2	27	NFL Live	Boxing	30 for 30	Boxing	Friday Night Fights. (Live) (CC)	WTA Tennis								
USA	31	NCIS (CC)	NCIS (CC)	NCIS (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene	CSI: Crime Scene	NCIS (CC)	** "Rendition"							
TNT	32	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament													
TBS	33	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament													
COM	35	Daily	Colbert	Comedy	Dave	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	The Comedy Central Roast	Give it up/Giraldo	South Pk	(:04) "Clerks II" (PA)				
LIFE	39	Pawn	Pawn	Reba	Reba	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Reba	Reba	Mother	Chris	Chris	Will	Will	
FOOD	40	Iron Chef America	Chopped	Diners	Diners	Food	Best	Unwrap	Unwrap	Diners	Diners	Food	Best		
HGTV	41	Hunters	House	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters		
A&E	43	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Breakout Kings	(:01) Criminal Minds	(:01) Criminal Minds	Pawn	Pawn				
HIST	44	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Pawn	Pawn	American Pickers	Brad Meltzer's Dec.								
TLC	45	Cupcake	Cupcake	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Cupcake	Cupcake	Say Yes	Say Yes	Cupcake	Cupcake	Say Yes	Say Yes
DISC	47	Gold Rush: Alaska	Gold Rush: Alaska	Flying Wild Alaska	American Loggers	Gold Rush: Alaska	Flying Wild Alaska	American Loggers							
ANPL	50	I Shouldn't Be Alive	Fatal Attractions	Fatal Attractions	Confessions	Fatal Attractions	Confessions	Fatal Attractions	Confessions	Fatal Attractions					
FAM	51	** "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" (2002, Fantasy)	Daniel Radcliffe.	The 700 Club (N)	Whose? Whose?	Whose? Whose?	Whose? Whose?	Whose? Whose?	Whose? Whose?	Whose? Whose?	Whose? Whose?	Whose? Whose?	Whose? Whose?	Whose? Whose?	
DISN	52	Deck	Deck	Deck	Deck	Hannah	Good	Shake it	Wizards	Deck	Fish	Wizards-Place	Deck	Deck	
NICK	54	"Best Player" (2011)	Jerry Trainor. (CC)	** "Ghostbusters" (1984)	Bill Murray. (CC)	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	George	Lopez					
AMC	57	"Croc. Dundee 2"	** "The Birdcage" (1996)	(:15) ** "Deep Blue Sea" (1999)	Thomas Jane.	"Return to House"									
SYFY	59	(4:00) "See No Evil"	WWE Friday Night SmackDown! (N) (CC)	Merlin (N) (CC)	Being Human	Merlin (N) (CC)	Stargate SG-1								
CNN	62	John King, USA (N)	In the Arena (N)	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360 (N) (CC)	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper								
CNBC	63	The Kudlow Report	The Celebrity Apprentice "Child's Play"	America's	Mad Money	The Celebrity Apprentice "Child's Play"									
MSNBC	64	Hardball Matthews	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	Lockup: Raw	Lockup	Lockup: Raw	Lockup: Raw							

SATURDAY MORNING		MARCH 19, 2011													
		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30		
PBS	22	PBS NewsHour (CC)	Suze Orman's Money Class	Financial strategies.	Change Your Home & Life!	Kickstart Your Health-Neil Barnhard									
CBS	3	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	The Early Show (N) (In Stereo) (CC)	Busytown	Busytown	Doodlebop	Trollz (E)	College Basketball						
ABC	7	Sports	Reporter	Good Morning El Paso	Good Morning America	Busytown	Busytown	Doodlebop	Trollz (E)	College Basketball					
FOX	8	Dual Saw	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Icons	Paid Prog.	House	Skin	Osmond	Marketpl	Marketpl	Cook		
NBC	9	Paid Prog.	Faith Ave	Today Prince William visits	Australia. (N) (CC)	Turbo	Sheldon	Magic Bus	Babar (E)	Willia's	Pearlie (E)				
CW	14	(3:00) Storm Track Weather	24/7	Magi	Magi	Sonic X	Sonic X	Yu-Gi-Oh!	Sonic X	Dragon	Dragon				
WGN	15	Paid Prog.	Emergency	Total Gym	Lifelock	In the Heat of the Night	In the Heat of the Night	Walker, Texas Ranger	Walker, Texas Ranger						
ESPN	26	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (CC)	College Basketball									
ESPN2	27	NBA	GameDay	Scoreboard	English Premier League Soccer	Women's College Basketball									
USA	31	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Fairly Legal (CC)	NCIS "Enigma" (CC)	NCIS "Bete Noir" (CC)	NCIS "Kill Ari" (CC)						
TNT	32	Law & Order (In Stereo)	Law & Order "Thin Ice"	Men of a Certain Age	The Closer (CC)	Law & Order (In Stereo)									
TBS	33	Harvey	Harvey	Yes, Dear	Yes, Dear	Yes, Dear	** "Deliver Us From Eva" (2003)	LL Cool J.	(:45) * "College Road Trip" (2008)						
COM	35	Spinning	Take It Off!	Bill Engvall	John Caparulo	Juston McKinney	Bill Engvall	Comedy	Jon Reep						
LIFE	39	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Sexy	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	No Diets!	Paid Prog.	Meaningful	** "Baby for Sale" (2004)	Dana Delany. (CC)				
FOOD	40	Ultimate	Grill It!	Big Daddy	Giada	Day Off	Good Eats	30-Minute	Ingrd. Fix	Paula	Home	Secrets	Secrets		
HGTV	41	Sweat Equ.	Over, Head	Holmes Inspection	Holmes on Homes	Disaster	Disaster	Crashers	Income	Designed	To Sell				
A&E	43	My Ghost Story (CC)	Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Flip This House (CC)	Flip This House (CC)						
HIST	44	Heavy Metal (CC)	Making a Buck (CC)	Fort Knox: Secrets Revealed (CC)	Seven Deadly Sins										
TLC	45	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Making a Buck (CC)	Property Ladder (CC)	Property Ladder (CC)	Property Ladder (CC)	Property Ladder (CC)	Property Ladder (CC)	Property Ladder (CC)	Property Ladder (CC)				
DISC	47	KettleBell	Get Ripped	Discovery Channel CME	Dirty Jobs "Tar Rigger"	Cook County Jail (CC)	Behind Bars (CC)	Cops & Coyotes (CC)							
ANPL	50	Dog Show: AKC National Championship	Cats 101 (CC)	Cats 101 (CC)	Cats 101 (CC)	Cats 101 (CC)	Cats 101 (CC)	Cats 101 (CC)							
FAM	51	* "Billy Madison" (1995)	Adam Sandler.	** "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" (2001)	Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint.	Harry P									
DISN	52	Charlie	Little	Movers	Chugging	Jungle	Never Land	Never Land	Never Land	Never Land	Phineas	Phineas			
NICK	54	Parents	Planet	T.U.F.F.	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Penguins	Penguins	Power	SpongeBob		
AMC	57	Paid Prog.	Bed	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Stooges	** "The Undeclared" (1969, Western)	John Wayne. (CC)	"The Comancheros"						
SYFY	59	WEN Hair	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Million \$	** "Stay Alive" (2006, Horror)	"Headless Horseman" (2007)	Richard Moll. (CC)	Children						
CNN	62	Saturday	Gupta	CNN Saturday Morning	Bottom	Newsroom	Newsroom	Newsroom	Newsroom						
CNBC	63	Acne	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	TRIALaser	Get Hot!	Twist	Sexy	Paid Prog.	Take It Off!	Paid Prog.	Get Ripped	Paid Prog.		
MSNBC	64	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	Why Planes Crash					

SATURDAY AFTERNOON		MARCH 19, 2011													
		11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30		
PBS	22	America's Home Cooking: From the Garden (In Stereo) (CC)	This Emotional Life (In Stereo) (CC) (DVS)	Forever											
CBS	3	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball											
ABC	7	Hannah	Suite Life	Tennis BNP Paribas Open, Men's Semifinals. From Indian Wells, Calif. (Live) (CC)	Paid Prog.	Athlete									
FOX	8	Paid Prog.	Eco Co.	Paid Prog.	Traveler	'70s Show	Paid Prog.	Jeannie	* "Pokémon: The First Movie"	Two Men	Two Men				
NBC	9	Pets.TV	3 Wide Life	AAA	Paid Prog.	PGA Tour Golf Transitions Championship, Third Round. (CC)	Memory	Paid Prog.							
CW	14	Yu-Gi-Oh!	Yu-Gi-Oh!	Into Wild	Wild Amer.	Edgemont	Edgemont	Adventures	Adventures	WHAD	Edgemont	Funniest Moments			
WGN	15	Law Order: CI	Law Order: CI	Law Order: CI	MLB Preseason Baseball	Chicago Cubs at San Diego Padres. (CC)									
ESPN	26	NASCAR Countdown	NASCAR Racing Nationwide Series: Scotts Turf Builder 300.	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCtr									
ESPN2	27	Scoreboard	Women's College Basketball	Scoreboard	Women's College Basketball	Scoreboard	Basketball								
USA	31	NCIS "Kill Ari" (CC)	NCIS "Honor Code"	NCIS "Bait" (CC)	NCIS "Hiatus" (CC)	NCIS "Hiatus" (CC)	NCIS "Shalom" (CC)								
TNT	32	** "Kill Bill: Vol. 1" (2003)	Uma Thurman.	(:15) ** "Kill Bill: Vol. 2" (2004)	Uma Thurman, David Carradine. (CC)	College Basketball									
TBS	33	Coll Road	** "Guess Who" (2005, Comedy)	Bernie Mac.	Jim	Raymond	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	King	King					
COM	35	Jon Reep	Larry/Cable	** "Blue Collar Comedy Tour: The Movie"	* "Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector" (CC)	Foxworthy									
LIFE	39	"Her Only Child" (2008)	Nicholle Tom. (CC)	"Lies My Mother Told Me" (2005)	"Not My Life" (2006)	Meredith Monroe. (CC)									
FOOD	40	Contessa	Giada	Chopped All-Stars	Chopped	Cupcake Wars	Iron Chef America	Challenge							
HGTV	41	Unsellable	Get It Sold	Curb/Block	Design	Colour	Bang, Buck	Candice	Sarah	Genevieve	Color Spl.	To Sell	House		
A&E	43	Flip House	** "Broken Arrow" (1996, Action)	John Travolta. (CC)	Intervention (CC)	Intervention "Jenna"	Intervention "Benny"								
HIST	44	Sec.- Dollar Bill	Making a Buck (CC)	Fort Knox: Secrets Revealed (CC)	Seven Deadly Sins										
TLC	45	Babies Behind Bars	Babies Behind Bars	Cellblock 6	Cellblock 6	Cellblock 6	Cellblock 6	Cellblock 6	Cellblock 6	Cellblock 6	Cellblock 6	Cellblock 6			
DISC	47	Cops & Coyotes (CC)	Texas Drug Wars (CC)	Heroin Nation (CC)	Almost, Away	Almost, Away	Gold Rush: Alaska								
ANPL	50	Cats 101 (CC)	America's Cutest Cat	Must Love Cats (CC)	Must Love Cats (CC)	Must Love Cats (CC)	Must Love Cats (CC)	Must Love Cats (CC)							
FAM	51	(10:30) ** "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" (2002)	Daniel Radcliffe.	** "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" (2004)											
DISN	52	Phineas	Fish Hooks	Suite/Deck	Wizards	Wizards	Good Luck	Shake It	Hannah	Hannah	Shake It	Shake It			
NICK	54	iCarly	iCarly	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Big Time	Big Time	Victorious	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob			
AMC	57	(10:00) ** "The Comancheros"	** "High Plains Drifter" (1973)	Clint Eastwood. (CC)	** "Tombstone" (1993)	Kurt Russell. (CC)									
SYFY	59	(10:30) "Children of the Corn" (2009)	** "Splinter" (2008)	Shea Whigham. (CC)	** "Silent Hill" (2006)	Radha Mitchell, Laurie Holden. (CC)									
CNN	62	Your Money	Newsroom	Newsroom	Newsroom	Newsroom	Situation Room								
CNBC	63	Paid Prog.	Salad Chef	Take It Off!	Get Rich	Paid Prog.	Sexy	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	WEN Hair	Paid Prog.	Bikini Beach			
MSNBC	64	Why Planes Crash: Fire	Vegas Undercover	Vegas Undercover	Spy Who Love	Unlocking the Past	Lockup "Louisiana"								

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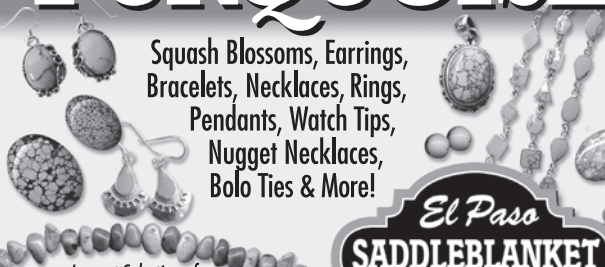
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PBS 22	(4:30) Forever Plaid	Fiesta Mexicana (In Stereo) [CC]					American Masters (In Stereo) [CC]			Great Performances [CC]				
CBS 3	Basket	College Basketball					Jeopardy	Wheel	48 Hours Mystery	News	Extra (N) [CC]		Judge J.	
ABC 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Insider	Wipeout [CC]		* "Norbit" (2007) Eddie Murphy. [CC]			ABC 7	(:35) Cheaters [CC]		Ent	
FOX 8	House [CC]		The Unit [CC]		Cops (N)	Cops	Amer. Most Wanted	Seinfeld		(:05) Fringe [CC]		Fame	Office	
NBC 9	Raymond	News	News (N)	Lopez	Harry's Law [CC]		Law-Order L.A.	Law & Order: SVU		News (N)	(:29) Saturday Night Live [CC]			
CW 14	** "Three Amigos!" (1986, Western)				** "Dancing at Lughnasa" (1998)			The Hills	The Hills	Chris	Payne	South Pk	South Pk	
WGN 15	Bones [CC]		Bones [CC]		Funny Home Videos		WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Mother	South Pk	South Pk	Entou	Curb	
ESPN 26	SportsCtr	College Wrestling	NCAA Championships, Final. (Live) [CC]				SportsCenter (Live) [CC]			Scoreboard		SportsCenter [CC]		
ESPN2 27	Women's College Basketball	Score.	2010 Poker - Europe		Baseball Tonight (N)		NHRA Drag Racing			NHRA	Boston	NBA	Poker	
USA 31	NCIS "Iceman"	NCIS "Ex-File"	NCIS "Knockout"		NCIS "Heartland"		** "Hostage" (2005)			Bruce Willis. [CC]		Law Order: CI		
TNT 32	College Basketball	College Basketball					*** "Kill Bill: Vol. 1" (2003) [CC]			Post	"The Bourne Supremacy" [CC]			
TBS 33	College Basketball	College Basketball			College Basketball					Jeff Foxworthy	"Blue Collar"			
COM 35	Foxwor	Larry/Cable		Jeff Dunham: Spark of Insanity	* "Joe Dirt" (2001) David Spade. [CC]									
LIFE 39	*** "Anywhere but Here" (1999) [CC]			** "The Secret Life of Bees" (2008) Premiere.			Coming Home		One Born Ev.		Mother			
FOOD 40	Bobby's Ireland	Challenge		Diners	Diners	Unwrap	Best	Iron Chef America	Diners	Diners	Unwrap	Best		
HGTV 41	Hunters	Candice	Dream	Cash,	Secrets	Antonio	House	Hunters	Hunters	Secrets	Antonio	House	House	
A&E 43	Intervention "Erin"	Intervention [CC]		Intervention [CC]	Intervention "Jamie"			Intervention [CC]		(:01) Intervention		(:01) Intervention		
HIST 44	Sec. Dollar Bill	Underwater U.		Underwater U.			Underwater U.		Underwater U.		Underwater U.		Underwater U.	
TLC 45	Dateline: Real Life	Dateline: Real Life		Dateline: Real Life			Dateline: Real Life		Dateline: Real Life		Dateline: Real Life		Dateline: Real Life	
DISC 47	Gold Rush: Alaska	Gold Rush: Alaska		Gold Rush: Alaska			Gold Rush: Alaska		Gold Rush: Alaska		Gold Rush: Alaska		Gold Rush: Alaska	
ANPL 50	Must Love Cats	Must Love Cats		Pit Boss XL (N)			Pit Boss (N)		Pit Boss XL		Pit Boss (In Stereo)		Must Love Cats	
FAM 51	Harry	*** "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" (2005) Daniel Radcliffe.					* "Billy Madison" (1995) Adam Sandler.			Prince	Prince			
DISN 52	Shake It	Shake It	Wizards	Wizards	Hannah	Hannah	Deck	Deck	Wizards	Deck	Good	Shake it	Shake It	Shake It
NICK 54	iCarly	iCarly	iCarly (N)	Dancing	Jackson	Victo	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny
AMC 57	(3:00) "Tombstone"	*** "Speed" (1994, Action) Keanu Reeves. [CC]			*** "Speed" (1994, Action) Keanu Reeves. [CC]				*** "Speed" (1994, Action) Keanu Reeves. [CC]				"Demolition Man"	
SYFY 59	"Population 436" (2006) Jeremy Sisto.	"The Texas Chainsaw Massacre"					*** "Wrong Turn 2: Dead End" (2007)						"Joy Ride 2"	
CNN 62	Newsroom	Murder in Mexico		Piers Morgan	Newsroom		Murder in Mexico		Piers Morgan		Newsroom			
CNBC 63	Money in Millions	American Greed		Suze Orman Show	Debt/Part	Debt/Part	American Greed		Suze Orman Show		Debt/Part	Debt/Part		
MSNBC 64	Lockup	Lockup: Raw		Lockup: Raw	Lockup Orange		Lockup: Raw		Lockup: Raw		Lockup: Raw		The Squeeze (N)	

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	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	
PBS 22	Great Performances	Women's Bodies, Women's Wisdom					Brain Fitness: Peak Performance		Legislators	Money Class			
CBS 3	Home.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Bondage	CBS News Sunday Morning (N)		The Nation		Nieman	Paid Prog.	College Basketball		
ABC 7	Business	Wall Street	Good Morning El Paso		Good Morning America		Good Morning El Paso		This Week-Amanpour	Memory	Auto Rac'g		
FOX 8	Paid Prog.	magicJack	Paid Prog.	Bndg Brkr	Abndnt L	Paid Prog.	Fox News Sunday		Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Funniest	NASCAR	
NBC 9	In Wine	Old House	Today (N) [CC]		Skin	Church	Shirt Off!	Get Hot!	Meet the Press (N)		Mthws	Hockey	
CW 14	(2:30) Storm Track Weather 24/7				Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	
WGN 15	Winston	Facts	Key/David	Beyond	Lifelock	Oreck	Funniest Home Videos		** "The Arrival" (1996) Charlie Sheen. [CC]				
ESPN 26	SportsCenter [CC]		SportsCenter [CC]		Outside	Reporters	SportsCenter [CC]		College Basketball				
ESPN2 27	GameDay Scoreboard	Bassmasters [CC]	NASCAR Now [CC]		Outside	Reporters	SportsCtr		Hockey		Wm. Basketball		
USA 31	Get Hot!	Paid Prog.	Fat Loss	J. Osteen	*** "Juno" (2007) Ellen Page, Michael Cera. [CC]		** "The Break-Up" (2006) [CC]						
TNT 32	Law & Order "Bitch"	Law & Order (In Stereo)	Law & Order "Monster"	Law & Order "Remand"			Law & Order (In Stereo)		** "Step Up" (2006)				
TBS 33	*** "Lethal Weapon 3" (1992, Action) Mel Gibson. [CC]		** "Lethal Weapon 4" (1998, Action) Mel Gibson. [CC]				"Bourne Suprm."						
COM 35	Hot Bodies of 2011	Henry Cho		* "Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector" [CC]			** "Blue Collar Comedy Tour: The Movie"						
LIFE 39	In Touch	Hour of Power [CC]		J. Osteen	Paid Prog.	Chris	Chris		"Hush Little Baby" (2007) Victoria Pratt. [CC]				
FOOD 40	Boitano	Day Off	Secrets	Nigella	Rachael Ray's	Dinners	Guy's, Bite		Cooking	Money	Chopped		
HGTV 41	Kitchen	Sweat Equ.	Holmes on Homes		Holmes Inspection	Over Head	Disaster		Yard	Outdoor	House	Hunters	
A&E 43	Biography [CC]	Biography [CC]		Private Sessions [CC]		*** "Cliffhanger" (1993) Sylvester Stallone.			The Sopranos [CC]				
HIST 44	Modern Marvels [CC]	Modern Marvels [CC]		Modern Marvels [CC]		Ancient Discoveries		Ancient Discoveries		Ancient Discoveries			
TLC 45	Dr. Frederick K.C. Price	Paid Prog.	Sexy	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	
DISC 47	Paid Prog.	Jentezen	J. Osteen	In Touch	Dirty Jobs [CC]		Man vs. Wild "Yukon"		American Loggers		Flying Wild Alaska		
ANPL 50	Animals	Animals	Funniest Animals		Me or Dog	Me or Dog	It's Me or the Dog		Wild Kingdom [CC]		Wild Kingdom		
FAM 51	*** "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" (2001) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint.		*** "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" (2002)										
DISN 52	Charlie	Little	Movers	Chugging	Never Land	Never Land	Never Land	Never Land	Never Land	Never Land	Phineas	Phineas	
NICK 54	Parents	Planet	Penguins	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	T.U.F.F.	T.U.F.F.	Power	SpongeBob	
AMC 57	Stooges	Stooges	Stooges	Stooges	Stooges	Stooges	Stooges	** "Pitch Black" (2000) Radha Mitchell, Vin Diesel. [CC]					
SYFY 59	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	"Boogeyman 2" (2007, Horror) Tobin Bell. [CC]		"The Seamstress" (2009) Lance Henriksen. [CC]		Reliable Sources [CC]		State of the Union		
CNN 62	Newsroom	Gupta	CNN Sunday Morning	State of the Union	Fareed Zakaria GPS		Take It Off! [Paid Prog.]		TRIALaser		Paid Prog.		
CNBC 63	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Oreck	Sexy Abs	Twist	Get Ripped	Paid Prog.	Sexy					
MSNBC 64	Hardball	Business	MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		Dead Men Talking: Trail

SUNDAY AFTERNOON MARCH 20, 2011

	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30
PBS 22	Money Class		Eat & Cook Healthy! With Dr. John		Art Wolfe's Travels to Edge				Fiesta Mexicana (In Stereo) [CC]			
CBS 3	College Basketball		College Basketball		College Basketball				College Basketball			
ABC 7	Auto Racing		Tennis BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Finals. From Indian Wells, Calif. (Live) [CC]						Entertainment Tonight			
FOX 8	(10:30) NASCAR Racing	Sprint Cup Series: Jeff Byrd 500. (In Stereo Live) [CC]			* "Pokémon: The First Movie"				Deadliest Catch [CC]			
NBC 9	NHL Hockey: Rangers at Penguins		PGA Tour Golf Transitions Championship, Final Round. [CC]						Paid Prog.	Smile		
CW 14	Edgemont	Edgemont	Funniest Moments		Storm	Storms	Kickin' It (N) [CC]		Latino TV	LatNation	Smash Cut	Smash Cut
WGN 15	*** "Rescue Dawn" (2006) Christian Bale.		The Unit [CC]				MLB Preseason Baseball		Los Angeles Dodgers at Chicago White Sox.			
ESPN 26	Baseball	Billiards	Billiards		Billiards		2010 World Series of Poker [CC]		SportsCenter [CC]			
ESPN2 27	Wm. Basketball	Scoreboard	Women's College Basketball				Scoreboard		Women's College Basketball			
USA 31	(9:30) "The Break-Up"	*** "Sex and the City" (2008) Sarah Jessica Parker, Kim Cattrall. [CC]			Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU					
TNT 32	(10:00) ** "Step Up"	** "Step Up 2 the Streets" (2008, Drama) [CC]		** "Stomp the Yard" (2007) Columbus Short.			College Basketball					
TBS 33	"Bourne Suprm."	(:15) ** "Four Brothers" (2005) Mark Wahlberg. [CC]		** "Shooter" (2007) Mark Wahlberg, Michael Peña. [CC]								
COM 35	** "Blue Collar Comedy Tour Rides Again" (2004) [CC]		** "Blue Collar Comedy Tour: One for the Road" (2006) [CC]		** "Joe Dirt" (2001)							
LIFE 39	** "The Perfect Bride" (1991) Sammi Davis.		"Love's Deadly Triangle: Texas Cadet Murder"		"Do You Know Me" (2009) Rachelle Lefevre. [CC]							
FOOD 40	Restaurant: Impossible	Best Thing	Unwrapped		Diners	Diners	Meat	Candy	Cupcake Wars		Ice Brigade	Food
HGTV 41	My First	First Place	Estate	Selling NY	Bang, Buck	Get It Sold	House	Hunters	For Rent	Unsellable	RV 2011 [CC]	
A&E 43	The Sopranos [CC]	The Sopranos "D-Girl"		Breakout Kings "Pilot"		Breakout Kings [CC]		Criminal Minds [CC]		Criminal Minds [CC]		
HIST 44	Ancient Discoveries	Art of War Epic battles. [CC]		WWII In HD: The Air War [CC]							Ax Men "Tipping Point"	
TLC 45	Lottery Changed	Lottery Changed		Lottery Changed		Lottery Changed		Lottery Changed		Lottery Changed		
DISC 47	Sons	Sons	Desert Car Kings [CC]		Desert Car Kings [CC]		Man vs. Wild [CC]		Man vs. Wild [CC]		Auction	Auction
ANPL 50	Fatal Attractions	Fatal Attractions [CC]		Fatal Attractions [CC]		Fatal Attractions [CC]		I'm Alive [CC]		I'm Alive [CC]		
FAM 51	"Harry Potter-Chamber"		*** "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" (2004) Rupert Grint		"Harry Potter-Goblet of Fire"							
DISN 52	Phineas	Fish Hooks	Suite/Deck	Suite/Deck	Wizards	Wizards	Good Luck	Shake It	Hannah	Hannah	Sonny	Sonny
NICK 54	"Best Player" (2011) Jerry Trainor. (In Stereo)		SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Big Time	Victorious	iCarly	iCarly
AMC 57	** "The Chronicles of Riddick" (2004) Vin Diesel. [CC]		** "Exit Wounds" (2001) Steven Seagal. [CC]		** "Demolition Man" (1993) [CC]							
SYFY 59	** "See No Evil" (2006, Horror) Kane. [CC]		** "The Prophecy" (1995) Christopher Walken.		** "Kill Theory" (2009, Horror) Don McManus.							
CNN 62	Fareed Zakaria GPS	Newsroom		Your Money		Newsroom		Newsroom		Newsroom		
CNBC 63	Paid Prog.	Get Ripped	Million \$	Get Hot!	Meals!	Paid Prog.	Quit Your Job!		WEN Hair	Paid Prog.	Bikini Beach	
MSNBC 64	Dead Men Talk	Meet the Press [CC]		They Run		They Run	The Crossbow Incident		Deadly Secret		Caught on Camera	

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		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
PBS	22	National Geographic	Best of Pledge												
CBS	3	Cars.TV	News	60 Minutes (N)	The Amazing Race	Undercover Boss	CSI: Miami (N)	News	Cold Case	Paid					
ABC	7	News (N)	ABC	Funny Home Videos	Secret Millionaire	Shark Tank (N)	Detroit 1-8-7	News (N)	News	Insider	Betty				
FOX	8	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Simpsons/American	Simpsons/Burgers	Fam. Guy/Cleve	KFOX News at Nine	Seinfeld	Mother	Office					
NBC	9	News	News	Dateline NBC	America's	The Celebrity Apprentice (N)	News	Lopez	Nieman	WEN Hair					
CW	14	** "Dark Blue" (2002)	Kurt Russell.	** "Stay" (2005)	Ewan McGregor.	Access Hollywood	Ugly Betty	Brothers & Sisters							
WGN	15	Vault	Chris	Chris	Mother	Mother	Mother	Monk	Monk	Monk					
ESPN	26	SportsCenter	30 for 30	30 for 30	Baseball Tonight	SportsCenter (Live)	SportsCenter								
ESPN2	27	Score.	Women's College Basketball	Score.	2010 Poker	2010 Poker	Scoreboard	Boston	Fab Five						
USA	31	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	*** "Sex and the City" (2008)								
TNT	32	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	Leverage	Leverage	"Stomp the Yard"							
TBS	33	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	Post	** "Shooter" (2007)								
COM	35	(4:00) * "Joe Dirt"	** "Walk Hard: The Dewey Cox Story"	The Comedy Central	Roast	South Pk	Tosh.0	"Walk Hard: Dewey Cox"							
LIFE	39	"Sandra Brown's Smoke Screen" (2010)	Army Wives (N)	Coming Home (N)	Army Wives	Coming Home	Mother	Mother							
FOOD	40	Chopped All-Stars	Challenge (N)	Chopped All-Stars	Iron Chef America	Cupcake Wars	Chopped All-Stars	Iron Chef America							
HGTV	41	Hunters	House	Holmes	Holmes Inspection	House	Hunters	Income							
A&E	43	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Breakout Kings (N)	Breakout Kings	(:01) Criminal Minds	(:01) Criminal Minds							
HIST	44	Ax Men	Ax Men	Ax Men (N)	American Pickers	Top Shot	(:01) Ax Men	(:01) Ax Men							
TLC	45	Lottery Changed	Sister Wives	Sister Wives (N)	Cleaners	Cleaners	Sister Wives	Cleaners	Cleaners	Sister Wives					
DISC	47	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction					
ANPL	50	I'm Alive (In Stereo)	River Monsters	River Monsters	Taking on Tyson (N)	River Monsters	Taking on Tyson	River Monsters							
FAM	51	"Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire"	*** "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" (2007)	J. Osteen	Ed Young	Zola Lev	Paid								
DISN	52	Sonny	Good	Wizards	Wizards	Deck	Deck	Good	Shake It	Deck	Wizards	Sonny	Sonny		
NICK	54	iCarly	iCarly	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny		
AMC	57	"Demolition Man"	*** "Speed" (1994, Action)	Keanu Reeves.	*** "Speed" (1994, Action)	Keanu Reeves.	*** "Speed" (1994, Action)	Keanu Reeves.	"Chronicles-Ridd"						
SYFY	59	* "Joy Ride 2: Dead Ahead" (2008)	*** "Identity" (2003)	John Cusack.	** "Toolbox Murders" (2004)	** "The Graves"									
CNN	62	Newsroom	Ronald Reagan	Piers Morgan	Newsroom	Ronald Reagan	Piers Morgan	Newsroom							
CNBC	63	Diabetes	Wall St.	Crime Inc.	Mexico's Drug War	Liquid Assets	Crackberry'd	American Greed							
MSNBC	64	Caught on Camera	Caught on Camera	The Desperate Hours	To Catch a Predator	To Catch a Predator	Vegas Homicide								

MONDAY EVENING		MARCH 21, 2011													
		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
PBS	22	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)	World	Antiques Roadshow	American Exp.	"Who Does She"	Charlie Rose (N)	World	T. Smiley					
CBS	3	News	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	Mother	Mad	Two Men	Mike	Hawaii Five-0 (N)	News	Letterman	Late		
ABC	7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	Dancing With the Stars (In Stereo)	(:02) Castle (N)	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live					
FOX	8	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	House (N)	The Chicago Code	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb			
NBC	9	News (N)	News	News (N)	Lopez	Chuck (N)	The Event (N)	Harry's Law (N)	News (N)	Jay Leno	Late				
CW	14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	90210	Gossip Girl	The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU	Access			
WGN	15	Funny Home Videos	Chris	Chris	Funny Home Videos	WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Scrubs	South Pk	South Pk	Entou	Curb			
ESPN	26	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	SportsCenter	NFL Live	NBA	SportsCenter					
ESPN2	27	Women's College Basketball	Women's College Basketball	Women's College Basketball	Women's College Basketball	Women's College Basketball	College Basketball	Scoreb'd							
USA	31	NCIS	NCIS "Missing"	WWE Monday Night RAW	Law & Order: SVU	"Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines"	CSI: NY	CSI: NY							
TNT	32	Bones	Bones	Bones	The Closer	Hawthorne	CSI: NY	CSI: NY							
TBS	33	King	King	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Conan (N)	Lopez Tonight (N)	Conan					
COM	35	*** "American Pie" (1999)	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Daily	Colbert	The Comedy Central	Roast	Daily				
LIFE	39	(4:30) *** "One True Thing" (1998)	** "Raising Helen" (2004)	Kate Hudson.	Mother	Chris	Mother	Will	Will						
FOOD	40	Iron Chef America	Unwrap	Candy	Diners	Diners	Meat	Best	Ice Briga.	Good Eat	Diners	Diners	Meat		
HGTV	41	Hunters	House	Property	Property	Hunters	House	Hunters	First Pla.	First Pla.	Property	Hunters	House		
A&E	43	The First 48	Intervention	Intervention	Heavy "Mark; Patty"	Heavy "Stacia; Tim"	(:01) Intervention	(:01) Intervention							
HIST	44	American Pickers	Pawn	American Pickers	Pawn	American Pickers	Pawn	Pawn	American Pickers	Pawn	Pawn	American Pickers			
TLC	45	Outra	Outra	Cake	Cake	Cake	19 Kids	Cake	Cake	Cake	Cake	19 Kids			
DISC	47	Two Weeks in Hell	Two Weeks in Hell	Secret Service	Bermuda Triangle	Surviving the Cut	Secret Service	Bermuda Triangle	Secret Service	Bermuda Triangle					
ANPL	50	Untamed and Uncut	I'm Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I'm Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive					
FAM	51	Pretty Little Liars	Pretty Little Liars	Secret-Teen	Pretty Little Liars	The 700 Club	Whose?	Whose?	Paid	Paid					
DISN	52	Shake It	Shake It	Shake It	Good	Phineas	Phineas	** "Chicken Little" (2005)	Deck	Phineas	Phineas				
NICK	54	iCarly	Sponge.	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Lopez	Lopez		
AMC	57	* "Money Train"	*** "Speed" (1994, Action)	Keanu Reeves.	*** "Speed" (1994, Action)	Keanu Reeves.	*** "Speed" (1994, Action)	Keanu Reeves.	* "Money Train"						
SYFY	59	(4:00) "The Cave"	Being Human	Being Human (N)	Stargate Universe	Being Human	Stargate Universe	Stargate Universe	Stargate SG-1						
CNN	62	John King, USA (N)	In the Arena (N)	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper							
CNBC	63	The Kudlow Report	Coca-Cola	Biography on CNBC	Biography on CNBC	Mad Money	Biography on CNBC	Biography on CNBC							
MSNBC	64	Hardball Matthews	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show							

TUESDAY EVENING		MARCH 22, 2011													
		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
PBS	22	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)	World	Ferrets: Pursuit	Frontline (In Stereo)	Independent Lens	Charlie Rose (N)	World	T. Smiley					
CBS	3	News	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	NCIS (N) (In Stereo)	NCIS: Los Angeles	The Good Wife (N)	News	Letterman	Late				
ABC	7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	No Ordinary Family	Best in Film: The Greatest Movies of Our	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live					
FOX	8	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	Glee	Raising	Traffic	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb		
NBC	9	News (N)	News	News (N)	Lopez	The Biggest Loser (N) (In Stereo)	Parenthood	News (N)	Jay Leno	Late					
CW	14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	One Tree Hill	Hellcats	The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU	Access			
WGN	15	Funny Home Videos	Chris	Chris	Mother	Mother	WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Scrubs	South Pk	South Pk	Entou	Curb		
ESPN	26	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	SportsCenter	NFL Live	Scoreb'd	SportsCenter					
ESPN2	27	Women's College Basketball	Women's College Basketball	Women's College Basketball	Women's College Basketball	Women's College Basketball	Score.	SportsNation	NBA	NASCAR					
USA	31	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Fairly Legal	CSI: Crime Scene						
TNT	32	Bones	NBA Basketball	Chicago Bulls at Atlanta Hawks.	NBA Basketball: Suns at Lakers	Inside the NBA									
TBS	33	King	King	Office	Office	Office	Office	Conan (N)	Lopez Tonight (N)	Conan					
COM	35	Daily	Colbert	Jeff Dunham	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Futurama			
LIFE	39	Pawn	Pawn	American Pickers	American Pickers	One Born Ev.	Four	Four	Chris	Mother	Will	Will			
FOOD	40	Iron Chef America	Cupcake Wars	Cupcake Wars	Chopped	Chopped	Challenge	Cupcake Wars	Chopped						
HGTV	41	Hunters	House	First Pla.	First Pla.	Selling	Property	Property	First Pla.	Selling	House	Hunters			
A&E	43	The First 48	The First 48	The First 48	The First 48	The First 48	The First 48	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48						
HIST	44	Modern Marvels	Pawn	Pawn	Larry the Cable Guy	Top Shot (N)	Modern Marvels	Pawn	Pawn	Larry the Cable Guy					
TLC	45	19 Kids	19 Kids	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear					
DISC	47	American	American	Auction Kings	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction			
ANPL	50	Human Prey	The Haunted	The Haunted	Fatal Attractions	Fatal Attractions	The Haunted	The Haunted	Fatal Attractions						
FAM	51	Funny Home Videos	Funny Home Videos	Funny Home Videos	Funny Home Videos	The 700 Club	Whose?	Whose?	Paid	Paid					
DISN	52	Fish	Fish	Fish	Fish	Good	Wizards	Phineas	Phineas	"Adventures of Sharkboy"	Deck	Phineas	Phineas		
NICK	54	iCarly	Sponge.	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	George	Nanny	Nanny	Lopez	George		
AMC	57	(3:00) "Tombstone"	*** "The Rainmaker" (1997)	Matt Damon.	Premiere.	*** "The Rainmaker" (1997)	Matt Damon.	Claire Danes.							
SYFY	59	Destination Truth	Destination Truth	Destination Truth	Marcel's Quantum	Destination Truth	Marcel's Quantum	Stargate SG-1							
CNN	62	John King, USA (N)	In the Arena (N)	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper								
CNBC	63	The Kudlow Report	The Facebook	60 Minutes on	60 Minutes on	Mad Money	60 Minutes on	60 Minutes on							
MSNBC	64	Hardball Matthews	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show							

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		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
PBS	22	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)	World	Years of Telescope	NOVA	NOVA	NOVA	Charlie Rose (N)	World	T. Smiley					
CBS	3	News	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	Survivor-Island	Criminal Minds	C.M.: Suspect	News	Letterman	Late					
ABC	7	News (N)	ABC News (N)	Ent	Middle	Middle	Family	Sunshine	Off the Map (N)	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live				
FOX	8	14	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	American Idol	The contestants perform.	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb			
NBC	9	9	News (N)	News (N)	Lopez	Minute to Win It (N)	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU	Access			
CW	14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	Top Model	Shedding for	The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU	Access				
WGN	15	Funny Home Videos	Chris	Chris	Mother	Mother	WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Scrubs	South Pk	South Pk	Entou	Curb			
ESPN	26	SportsCtr	NBA	NBA Basketball	Orlando Magic at New York Knicks.	NBA Basketball	Spurs at Nuggets	SportsCenter	Scorebrd	NASCAR	NBA	Nation				
ESPN2	27	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	Fairly Legal	CSI: Crime Scene	"Man of the Year"						
USA	31	NCIS "Twilight"	NCIS	NCIS	NCIS "Bloodbath"	NCIS "Jeopardy"	Hawthorne	CSI: NY	CSI: NY	CSI: NY						
TNT	32	Bones	Bones	Bones	Bones	Bones	Bones	Hawthorne	CSI: NY	CSI: NY						
TBS	33	King	King	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	There	There	Browns	Payne	Conan (N)	Lopez Tonight (N)	Conan				
COM	35	Daily	Colbert	Chap	Chap	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	Tosh.0	Daily	Colbert	South Pk	Futurama	Futurama Daily		
LIFE	39	Pawn	Pawn	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Coming Home	Coming Home	Mother	Mother	Chris	Mother	Will	Will			
FOOD	40	Iron Chef America	B. Flay	B. Flay	Chopped	All-Stars	Restaurant: Im.	Diners	Diners	Chopped	All-Stars	Restaurant: Im.	Hunters	Hunters		
HGTV	41	Hunters	House	House	Property	House	First Pla.	Hunters	Hunters	House	First Pla.	Hunters	Hunters			
A&E	43	The First 48	Dog Bounty Hunter	Dog Bounty Hunter	Dog Bounty Hunter	Dog Bounty Hunter	Dog Bounty Hunter	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Dog Bounty Hunter	Dog Bounty Hunter			
HIST	44	Modern Marvels	Ancient Aliens	Ancient Aliens	Journey to the Earth's Core (N)	Journey to the Earth's Core (N)	Journey to the Earth's Core (N)	How the Earth	How the Earth	(:01) Ancient Aliens	(:01) Ancient Aliens	Journey to the	Journey to the			
TLC	45	Small People	Sister Wives	Sister Wives	Hoard-Buried	Hoard-Buried	Hoard-Buried	Hoard-Buried	Hoard-Buried	Hoard-Buried	Hoard-Buried	Sister Wives	Sister Wives			
DISC	47	MythBusters	Sons	Sons	Sons	Sons	Desert Car Kings (N)	Sons	Sons	Sons	Sons	Desert Car Kings	Desert Car Kings			
ANPL	50	I'm Alive (In Stereo)	River Monsters	River Monsters	River Monsters	River Monsters	I'm Alive (N)	River Monsters	River Monsters	I'm Alive (In Stereo)	I'm Alive (In Stereo)	River Monsters	River Monsters			
FAM	51	(4:30) *** "Remember the Titans"	*** "Remember the Titans"	*** "Remember the Titans"	*** "Remember the Titans"	*** "Remember the Titans"	*** "Remember the Titans"	*** "Remember the Titans"	*** "Remember the Titans"	*** "Remember the Titans"	*** "Remember the Titans"	*** "Remember the Titans"	*** "Remember the Titans"			
DISN	52	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Shake It	Phineas	Phineas	Phineas	Phineas	Phineas	Phineas	Phineas			
NICK	54	iCarly	Sponge.	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny			
AMC	57	"Once Upon"	*** "Bad Boys" (1995, Action)	Martin Lawrence.	*** "Bad Boys" (1995, Action)	Martin Lawrence.	*** "Bad Boys" (1995, Action)	Martin Lawrence.	*** "Bad Boys" (1995, Action)	Martin Lawrence.	*** "Bad Boys" (1995, Action)	Martin Lawrence.	*** "Bad Boys" (1995, Action)			
SYFY	59	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters (N)	Fact or Faked	Fact or Faked	Ghost Hunters	Fact or Faked	Stargate SG-1	Stargate SG-1	Stargate SG-1	Stargate SG-1			
CNN	62	John King, USA (N)	In the Arena (N)	Piers Morgan	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360			
CNBC	63	The Kudlow Report	MachHEADS	American Greed	American Greed (N)	Mad Money	Mad Money	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed			
MSNBC	64	Hardball Matthews	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)	The Ed Show (N)	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)			

		THURSDAY EVENING												MARCH 24, 2011		
		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
PBS	22	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)	World	News	Field	Globe Trekker	Aviators	NMSU	Charlie Rose (N)	World	T. Smiley				
CBS	3	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball			
ABC	7	News (N)	ABC News (N)	Ent	Wipeout (N)	Wipeout (N)	Grey's Anatomy (N)	Private Practice (N)	Private Practice (N)	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live				
FOX	8	14	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	American Idol	Bones	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb			
NBC	9	9	News (N)	News (N)	Lopez	Commun	Couples	Office	Parks	30 Rock	Out	News (N)	Jay Leno	Late		
CW	14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	The Vampire Diaries	Nikita "Alexandra"	The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU	Access				
WGN	15	Funny Home Videos	WWE Superstars	WWE Superstars	Mother	Mother	WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Scrubs	WWE Superstars	Entou	Curb				
ESPN	26	2010 Poker	2010 Poker	2010 Poker	2010 Poker	2010 Poker	Baseball Tonight	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter			
ESPN2	27	MLB Baseball	Baseball Tonight	Baseball Tonight	MLB Baseball	MLB Baseball	MLB Baseball	NFL Live	NFL Live	NASCAR	NFL Live	Scoreboard	Scoreboard			
USA	31	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Fairly Legal	Fairly Legal	Burn Notice	Burn Notice	Royal Pains	Royal Pains	Fairly Legal	Fairly Legal			
TNT	32	Bones	Bones	Bones	Bones	*** "Failure to Launch" (2006)	CSI: NY	CSI: NY	CSI: NY	CSI: NY	CSI: NY	CSI: NY	CSI: NY			
TBS	33	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball			
COM	35	Daily	Colbert	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	Daily	Colbert	John Oliver	Futurama	Daily		
LIFE	39	Pawn	Pawn	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Mother	Mother	Chris	Chris	Will	Will	
FOOD	40	Iron Chef America	Iron Chef America	Iron Chef America	Diners, Drive	Ice Briga.	Unwrap	Chopped	Chopped	Diners, Drive	Ice Briga.	Unwrap	Unwrap			
HGTV	41	Hunters	House	House	First Pla.	Selling	Selling	House	Hunters	House	Hunters	Selling	Selling	House	Hunters	
A&E	43	The First 48	The First 48	The First 48	The First 48 (N)	Manhun	Manhun	Manhunters	Manhunters	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48			
HIST	44	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Swamp People	Swamp People	Ax Men	Ax Men	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	(:01) Swamp People	(:01) Swamp People			
TLC	45	Police-Dallas	Police Women	Police Women	Police Women	Pawn	Pawn	Police Women	Police Women	Pawn	Pawn	Police Women	Police Women			
DISC	47	Wild: Venezuela	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild (N)	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild			
ANPL	50	Natural World	Bear Feeding	Blonde vs. Bear	Blonde vs. Bear (N)	Blonde vs. Bear	Blonde vs. Bear	Bear Feeding	Bear Feeding	Blonde vs. Bear	Blonde vs. Bear	Blonde vs. Bear	Blonde vs. Bear			
FAM	51	* "Billy Madison" (1995)	Adam Sandler.	** "Happy Gilmore" (1996, Comedy)	** "Happy Gilmore" (1996, Comedy)	The 700 Club	The 700 Club	Whose?	Whose?	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid			
DISN	52	Sonny	Sonny	Sonny	Sonny	Fish	Good	Phineas	Phineas	Deck	Deck	Phineas	Phineas			
NICK	54	iCarly	Sponge.	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny			
AMC	57	"League-Gentle."	** "For Love of the Game" (1999)	Kevin Costner.	** "For Love of the Game" (1999)	Kevin Costner.	** "For Love of the Game" (1999)	Kevin Costner.	** "For Love of the Game" (1999)	Kevin Costner.	** "For Love of the Game" (1999)	Kevin Costner.	** "For Love of the Game" (1999)			
SYFY	59	** "Saw II" (2005)	Donnie Wahlberg.	"Texas Chainsaw Massacre"	"Texas Chainsaw Massacre"	Chrono	Chrono	Gurren	Gurren	Stargate SG-1	Stargate SG-1	Stargate SG-1	Stargate SG-1			
CNN	62	John King, USA (N)	In the Arena (N)	Piers Morgan	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360			
CNBC	63	The Kudlow Report	New Wal-Mart	Millions	Millions	The Oprah Effect	The Oprah Effect	Mad Money	Mad Money	Millions	Millions	The Oprah Effect	The Oprah Effect			
MSNBC	64	Hardball Matthews	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)	The Ed Show (N)	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)			

Sudoku

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

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

BEGINNER

9	7	6				3		
		4	1		5		6	
	8			6				4
6	5				1		2	
3		7	6		4	8		1
	1		8				5	3
1				9				3
	6		7		2	5		
			3			1	8	2

CHALLENGER

						3		8
5		2				8		
	3		4	5			6	
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		5				2		6
4		9						

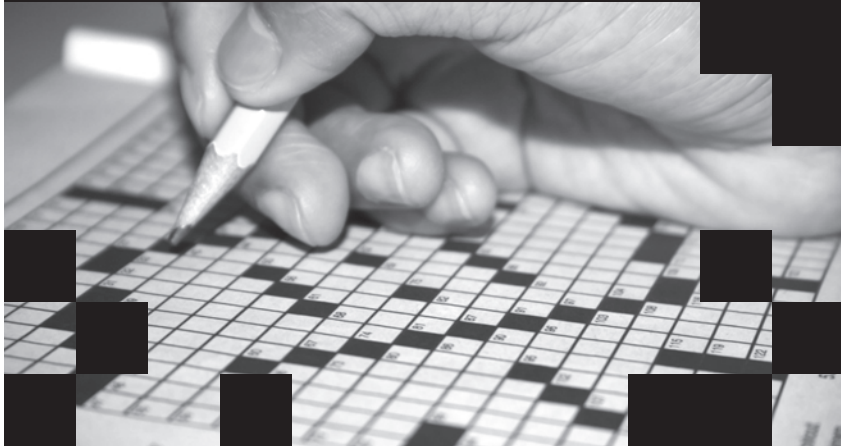
EXPERT

9		8		2		4		
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		9				7		3
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								7
1								4
			3		7	8		9

BEGINNER

4	2	3	8	6	7	9	1	5
9	1	7	2	4	5	8	6	3
8	5	6	3	9	1			

BrainGames



Word Salsa

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

BIGGER THAN A BREADBOX

- | | |
|----------------|----------------|
| ENGLISH | SPANISH |
| CONTINENT | CONTINENTE |
| ELEPHANT | ELEFANTE |
| GARAGE | GARAJE |
| HIPPOPOTAMUS | HIPOPÓTAMO |
| LOCOMOTIVE | LOCOMOTORA |
| PIANO | PIANO |
| REFRIGERATOR | REFRIGERADOR |
| ROCKET | COHETE |
| SKYSCRAPER | RASCACIELOS |
| STADIUM | ESTADIO |
| SUBMARINE | SUBMARINO |
| TRUCK | CAMIÓN |

C H G S U M A T O P O P P I H
 O I A S O L E I C A C S A R I
 H Ó R K Y P S U M A T O N O P
 E O A Y K I E R A T O T Ó T O
 T P J S T A D I U M T S I A P
 E Ó E C O N T I N E N T E R Ó
 V S G R I O H B K U B M T E T
 I U A A D K Y C A M I Ó N G A
 T B R P A S O T I H P P A I M
 O M A E T R U C K N Ó I F R O
 M A G R S U B M A R I N E F N
 O R O R E P T N A H P E L E A
 C I R O D A R E G I R F E R I
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Crossword Puzzles

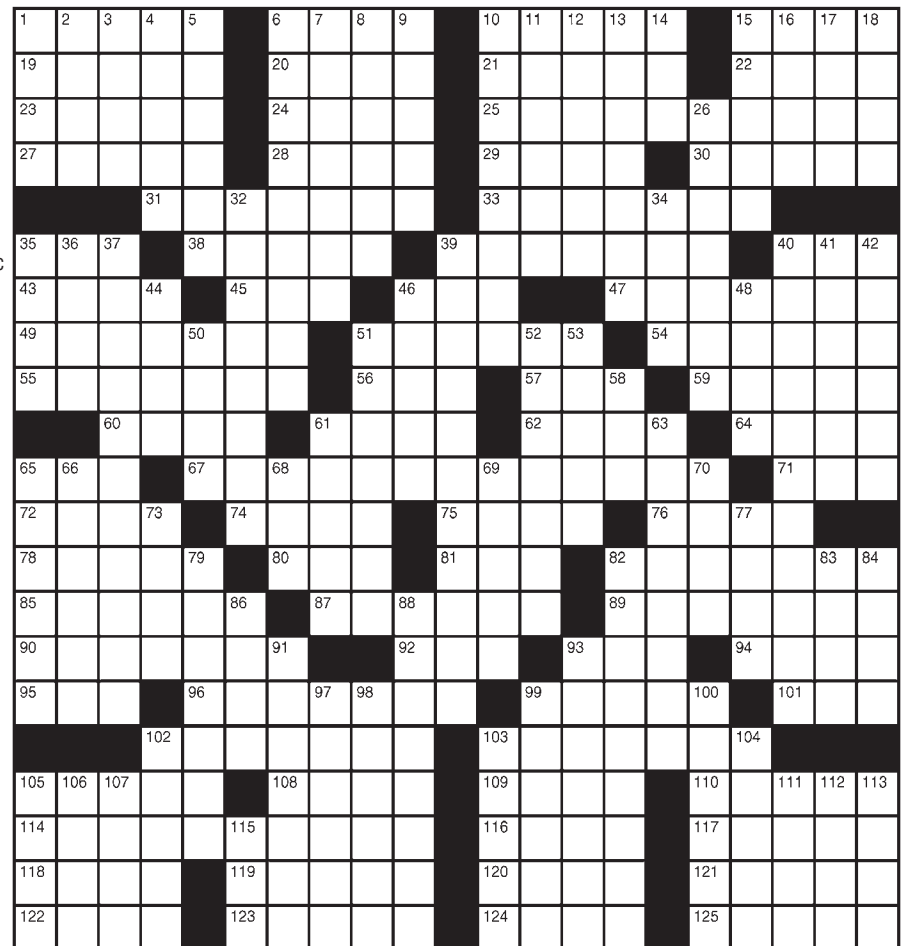
Diagramless, 21 x 21

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.

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|---|---------------------------------|
| ACROSS | 83 Wood floor material |
| 1 Harrington and Marino | 84 Longevity |
| 4 Aniston nickname | 85 "___ to a Grecian Urn" |
| 7 Cab and imp followers | 86 Katie's beau |
| 8 Grabbed a bite | |
| 9 Short respite | DOWN |
| 10 Electronics maker | 1 Drat! |
| 11 Migrator | 2 Wing-shaped |
| 14 Bush | 3 Back of the neck |
| 17 Big drinker | 4 Rocks |
| 18 Paleozoic, for one | 5 Imprint clearly |
| 19 Dealer's location | 6 Closer |
| 23 Jacksonville coach, Jack Del ___ | 11 Forgo |
| 24 Fifth note in a musical scale | 12 Extinct bird of New Zealand |
| 26 Load average (abbr.) | 13 ".... magic" |
| 27 Fan or seat | 15 Telekinetic expert Geller |
| 31 ___ Ventura | 16 Tree with gourd-like fruit |
| 32 Potassium hydroxide | 20 Green around the gills |
| 33 Affirm with confidence | 21 Capitol Hill vote |
| 34 Ty or Jude? | 22 Triumph over |
| 35 Scarce | 24 Old-time tavern |
| 39 Mr. Bridges | 25 Peruvian tuber |
| 40 Sound from the byre | 28 Rapper |
| 42 Ball of yarn | 29 Pasture |
| 43 Horse | 30 Riot police weapon |
| 46 PGA contestant | 36 Wife of George Burns, Gracie |
| 47 "Beowulf" star | 37 Cover again |
| 48 Howl | 38 Sheepskin source |
| 49 Rooster's chick! | 40 Speedometer reading |
| 50 Horror flick, with the | 41 Zinc, e.g. |
| 51 Enclose | 44 100 sq. meters |
| 52 Feeling of exhilaration | 45 Health club facility |
| 56 Inclinations | 47 Rapture |
| 57 Premium | 53 Occupy |
| 59 Out on a boat | 54 Galactica's Doctor ___ |
| 60 Alien spacecraft | 55 Full-bodied |
| 63 A member of a Buddhist people | 57 Wind instruments |
| 64 Coral ridge | 58 Plug or lobe? |
| 65 Algerian music style | 61 Cooling device |
| 66 Amphora | 62 Body soother |
| 67 Restaurant bill | 68 It's ___ good |
| 70 Join the Navy | 69 Blunder |
| 73 International agency to improve working conditions | 71 A belief |
| 74 "Boston Legal" action | 72 Red October, for one |
| 75 Dollops | 76 Ocean's 12 star, first name |
| 78 Mounts | 77 Purpose |
| 81 Bikini section | 78 Talk |
| 82 "Some Like It ___" (1959) | 79 Company symbol |
| | 80 Article |

ORAL EXAM

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ACROSS | 93 Tropical cuckoo |
| 1 Rite spot | 94 Winter fall |
| 6 Fords and Dodges | 95 Sound of a leak |
| 10 Of people: pref. | 96 Feudal tenants |
| 15 Long nail | 99 One hundred: pref. |
| 19 "Aida" composer | 101 AARP members |
| 20 Component piece | 102 Tex and Thelma |
| 21 Of a people: pref. | 103 Part of the Arctic Ocean |
| 22 Scottish lake | 105 One more time |
| 23 Objects of devotion | 108 QED part |
| 24 Magnetic recording | 109 Norwegian king |
| 25 Molar collector? | 110 Makes insensitive |
| 27 Beatles' "sexy" lady | 114 Car accident rescue device |
| 28 Actress Garr | 116 High: pref. |
| 29 Tender spot | 117 Window on a corbel |
| 30 Auberjonois and Descartes | 118 Hog-wild |
| 31 Hindu priestly caste | 119 Of an arm bone |
| 33 Strips blubber | 120 Spoils taken |
| 35 Angel dust: abbr. | 121 Cooper's Bumpo |
| 38 Divest | 122 Count (on) |
| 39 Relative of a flambeau | 123 Takes five |
| 40 Brit. electees | 124 Skewed |
| 43 Explorer Ericson | 125 ___ Park, CO |
| 45 Hawaiian acacia | |
| 46 Feminine pronoun | DOWN |
| 47 Dines at a diner | 1 Rara ___ |
| 49 South Pacific region | 2 Mother of Castor and Pollux |
| 51 Censor's inserts | 3 Walked (on) |
| 54 Safe | 4 Impromptu |
| 55 Boldly resisting | 5 Staircase elements |
| 56 Bitingly cold | 6 Murderous |
| 57 Social follower? | 7 Blood deficiency |
| 59 Number stamper | 8 Irregular stone foundation |
| 60 Eye part | 9 Drinking vessel |
| 61 Wife of a rajah | 10 Looses |
| 62 Word with prayer and throw | 11 "My Favorite Year" star |
| 64 Afterwards | 12 Routine duties |
| 65 Actor Linden | 13 Deeply felt |
| 67 Alien language | 14 La-la lead-in |
| 71 Keats verse | 15 Sculptor Oldenburg |
| 72 Scat singer Fitzgerald | 16 Cut of pork |
| 74 Part of NLCS | 17 Farmland measure |
| 75 Practical jokes | 18 Reasons |
| 76 Rabbit's title | 26 Worried |
| 78 Top social category | 32 Rowan, a.k.a. Mr. Bean |
| 80 ___ de mer | |
| 81 Wildebeest | |
| 82 Informing | |
| 85 Hindu mystic writings | |
| 87 Admonish | |
| 89 While performing | |
| 90 Cleanliness | |
| 92 Tumor: suff. | |



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|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 34 Earthly seven | 53 Knocks for a loop | 88 Long, narrow cushions |
| 35 Proceed slowly but surely | 58 Coop item | 91 Actress Parsons |
| 36 Gospel singer Winans | 61 Make road repairs | 93 Aquarium requirement |
| 37 Pecans, pumpkin, etc. | 63 Minor divisions | 97 Old World finches |
| 39 Wrigley's and Doublemint | 65 Moors | 98 Former PLO leader |
| 40 Harmonicas | 66 Sets to rest | 99 Revere |
| 41 Liquefied | 68 Battering device | 100 Wife of Paris |
| 42 "Tristram Shandy" author | 69 31-syllable Japanese poem | 102 Hazardous |
| 44 Impartial | 70 Greek goddess of discord | 103 Australian marsupial |
| 46 Street talk | 73 Italian wine center | 104 Invisible emanations |
| 48 Beat it! | 77 Ways in: abbr. | 105 Open somewhat |
| 50 Childlike person | 79 Golfer from El Paso | 106 Willing |
| 51 Alphabet of the sightless | 82 Dimple | 107 Gone GI |
| 52 Dugout canoe | 83 Borodin's prince | 111 Oven glove |
| | 84 Current events | 112 ___-noire (bugbear) |
| | 86 Med. school subj. | 113 Stone and Stallone |
| | | 115 Coati's coat |

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

Word Salsa

Y A P A N A D Y T I T N A U Q
 T N N O I S E N O R P A N A
 C A P A C I T Y M Y O X A I N
 M D A D I C A P A C I G I G M O
 R I V O U M E L N D R Y N L E
 E R O M E C N O Y N A O B X
 X M L A Z Y T I G O L Z L S T
 T D D A O T U N A V E Z M A S
 E N E M U L O V A M V L U M T
 N E O N A L A R G A R A C G E
 S T R U O O U N A V E Z H R M
 I X P R O L O N G A R E O A E
 O E P D A D I T N A C M S N C
 N O I S N E T X E D A N A D N
 T E M U L O V M U C H O E O

Diagramless

BUGS
 AGAPE
 BLUER
 AIRCR
 AFT
 TAR
 ERA
 SHY
 LEU
 ISM
 FREE
 FARE
 INGROUP
 ARC
 MOLDY
 SWINE
 RED
 GATEWAY
 ABLY
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 SET
 ORAL
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 SARALEE
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 LAREDO
 SEW
 ENAMEL
 ORBS
 ORBS
 BURIAL
 ORNERY
 BLEND

Going Off Half-Cocked

TARMAC
 AREOLA
 TIPPING
 ALOU
 PAELLA
 RAM
 EDITOR
 MINICAB
 AEON
 PUTTING
 CAPTAN
 ELAINES
 COLLATOR
 INST
 LGUE
 SPINETS
 DOTAGE
 CRAIG
 CARNE
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:
 Talent hits the big target no one else can hit, but genius hits the target no one else can see.



AtTheMovies

Let's get ready to 'Battle'

Pre-summer entertainment puts world in peril

Review by **David Edwards**
Las Cruces Bulletin

It is Aug. 12, 2011 (uh-oh, we don't have much time!), and according to news reports, the world is at war. Meteors have been reported striking the ocean outside major cities around the globe. Intelligence reports say the meteors are actually slowing down before impact and when alien soldiers start coming out of the water and attacking the beaches, then we know it's time to call in the Marines.

The camera focuses on a platoon of them as they approach the battle zone in a helicopter (or chopper, as I like to say) and we see the faces of the men we assume will soon engage the extra "territorial" baddies.

Flashback 24 hours (that's minus 24 hours in military talk) and we see Staff Sergeant Michael Nantz (Aaron Eckhart) as he turns in his retirement papers. We also begin to meet the other Marines who are waiting to be deployed (we assume to Afghanistan) but instead will be thrust against the alien invaders.

It is, of course, a nice ethnic mix with one getting married (with his life made more difficult by his Italian New Jersey-born buddy) and another visits the grave of his brother who was killed in Iraq (while under Nantz's command, we

discover later). There is a corpsman from Africa, a wise guy Latino, a rookie and one who suffers from what we assume is PTSD and has yet to be fully reinstated. The young Hispanic second lieutenant has a pregnant wife and this is his first combat command.

The film then catches up to the wider scenario that started the movie. Our platoon is sent into the fray to rescue some civilians reported to be at an abandoned police station behind enemy lines and get them to the F.O.B. (Forward Operating Base) before the Air Force goes in and bombs the city of Santa Monica to a pulp.

makes the aliens tick and how they can be dispatched.

Ultimately, will their gained knowledge allow some headway to be made against the foes and hopes raised that our little group will find a way to stop the invasion on an even larger scale.

Eckhart is an actor who plays smooth, intelligent characters well (think Gotham City District Attorney Harvey Dent before he becomes Two-Face), and the tough John Wayne-esque Marine sergeant is a departure for him. I had no trouble believing him as a 20-year vet – who is starting to show his age – guiding his men through this dangerous

“ The action sequences were pretty good, but the aliens weren't very unique or interesting ... ”

They run into another small group of soldiers including an Air Force Tech Sergeant (Michelle Rodriguez) who happens to be handy with a rifle (and later, a rocket launcher). The mission to rescue and evacuate the civilians continues with some loss of life along the way and knowledge gained about what

situation and helping the young lieutenant along the way. He is the most recognizable actor among the cast with the possible exception of Rodriguez, who seems to be making a career of playing the plucky Latina with battle skills (as in "Avatar"). Bridget Moynahan plays one of the civilians who also happens to



The fight against alien invaders is on in "Battle: Los Angeles," now playing in theaters.

be a vet, offering assistance when it comes to figuring out the alien's physiology and helping herd three kids needing rescue.

The rest of the cast is made up of relative unknown actors, a factor that no doubt helped director Jonathan Liebesman ("The Killing Room," "Darkness Falls" and "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning") get as much movie as he did out of the \$70 million dollar budget.

The writers wisely chose to focus on the small group of combatants instead of showing too much of the catastrophic events surrounding them. Still, it is fairly derivative with nothing too original to distinguish it from other similar films. "District 9," for example, is a far superior

film. Liebesman, who is from South Africa, where "District 9" originated, perhaps was influenced by that film's look but didn't want to imitate it too much.

"Battle: Los Angeles" didn't annoy me. It moved along at a good pace and I empathized with the characters and definitely rooted for them to kick some alien tail. I liked them all, especially Eckhart who hasn't been given enough to do in Hollywood. There are some emotional moments that teeter on the edge of hokiness, but overall it was pretty honest.

The action sequences were pretty good, but the aliens weren't very unique or interesting (OK, there are probably only so many ways you can visually create an extraterrestrial) – in fact they were pretty bland. But as one of the soldiers points out while philosophizing about whether the bad guys might be afraid, "They are probably just grunts like us."

"Battle: Los Angeles" probably didn't have the stuff to be released later in the summer as one of those soon-to-be-upon-us blockbusters, but it might help to hold you over until those other "monsters" hit the theaters.

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BATTLE: LOS ANGELES

Starring: Aaron Eckhart, Michelle Rodriguez

Rated PG13

Running time: 116 minutes

Director: Jonathan Liebesman

Film Review
What a shame it would be if we actually had to abandon Los Angeles. We'd have to go to Florida to see Disneyland.
Grade **B-**



Aaron Eckhart plays Marine Sgt. Michael Nantz in "Battle: Los Angeles."




AtTheMovies

Picking the Flicks




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


Rango
Rating: PG
Plot Overview: A chameleon that aspires to be a swashbuckling hero finds himself in a Western town plagued by bandits.
Starring: Johnny Depp, Isla Fisher
Director: Gore Verbinski




Just Go With It
Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A plastic surgeon, romancing a much younger schoolteacher, enlists his loyal assistant to pretend to be his soon-to-be ex-wife, in order to cover up a careless lie.
Starring: Adam Sandler, Jennifer Aniston
Director: Dennis Dugan



The King's Speech
Rating: R
Plot Overview: The story of King George VI of Britain, his impromptu ascension to the throne and the speech therapist who helped the unsure monarch become worthy of it.
Starring: Michael Gambon, Colin Firth
Director: Tom Hooper




Hall Pass
Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: Rick (Owen Wilson) and Fred (Jason Sudeikis) are best friends who have a lot in common, including the fact that they have each been married for many years.
Starring: Owen Wilson
Director: Bobby and Peter Farrelly




Mars Needs Moms
Rating: PG
Plot Overview: A young boy named Milo gains a deeper appreciation for his mom after martians come to Earth to take her away.
Starring: Seth Green, Joan Cusack
Director: Simon Wells




Battle: Los Angeles
Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A Marine platoon faces off against an alien invasion in Los Angeles.
Starring: Aaron Eckhart, Michelle Rodriguez
Director: Jonathan Liebesman




Unknown
Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: Dr. Martin Harris awakens after a car accident in Berlin to discover that his wife suddenly doesn't recognize him and another man has assumed his identity.
Starring: Liam Neeson, Diane Kruger
Director: Jaume Collet-Sera



Take Me Home Tonight
Rating: R
Plot Overview: A raunchy, romantic and ultimately touching blast from the past set to an awesome soundtrack of timeless rock and hip-hop hits.
Starring: Topher Grace, Anna Faris
Director: Michael Dowse




I Am Number Four
Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: Three are dead. He is Number Four. An action-packed thriller about an extraordinary young man who is a fugitive on the run from ruthless enemies sent to destroy him.
Starring: Alex Pettyfer, Timothy Olyphant
Director: D.J. Caruso




Gnomeo and Juliet
Rating: G
Plot Overview: The greatest love story ever told, starring ... garden gnomes. Shakespeare's revered tale gets a comical, off-the-wall makeover.
Starring: James McAvoy, Emily Blunt
Director: Kelly Asbury




The Adjustment Bureau
Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: Do we control our destiny, or do unseen forces manipulate us? Matt Damon stars as a man who glimpses the future fate has planned for him and realizes he wants something else.
Starring: Matt Damon, Emily Blunt
Director: George Nolfi




Red Riding Hood
Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: Loosely based on the folk tale "Little Red Riding Hood," a medieval village is plagued by a werewolf, which takes human form during the day.
Starring: Amanda Seyfried
Director: Catherine Hardwicke




Paul
Rating: R
Plot Overview: Two British comic-book geeks traveling across the United States encounter an alien outside Area 51.
Starring: Simon Pegg, Mick Frost
Director: Greg Mottola
OPENING MARCH 18



Beastly
Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A modern-day take on the "Beauty and the Beast" tale where a New York teen is transformed into a hideous monster in order to find true love.
Starring: Alex Pettyfer, Mary-Kate Olsen
Director: Daniel Barnz



Limitless
Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A copywriter discovers a top-secret drug that bestows him with super human abilities.
Starring: Bradley Cooper, Robert De Niro
Director: Neil Burger
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The Lincoln Lawyer
Rating: R
Plot Overview: A lawyer conducts business from the back of his Lincoln town car while representing a high-profile client in Beverly Hills.
Starring: Matthew McConaughey, Ryan Phillippe
Director: Brad Furman
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New this week on DVD Tuesday, March 22

Yogi Bear
Rating: PG
Genre: Comedy, Family
Starring: Dan Aykroyd (voice), Justin Timberlake (voice)
Director: Eric Brevig

The Tourist
Rating: PG-13
Genre: Suspense, Action
Starring: Angelina Jolie, Johnny Depp
Director: Florian Henckel von Donnersmarck

How Do You Know
Rating: PG-13
Genre: Comedy, Romance
Starring: Reese Witherspoon, Paul Rudd
Director: James Brooks

Skyline
Rating: PG-13
Genre: Science Fiction, Horror
Starring: Eric Balfour, Scottie Thompson
Director: Colin and Greg Strause

Meskada
Rating: R
Genre: Drama, Crime
Starring: Nick Stahl, Rachel Nichols
Director: Josh Sternfeld

Top Grossing March 11-13

- 1 **Battle: Los Angeles** (Week No. 1) **\$35,574,000**
- 2 **Rango** (Week No. 2) **\$22,603,000**
- 3 **Red Riding Hood** (Week No. 1) **\$14,005,000**
- 4 **The Adjustment Bureau** (Week No. 2) **\$11,597,000**
- 5 **Mars Needs Moms** (Week No. 1) **\$6,914,000**
- 6 **Beastly** (Week No. 2) **\$5,021,000**
- 7 **Hall Pass** (Week No. 3) **\$5,011,000**
- 8 **Just Go With It** (Week No. 5) **\$4,019,000**
- 9 **Gnomeo and Juliet** (Week No. 5) **\$3,617,000**
- 10 **The King's Speech** (Week No. 16) **\$3,573,000**

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The home stretch

Natisha Hales

*Adventures
in Dieting*



I haven't been thinking about weight loss too much this week. I have only been thinking about one thing, and there isn't room for much else, not even sleep for me.

We lost our sports editor, John Keith, earlier this week, and it came as quite a shock to me, although his health had deteriorated over the holidays. To many of us, John Keith was the guy you thought would always live forever. And that's where I filed him away. No matter what, John would always be there.

He's no longer with us, but while he was here, John Keith lived life to the fullest – for at least five people. It was truly a privilege to have been part of his life over the past five years.

With my grieving has come a lot of alcohol and fatty foods, which, in some weird way, have comforted me for the time being. With the subject of life and death weighing heavily on people's minds, weight loss has been put on the back burner.

But it can't be placed there too much longer if we are going to make a difference in the final weeks of the Bulletin weight loss challenge. We hit the official 90-day mark Monday, April 4, which is when we will take our final "after" pictures. At this rate, my photo will be a "still the same" picture, which is sad, especially when my sister told me, "We started the challenge because of you, and it still didn't work. What is it going to take?"

I guess she can say that, since she was the weekly winner with a weight loss of 5 pounds from the week before.

In a final effort to push us to meet our goal, Bill has asked the handful of us present at the meeting to increase our cardio workouts. In addition to any weight lifting or other kind of training, we will do cardio for a minimum of an hour six days a week.

Laura gave us a two-week meal plan for the detox diet, which David Edwards is still strictly following and is the only one. What tickled my fancy is the "non-cookers meal plan" that lays out a simple dietary plan for weight loss. Reading it, I thought, "I could definitely follow this." For next week, she has invited a naturopath to show us how our pressure points can affect weight loss. I'm intrigued.

We also banded together and formed a March for Babies team to benefit the March of Dimes. The Bulletin Baby Savers has seven members and has raised \$145, but we still have a ways to go if we're going to meet our goal of \$2,500. I invite everyone to join our team to walk the 7.5 miles of the march, which begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, April 30.

You can find our team by visiting www.marchforbabies.org.

Email me at natisha@lascrucesbulletin.com.

Sheared again for cancer research



Getting his head shaved for the fourth year in a row, Thomas Salas, 11, was one of more than 150 shavees in Las Cruces' fourth annual St. Baldrick's Event at Dickerson's Event Center Saturday, March 12. The St. Baldrick's Foundation is a charity that is focused towards research to find cures for childhood cancers. See more photos on page D5.

Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Niki Rhynes

Southwest Senior Expo revived

Weekend event honors veterans

Bulletin Staff Report

"Military Veterans and the Greatest Generation" is the theme of this year's Southwest Senior Lifestyle Exposition & Veterans Banquet slated for Friday and Saturday, March 18-19, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave.

More than 80 booths and displays will feature products, services and information regarding health, travel, home improvement, autos and RVs, with a goal to honor military veterans.

"Nationally, we are losing our WWII veterans at a rate of 1,500 a day by some estimations," said Keith Whelpley, owner and publisher of Southwest Senior, a monthly newspaper serving southern New Mexico for the past 15 years that is sponsoring the event. "Because of southern New Mexico's rich military history, it's fitting the largest city south of Albuquerque continually honor its soldiers, past and present. This is Southwest Senior's contribution to that."

With an eye toward soldiers returning home from Iraq, donations taken at the door and throughout the two days will go entirely to disabled American veterans causes aimed at making sure they get the health care they need,

Whelpley said.

The expo is sponsored by MountainView Regional Medical Center's Senior Circle, Sunspot Solar Energy, Sitel and El Paso Electric Co., to name a few. It will feature mini seminars on reverse mortgages by Citizens Bank of Las Cruces and financial planning by Toby Rue and the Social Security Administration, other event sponsors.

"While our expo is open to all people, it is designed for anyone 50 years of age and older," Whelpley said. "Las Cruces is repeatedly named one of the nation's best places to retire. The city should have an event like this."

"These types of expos are popular in cities throughout Florida, Arizona and many states that recognize and serve large populations 50 years of age and older."

About six years ago, Southwest Senior hosted the Baby Boomer and Better Expo and attracted thousands over two days. Though well received, it was discontinued for lack of an appropriate venue.

"We have been waiting for the new convention center to open to revive the two-day show we started years ago," Whelpley said.

The Southwest Senior Lifestyle Expo will offer a full slate of free, educational seminars ranging in topics from reverse mortgages and state and federal veterans benefits, to holistic approaches to mental health and aging.

All seminars are free to attend and are offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

"All You Need to Know About Reverse

Mortgages" will be presented by Citizens Bank of Las Cruces from 10 to 11 a.m.

"Why You Should Consider Long Term Care Insurance," will be presented by Bill Kayser from 10 to 11 a.m.

"Changing the Way You Age" will be presented by Dr. J. Roberto Duran, Internal Medicine and Geriatrics, from 11:15 a.m. to noon.

"Energy Check Up: Are You Wasting Money on Electricity?" will be presented by Sunspot Solar Energy from 11:15 a.m. to noon.

"Integrated and Holistic Health Practices With Injured Warriors and Families: A Skill Building Workshop" will be presented by Patricia McClure, Reiki Master and Gerald Vest, LISW, LMT.

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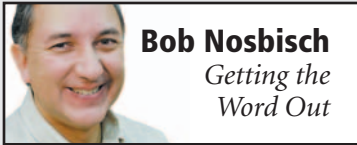
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Worlds apart? Maybe not

The community was touched by Fronczek, Keith



Bob Nosbisch
Getting the Word Out

A few weeks ago, I was reading the online version of a local newspaper when I saw an article about a bicyclist who had been hit and killed on U.S. Highway 70. The article caught my attention and I read with great interest until I came to the victim's name: Ronald Fronczek.

Then I stopped, stunned. I had just seen Dr. Fronczek on Feb. 22 because my eyes hadn't been checked in a few years. He was my optometrist and one of those individuals with whom you loved to spend time. He had a calm, patient

manner and definitely was not one of those types of health care workers who are interested only in seeing how many patients they can tend to in a given amount of time like in a fast-food clinic.

Fronczek had me read a few eye charts and after doing so, he said, "Well Bob, you don't have to worry about being an astronaut because you don't have 20/20 vision."

After a few more readings of different eye charts, he said, "Well Bob, you don't have to worry about flying the space shuttle either because you don't have that kind of vision."

I made a wisecrack about my wife wanting to buy me a one-way ticket on the space shuttle and he countered with something that was quite funny.

When the eye exam was finished and I paid for my visit at the front desk, I thought, "That's a good man. We need more people like him on the planet."

Little did I know that it would be the last time I saw him.

Fast forward to Monday, March 14. On that evening, political strategist, educator and commentator Donna Brazile visited the New Mexico State University campus. I attended her talk and afterward, as people mobbed Brazile wanting to meet her in person, Todd Dickson of the Las Cruces Bulletin approached me. He said, "Bob, did you hear about John Keith?"

I hadn't seen John's articles in the Bulletin for a while, but I felt uncomfortable asking why he no longer wrote for the newspaper,

especially if he quit or resigned on terms that were not friendly. Fearing the worst, I told Todd, "No, what happened?"

"He died today," Todd said. "John had been sick and now he's gone."

I had known John since his time with NMSU's Information Services, back in the days before the name change to University Communications and Marketing Services. After receiving quite a few news releases penned by him, suddenly they stopped coming.

John resurfaced as a sports writer, first with the Las Cruces Sun-News and then with the Bulletin. In many of his columns, he brought up the connection between the media and free food, sometimes intimating and sometimes saying outright that if you want media at your event, offer free food. His columns often made me laugh and many times made me think.

John Keith also will be missed. In the past few days, I have

contemplated the brevity of life as well as such time-worn adages as "It's important to make every minute count" and "Be sure to tell your loved ones every day that you love them." These mottos have been uttered and heard so many times that I sometimes wonder if overkill desensitizes us to the true essence of these words.

Ronald Fronczek and John Keith were two very different people, one whose humor was gentle and sometimes covert, the other whose humor was wry, sometimes sarcastic and sometimes "in your face." Nevertheless, both men, through their chosen career fields, their personalities and words touched many people.

That unto itself leaves a legacy.

Bob Nosbisch is a senior program specialist in the NMSU College of Health and Social Services. The views expressed here are his own and may not reflect the views of the Regents or administration of NMSU.

Health Briefs

Corbett Fitness Center now open

The Corbett Fitness Center, located in the Corbett Center Student Union space that formerly housed Pete's Place, is now open. This newest addition to the campus' fitness centers includes cardio equipment, circuit weight machines and a stretch/aerobic area. The center is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week during the regular academic year. The CFC may be accessed by all full-time and part-time students, as well as faculty and staff who are members of the AggieFit wellness program. ID card access is required. For more information on an AggieFit membership, call 646-3347 or email michael@nmsu.edu.

County releases two RFPs

Doña Ana County has released two Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for Access to Health Services and Access to Health Services (Hospice Services). Completed sealed proposals must be received at the Doña Ana County Purchasing Department, Room 2-147, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, NM 88007, no later than 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 5.

Specifications for the RFPs are available in Room 2-147 of the Doña Ana County Government Center or can be obtained from Doña Ana County's website at www.donaanacounty.org/finance/bids.

Any proposal received after the deadline will be returned unopened. For more information, contact county Purchasing Manager Donald Bullard at 525-5927 or donb@donaanacounty.org.

Nearly \$1M for Ben Archer center

The Ben Archer Health Center will receive \$984,209 as part of continued funding to provide primary medical, behavioral health and dental care services in northern Doña Ana, Sierra, Otero and Luna counties.

The funding is made possible through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration to assist the community health care center in continuing to offer comprehensive primary health care services to a medically underserved area.

"Community health centers like Ben Archer should be commended for their work in providing primary and preventative care to our rural and medically underserved communities. The center provides a long list of services to those who may need it most," said U.S. Sen. Tom Udall.

Ben Archer Health Center has been providing primary care services in southern New Mexico since 1971. They provide a range of services including primary, prenatal, gynecological, dental, pharmaceutical care. In addition, they offer mental health and substance abuse services.

LCPS blood drive is March 25

Registration is available online to participate in the Las Cruces Public Schools-United Blood Services blood drive to be held 1 to 4:30 p.m. Friday, March 25, in the board room of the LCPS administration building, 505 S. Main St., Loretto Towne Centre, Suite 249.

Donors can earn reward points that can be redeemed for T-shirts, movie tickets and gift certificates. Donors should bring a photo ID and donor card to their appointments. Make an appointment at www.bloodhero.com (sponsor code: LCPS), or call Kathy Jones at 527-5833.

Shelter medicine presentation slated

The Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley (ASCMV) will host a presentation regarding shelter medicine from noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, at the Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd., in conference room 1-113.

The presentation will be given by Dr. Gerryl Hall, lead veterinarian for Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health's Vet-Reach program, which provides research, development, manufacturing and sales of veterinary medicines. Hall also practices in Atlanta and works with two rescue groups and one shelter. Hall's presentation on shelter medicine will highlight health

issues that occur in communities across the country, such as the need for pet owners to vaccinate animals. Animals that are not vaccinated regularly and brought into a shelter have the potential for becoming ill and infecting other animals.

The public is invited to attend. For more information, call the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley at 382-0018. The TTY number is 541-2182.

Mutt show is March 26

The fifth annual Mutt Show gets under way Saturday, March 26, at Young Park, 1905 E. Nevada Ave. Registration begins at 11 a.m., and the show begins at noon.

Prizes will be awarded in large and small dog divisions in the following categories: sweetest smile, biggest paws, smallest paws, most obedient, most owner resemblance, best costume, trickiest dog, longest tail, shortest tail and longest ears.

Contest registration is \$5 per dog per category, with all revenue split between the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley and the Southwest New Mexico Chapter of the American Red Cross. All dogs must be leashed at all times.

All participating dogs will receive ribbons, and every contestant will receive a door prize.

The Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley will facilitate pet adoptions at the event. Adoption fees are \$75 for dogs/puppies and \$50 for cats/kittens. The fee includes the first set of vaccinations, spay/neuter and microchip.

The event is open to the public. For more information on the fifth annual Mutt Show, call 382-0018, ext. 29.

Pet adoptions March 18

The Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley will conduct two off-site pet adoption events on Saturday, March 19. Available for adoption will be dogs, puppies, cats and kittens.

Adoptions will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 19, at the Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market Downtown.

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 19, adoptions also will be facilitated at Pet's Barn, 1600 S. Valley Drive, in Las Cruces.

Adoption fees are \$75 for dogs/puppies and \$50 for cats/kittens. The fee includes the first set of vaccinations, spay/neuter and microchip.

At the Pet's Barn event, microchipping for pets that already have homes will be available to the public for \$20, and city pet licenses will be available to neutered pets for \$5 each. Licenses for un-neutered pets are \$25 each. Proof of spay/neuter is required before a \$5 license will be issued. Pet owners also must bring current proof of rabies vaccination for each animal to be licensed.

The Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley also offers low-cost spay/neuter operations at the rate of \$35 for dogs and \$25 for cats. Appointments can be scheduled by calling the shelter offices.

For more information, call the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley at 382-0018, or visit www.ascmv.org.

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Healthy Happenings



ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS/ DYSFUNCTIONAL FAMILIES SUPPORT GROUP

Adult Children of Alcoholics and Other Dysfunctional Families support group meets at 2 p.m. Sundays at 903 Piñon Ave. This is a 12-step program for men and women who grew up in alcoholic or otherwise dysfunctional homes. They meet in a mutually respectful, safe environment and acknowledge their common experiences.

For more information, visit www.adultchildren.org.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Overeaters Anonymous meets from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesdays at St. James Episcopal Church on the corner of St. James and South Main streets. For more information, call 647-5684.

TOPS MEETING CHAPTER 381

Take Off Pounds Sensibly Chapter 381 is open to new members of all ages at its Thursday morning meetings, which start with a private weigh-in from 10 to 10:30 a.m. Weigh-ins are followed by group discussions of weight loss, dietary help and nutrition. The group meets at Trails West Senior Community, 1450 Avenida de Mesilla, in the Main Room. For more information, call 523-6240.

T'AI CHI CHIH CLASSES

Instructor Rose Alvarez-Diosdado holds T'ai Chi Chih: Joy Thru Movement first-time classes from 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays and classes for beginners from 9 to 10 a.m. Tuesdays in the fourth-floor Women's Resource Room at MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4351 E. Lohman Ave. No registration is required. In addition, T'ai Chi Chih advanced classes are taught Tuesdays from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Cost is \$2, or free for Senior Circle and Healthy Woman members.

A fun class for all levels is held from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month at Young Park, 1955 E. Nevada Ave.

For more information, call 526-3016.

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. The group also has a big-book meeting at 2 p.m. Fridays at Newman Center, 2615 S. Solano Drive.

YOGA CLASSES BY KAREN NICHOLS

Karen Nichols is offering 90-minute yoga classes for adults and upper teens at 6 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays at My Place, 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 Karen at karen_f_n@yahoo.com or leave a message at 882-4943.

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 caring 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.

T'AI CHI CHIH, YOGA CLASSES

Clear Mind Zen Temple, 642 S. Alameda Blvd., will offer T'ai Chi Chih classes at 6 p.m. Wednesdays with certified instructor Rose Alvarez-Diosdado.

An introduction to Zen meditation is from 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the temple.

A small donation is asked for each class.

For more information, call Harvey Hilbert at 680-6680.

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.

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. Tuesdays and Thursdays
 - Spinning: 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays
 - Pilates: 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays
 - Zumba: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Mondays and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays
- For more information, call 541-2563.

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 541-5181.

GAY COMMUNITY CENTER GROUPS

The Las Cruces Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender and Questioning/Queer (GLBTQ) Center, 1210 N. Main St., is open from noon to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The center offers gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender members of the community counseling, support groups and networking activities.

For more information, call the center at 635-4902, email info@newmexicolbtcenters.org or use the group-specific contact information listed below.

- Pride on Main Al-Anon is a 12-step support group and fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics that meets from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays. The group is open to all with a focus on the GLBTQ community.
- A GLBTQ youth support group meets from 7:30 to 9 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. For more information, email Eloy at eacastro@nmsu.edu.
- A support group for parents, guardians, other family and friends caring

for or raising a GLBTQ youth meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Share camaraderie while learning new skills and receiving support and advice on raising a GLBTQ youth.

- Sexual Compulsives Anonymous meets from 7 to 8 p.m. Mondays. The group is a 12-step program for anyone dealing with sexual compulsion.
- A LGBTQ women's group meets from 7:30 to 9 p.m. the first and third Mondays of each month. The group provides an opportunity for LGBTQ women to get know and support each other. For more information, email Dawn at dmbates@nmsu.edu.
- A men's group meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month. The group is an opportunity for men in the community to get together and support each other. It is an inter-generational group with discussions and activities designed by the group members. For more information, call Nato at 635-4902.
- Bisexuals' support group meets from 7:30 to 9 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. For more information, email Dawn at dmbates@nmsu.edu.

ZUMBA EXERCISE

Zumba exercise classes are available at 6 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at the Las Cruces Event Center, 522 E. Idaho Ave. Doors open at 5:45 p.m. Cost is \$5 for one hour. For more information, call 680-6515.

FAMILY 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.

DA COUNTY BLOOD DRIVE MARCH 18

Doña Ana County employees and the general public will have the opportunity from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 18, to give blood 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.

HEARING LOSS MEETING AT BRANIGAN LIBRARY

The Las Cruces Chapter of the Hearing Loss Association of America will have its monthly meeting at 10:45 a.m. Saturday, March 19, at Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave., in the Roadrunner Room.

The topic will be "Living with Multiple Limitations." This will be a joint meeting with the National Federation of the Blind and the Blind Veterans Association. All are welcome.

For more information, call 525-1037 or 532-0413.

YOGA CLASSES

Certified Yoga Instructor, Olivia Solomon is offering all-levels yoga classes 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. To sign up, come 15 minutes before class. The first class starts Tuesday, April 5. Attendees can purchase a monthly punch card for eight sessions for \$24, or pay \$4 at the door. Attendees are asked to bring a yoga mat and any other needed props.

For more information, call Solomon at 522-5350 or email wildyoga@yahoo.com.

GLUTEN FREE SUPPORT GROUP

The Las Cruces Gluten-Free/Celiac Disease Support Group will meet at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at ASA Architects, 201 N. Alameda Blvd.

The focus of the meeting will be "Adapting Old Favorite Recipes (not bakery items) for a Gluten-Free Life." Attendees are asked to bring about 20 copies of a recipe they have successfully adapted to share with the group. There will also be a discussion about which flour to use for what purpose.

For more information, contact facilitator Susan Pieper at 522-8182 or spieper@hunte.com.

BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Radiation oncologist Dr. Cherie Hayostek of Ikard Cancer Treatment Center will speak about the role of radiation therapy in the treatment of breast cancer from 10 a.m. to 11:45 p.m. Saturday, March 26, during the monthly breast cancer support group meeting at MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4311 E. Lohman Ave., in the Community Education Room.

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- Come celebrate with us on the morning of April 2, 2011
- Make a contribution and name up to four persons you want to commemorate

The celebration will begin at Mesilla Valley Hospice at the Foster Street entrance at 8 a.m. From 8 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. there will be music and entertainment for all the attendees. From 9:45 a.m. to 10 a.m. a special memorial service will be held.

For more information please contact
Terra V. Winter at 575-525-5720.

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Inspiration runs through in Las Cruces

Sather running 100 marathons in just 100 days

By **Natisha Hales**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Running 100 marathons in 100 days just to prove to people that you can do anything you set your mind to, Croix Sather will be jogging through Las Cruces next week. He'll stop each day to give an inspirational talk at local high schools, universities and organizations throughout the region.

"The purpose is to prove that anything is possible, you can create a life by design," Sather said. "I prepared for this in nine months, and I wouldn't even call myself a runner now. Running across the country was the biggest example I could think of, and running is my weakness."

To inspire others into living any lifestyle they choose, Sather kicked off his cross-country trek Feb. 26 in San Diego, running 370 miles in the first 14 days – an average of 30 miles each day.

While just the running makes his muscles ache and his body fatigue, Sather also speaks to audiences every morning.

"Every day, I start off with a media or TV event, then I speak to a group of students to inspire them to be anything they want to be," he said. "The kids are amazing. They think it's

the coolest thing – a lot of them think I'm a little crazy, but not so much. And the adults just wonder why I'm doing this."

He's running to tell everyone to "Dream Big, Act Big: Breakthrough and Unleash the Superstar Within You," which happens to be the title of his book.

But he almost didn't live to tell that story.

When he was 14 years old, Sather was involved in a car accident where he was struck by a drunk driver as he was riding his bike home. The collision was so powerful, it launched Sather 50 feet in the air, and he slammed onto the windshield of the car. With a mangled body, Sather was unrecognizable.

After four days in a coma, two weeks in the hospital and years of physical rehabilitation, Sather survived the accident and has since lived life to the fullest, competing in four Ironman triathlons and daring to skydive, shark-dive and fire-walk.

To run across the country is just another obstacle he can overcome.

"Somedays, it's a little bit

hard, but my dream is so big that I gravitate toward it," Sather said.

After a long day of interviews, inspirational speeches and running, Sather is "dog tired,"

“What I want to accomplish is so big, the fatigue doesn't affect me.”

CROIX SATHER,
motivational speaker



Croix Sather is running across the country in 100 days with the message "Dream Big, Act Big." Training in just under a year, Sather is proving to people everywhere that you can do anything you set your mind to.

but has a team that keeps him hydrated. He gets three to five hours of sleep each night, and admits that he wakes up still fatigued.

"But after a quick shower, I'm ready to go," he said. "What I want to accomplish is so big the fatigue doesn't affect me. I just remember why I'm doing it."

There will be no breaks for Sather as he continues across the country, finishing on June 4 in New York City. And for him, every mile has been worth it.

"People that I've spoken to have sent me facebook emails, regular emails," he said. "The reaction that I'm getting is just phenomenal."

"I look for the best in people, and that's what I find. I just meet amazing people and tell them about what I'm doing, and just in a five-minute conversation I can inspire them as well."



Since he kicked off the cross-country tour, Sather has long days ahead of him, but after a few hours of sleep and a "quick shower," he's ready to go.

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Raising funds and shaving heads for *St. Baldrick's*

Photos by Niki Rhynes

Katrina Donoho sends love to family and sorority sisters who came to show support at the fourth annual St. Baldrick's event Saturday, March 12, at Dickerson's Event Center. She decided to participate after having a recurring dream about shaving her head and raised \$1,435 for the foundation.



Todd Dickson, news editor of the Las Cruces Bulletin, gets his annual hair cut at St. Baldrick's.



Rio Grande Medical Group pediatric nurse practitioner Nicole "Dr. Rapunzel" Boyer takes a last look at the hair that she's been growing for 11 years.



Shaun Paques, 10, poses with boxer Austin Trout.



Barbara G. Alvarez shows Ellie Chavez her hair that was chopped off before getting her head shaved. Chavez raised more than \$1,700 the old-fashioned way – by going door-to-door asking for donations for childhood cancer research – all while being pregnant.



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SOUP SUPPERS

Peace Lutheran, 1701 E. Missouri Ave., will hold soup suppers and Wednesday evening services beginning at 6 p.m. through April 13. For more information, call 522-7119.

JOURNAL WORKSHOP

"Journal to the Self," a four-session workshop to discover the writer within you, will meet from 9 a.m. to noon Thursday, March 21, at the Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. Certified instructor Rita Popp will teach personal journal techniques for self-development and creativity. Students will write together in a safe, non-judgmental setting. The fee is \$130 and includes a workbook. To sign up or for more information, call 526-1317 or email rita-popp@msn.com.

ECKANKAR EVENT

Eckankar, Religion of the Light and Sound of God, will hold a free discussion from 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 19, at Ramada Palms de Las Cruces, 201 E. University Ave. The topic will be "Meet the Soul Travelers of the Far Country." For more information, call 524-2580 or www.eckankar-nm.org.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT DINNER

First Presbyterian Church of Las Cruces, 200 E. Boutz Road, will hold an international dinner for all college students at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, March 20. This is free and open to students of all faiths. For more information, call 526-5559.

ST. PAUL'S CONCERT

St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave., will continue its Music @ St. Paul's concert series with a performance featuring Moody Men's Collegiate Choir at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 20, in the sanctuary. All ages are encouraged to attend and admission is free. For more information, call 526-6689.

PURIM HAWAIIAN STYLE

The Chabad of Southern New Mexico, 360 El Prado Ave., will hold its Purim bash at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 20. This year, the celebration is titled "Purim Hawaiian Style," and will begin with a unique multimedia Megillah reading, followed by live music, hamentashen (special Purim cookies), tropical smoothie bar and a Hawaiian-style buffet dinner. In the spirit

of Purim, come in costume to be included in the lively masquerade competition during which prizes will be awarded to contestants with the most innovative or funny costumes. All are welcome to join regardless of affiliation or background – no fee, no reservations required. For more information, call 524-1330 or visit www.jewishlc.com.

LENT AT EL CALVARIO

El Calvario United Methodist Church, 300 N. Campo St., will hold a Lenten study titled "24 Hours that Changed the World" at 6 p.m. Thursdays. A meal will precede the study. These sessions are in English. Lenten services will then be held at 6:30 p.m. Fridays. Attendees are urged to fast to cultivate a spirit of repentance, forgiveness and conversion. These will be held in both English and Spanish. For more information, call 571-5467.

YOUTH MOVIE NIGHT

Unity of Las Cruces, 125 Wyatt Drive, presents its first Youth Movie Night for those in grade eight to 12 at 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 30. In observance of the season of non-violence, the movie will be "Peacemakers: Palestinians and Jews Together at Camp." Pizza and drinks will be served at 5:30 p.m. Adults are welcome. For more information, visit www.unityoflascruces.org.

SEARCH RETREAT

Immaculate Heart of Mary Cathedral, 1240 S. Espina St., will sponsor a SEARCH retreat for youth in grades 10 to 12 Thursday through Saturday, April 7-9. The three-day program will provide youth with the tools, support, fellowship, prayer and love needed to make a personal relationship with Jesus. Registration forms can be picked up at the parish from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Registration deadline is Monday, April 4. For more information, call 524-8563.

SILENT AUCTION

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will hold its third annual Black and Silver Silent Auction from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at Las Cruces Catholic School, 1331 N. Miranda St., in Rafaela Lucero Hall. There will be something for every taste from pizza to fine art, including work of local artists, day spa packages, home décor accessories, live theater tickets, road bike, jewelry, car care, restaurant certificates and much more. Admission to this event for those 21 and older is free and proceeds will benefit the needy in the community.

EASTER ALIVE

First Baptist Church of Las

Cruces, which holds "The Living Christmas Tree" every December, presents its fifth annual "Easter Alive" production at 3 p.m. Friday, April 22, and 6 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at the church, 106 S. Miranda St. The production features 41,000 computer-controlled lights on a 17-foot cross that will be synchronized with the music, including a 35 voice youth choir. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door or in advance during office hours from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call 524-3691.

PEACE LUTHERAN PRAYER GROUPS

Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 Missouri Ave., is providing two prayer groups. A centering prayer group will meet weekly at 9:30 a.m. Saturdays and will include 20 minutes of meditation. A prayer group focused on support, healing and gratitude will be held at 4:30 p.m. Mondays in Classroom 107. For more information, call 522-7119.

UNITY CLASSES

Classes available at Unity of Las Cruces, 125 Wyatt Drive, include a prosperity discussion at 9 a.m. Saturdays; "The Book of Revelations" book study from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays; "Filmore for Today" from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call 523-5592 or visit www.unityoflascruces.org.

SPIRITUAL HEALING

Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Center, a Roman Catholic community, offers spiritual healing programs and ministry. Holy Mass is held weekdays at 11:15 a.m. at 5480 Lassiter Road. Also on Mondays, the Healing Prayer Team meets to pray for anyone who is interested. If you or someone you know would like to meet with the team, call 647-1117 for an appointment.

EASTERN STAR MEETINGS

The Las Cruces Chapter No. 20, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold monthly meetings at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of the month at the Aztec Masonic Lodge, 180 E. Boutz Road. A potluck dinner will be held prior to the meeting at 6:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month. All OES members in good standing are invited to attend.

DIVORCE CARE

Morning Star UMC, 2941 Morning Star Drive, will hold a 13-week, video-based discussion and support group for those suffering from the pain of separation or divorce at 6:30 p.m. Mondays. Participants can enroll at any time for the free group, and child care will be provided. For more information, call 521-3770.

Feasting on fish

Meat-free Lent-inspired recipes

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin

As many observe Lent, a common practice is to give up something they enjoy, whether it's smoking or eating candy, in honor of the sacrifices Jesus made on the cross.

"It's something more I'm going to do to be closer to Christ," said Father John Anderson of Holy Cross Catholic Church. "It's hard, but (many do it) with a sense of sacrifice."

In addition to forgoing a personal delight, Anderson said many donate the money they would have spent on that item to the poor, their parish or to some other nonprofit organization or community project.

Anderson said that while giving up daily

pleasures for the season is a common practice, other traditions include spending extended time praying and reading scripture or religious materials.

While many choose to give up something important during Lent, others choose to follow the tradition of going without meat on Fridays and instead dine on fish and vegetable dishes. Viewed as a penance, the act includes avoiding flesh meat and meat products. However, historically, Anderson said Christians would fast on Fridays, and sometimes throughout the week.

For those who choose to go without meat on Fridays, there are several other fish- and vegetable-based dishes to be enjoyed. A few include:

Kid Friendly Tuna Casserole

- 1/2 package of medium egg noodles, cooked and drained
- 1 can of light tuna in water, well drained
- 2 cans of cream of mushroom or cream of celery soup
- 1 can of milk
- 1 (11-ounce) can of whole kernel corn, or 8 ounces of frozen corn (doesn't need to be thawed)
- Crushed potato chips or plain corn flakes

While the noodles are cooking, crush enough potato chips or plain corn flakes to top the casserole. Make sure the chips are coarsely crushed and not crumbs when you are done.

In a mixing bowl, combine all the ingredients and mix well. You may add a little salt and pepper to taste, but the canned soup will provide plenty of sodium. Pour mixture into a large baking dish or casserole. Top with a thin layer of potato chips so that all the casserole is covered. Bake in a 350 degree oven for 40 to 50 minutes, or until bubbles come through the chips. (Recipe adapted from www.catholicmom.com.)

Cedar Planked Salmon

- 3 (12-inch) untreated cedar planks
- 1/3 cup vegetable oil
- 1 1/2 tablespoons rice vinegar
- 1 teaspoon sesame oil
- 1/3 cup soy sauce
- 1/4 cup green onions, chopped
- 1 tablespoon grated fresh ginger root
- 1 teaspoon garlic, minced
- 2 (2-pound) salmon fillets, skin removed

Soak the cedar planks for at least 1 hour in warm water. Soak longer if you have time.

In a shallow dish, stir together the vegetable oil, rice vinegar, sesame oil, soy sauce, green onions, ginger and garlic. Place the salmon fillets in the marinade and turn

to coat. Cover and marinate for at least 15 minutes, or up to one hour.

Preheat an outdoor grill for medium heat. Place the planks on the grate. The boards are ready when they start to smoke and crackle just a little.

Place the salmon fillets onto the planks and discard the marinade. Cover, and grill for about 20 minutes. Fish is done when you can flake it with a fork. It will continue to cook after you remove it from the grill. (Recipe adapted from allrecipes.com.)

Slow Cooker Vegetable Soup

- 4 carrots, thinly sliced
- 5 stalks celery, sliced
- 4 potatoes, cubed
- 1 (9-ounce) package frozen green beans
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 cup canned diced tomatoes
- 4 cup tomato juice
- 1 1/2 cup water
- 1 tablespoon dried parsley
- 3/4 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1 teaspoon herb seasoning
- Salt to taste
- 1 can light red kidney beans, rinsed and drained

Combine all ingredients, except the kidney beans, in a slow cooker. Cook on low for 8 to 10 hours or on high for 6 hours. Season with salt to taste. Just before serving, stir in kidney beans. Serve hot. (Recipe adapted from www.recipe4living.com.)





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Featured home: 331 West Las Cruces Avenue

Photos by Niki Rhynes

The home at 331 W. Las Cruces Ave. was originally built in 1887 in a Victorian style.



From the bandstand, visitors can look over the entire great room, which includes flagstone floors.



Common pueblo-style elements continue on the enclosed patio, which has touches of turquoise.



The kitchen features touches of color and tile work.



Decorative glass lights up the bird room.



Changed to a pueblo style in 1902, the home includes several nichos and antique wooden doors, such as the one that hides the china in the dining room.

Standing the test of time

Couple finds a home in historic Frenger House

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Enclosed behind a tall wall near Alameda Boulevard, the property at 331 W. Las Cruces Ave. may not look like much, but within its gates stands a piece of Mesilla Valley history.

Originally built in 1887 in the Victorian style commonly found on the East Coast, the home was purchased by Judge Numa and Clara Frenger in 1902. Wanting a change, Clara Frenger completely remodeled the home in 1930 to reflect the region's popular pueblo style.

Hiring crews from Mexico, the house was transformed by hand into an artistic Southwest abode that includes vigas, latillas, lintels and corbels. The massive conversion continued until around 1950.

Over the years, ownership of the home changed hands several times until Mesilla Valley native Gary Schlothauer and his wife Janet purchased the property in 1997.

"It always looked so mysterious," said Janet Schlothauer, adding that Gary Schlothauer ate at the residence as a child when it was the gourmet restaurant Vonnie Lee's.

Attracted to the uniqueness of the property, the Schlothauers added a few improvements while maintaining the historic and one-of-a-kind features of the abode.

Described as a "fortress" by Gary Schlothauer, the approximately 5,000-square-foot home rests behind a large adobe wall built by the couple. It is accessed by two gates, one of which features a 150-year-old door from Juárez.

A stone walkway winds around the side of the property to the front of the home. Beside the stairs leading to the massive front door is a small, open structure.

"At one point, so many people wanted to see the house, (Clara Frenger) charged to see it," Janet Schlothauer said, explaining that the petite structure housed a man who would collect money from visitors, and was kept warm, thanks to its a small fireplace.

Beyond the front door is a mariachi pit, which Gary Schlothauer reformed and refinished with a variety of colored tiles.

Clara Frenger had the large wooden front door built for the home. Yellow flowers with orange leaves and turquoise trim cover the aged door, complementing the home's historic pueblo feel.

Inside, the Schlothauers have filled the



Beside the enclosed patio is an area where a man would collect money from visitors who wanted to tour the home.

grand rooms with their collection of family collectibles, artwork and antique furniture, including a few pieces created by previous owners specifically for the house.

A kiva fireplace can be found in the corner of the foyer, which also includes access to the enclosed patio. The screened-in area follows the length of the home and features suns carved in the lintels.

Back inside, flagstone covers the floors and includes carved details, such as sun bursts and butterflies, as well as a glossy finish.

"They have been waxed and waxed," Janet Schlothauer said. "They have a luster without the need of paint."

The great room features a 17-foot-high ceiling as well as several strategically placed birds' nest lights. A few windows are also placed throughout to lighten the otherwise dark room.

Corbels carved in various patterns add elegance to the viga- and latilla-covered ceiling. One of the room's most unique features, however, is the bandstand – an element created by frequent hostess Clara Frenger to entertain guests. A small circular staircase of steps built into the adobe wall leads to the area, which is accented in a carved and painted banister.

"The children love to play on the stairs," Janet Schlothauer said.

Two hallways lead to the dining room.

Tucked behind a small door along the way is the master suite.

"All of the doors are so short. Gary has to bend over to get through them," Janet Schlothauer said.

Preserving the historic elements of the home, the Schlothauers kept the old wooden doors that store the china in the dining room. The room also features carved corbels, however, the patterns are unlike those found in the great room.

"There is nothing quite the same anywhere," said Janet Schlothauer, adding that each radiator in the home also features a different style.

Connected to the dining room is the kitchen, enclosed behind double shutter doors. Tiles in various colors surround the countertops and

Details

Featured home

331 W. Las Cruces Ave.

Square footage

Approximately 5,000

Acres

.75

Bedrooms

Four

Bathrooms

Three

Fireplaces

Two

Special features

Built in 1887, the historic home was converted to a pueblo style and features several rooms, such as a great room with a bandstand, study, bird room and Carlsbad Caverns-inspired bathroom.

floor, and culminate in a mosaic. A half-circle island doubles as a workspace and storage area with shelves tucked underneath and out of sight.

On the other side of the home are the study and an unusual bathroom. Inspired by Carlsbad Caverns, the bathroom is covered in plaster with hanging pieces shaped like grapes to resemble stalactites.

Connected to this area is the bird room, a feature Clara Frenger added to the original home. The specially designed room had two openings in the ceiling to allow birds to come and go. Covered in large windows with painted peacocks, light fills the bright room, which also includes a kiva fireplace and access to the side of the home.

With an abundance of living spaces – including a separate casita – the historic home has several unique features that catch the eye and dazzle the mind.

"Whichever room I'm in is my favorite," Janet Schlothauer said.

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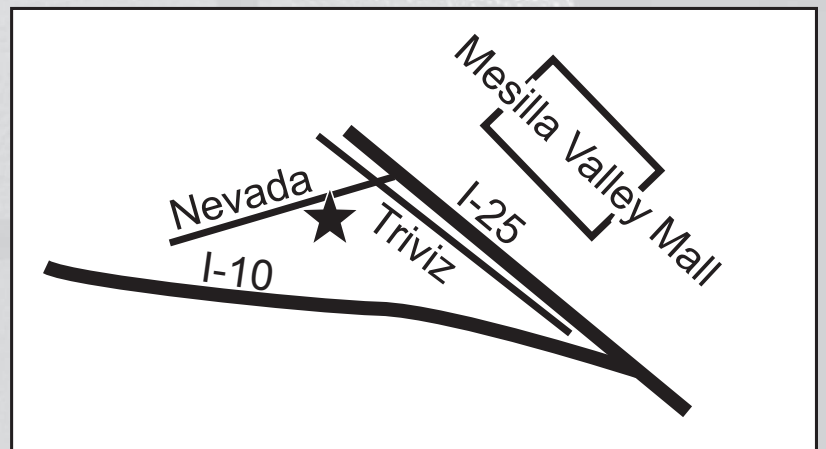
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RecyclingBriefs

LCAR donates clothes to the Community of Hope



Recyclables pour into Friedman Recycling, which will collect curbside recycling containers from Las Cruces beginning April 4.

Friedman Recycling President/COO Morris Friedman shows the new labels that explain what can be placed inside the curbside recycling containers.



'Recycle Right!' hits the streets in Las Cruces

With curbside recycling in Las Cruces comes a new program called "Recycle Right!" to be sure residents are as informed as possible about recycling. It's important to recycle, but it is very important to recycle the right things. And the list of recyclables just got longer.

- New items incorporated:
- Plastics 1 through 7 including plastic tubs and jars
 - Rigid laundry hampers and baskets
 - Pots and pans
 - Small electronics
 - Paperback and hardback books
 - Milk and juice cartons and boxes
- Along with these, you can recycle the regulars – newspaper, magazines, catalogues, paper bags, mixed paper, cardboard, cereal and cracker boxes, water and soda bottles, milk and juice jugs, detergent bottles and aluminum and steel cans.

Thirty thousand Las Cruces households that already have city trash pickup will be getting curbside recycling bins this week or next. With curbside recycling pickup starting April 4, the question of "where are my recyclables going?" is more important than ever.

For more than a year Friedman Recycling has been processing Las Cruces recyclables. The loads that came from the drop-off sites were transported to the South Central Solid Waste Authority and then hauled to Friedman Recycling in northeast

El Paso for sorting. Now that curbside is revolutionizing how we recycle in the City of the Crosses, Friedman Recycling will continue processing recyclables, but will also manage the Las Cruces curbside program.

Items must be loose – no bags. "It takes a long time for employees to take stuff out of the bags. During that time 30 other items that should have been removed pass them by. We rather remove those 30 items to keep the load clean than open bags," said Morris Friedman President/COO of Friedman Recycling.

Don't put anything that's not on the list in the blue bin. Almost everything in the plant is moved through conveyor belts and sorted automatically. In the conveyor belts, dirty stuff falls through in the early stages and clean recyclables go on for sorting. The top-of-the-line machinery used at Friedman is moved by a drum that adjusts the speed in which the conveyor belts will move depending on the weight of the load.

The only things sorted by hand are the trash that doesn't belong and plastic No. 2 bottles. There are five people pre-sorting, pulling out any trash that messes up the system and a total of 18 people up on the line for quality sorting. If a wire or hose is put in the load the plant has to come to a complete stop causing delays.

"We process 25 to 28 tons every hour and we are working 20-hour days," Friedman said.

Thank you for recycling! If you have curbside recycling questions, visit www.friedmanrecycling.com, or call Friedman Recycling at 877-500-RECYCLE.

Photos by Beth Sitzler

The Community Service Committee of Las Cruces Association of Realtors dropped off business clothing at the Mesilla Valley Community of Hope Friday, March 11, to provide those in need with professional wear for job interviews. The items included shoes, purses, costume jewelry and women's and men's wear.



Jennifer Goude of Steinborn & Associates Real Estate hangs shirts in the organization's closet.



Stephanie Keepers of Accent Real Estate organizes business clothes donated by LCAR to the Community of Hope.



Community Service Committee Chair Elsie Bonfantini stands with Marisela Aguilera of the Community of Hope.

Finding the latest at the Home & Garden Show

Photos by Niki Rhynes

Kathy Boyer pets a stray puppy at the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley pet adoption area in front of the Las Cruces Convention Center during the Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico's annual Home & Garden Show Sunday, March 13.



Positive Energy solar electric systems was one of the many booths that filled the Las Cruces Convention Center.



The Home & Garden Show drew big crowds Saturday and Sunday, March 12-13, at the Las Cruces Convention Center.

Tad Davis of All Mixed Up concrete art studio talks about the creative ways to use concrete in design with painting contractor Alfredo Herrera. Herrera said that the Home & Garden Show was an excellent way to make contacts.



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Marjie Snell and Mary Thompson pass out fliers at the New Mexico State University Doña Ana County Cooperative Extension Service booth.



Wild Birds Unlimited Nature Shop displayed different colored hummingbird feeders.

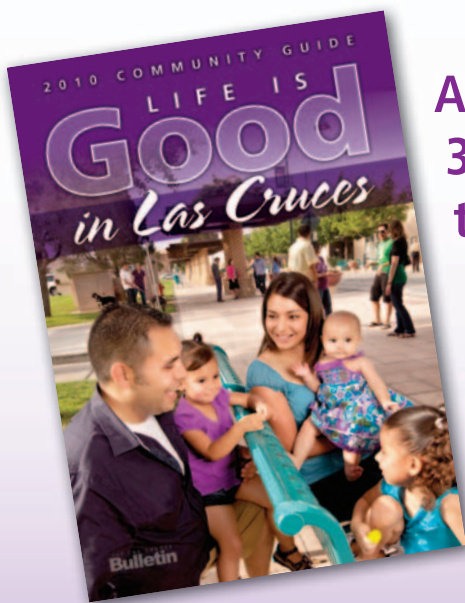


Julie Miller, Bonnie Eisenberg and Carolla Pierce of the Mesilla Valley Iris Society exhibit the different varieties of the flower. The group will hold its 38th annual Mesilla Valley Iris Show from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 16, at the Ramada Palms de Las Cruces.

Lorenzo Liberto of Lorenzo's Italian Restaurant and daughter Alma hand out servings of spinach artichoke ravioli in a red chile sauce and mushroom caps after giving a demonstration on how to cook the tasty appetizer.



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Featured Business: *Spring Crest*

Still strong after 35 years

Family-owned company works to fulfill all of Las Cruces' window covering needs

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin

As more big-box stores pop up throughout the area, one local and family-owned establishment is still providing the community with quality products and personalized care.

Spring Crest Custom Draperies has graced Las Cruces since Donna and John Kosnick opened the shop 35 years ago.

"We owe our success to our reputation and stability," Donna Kosnick said. "Many drapery houses have come and gone."

Donna Kosnick said she had been an avid seamstress, creating draperies for 27 of the homes the family lived in during John Kosnick's military career. While she had a knack for pinch pleats, she said she always wanted springcrest, which is a type of drapery created from a specially designed steel rod that allows the pleating to be uniform from all sides.

Although Las Cruces had a springcrest supplier when the Kosnicks previously lived in the city, the family was transferred to Hawaii before Donna Kosnick got her drapes.

After John Kosnick retired, they returned to the Southwest and moved to Albuquerque. It was there that Donna Kosnick learned of the Spring Crest franchise and purchased a store in Las Cruces from the regional manager.

"We had three years to come down here and start the store," she said, adding that the Las Cruces location was store No. 186 of the company that was also prominent in California and Florida before expanding worldwide.

Opening Spring Crest Custom Draperies became a family affair with Donna Kosnick's mother Laura Engraf offering her help. Soon, her sons Robert and Jon Kosnick also joined the family team.

Robert Kosnick said he majored in geology

at Northern Arizona University. After graduating in the 1970s, he said most jobs for geologists were for oil companies, a career path he wasn't interested in taking. It was at that point he decided to learn the family business.

"They needed me," he said, adding that he turned his interest in geology into a "rock hobby."

As time went on, only Robert and Donna Kosnick were left to manage the business. Two years ago, however, Robert's daughter Jenni Cline decided to come on board, making Spring Crest a four-generation operation.

"They needed help, so I decided to come on," Cline said.

Attending culinary school in Arizona, Cline said she worked at a few places and realized the corporate world was not for her, adding that she saw a chance to modernize the family business.

Transitioning from a part-time to full-time employee, she said she had a hand in updating all the systems and computerizing the business, bringing Spring Crest into the age of technology.

The art of window covering

While the company has upgraded its systems, it still focuses on what's important – providing for the customer's needs.

"We treat them individually and give them the best product to fit their situation," Robert Kosnick said.

"No two customers are alike in the sense of what their house needs," Cline said.

Specializing in "anything that will cover a window," Cline said Spring Crest sells not only draperies, but also mini blinds, vertical blinds, honeycomb shades, woven wood shades and shutters.

Thanks to the company's workshop, they can also produce personalized drapery on custom-made stained and colored rods to fit a person's

home. In addition to creating corner boards, bedspreads, upholstery and pillows, they also make repairs to home and RV window coverings, even if the product isn't from the Spring Crest.

"We also do drapery cleaning," Cline said. "We'll go into the house, take them down, clean them and make any repairs and re-hang them."

While Cline, Donna and Robert Kosnick each have their own niche, they said everyone is cross trained to be able to take on any task, including making home visits, conducting measurements and installing the products.

"Our biggest asset is our commitment to quality," Robert Kosnick said. "We've been in the business so long, it shows that we stand behind our product."

When it comes to selecting the right window treatment, the group said there are a few things to consider, such as sun control and color palette.

"Each room can have a different product," Donna Kosnick said.

While hard window treatments, such as blinds and shades, have become increasingly popular, Cline said drapery is still in style.

"Nothing has gone out of style really, but we are seeing a resurgence of soft window treatments," said Donna Kosnick, adding that drapery can soften a room and improve its acoustics.

Providing a variety of services, Robert Kosnick said they have several repeat customers, some of whom still have Spring Crest draperies hanging after almost 30 years.

"(The biggest reward is) getting to know the customers over 35 years and having them come back, just like a friend," Donna Kosnick said.

As many Las Cruces try to find ways to improve their homes during the economic downturn, the team at Spring Crest is ready to provide for their window-covering needs for years to come.

"With the fourth generation working here, we plan to be serving our good customers for many years," Donna Kosnick said.

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Feature company

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Checking for problems behind the walls

Current Safe tests entire home to spot potential fire hazards

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin

From a young age, we are taught about the dangers related to playing with matches, but what about other potential fire hazards, such as faulty home electrical systems?

With about 1-in-3 house fires caused by an electrical defect, RT Electric offers Current Safe – a service it began in April 2010 to detect those hidden dangers before they turn into tragedy.

“Of electrical fires, 83 percent of the time, they are started with wires behind the wall,” said Tracy Reed, sales manager of RT Electric. “You can’t see what’s going on behind there. After 10 to 15 years, a homeowner needs to get their home’s wiring checked up. Electrical fires are hidden hazards. Most of the time, the electricity is out of sight, out of mind, but it’s the most powerful substance in the home.”

Reed said there are three main causes of electrical fires. The first is degradation, which naturally occurs over time and with frequent use. The next is an increase in power load.

“The load today is much heavier than many older electrical systems were designed to handle,” he said.

The last cause is work completed by unskilled handymen or homeowners.

“Some people do this to try to save money, but at the same time they’re putting their family and property at risk because it isn’t always done up to code,” Reed said.

Through Current Safe, Reed said one of two RT Electric electricians tour the home to spot obvious hazards, such as prolonged extension cord use and missing smoke alarms in bedrooms or adjacent hallways.

Next, they will conduct a series of state-of-the-art tests using non-destructive tools to find out if there are any trouble spot and potential fire starters.

“There are several things we look at to determine if it’s really a hazard or not,” Reed said. “We use multiple tools to check everything. Each area can have different problems with different symptoms.”

Taking about an entire day for the entire process to be accomplished, depending on the size of the home, the first test performed evaluates the power load. To do this, all of the appliances and lights are turned on and a thermal imaging camera is used to identify hotspots, beginning at the electrical panel.

Used both inside and outside of the home, if anything measures 5 to 6 degrees over the ambient temperature, Reed said it is documented and the load capacity is examined.

Next an ultrasonic sound device is used to listen to any arching, sparks or shorting taking place behind the wall.

“A shorting is a high frequency noise that we can’t hear normally,” Reed said. “It happens before there are other signs of failure.”

A ground resistance test is then conducted to determine if the home is properly grounded and safe from lightning strikes.

A circuit analyzer is then used on every outlet to check for

loose connections, arching and proper power flow. It also determines if the circuit is being overloaded with power. In addition, the tool makes sure ground fault circuit interrupters – commonly used in kitchens, bathrooms and laundry facilities to prevent electrocution and shock – and arch fault circuit interrupters are operating correctly.

A voltage power monitor is then used to measure power coming into the home. This will show any problems on the utility company’s side.

Lastly, a circuit tracer is used to spot bad wiring and determine where in the home it is going.

“It will pinpoint where the problem is,” Reed said.

Once the tests are completed, the homeowner receives a thorough report documenting each test conducted and what was discovered – good and bad.

“Our job is to provide good information to the homeowner so they can make an informed decision,” said Reed, adding that the electrician will also make recommendations for repairs. “It’s like we’re giving your home a MRI – we check out 100 percent of the electrical system.”

While there are several advantages to having a home tested, such as reduced insurance and making it more appealing to potential buyers, Reed said overall Current Safe is designed to save families from potential electrical fires.

For more information, call 523-9252.



Through Current Safe, a service offered by RT Electric, several tests are conducted to determine if there are any potential electrical hazards, including ultrasonic sound detection, which listens for sparks.

Insect colors to match the season

The green palate of spring applies to bugs, too

Omar Martinez
Local Truly Nolen of America Expert



The first official day of spring is Sunday, March 20, and that means fields, forests and streams become all different shades of green. We will soon start to see insects sporting the same attire – among them green stink bugs, green darner dragonflies and green lacewings.

Decked out in a light green shield, the green stink bug is a bit mischievous: Disturb him and he’ll send up an odiferous alarm. The mid-Atlantic states have seen a stink bug invasion and has the warm weather travels west the Western states will see more of them, too.

Yet another warning comes to mind: The green stink bug will wreak havoc on crops and groves. This bug can cause extensive damage to produce such as black cherries, pears, tomatoes and corn, as well as destroy flowering dogwood and pine trees, among others. Thank goodness for its natural predators – birds, toads and spiders.

Other insects that wear green bring us good luck. And what sounds more

magical – as if it lived in the misty dew among the fairies – than a green lacewing. The flying insect with shimmering wings also dines on fare that perpetuates a mystical image – nectar, pollen and honeydew.

Its offspring, however, feast on aphids and other damaging pests. Known as aphid lions, young lacewings are used by commercial farmers on crops and in greenhouses and orchards to reduce the use of pesticide in the battle against bad bugs.

Last, but not least, is the green darner dragonfly, an insect that darts around in a catch-me-if-you-can flight path.

Among its strong character traits are its beautiful green luminescence and an affinity for the flavor of mosquitoes. The green darner also has a more upscale palate such as a little freshwater shrimp to satisfy. The dragonfly is an aggressive hunter as well and is equipped for underwater travel.

Look for these and many more green bugs as the season’s cloak changes from winter to spring and, ultimately, summer.

Omar Martinez, a local expert for Truly Nolen of America, has extensive experience in the pest control industry. Martinez brings an



With spring quickly approaching, Las Cruces will be able to see more green lacewings.

informative as well as unique and entertaining perspective to consumers’ pest problems in the 21st century. Founded in 1938, Tucson, Ariz.-based Truly Nolen of America is one of the largest family owned pest control companies in the United States. Truly Nolen has more than 80 branch offices in Arizona, California, Florida, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas and Utah. The company also has independently owned and operated franchises in an ever-growing number of territories including California, Florida, Kentucky, New York, Oklahoma, Texas and Utah as well as Puerto Rico. For more information or to ask your local expert a question about insects and insect prevention, visit www.trulynolen.com or call 915-591-9864.

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Shaving away cooking dilemmas

Vegetable peeler is a Jack-of-all-trades in the kitchen

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin

From carrots to potatoes, some nutritious items need a little preparation before they can be enjoyed, which is where the vegetable peeler comes in.

Designed to remove the outer skin of a fruit or vegetable while leaving the innards intact, the cooking utensil can be found in kitchens throughout the world, in a variety of materials, styles and sizes.

There are three types of vegetable peelers. With a Lancashire peeler, the blade extends from the handle. To use, hold the vegetable in one hand and drag the blade toward you when peeling. This peeler is ideal for fruits and veggies with thin and soft skins and can't be used on those that are thick or hard.

The Y peeler, also known as the yoke peeler, resembles a razor. Unlike the Lancashire peeler, this peeler is used by pushing it along the item away from your body. This will reduce the friction that meets on the surface.

The last type of peeler doesn't have an official name, but is known as the Australian vegetable peeler – after its place of origin. The blade partially rotates, allowing it to remove the skin of vegetables relatively quickly.

No matter the kind of peeler you have, the tool can be used to do a lot more than just clean vegetables.

1. Shave chocolate: You don't have to be an expert chocolatier to create delicate wisps of the confection when you have a vegetable peeler on hand. To quickly prepare massive quantities of large chocolate curls or small shavings to dress up desserts, run the peeler across the surface of a square of the sweet stuff. Long drags will create curls, while shorter abrasions will produce shavings. Be sure to do this over a piece of wax paper to catch the flakes. The curling effect will be easier to achieve if the chocolate is at room temperature. When you're done, place the chocolate in the refrigerator until you use

it so it won't melt.

2. Sharpen a pencil: A broken pencil doesn't have to be a hindrance when you have a vegetable peeler. Instead of searching for a handheld sharpener, simply twirl the edge of the pencil along the blade several times until the lead becomes a point. This trick will work on a variety of pencils, from the colored type to soft lead.

3. Quickly soften hard butter: Say you get a hankering for some gooey chocolate chip cookies but the only butter you have is rock hard. What do you do? Because most baking recipes require soft, yet cold butter, heating it in the microwave may not be the answer and leaving it on the counter will probably take too long. The solution to this dessert dilemma is the vegetable peeler. Shave off the amount you need, and the butter will become softened in moments.

4. Reuse old scented soaps: Whether it's dried-out decorative soap or a strongly scented cleanser that becomes too small to handle, you can give that old bar of soap a new purpose with a vegetable peeler. Run the blade over the surface to create fragrant shavings. Place them in an ornamental container and store around the home. The bowl will give off a pleasant smell without being too overpowering.

5. Thinly cut garlic: Creating those thin, almost-see-through strips of garlic can be a daunting task unless you're a knife-wielding expert. For those still enhancing their slicing and dicing skills, get help from the vegetable peeler. Securely holding the garlic on a flat surface, glide the peeler along the length of the onion cousin.

6. Create zest: A quick way to spruce up a recipe is with a bit of citrus zest. While commercially sold zesters are available, they aren't necessary when you have a vegetable peeler. Use the peeler to cut strips of lemon, limes and oranges. These strips can be as thick or thin as needed by using varying amounts of pressure. Whether in soups or as garnish for cocktails, this trick will help any at-home chef create a gourmet dish.

7. Remove celery string: A common diet snack, celery is ideal for those looking to cut calories. A downfall to the light veggie is the stringy fibers that can get stuck in your teeth. Help get rid of them with a vegetable peeler. Starting at the end, lightly shave off the fibers, being careful not to peel off too much of the stalk.

8. Cut hard cheeses: In addition to zest, a hard cheese is a great topper for savory dishes. Thinly cut hard cheeses, such

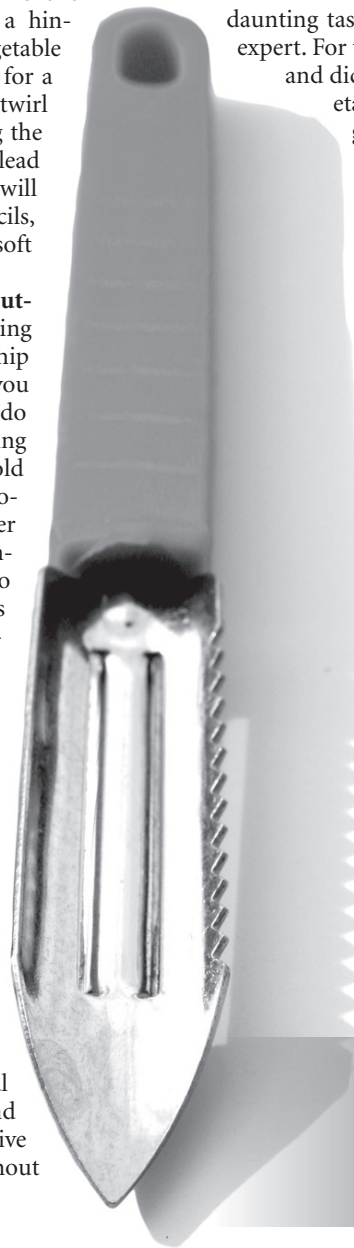
Roasted Carrots with New Potatoes

- 1 pound carrots, peeled and sliced
- 1 to 1 1/2 pounds new potatoes
- 2 medium onions
- 4 cloves garlic
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon thyme or rosemary
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Thoroughly clean and peel the carrots and vegetables. Add all ingredients and toss to evenly coat. Spread in roasting pan. Bake 1 hour or until well browned. Turn vegetables every 20 minutes. (Recipe adapted from www.cooks.com.)

as Parmigiano-reggiano, pecorino Romano and Asiago, with a vegetable peeler. Use it on salads, pasta and pizza. Not only will this help the job go by faster, the sliced cheeses will have more flavor than those that are grated.

9. Prepare sushi fillings: When creating sushi, it's important to use thinly sliced ingredients to ensure that it can be rolled up without everything spilling out. If your paring knife skills aren't up to the challenge, an easy way to get the results you want is with a vegetable peeler. Use the peeler on cucumbers, mango and other soft foods you want to add to your roll.



*Around-the-home item:
Vegetable peeler*

Home Sales Scoreboard

LAS CRUCES AREA

	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Closed Sales New Homes	0	4	3

Closed Sales Existing Homes	13	19	11
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Pending Home Sales (All)	184	186	209
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	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Average Days on Market (All)	74	96	74

"Homes" include detached single-family homes, townhomes and condominiums

	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Median Price New	N/A	\$149,105	\$149,500
Median Price Existing	\$171,500	\$166,000	\$145,500

	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Total Homes on Market (All)	1,088	1,075	1,216
Real Estate Agents	396	397	450

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Welcome spring with salad

Crisp dish is refreshing on warmer days

Sunny Conley
Chile Knights



Spring has sprung! Soon, the Organ Mountain foothills will be set aflame with a palette of colorful wildflowers. And as temps warm the earth, appetites demand lighter fare.

Salads come to mind – icy shrimp, zesty risotto, sweet pea and mandarin orange. Delicious. Refreshing. A medley of sweet heat flavors and textures that is certain to capture both eye and palate.

Celebrate the new season by sampling one or all of these attention-grabbing recipe delights.

Chilled Shrimp and Kasha Salad with Tomato Chile Pequin Vinaigrette Dressing

1/4 cup kasha (or substitute rice)
4 ounces water
Garlic cloves
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 teaspoon lemon juice
Salt and pepper to taste
8 ounces small to medium peeled, cooked shrimp
4 chilled asparagus spears, cooked al dente and sliced diagonally into quarters
4 ounces tomato dill vinaigrette
4 ounces roasted bell peppers in jar, drained (or substitute roasted cherry tomatoes)
6 ounces mixed salad greens

Put the kasha in a heavy saucepan. Set the pan over moderately high heat until it is hot. Add the water and garlic, cover and move to low heat. Simmer slowly until the kasha is tender and the water is completely absorbed.

Transfer the kasha and garlic to a bowl and toss with the olive oil and lemon juice. Add salt and pepper to taste. Chill in refrigerator, if desired.

Combine the shrimp with the vinaigrette (see recipe below) and marinate for an hour or two.

Trim, wash and drain the salad greens. Line salad plates with the mixed greens. Arrange the peppers

and asparagus on top of the greens. Place a mound of the kasha in the center of the plates. Remove the shrimp from the vinaigrette and arrange on top of the kasha. Spoon the vinaigrette over the tops of the salads and serve. Makes 4 servings.

Tomato Chile Pequin Vinaigrette Dressing:

1/4 cup tomato juice
1/4 cup cider vinegar
1/4 cup lemon juice
1 clove garlic, minced
1/8 teaspoon pepper
1/4 teaspoon thyme, crushed
1 chile pequin or chiles de arbol pepper, crushed
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons parsley, chopped

Put all ingredients in a bowl and mix well. Keeps well in the refrigerator. Makes 3/4 cup dressing.

Sweet Pea's Lite 'n Sassy Springtime Ham Salad

1 (16-ounce) package bow tie (farfalle) pasta
1 tablespoon olive oil
3/4 cup low-fat or fat-free sour cream
3/4 cup low-fat or fat-free mayonnaise
1/4 cup lemon juice
1 tablespoon lemon zest
1 tablespoon dried dill weed
1 pinch cayenne pepper, or to taste
Kosher salt to taste
1/2 cup red onion, diced
8 ounces frozen green peas, thawed
8 ounces diced fully cooked lean ham
8 ounces low-fat sharp Cheddar cheese, cubed
2 sprigs fresh dill, for garnish
3 red bell peppers, stemmed, seeded and sliced in half (for serving)

Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil over high heat. Add the bow tie pasta, and cook until al dente, 8 to 10 minutes. Drain and rinse well with cold water, then toss with the olive oil and set aside.

Stir the sour cream, mayonnaise, lemon juice, lemon zest, dried dill, cayenne pepper and salt until smooth. Fold in the onion, peas, ham, Cheddar cheese and bow tie

pasta. Spoon equal portions of mix into each red bell pepper half. Garnish with the dill sprigs to serve. Makes 6 servings.

Refreshing Mesilla Pecan Mandarin Orange Salad Toss

1 tablespoon olive oil
8 ounces spring mix salad greens
2 cans (11-ounce) mandarin oranges, drained
1/2 cup crumbled blue cheese
1/4 cup pecans, chopped and toasted
1/2 cup cranberry-raspberry juice
1/4 teaspoon New Mexico medium-hot red chile powder or substitute cayenne pepper
3 tablespoons white wine vinegar

In a salad bowl, combine the greens, oranges, blue cheese and pecans. In a small bowl, whisk the cranberry-raspberry juice, chile powder, vinegar and oil. Drizzle over salad and toss to coat. Serve immediately. Makes 6 servings.

Zesty Creamy Risotto Salad

This salad gets its zest from lemon juice and minced habanero pepper. Fresh Thai chile pepper can be substituted.

1 1/2 tablespoons good olive oil
1 1/2 tablespoons unsalted butter
3 cups leeks, white and light green parts, chopped
1 1/2 cups Arborio rice (or basmati)*
2/3 cup dry white wine
4 to 5 cups simmering chicken stock or vegetable stock
1 pound asparagus tips
10 ounces frozen peas, defrosted
1 tablespoon grated lemon zest (2 lemons)
Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
2 tablespoons freshly squeezed lemon juice
1/4 fresh habanero pepper, stemmed, seeded and minced (Note: Wear rubber gloves when handling this hot pepper)
1/3 cup Italian mascarpone cheese
1/2 cup freshly grated Parmesan, plus extra for serving



Chilled shrimp salad is a springtime treat.

3 tablespoons fresh chives, minced, plus extra for serving
Heat the olive oil and butter in a medium saucepan over medium heat. Add the leeks and sauté for 5 to 7 minutes, until tender. Add rice and stir for a minute to coat with the oil and butter. Add white wine and simmer over low heat, stirring constantly, until most of the wine has been absorbed. Add the stock, two ladles at a time, stirring almost constantly and waiting for the stock to be absorbed before adding more. The whole cooking process will take 25 to 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, discard the tough ends of the asparagus and cut the tips diagonally in 1 1/2-inch lengths. Blanch in boiling salted water for 4 to 5 minutes, until tender. Drain and cool immediately in ice water.

When the risotto has been cooking for 15 minutes, drain the asparagus and add to the risotto

with the peas, lemon zest and 2 teaspoons of salt and 1 teaspoon pepper. Continue cooking and adding stock, stirring almost constantly, until the rice is tender but still firm.

Whisk the lemon juice and cheese together in a small bowl. When the risotto is done, turn off the heat and stir in the mascarpone mixture, plus the Parmesan cheese. Remove from heat. Salt and pepper to taste, and serve hot with a sprinkling of chives and more Parmesan cheese, if desired. (Recipe adapted from morethanburnttoast.blogspot.com, March 2008)

*Arborio (Italian) rice works best in this recipe. If in a pinch, substitute medium or short-grain rice, but only as a last resort.

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A house with character is unique, reflecting its surroundings, its history and the personality of those who call it home. Even

though we tend to associate character with older homes, this quality can be incorporated into a home of any age.

Let's devise a plan that will help you build character successfully in any home. Whatever the size of your house, your budget or your aspirations, these guidelines will help you build a character that makes it uniquely yours. Consider the big picture, even if you intend to start with a few cosmetic changes in just one room. The best way to begin a makeover is to assess the overall picture. Don't lose sight of the ultimate goal. A house with true character doesn't simply just look better, it's also more comfortable and pleasing to live in.

Work with what you have. Don't try to make your home

into something it's not. Instead, consider changes that enhance or strengthen its style. Maybe you're saying “but my house has no style.” Let's start from the top down and review some things that you could do to give your home style and character.

For your ceiling, crown molding and beams (either wood, stone or plastered) makes for an interesting ceiling treatment. Adding tongue and groove wood molding or bead board can add to the look of your beams. Don't forget an inexpensive way to add beams is by the use of foam. I recently added 15-inch crown molding to a complete home. It added more character to the look of the very high ceilings and gave a cozy, aged and lived-in feel to the home. It also made it look a lot more expensive.

In another home, we added plastered beams in a grid pattern with decorative plaster overlays that were faux finished. The latter ceiling originally had only had two wooden beams in the center of the ceiling. Adding more beams added more character to the ceiling.

Beautiful moldings, graceful columns and charming wainscoting are cosmetic details rather than structural elements, but when they are thoughtfully designed they become part of the very fiber of a home enhancing its architectural identity. Luckily, these are relatively simple to add. You can give any home greater presence, grace and style. Baseboards change the entire feel of a room. Its height should fit the scale of the room. Moldings around doors or windows can also add new dimension to a room. Trim adds detail but also has a practical side; it conceals less-than-perfect joints between walls and floors or window jams and it protects drywall from bumps and bangs.

Consider your ceiling height when determining your molding treatment. As a general rule for crown molding, choose a maximum depth of three quarters of an inch for every vertical foot of wall, that means in an 8-foot ceiling, it should be no more than about 6 inches deep. If you have a very high ceiling, you could add crown molding, then go down a foot and add another trim piece of molding for an interesting look. You can then paint, stencil, wallpaper or faux finish the space between the two moldings. It is a great look to shorten a very high ceiling and it adds detail and character.

Tongue and groove, board and batten, raised panel, bead board, picture framing – these terms are the language of the well-dressed wall and just a sampling of the many options for covering a wall with millwork. Depending upon the style of the house, the effect may be casual, formal, rustic refined, traditional or contemporary. In every case, adding these new surface treatments can add charm and texture to your room.

Next time, we will talk about window seats, fireplaces, arches, lighting and floors. We are working from the top down, and we're halfway there.

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