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H1N1 ruled out in child's abrupt death

Autopsy ruling of cause still pending

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

Although a final autopsy report finding wasn't issued by press time, a state health official was able to tell the Bulletin that an 8-year-old girl who died suddenly Saturday, Jan. 22, did not die from the H1N1 strain of influenza.

Because of statements in press accounts about the possibility of H1N1 being the cause of death of a Desert Hills Elementary School student, Las Cruces Public Schools Superintendent Stan Rounds held a press conference Tuesday, Jan. 24, with state Health Department spokesman Chris Minnick.

Rounds said letters were sent home with students notifying them of the death and detailing precautions against the spread of viruses and bacterial infections. Desert Hills Elementary Principal Liz Gonzales also called the families of about 20 students who were not at school and at home sick, but not necessarily with the flu.

Minnick said the child who died did show a positive result for having type A influenza, but that doesn't necessarily mean the child died of the flu – she could have died of complications, such as a bacterial infection causing pneumonia, or there may have been another cause unrelated to the seasonal illness.

Minnick said he had hoped there would be a final determination by the Office of the Medical Investigator (OMI) in Albuquerque by Wednesday, Jan. 25, but the OMI wasn't ready by the end of the day to announce an official cause of death.

"This kind of determination takes facts, takes science and takes time," Minnick said.

From speaking to experts working on sub-typing the flu virus found in the girl, however, Minnick said Wednesday that he could say with certainty that H1N1 was not the strain, and therefore not the

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Feet fleet ACROSS CAMPUS

Participants in New Mexico State University's Kinesiology Club 5k run pass by Skeen Hall Saturday, Jan. 23. The winter exercise event also included a 1-mile walk around the NMSU campus. See page A21 for more photos.

Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Chris Mortenson

Connor starts mayor's race

Councillor criticizes bureaucracy

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

Councillor Dolores Connor is running for mayor of Las Cruces, saying the city government needs to be more business friendly and needs to focus on improving public safety.

Connor made her announcement Wednesday, Jan. 26, because she said the Nov. 8 elections are only nine months away and she wanted to give the residents of District 2 time to find candidates to replace her.

Connor, the only surviving member of the City Council from the progressive-fueled change following the controversial Vistas at Presidio East Mesa annexa-

tion, made her announcement from Ramada Palms de Las Cruces, which was previously locally owned and was purchased by the hotel chain because she said the city is becoming a destination.

However, Connor said, city government is more apt to make Las Cruces a destination not worth the bother for businesses

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For more info

To read all of Dolores Connor's speech and her official campaign biography, visit the Daily Bulletin via www.lascrucesbulletin.com.

Nuñez parts with Democratic Party

Hatch rep turns independent after losing committee posts

By **Steve Terrell**
The New Mexican

Democrats in the House of Representatives – who lost eight members in the general election last year – lost another seat Tuesday, Jan. 24, when Rep. Andy Nuñez of Hatch switched his party registration from Democrat to "Declined to State," the equivalent to being an independent.

Nuñez, who made the change in the Secretary of State's office, said his decision was the result of House Speaker Ben

Lujan stripping him of his committee chairmanship and removing him from two committees last week.



NUÑEZ

The political makeup of the House is now 36 Democrats, 33 Republicans and Nuñez as the sole independent.

"At least I don't have to go to caucus meetings anymore," he joked with reporters after signing his new registration letters. "Now I'm not beholden to any party."

Nuñez, a 10-year lawmaker who had been chairman of the

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Research starts at NMSU FAA center

Aerospace industry lining up for research projects through new federal space consortium



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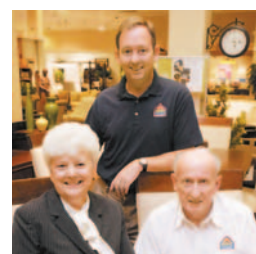
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Locals bound for Santa Fe

Three-day event offers opportunities to contact legislators about priorities

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

A fair number of Las Cruces will be missing this weekend because they will be in Santa Fe to meet with lawmakers and government officials to raise concerns about issues related to the city and Doña Ana County.

Organized by the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe (LCDSF) events begin Saturday, Jan. 29, with networking and meetings with lawmakers.

Sunday, Jan. 30, includes a reception at the Governor's Mansion, but the actual Las Cruces Day is Monday, Jan. 31, when the city and its residents will be recognized on the floors of the state House and Senate.

Turnout for the event is expected to be healthy with Gov. Susana Martinez – formerly the Doña Ana County district attorney – starting her first term.

But there are also several critical issues and proposed legislation that local leaders and residents want to bring to the attention of lawmakers.

The top issue for the city is to convince lawmakers to not cut “hold harmless” funding. This is money given to municipalities and county governments to replace lost gross receipts tax money from the state exempting food sales. The Las Cruces city government gets about \$8 million annually in “hold harmless” money, amounting to more than 10 per-

cent of the revenues in its general fund.

Even though money is tight as lawmakers try to resolve a budgetary shortfall of more than \$400 million, local officials are asking for support of several new projects.

The Doña Ana Legislative Coalition has come up with a list of priorities. Its membership includes the Greater Las Cruces and Hispano chambers of commerce, New Mexico State University, the city government, Las Cruces Public Schools, Hatch Valley Public Schools, Gadsden Independent School District, the county government, the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance and The Bridge.

The priorities include:

- Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority 911 Center – \$850,000 for planning and design
- Crisis Triage Center – \$2.1 million to build and open the center to avoid housing the mentally ill in jail
- Roads to Schools – \$6 million for access roads to two new schools in Las Cruces, including the new high school under construction
- Job creation and economic development
- Education reform to focus on “increasing educational outcomes and maximizing return on investment of educational dollars”

Visit www.lascruces.org to see a full listing and more details on the coalition's legislative priorities.



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson

Rudy Carbajal unloads a shipment of canned food to the area food bank warehouse on Copper Loop that is now being run by Roadrunner Food Bank of New Mexico.

Food bank changes hands

Roadrunner Food Bank reaches out

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

This month, the Albuquerque-based Roadrunner Food Bank of New Mexico began running the area's food bank service, previously managed by the Community Action Agency of Southern New Mexico (CAASNM).

The CAASNM operations serve Doña Ana, Hidalgo, Grant and Luna counties, where an estimated 20 percent of people are living in poverty. The food bank in Las Cruces serves as a central warehouse and distribution hub for a variety of nonprofit food pantries in the four counties.

Besides taking over food distribution this month, Roadrunner Food Bank officials have been visiting with local nonprofits and holding open houses to make sure they are aware of all who could use the services.

Melody Wattenbarger, Roadrunner president and CEO, said the effort has already found some churches and other organizations that weren't part of the previous food bank distribution.

Roadrunner Food Bank has set a goal of distributing 500,000 pounds of food during the first few months of 2011 for hunger related programs, Wattenbarger said. Roadrunner Food Bank has been serving New Mexico's hungry since 1980.

Roadrunner will continually seek nonprofit agency partners for food distribution. Any nonprofit agency that is interested should contact Art Fine, program director, at 505-349-8845 or by email at art@rrfb.org.

The Roadrunner Food Bank Las Cruces Branch is located at 2001 Copper Loop, and its phone number is 523-4390.

LCDSF schedule

Saturday, Jan. 29

5:30 to 7 p.m.
Legislators Recognition Reception at La Fonda
7 to 10 p.m.
Networking Suite at La Fonda

Sunday, Jan. 30

11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Legislative Brunch at La Fonda
4 to 6 p.m.
Reception at the Governor's Mansion
7 to 10 p.m. Networking Suite at La Fonda

Monday, Jan. 31

7:30 to 9 a.m.
Legislative Issues Breakfast at La Fonda
9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Lobbying at the Rotunda of the State Capitol

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Opinions



From the publisher

BY DAVID MCCOLLUM

Politics as usual

Disappointment reigns as Joseph Cervantes' House speaker bid is thwarted by tea partiers

Last Tuesday, as the New Mexico House of Representatives opened its 2011 session, there was great anticipation of an opening vote for the Speaker of the House that was expected to result in a change of House leadership.

Many experts, including Rep. Andy Nuñez, I-Doña Ana-36, had publicly predicted that Rep. Joseph Cervantes, D-Doña Ana-52, had garnered ample non-partisan votes to unseat current speaker Ben Lujan, D-Santa Fe-46 from the powerful leadership position that he had held for the past 10 years.

Cervantes, a popular and well-respected legislator, was seen by many as a natural step for positive change in our state government. However, the expected challenge fizzled out late in the day prior to the vote, when Republicans, spurred by tea party supporters, chose to withdraw any support for Cervantes. Instead, they agreed to nominate Tom Taylor, R-San Juan-1.

With this stunning decision, the speaker's job was handed to Lujan, without his having to call in a single favor from any of his fellow representatives. The vote was predictable between party lines. The 33 Republicans ceremoniously voted for Taylor. Thirty-six of the 37 Democrats voted in support of Lujan. The only dissenting vote came from Nuñez when he chose to valiantly say "present" during the roll call vote, rather than voting for Lujan.

Predictably, the political dominoes began to fall as soon as the vote was completed. One of Lujan's first actions was to publicly punish Nuñez by unceremoniously removing him from his position of chairman of the agriculture committee. Another swift committee action was taken by Lujan when he named Brian Egolf, D-Santa Fe, to head the energy committee. Egolf, a Santa Fe attorney who has been a proponent of continuation of former Gov. Bill Richardson's environmental restrictions, will likely pose a roadblock to new Gov. Susana Martinez's recommendations to help our state's economy by resuming and expanding oil and gas exploration and production in New Mexico.

More northern-biased and anti-Republican actions are certain to follow during the session.

What was surprising to most observers in Santa Fe was that the actions and admanancy of the tea party, an organization self-dedicated to creating change in our government, actually ensured that our state government, at least in the House, will now remain "business as usual" for at least the next couple of years. The potential negative impact on southern New Mexico and Gov. Martinez's plans will be substantial.

When I queried local tea party leaders about the reasons for not supporting Cervantes, the reasons were varied. Here's what they told me. First, "Cervantes is a Democrat" and because of that fact, the tea partiers would not support him because of his "liberal" agenda. I suppose that only the tea party would see Cervantes as "liberal." Second, certain tea partiers said they could not support Cervantes because he did not support voter ID requirements. Third, many tea partiers felt that if Cervantes was elected as speaker of the House, this would give him a springboard to seek higher office at some point in the future.

So, while the tea partiers reveled in their "victory" in their coalescing the Republican caucus away from their support of Rep. Cervantes, the opportunity to move forward with positive change in the House leadership has been lost for the next two years. Southern New Mexico for certain, and likely the entire state, will suffer from this shortsighted action.

In last November's election, many of us thought we had elected legislators who would battle against partisan politics and support the items and issues that would lead our state out of these difficult economic times. Unfortunately, this first vote showed that partisan politics are still alive and well in Santa Fe, and that the short-term well-being of New Mexicans is secondary to political power.

The lone exception is our local representative Andy Nuñez. He unselfishly voted differently for what he thought was best for his constituency. Thank you, Andy, for your courage and independence. You did the right thing.



Letters to the Editor

Words can hurt

Is mental illness "evil?" Are the mentally ill a "disgrace to the human race?"

Immediately after the Tucson tragedy, news reports left little doubt that the perpetrator was insane.

Yet, U.S. Sen. John McCain's first official statement described Jared Loughner as a "disgrace" and Sarah Palin called him "evil" in a public statement fully 10 days afterwards.

Respected conservative commentator Charles Krauthammer, whose background is in the field, said publicly that Loughner was most probably a paranoid schizophrenic. This is an interesting twist for the political right who more often tends to dismiss "mental" pleas as invalid excuses. Even Rush Limbaugh is getting behind the insanity bandwagon this time. He's also blaming Loughner's parents, just as he blamed the parents after Columbine, though he has never been a parent, much less a parent of a troubled child.

Whoever said "words can never hurt me" must never have had a child with a mental illness. I have such a child. My child committed a terrible crime while in a paranoid delusional psychosis. She was a sweet, intelligent, gentle young woman whose mind began to fail her just about the same age as Loughner's onset.

It was and continues to be a heartbreaking experience. The pain is acute for all involved and it never goes away. The Tucson event intensifies the pain. Words such as evil, disgraceful, wacko, nutcase are heard again and again.

Those who are experiencing symptoms hear and pickup on these denigrations of mental problems. It influences them to hide or deny their illness and to resist seeking help.

Violent rhetoric can have violent

consequences. It is staring us in the face. We are willful fools to deny it.

Judith Magee

Ideas have consequences

Ideas have consequences, and bad ideas have had consequences.

Take a recent bad idea: that people have the right to Second Amendment remedies. Take a recent bad consequence: some anti-government nut job decides to exercise his right in Tucson. As a result of this bad idea, people are dead. As a result of this bad idea, government will now cost more because senators and congressmen will need costly protection.

All because of a bad idea.

The tea baggers have been our home-grown purveyor of bad ideas. They have been particularly outspoken in promoting this particular bad idea – Second Amendment remedies – with a picture of patriots toting their muskets or by putting opposing politicians in crosshairs.

One explanation is that the value of education and science are at a low. A recent PEW survey showed that only 6 percent of scientists identify themselves as Republicans. Bunches of people think that creationism deserves a place in the classroom, but not as an example of superstition. A new theme park about Noah and his Ark will – I'm sure – draw millions because the Bible is, after all, "historically accurate." Lots of people love Glenn Beck.

Although education helps, unfortunately it's not a cure-all. As a cartoon character from the '40s put it: "You can't fool me. I'm a moron."

A predilection for regurgitating bad ideas is, sadly, just part of human nature.

Michael Walsh

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Social issues may hamper Legislature

Posturing for 2012 takes precedence over budget solutions



Jay Miller
Inside the Capitol

Expect at least three stormy sessions of the 50th Legislature as New Mexico moves into its centennial year of statehood.

For eight years, all three branches of New Mexico's government have been under firm control of the Democratic Party. But that has changed. Republicans now control the executive branch and are close to a tie in the House of Representatives.

The smaller house committees will have equal numbers of Republicans and Democrats. In the Senate, Democrats have a slightly bigger majority, but the president pro tem was elected by a conservative coalition.

As a result, controversial legislation passed during the last eight years is all back on the table. Despite the need to concentrate on jobs and the economy, a huge amount of social and political issues will get in the way.

Topics such as the death penalty, human rights, environmental concerns, regulation of

industry, Hollywood, space flight, government reorganization and politics will take center stage over balancing the budget.

When the House Republican leader says on the first day of the session that electing a new House speaker would have risked the passage of some great legislation that would have hampered a negative campaign next year, we know not much is going to happen.

In a House committee shake up, the appointment of Rep. Brian Egolf of Santa Fe to chair the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee, signals a battle looming over Gov. Susana Martinez's effort to get more tax breaks for the oil and gas industry.

Egolf promises to be fair and notes that he has only one vote on an evenly divided committee. But as chairman, he also has the power to schedule when and if bills will be considered.

Witness the removal of liberal Albuquerque

Sen. Cisco McSorley as chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee because he wouldn't schedule bills he didn't like.

On the other side of the coin, the nomination of Harrison "Jack" Schmitt to head the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department foretells many battles with environmentalists.

Schmitt, a former astronaut and U.S. senator, is skeptical about global warming being caused by man. Views such as that presage a tough confirmation hearing.

The Silver City native seems to be so controversial that people even argue over whether he was the last man on the moon. Recently, reporters have settled on saying he was one of the last men on the moon.

It's a matter of semantics, as I understand it. Gene Cernan, the commander of the moon landing, got to step out of the ship first. He also stepped back in last, making him the last man on the moon. But Schmitt can claim to have been the last man to set foot on the moon.

So much for that sort of thing. I'll have more to say about Schmitt, a friend for the past 60 years, when his stormy confirmation hearing comes around.

The legislative hopper is filled with bills to

reorganize state government. The idea began as a money-saving initiative last year, but it has become a game of who gets the power. Everyone wants power so everyone has introduced bills to restructure government in their direction.

The original legislation from last year mandated that cabinet secretaries cooperate with the Legislature's restructuring effort. One would be hard pressed to find a single instance of cooperation.

Little savings from any of the restructuring seems evident. Administrative costs are a small part of any budget.

But we're finding many interpretations of administration. Martinez believes that in education, administration is anything that happens outside the classroom and says that's about 30 percent of the budget.

This session will be followed by a special session on redistricting sometime late in the year and then a 2012 session during an election year in which all lawmakers will have to defend their seats. The GOP will be aiming to win both houses of the New Mexico Legislature.

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“ One would be hard pressed to find a single instance of cooperation. ”

Letter to the Editor

Gridlock ahead

It was a black day for the citizens of New Mexico when the House of Representatives voted to retain Ben Lujan as speaker, and rejected Joseph Cervantes' bid for this office. Shamefully, the Democrats did not back Cervantes, and the Republicans shot themselves in the foot by withdrawing their support for him.

Under Lujan's tyrannical style of governing, those who oppose him find themselves stripped of their chairmanships and favorable committee assignments and relegated to the equivalent of Siberia in the Roundhouse. To get bills to committee and onto the legislative floor for action means pay to play, or let's make a deal no matter how much it costs or how damaging it is to the citizens of this state.

Andy Nuñez and Cervantes are two good examples of challenging the speaker and getting brutally punished. In the end, their constituents pay the price, and those who bend to the speaker's will, no matter how corrupt or costly, will be his chosen ones.

Lujan's unethical behavior as an elected official appear frequently on the front page of newspapers in Albuquerque and Santa Fe. He attempted to stop legislation that would have provided oversight of funding to housing authorities, aided and abetted by his stooges in the House. He has defended his cronies engaged in corrupt and illegal practices, in spite of audits that uncovered their fraudulent activities. His fury and punitive temperament are feared by elected officials who are so intimidated, they dare not speak out against him for fear of not getting their legislation passed. This in turn denies their constituents projects in their districts, and makes them vulnerable to defeat in the next election. So they go along to get along fearing to challenge this cancer in our legislative system.

When Cervantes challenged the speaker previously, he and those who joined in the coup d'etat lost their chairmanships and committee assignments. Cervantes was amongst those who paid the price and had his chairmanship of the House Judiciary Committee taken from him by Lujan.

When asked about the price he paid for his opposition to the speaker, Cervantes said, "I did not come to Santa Fe for a title or an office, I came to serve the citizens of New Mexico."

This latest challenge to the speaker by Cervantes and Nuñez is an example of just how ugly and oppressive the speaker can be. They and other elected officials have witnessed the deals and heavy-handed tactics used by the speaker to get his way. Elected officials acknowledge the speaker's tactics and lack of integrity and transparency but will not speak out against him

fearing his wrath, and knowing that to do so is at the peril of not having their bills sent to committee or being killed in committee.

Cervantes initially had the support of the Republicans for speaker. The Democrats, opting for the status quo, shamefully supported Lujan. The Republicans got their marching orders from someone high in the food chain of the Republican party to withdraw support for Cervantes to maintain the speaker in power, providing them the opportunity in 2012 to take over the Roundhouse.

With this Machiavellian scheme, and the ineptitude of the Democrats, we, the citizens of New Mexico, will pay the price of their naked political ambitions by once again being 39th in the nation in education and poverty, and seventh in corruption.

The Democratic platform never addressed the problem of corruption during their campaign. Gov. Susana Martinez made that the centerpiece of hers. We had a golden opportunity to put an honest, ethical individual in power who could bring us into a new era of transparency and ethics in government. Both parties blew it sacrificing us on the altar of their political ambitions.

We now can look forward to two years of gridlock.

Frances F. Williams

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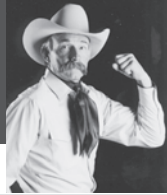
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Makin' a livin' in the cow bidness

An interviewer asked me how one can make a living in the cow business. Actually he said, "As we're heading into the next couple years with declining cattle numbers and steady prices, how do you think you should position yourself to take advantage of the market?"

I assume he'd mistaken me as an authority in the cattle business. Maybe he thought I was a Wall Street speculator who heard rumors of another run on ethanol. Or maybe he mistook me for a dairyman, who works harder than an Egyptian hod carrier, and lives between dairy buyouts and the price of cheese in Laos.

Or I might have looked to him like a jaded packing house buyer who spends his day drawing blood from renegade cattle feeders and learning to speak Portuguese! Or an economist who practices economic monetary capability, which allows him to spring back from the embarrassment and disrepute of making wrong market predictions over and over, like a ragged Phoenix with his tail feathers scorched.

Or maybe a cattle feeding addict who can't quit risking everything he has, on the belief that he can outsmart the rancher on his left and the packer on his right. He's like the fellow who keeps rewinding the movie "The Alamo" and replaying it thinking, "Surely, Davy Crockett's bound to win sooner or later!"

Or he might have thought I was a stocker-grower who haunts the sale barns gambling on each bid that the calf in the

ring just looks rough because there was mud in the alley, and the rat-tail and pot-belly are genetic defects. You've got to admire someone who brags he only has a 10 percent death loss!

Or the lonely cow-calf operator who is the only part of the industry wherein "lifestyle" is counted on the financial statement under asset, and his banker's cell phone number is listed under "One More Year!"

You would think that I might have come up with some constructive answer to the interviewer, being as how I have been a keen observer and participant in this great thing we call, "The Cattle Bidness."

Last week I bought two solid-mouth, bred cows both marked third trimester pregnant. The first weighed 1,390 pounds.

My reasoning was, even if I only kept her for one calf, I could sell 'em both back in the fall and make money!

Oughta work!
The second cow weighed 930 pounds, I paid \$785. Got 'er home. She's got popcorn teeth, is four months along and has a bad temperament! Turns out I bought the one that came in after the one I thought I bid on! Gonna be hard to make her pay.

So, when he asked "... How should we position ourselves ..." I aligned myself with the PGA, the NBA and the NRA, "Shoot for the center!" I said.

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Forget education reform

Only innovation will ultimately succeed

Calls to reform New Mexico public education have gone on for so long no one remembers when there were not reform calls, if ever. Current reform calls are the status quo. Know this: continuing to do what in the past took New Mexico public education to where it is right now is inexcusable.

Rather than reform past structures, New Mexico must innovate new ones or suffer the same old results.

For example, we continually hear that the way to improve schools is to raise academic standards. While I certainly would not lower them, calls for higher standards miss the point. If students are not thriving, the issue is fundamental processes rather than external standards. You see this because only half of the students in New Mexico read on or above grade level.

Sadly, our process gap is we do not look to prevent reading dysfunction first. Rather, we talk about raising standards and remediation and other things that do not work.

Students with poor reading skills often never learn to read effectively and eventually drop out of school. The 20th century factory model of teaching does not work for these students. We spend so much time standardizing that we have no personalized learning for students who do not thrive in a standardized system.

Reading comprises two concurrent tasks: students must comprehend the words they read while processing them at an effective rate. Both comprehension and rate are dependent upon the student's grade level. While much early reading involves reading aloud, the most important academic skill in education is effective silent reading. It is tested the most and taught the least.

By the end of third grade, if students are reading at grade level, most reading is silent. Further, most upper-grade teachers have never been taught to teach reading. It is assumed if students are in the upper grades, they know how to read effectively. Really bad assumption.

Rep. Mary Helen Garcia has introduced New Mexico House Bill 21 requiring that students who are not proficient in reading at the end of grade three not be promoted to grade four. There is no way students can thrive unless they possess adequate reading skills.

Still, what will be done differently if a student is held back? Will there be a different

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intervention available upon being held back? Why not use it before the student reaches the crisis point? Would it not be better to know in first grade that interventions were not working and change procedures then? New Mexico leaders lack the basic information about how students are doing until it is too late.

In teaching students to read effectively there is a student's first day in public school. Not all students come to kindergarten with the same skill set. Some arrive already knowing their alphabet, numbers and can write their name. Others do not. Some can distinguish the 40 or so sounds those letters make either individually or in combination. We say they have phonemic awareness.

Some students start behind others. These students must progress a year of learning on how to read that first year, but before they do they must make the necessary catch-up growth in their skills. Most never catch up. After a few years of not catching up, the problem is compounded with textbooks written in grade level language while they are not on grade level.

Students can learn to read effectively under three conditions: first, there must be a diagnostic component of their instruction showing which reading sub-skills are not being mastered; second, that diagnostic component must connect with a prescriptive component projecting the probability current interventions will result in the mastery of these sub-skills; and third, there must be enough different interventions available to teachers so that the individual impeding issues can be addressed with personalized adaptive instruction centered on the student.

There are a million things that could improve school but nothing can lift schools up like having all of the students reading on grade level. The only problem is that New Mexico will have to pour lots more money into their high schools since so many more previously dropping out students will now graduate. Not a bad problem to have, eh?

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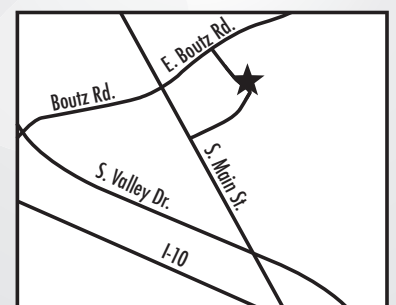
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Guest Column

To the Editor

Enhancing our children's opportunities

Partnerships and outreach critical to facing state's educational challenges

By **Michael A. Morehead**
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

The beginning of the year always seems to be a time of reflection. Recently, I was reflecting on the New Mexico State University College of Education's numerous programs and initiatives to support schools, teachers and students. As we head into a new year, it is imperative that we recognize how important outreach and partnerships across the state are to helping teachers, improving our school systems and ultimately the lives of children in New Mexico.

We face numerous educational challenges in our state, including high school retention and ensuring that children have the best educational opportunities, but with these challenges comes much promise. I am proud to say that the NMSU College of Education has a proven track record when it comes to creating and coordinating partnerships with public education in the state to provide the best educational opportunities for all. As the state's land-grant institution, we are well positioned to lead and committed to partnerships and outreach programs that have proven to be successful at retaining students at all educational levels, as well as improving test scores in critical areas such as mathematics.

At present, the College of Education works with about 70 percent of the school districts in the state through a variety of programs. In some districts, all the schools are involved with one or more of the programs sponsored by our college, therefore we work with several hundred schools in the state. Our partnerships provide services and activities for thousands of students during most

calendar years, including many students in the Las Cruces and the Gadsden school districts.

Just last summer, the college sponsored several professional development programs that served close to 1,000 teachers from across the state. These programs ranged from an advanced placement program to math and science workshops that included administrators and teachers. The math and science initiatives included our academic partners from the College of Arts and Sciences and provided teachers, administrators and students educational professional development.



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SEMMA, a science, engineering and math program, has won several national awards and demonstrated significant gains in student retention. This project, a partnership with the university's College of Engineering, encourages students in middle school to participate in math, engineering and science programs. The MC Squared grant, a collaboration with several school districts, has improved mathematics test scores in the participating schools. The gains in the students' math and science scores have been significant because of these initiatives and partnerships.

The Alliance for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning partners with 18 school districts in our region and several government agencies including other universities. The alliance assists in coordinating outreach with the College of Education partners and identifies public school needs. As part of the alliance's function, it assists in finding the appropriate provider to meet the school's needs. During the past several years, the alliance has solicited other colleges and

departments from NMSU to assist in providing services and support for schools. The work of the alliance has contributed to the development of IDEAL New Mexico and the Early College High School in Las Cruces.

We are also a leader in academic outreach programs; presently we offer more than 15 programs that can be accessed online and through other distant delivery methods. These programs provide educational opportunities to educators who might not have access if the online and distant education formats was not provided. We presently offer licensure programs, master and doctoral degrees through the online instructional format for more than 800 students. This type of academic commitment demonstrates how the NMSU College of Education is meeting the needs of educators in the state.

The NMSU College of Education will continue to create partnerships that enhance the educational opportunities and performance of children, and what is best for children and schools is the guiding principle that will direct faculty and staff as our college considers new opportunities and programs this year. By working together, New Mexico educators at all levels can find solutions for many of the challenges we face.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the College of Education faculty and staff for the exemplary outreach and professional development that they provide to our educational partners. Also we would like to thank the educators of New Mexico for their work and dedication to our children.

Michael A. Morehead is dean of the New Mexico State University College of Education.

Use volunteers to aid students in reading

I worked for 20 years in middle and high schools. I became a reading specialist. After a number of years in one district, I developed a reading program in a high school that brought every student to grade level and caused the test scores of that school to go through the roof.

I'm convinced that the secret to success in high school and life starts with competency in reading. This is a standard that is available in every school, but not every student gets there. We need a program in each school that works toward that goal using community volunteers.

In Las Cruces, this program needs volunteers who are bilingual and can help students learning English to develop the skills they need.

A program in every middle and high school would immediately raise test scores and make students ready for more advanced learning, such as college.

Another side effect would be a large dent in the dropout rate in middle and high schools.

This kind of a volunteer program can go on during the school year and be made available to students in the summer. Any takers?

Please call the district and tell the principal of the school you want to work in to call you. This kind of a program works very nicely as part of a study hall. Space is an issue on many campuses. This is the improvement we need to raise all test scores.

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Coming Up

Sierra Club hikes slated

The Sierra Club will host a series of hikes in the coming months. Nonmembers are welcome.

A day outing to view petroglyphs in the Three Rivers area north of Alamogordo will be Saturday, Jan. 29. For more information, call 744-5860.

An easy to moderate day hike in the national forest north of Hillsboro will be at 8 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 5. Participants should meet at the U.S. Forest Service parking lot in Truth or Consequences. For more information, call Kass Akers at 430-1834.

An exploratory hike in the Cuchillo Mountains north of Winston will be Saturday, Feb. 12. Nonmembers are welcome. For more information, call 772-5655.

A moderate day hike to Percha Creek Box near Hillsboro will be at 8 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 19. Participants should meet at the U.S. Forest Service parking lot in Truth or Consequences. For more information, call Kass Akers at 430-1834.

The Sierra Club will have a day hike in the Nutt Grasslands south of Hillsboro at 8 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 26. Participants should meet at the U.S. Forest Service parking lot in Truth or Consequences. For more information, call 744-5860.

A 6- to 7-mile moderate day hike to Goat Mountain near Truth or Consequences will be at 8 a.m. Saturday, March 5. Participants should meet at the U.S. Forest Service parking lot in Truth or

Consequences. For more information, call Kass Akers at 430-1834.

A day hike to Indian Creek in the San Mateo Mountains will be at 8 a.m. Saturday, March 26. Nonmembers are welcome and participants should meet at the U.S. Forest Service parking lot in Truth or Consequences. For more information, call 744-5860.

Tip-A-Cop at Applebee's

The annual Tip-A-Cop benefit for Special Olympics will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28, at both Applebee's Neighborhood Bar and Grill restaurants. Las Cruces police will serve food, fill drinks and collect donations for Special Olympics at the Applebee's restaurant at 2501 E. Lohman Ave. Doña Ana County Sheriff's Office deputies and officers from other area law enforcement agencies will be doing the same at the Applebee's at 1601 Hickory Loop.

Several local Special Olympians also will be on hand during the evening to wait tables and help answer questions about Special Olympics.

Proceeds from the Tip-A-Cop evening event are donated to New Mexico Special Olympics.

For more information, call 528-4112.

DAAC holds Grammy raffle

The Doña Ana Arts Council, in partnership with The Recording Academy, will be sending a lucky raffle winner

and guest to the 53rd annual Grammy Awards Sunday, Feb. 13 at the Staples Center in Los Angeles. The awards package includes airfare and hotel for two, along with two Bronze tickets to attend the ceremony. Tickets for this event are available by invitation only and are not for sale to the public. Raffle tickets are \$10. The drawing will be held Friday, Feb. 4 during the Downtown Ramble. Purchasers need not be present to win.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call the DAAC offices at 523-6403.

UU round table discussion set

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces, 2000 S. Solano Drive, will hold a round table discussion led by James Peckham on the policies of former Mexican President Vicente Fox and the causes of the crisis in Mexico from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 30.

Trackways Foundation meets Feb. 2

The Paleozoic Trackways Foundation will meet at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 2, in the main conference room in the BLM Building, 1800 Marquess St. For more information, call 525-4300 or 522-3572.

Sierra pancake breakfast

The Sierra Middle School Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO) with the assistance of the Mesilla Valley

Kiwanis, will have a pancake breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 5, in the school cafeteria, 1700 E. Spruce Ave. Tickets are \$5 and may be purchased from SMS students and staff or at the door. The breakfast includes pancakes, sausage and choice of orange juice or coffee. Proceeds will support learning opportunities, special projects and field trips.

For more information, call Caren Gioannini at 642-3980.

Super Bowl fun run set Feb. 6

Mesilla Valley Track Club's Annual Super Bowl Sunday Run & Walk will be held at 10 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 6, and will include 5 and 10k runs and a 5k fitness walk. Awards will be given for overall male and female and first-through-third places in each age group. Each participant will receive a T-shirt. The run starts on Geothermal Drive just east of the entrance to the New Mexico State University Golf Course. Race day registration is from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. Registration is \$20 before the day of the race or \$25 on race day. For more information or to register by phone, call 524-7824.

MVM schedule announced

Mountain View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road, Suite M, has announced its schedule of events for the coming month. Events will be held in the community room unless otherwise noted.

- Noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 30: Seed Share & Pot-

luck with Jon Simmons of Local Solutions. Participants can promote local biodiversity and share local seeds for their gardens. Free.

- 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3: Organic Botanical Fragrances with Trish McCaul of Mother McCaul's. Participants can learn about the ingredients in commercial perfumes and sample locally produced organic botanical fragrances. Free.
- 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 7: Understanding Basic Nutrition with Dr. Daniel Garcia of A New You Chiropractic Clinic. Free.
- 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 13: Kids Crafts for Valentine's Day with co-op employees Annie and Bunny. Snacks will be provided. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Free.
- 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 17: Cooking Quality Meat on a Budget. A continuation of the free monthly cooking series with Kate Maynard of Maynard Cattle Company in the Co-op Café. Free.
- 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19: Winter Feral Cat Care. Participants can learn simple ways to help feral cats through the cold winter months and prevent new litters from being born in the spring with co-op employee Joe Miele. Free.
- 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24: Homebrewing Basics. Participants can learn the basics of brewing beer

with Frank Sholedice. Free.

- 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 26: Introducing Mountain View Market Essentials. Participants can learn about Mountain View Market's new private-label line of vitamins and supplements with Genevieve Mitchell, ND. Free.

For more information, call the market at 523-0436.

VFW awards banquet on tap

VFW Post No. 10124 of Las Cruces has selected Zia Middle School teacher Marvid Charlson to receive its 2010-11 VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher Award.

The VFW annually recognizes the nation's top classroom teachers who teach citizenship education topics and promote America's history, traditions and institutions.

Charlson will be honored at the post's annual recognition banquet, which will be held Saturday, Feb. 26, at the VFW Post No. 10124, 709 S. Valley Drive. Dinner will begin at 5 p.m., and the awards ceremony will follow at 6 p.m. The Mayfield High School Army JROTC unit will post the colors.

During the banquet, VFW Post No. 10124 will also recognize LCPS middle and high school students who won the VFW's 2010-11 Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen essay contests. The students who won and their families and teachers have been invited to the banquet. Winners will receive certificates, medals and cash awards.

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Vikings achieve many firsts

WSMR launches set records for speed and altitude

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

Editor's note: This is part two of a two-part story. Part one ran in the Jan. 21, 2011, edition of the Las Cruces Bulletin.

Of the Navy's 12 Viking rocket launches from 1949 to 1955 – 11 of which launched from White Sands Proving Ground – Viking 8 was the first of a redesigned, larger series. But the rocket would never lift off.

"An accidental surge in thrust ripped the missile from its pad and sent it across the launch area," during the static test on June 6, 1952, Peter Alway wrote in "Rockets of the World: A Modeler's Guide."

"The Viking program was unique in that every completed rocket was static fired before launch," Alway said. Because one of the redesign's goals was to reduce weight, that "involved some compromises in strength. For instance, the new Viking model would be held to the launch pad during static tests by only two bolts."

Those failed to secure the rocket which, after tearing off the pad, the rocket "landed in the desert (five miles) away," according to astronautix.com.

According to reports, Vikings were launched from Launch Complex 33 because of the rocket's size and the need for a substantial blast deflector. LC33 was completed on Sept. 25, 1945. The first launch, the next day on Sept. 26, was a modified Navy Tiny Tim rocket configured as a booster for WAC Corporal. In 1985, the National Park Service designated LC33 as a National Historic Landmark.

Viking 9 launched on Dec. 15, 1952, reached 135 miles in altitude and returned "cosmic ray emulsions and aerial photographs," Alway reported. During the first attempt to launch Viking 10, on June 18, 1953, "the rear of the rocket exploded," and "within minutes, the draining alcohol tank threatened to implode. After some courageous fire fighting and some good shooting to puncture the alcohol tank to relieve the pressure, Viking 10 was salvaged for a second flight," Alway said.

Liftoff finally occurred 11 months later, on May 7, 1954, and after 100 seconds Viking 10 reached 136 miles. While Alway said the "experiments functioned perfectly ... 500 pounds of liquid oxygen remaining in the tanks had denied Viking 10 a new altitude record." At "474 seconds after launch, as Viking 10 descended past the 39 mile mark,

ground controllers sent a command blowing the nose off the rocket to slow its descent."

White Sands launched Viking 11 on May 24, 1954. Because testing was classified, The Associated Press did not report on the rocket's record-breaking altitude of "158 miles above the earth, a new record for rockets of that type," until eight months later. The Alamogordo Daily News published the story on Jan. 20, 1955.

Viking 11 was 45 feet high and weighed 7 1/2-tons. The Associated Press reported that "White Sands officials said the rocket attained a top speed of 4,300 miles an hour. It returned to earth 20 miles north and four miles west of the launching area." The fuel was "liquid oxygen and a mixture of alcohol and water," and "a camera installed in the nose of the rocket took the highest photographs of the earth ever made," the (Department of Defense) said.

"This flight," Alway wrote, "was to probe the realm of high-speed reentry, rather than high altitudes. But Viking 11's first accomplishment was a record single-stage altitude. ... After reaching apogee, the nose was pointed down and separated. Cameras aboard the rocket itself recorded the entire process. The nose cone then functioned as an independent probe of reentry conditions."

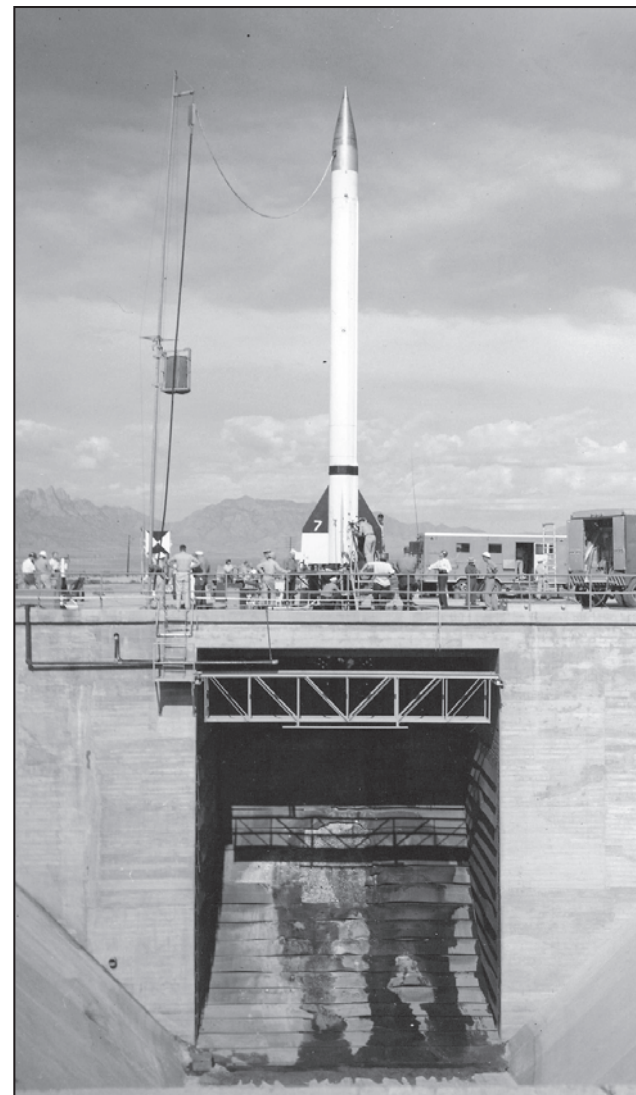
Alway said Viking 12 was slated to repeat 11's reentry pattern, "but the gas jet control system malfunctioned, rotating the rocket 360 (degrees) rather than 180 (degrees), and the nose re-entered point-up, rather than in the planned point-down orientation."

"Through these Viking flights, (the Naval Research Laboratory) was the first to measure temperature, pressure, and winds in the upper atmosphere and electron density in the ionosphere, and to record the ultraviolet spectra of the Sun," according to worldlingo.com.

The 12th flight was Viking's last as a wholly Viking rocket. Alway said that Viking "was abandoned" as "simply too expensive for upper air researchers. Atmospheric and space scientists had learned to build smaller and lighter payloads that could be launched on the Aerobee and a new breed of small solid propellant sounding rockets.

But the Viking still had a mission. It was to become the first stage of the Vanguard satellite launcher, where it would gain its place in space history."

"The success (the Naval Research Laboratory) achieved in this series of experiments encouraged laboratory scientists to believe that, with a more powerful engine and the addition



New Mexico Museum of Space History archives
Viking 7, the last of the original Viking series before a redesign, sits on the Launch Complex 33 pad above the blast deflector, also known as the "flame bucket."

of upper stages, the Viking rocket could be made a vehicle capable of launching an earth satellite," worldlingo.com said. "This led to NRL's Project Vanguard. Later rockets in the series ... were used as suborbital test vehicles during Project Vanguard."

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Las Cruces Public Schools Superintendent Stan Rounds and state Health Department spokesman Chris Minnick answer questions at a press conference, Tuesday, Jan. 24.

H1N1

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cause of the death.

Though H1N1 reached pandemic levels in 2009, that threat dissipated and was stripped of its public health emergency status in late 2010. Worldwide, the H1N1 flu strain has killed more than 18,000 since its first recorded appearance in April 2009, which is about 4 percent of the annual flu-related deaths, according to the World Health Organization.

When the school system was faced with the H1N1 pandemic in 2009 because of the district's proximity to the U.S.-Mexico border, Rounds said the district bought new cleaning supplies proven to be effective against spread of the virus.

Rounds said the school was given a thorough cleaning over the weekend, but school officials are still urging extra caution at this time, including having students avoid drinking from fountains and emphasizing the need for frequent hand washing.

Rounds also noted that the school district's counseling services are available to students and families upset by the news.

Until the official OMI autopsy report is released, Rounds said now is more a time for grief than concern. "Any time you lose a child, it is such a tragedy," he said.

Minnick said the precautions – including being vaccinated for the flu, which covers H1N1 and other strains – are appropriate because H1N1 hasn't gone away.

"It's still circulating in the community," he said.

Nuñez

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House Agriculture and Water Resources Committee, told *The New Mexican* that he was seriously debating changing parties last week shortly after Lujan announced the committee changes.

Asked why he didn't want to join Republicans, Nuñez, who often votes with the GOP, said, "I'm just not that far right."

His wife, however, changed her registration from Democrat to Republican late last week, Nuñez said. "She was a Republican before we got married," he said.

Nuñez, who grew up in a ranching family, said his father and all his family have been Democrats.

Lujan said in an interview Tuesday that he's disappointed in the party switch.

"It's unfortunate that he is deserting the party that elected him and his constituents," the speaker said.

Lujan said the Democrats are like a family – there often are disagreements, but they can be worked out.

"Throughout the process I have not been disrespectful or said anything derogatory about Andy," Lujan said.

Nuñez becomes the first independent legislator in New Mexico since at least the 1980s, but the sixth to change parties since 1983.

Secretary of State Dianna Duran said in the 1980s four legislators switched parties while serving. They are former Reps. Max Coll and Bill Vandergriff, who went from Republican to Democrat and former Sen. Les Houston and former Rep. Larry Sheffield, who went from Democrat to Republican.

Coll's conversion, at the outset of the 1983 legislative session, is what brought down the "Cowboy Coalition" of conservative Democrats and Republicans that ruled in the House. Coll represented a Santa Fe district.

In 1992, former Rep. Patricia Baca switched from Republican to

Democrat, Duran said.

Former Sen. Joe Carraro switched from Republican to independent, but that was after his last session in office.

In recent months Nuñez vocally backed a proposed coalition between Republicans and southern Democrats in an attempt to elect Rep. Joe Cervantes, D-Las Cruces, for speaker instead of Lujan.

When the coalition fell apart, Nuñez was the only Democrat who didn't fall in line and vote to keep Lujan as speaker.

That cost Nuñez his chairmanship of the agriculture panel as well as his membership on the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee. Lujan assigned him to the Education and Transportation and Public Works committees.

Nuñez's switch means the latter committee now will have more Republicans than Democrats. That's the only standing committee in the Legislature in which the Democrats are outnumbered.

CrimeStoppers

Armed robbery

Las Cruces Crime Stoppers is offering a \$1,000 reward for information that leads to the arrests of the two suspects who committed an armed robbery at a fast food restaurant.

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LCPD detectives learned that the men, described as either black or Hispanic, ordered two of the restaurant's employees to the floor while the third employee was ordered to hand over the store's money. The suspects then fled the store on foot heading southwest

toward the Walmart Supercenter off Valley Drive.

No injuries were reported.

One of the suspects was said to be wearing a white T-shirt and a white mask. The mask was described as either a ski mask or possibly one that mimics the villain Jason from the popular "Friday the 13th" movies. The second suspect was said to be wearing a blue or black hoodie. Both men were said to be armed with stainless steel, semiautomatic handguns.

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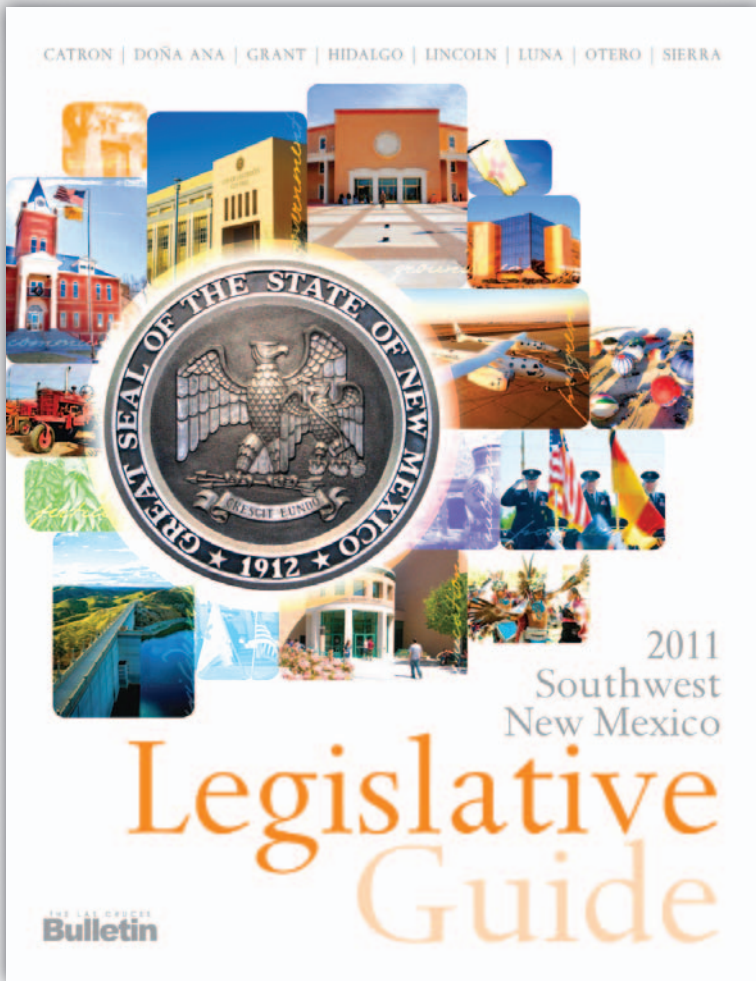
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Councillor Dolores Connor answers reporter questions after announcing her run, Wednesday, Jan. 26, for Las Cruces mayor.

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Connor

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wanting to locate here. “Let me tell you, we do not make it easy,” Connor said. “We need to reduce the amount of time it takes to get from a plan and into turning the sign on the front door to ‘open.’ The process should not be so wrapped in red tape that the business falls behind in his or her plans, which becomes costly to everyone.”

The atmosphere at city government should be one of helpfulness, not obstruction, Connor said.

Though years of belt-tightening has helped the city rebuild its cash reserves and staved off deep cuts to services when the recession hit, Connor said city departments have cut back as much as possible and she cited concerns that public safety budgets are not meeting the needs of the city.

Economic development and public safety have always been her two top priorities, Connor said, and they will be the foundation of her campaign for mayor.

The two are bound together, Connor said. Attracting new business and residents to Las Cruces grows the general fund, she said, which allows the city to give its fire and police departments the resources they need. Connor specifically noted that she has advocated for building a new 911 dispatch center and that the eastern part of the city needs another station for fire and police.

Connor said the strength of her candidacy is her deep roots in the community and her understanding of the local culture. Connor noted that she has been actively involved in the community for 36 years.

Connor started her professional career at a local savings and loan company. When she became the company’s vice president of operations, Connor said she began volunteering her

time for civic organizations and community events.

After her banking career, Connor became an owner and partner in a local retail business. She ran for City Council in 2003 and was re-elected to District 2 in 2007. Connor served as mayor pro tem from 2005 to 2007. She has been involved in many local organizations and advisory committees, including the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance, Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley, Las Cruces Convention and Visitors Bureau, West Mesa Strategic Planning Committee, Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority and the Arrowhead Research Park Advisory Committee. She maintains involvement with many groups, including Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwestern New Mexico, the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces, March of Dimes and the Mesilla Valley Court Appointed Special Advocates, among other groups.

Connor serves on state boards and national committees, and has been recognized with several awards, including the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year in 2007, the Wilderness Society’s Environmental Hero Award in 2006 and New Mexico Business Weekly’s Women Who Mean Business in 2008.

“My experience and commitment will bring a new kind of mayor to Las Cruces,” Connor said. “A mayor that first seeks common sense to solutions and not the latest fad or another report to sit on a shelf. A mayor that understands that we have many experts living in our own community, they should be combined with our staff, adding knowledge on how we grow Las Cruces, recognizing our past and how we step into the future. A mayor that wants everyone to have a chance to be successful, and a mayor that is humbled everyday by the opportunity to serve the citizens of my favorite city.”



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Film loans scrutinized

Former senator from Las Cruces asks if program compromises investment

By **Trip Jennings**
The New Mexican

Asked to earn the highest rate of return, the State Investment Council often is also tasked with stimulating the economy through so-called economically targeted investments. One of those targeted investments exposed the strain between the two missions Tuesday, Jan. 25. And the film industry, no stranger to controversy, was at the center.

"If our responsibility is to maximize the permanent funds, every time you get into one of these, it puts us into a compromising situation," Leonard Lee Rawson said.

The former Republican lawmaker was speaking of the seemingly mixed message of the investment council being asked to earn the highest rate of return for the state's \$14 billion in permanent funds while simultaneously making \$243 million in zero-percent loans to 24 film and TV productions in recent years.

Since 2002, the agency has approved the zero-percent loans to try to help build up the film community.

Often overshadowed by the state's film production tax credit program, the SIC's low-profile loan program hasn't yet been dragged into the white-hot debate over the merit of giving incentives to the film industry at a difficult financial time when New Mexico is struggling to close a projected budget shortfall between \$200 million and \$450 million.

How long the program will remain under the radar is unclear, especially given the at-times tense discussion Tuesday by SIC members. The debate bore similarities to the high-profile discussion of whether to reduce the state's film production tax credit program.

Gov. Susana Martinez generated headlines after announcing she wanted to reduce from 25 percent to 15 percent the refundable tax credit available to film and TV productions that meet certain requirements. Rawson sounded a similar note about the SIC's film-loan program.

"I'm not saying films aren't good," Rawson said. "But ... we should transfer this whole

program to the New Mexico Finance Authority, who's in the business of making loans and who's in the business of economic development. Let them do what they do well. And let us do what we do well."

Rawson even suggested the SIC should tell the governor and state lawmakers in a letter that "given the past performance that investments in film do not meet our fiduciary responsibility."

Some SIC members thought the action might give pause to film or TV productions contemplating whether to shoot projects in New Mexico. SIC member Doug Brown said it might send "a big signal at a difficult economic time" to some of those companies that "this is a very unwelcome place."

“ We have to be very careful what signals we send. ”

CATHERNE ALLEN,
State Investment
Council member

Fellow council member Catherine Allen added that Utah already is using New Mexico's debate over whether to reduce incentives to the film industry as a potential recruiting tool.

"We have to be very careful of what signals we send," Allen said.

Members recognized the potential for the SIC's lower-profile film loan program getting dragged into the larger fight over the film incentives.

One piece of legislation already introduced by Rep. Dennis Kintigh, R-Roswell, would reduce the cap the SIC could have in outstanding loans to TV and film productions to \$115 million. Currently, the SIC is capped at \$227 million.

"This issue of the loans is not currently in the public debate," said Richard May, Martinez's budget secretary and an SIC member. "But you never know. It might. Some further clarity from the Legislature about these loans could be something that could come up over the next 50 some odd days."

Borrowing to close the state's budget shortfall, SIC, once a below-the-radar agency for much of the public, has risen in profile in the past two years as an agency at the center of federal investigations. More than 20 bills, so far, have been filed this session, some dealing with the membership of the council itself.

Rep. Egolf's committee may stifle oil interests

Oilmen worry despite family background

By **Steve Terrell**
The New Mexican

State Rep. Brian Egolf's great grandfather was the founder of the American Petroleum Association of America. Egolf's father, until a few years ago, was an oilman, who drilled in Oklahoma and Texas. But oil industry representatives aren't exactly reacting with joy at the news that a "member of the family" is heading the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee.

In fact, because of the younger Egolf's public positions on environmental and conservation issues, some in the energy industry worry that Gov. Susana Martinez's agenda of rolling back environmental regulations just got harder.

Speaking at a meeting of Leadership Santa Fe, a program sponsored by the Santa Fe Chamber of Commerce, Egolf said Monday, Jan. 24, that because of an even split on his committee among Democrats and Republicans, few bills that are controversial will gain passage. That doesn't sound good to the New Mexico Oil & Gas Association, which is hoping the Legislature passes a bill to prevent implementation of the cap-and-trade regulations approved last year by the Environmental Improvement Board.

"Certainly Mr. Egolf's public positions have been a challenge for the industry," said Steve Henke, executive director of NMOGA on Monday. "I suspect since Mr. Egolf controls the committee agenda, we may have difficulty being heard." Henke later added.

"We're willing to work with him as chairman," Henke said.

Rep. Dennis Kintigh, a Roswell Republican assigned to Egolf's committee, described Egolf as "smart" and "sincere." But asked how Martinez's energy proposals will be affected by Egolf's chairmanship, Kintigh said, "It may be hard for the governor's agenda to survive in Mr. Egolf's committee."

A Martinez spokesman added, "The governor looks forward to working in a bipartisan manner, with Rep. Egolf and others, to

promote economic growth and environmental stewardship; as she said in her State of the State address, these are not mutually exclusive goals. She is also hopeful that members of the Legislature will pass regulations that are based on science, not ideology."

Egolf bristles at any notion that he won't be willing to hear certain bills. "I intend to be fair and even-handed," he said Monday.

He promised not to use procedural tricks to defeat legislation he doesn't like.

"I think we, meaning the Democrats, are right on these issues," he said. "We don't need to cheat."

He said that in addition to discussing bills, he plans to schedule at least a couple of hearings in which certain energy-related issues are discussed to obtain data about certain questions. One of these, he said will discuss the effect on the economy of environmental regulations.

"I want to establish what's real and what's rhetoric," Egolf said.

He said he believes some opponents of regulation have exaggerated the effects of regulations, such as the pit rules, which are aimed at safeguarding groundwater supplies from waste pits in oil-and-gas country.


Egolf said he would bring in non-partisan experts, but Republicans could invite any experts they wanted. Kintigh said this is a good idea, but said he wasn't sure the committee would have time to do it, considering the crush of bills expected this session.

"That might be more appropriate for an interim committee," he said, referring to legislative committees that meet between sessions.


Egolf said his past positions on environmental issues have provoked hate mail from opponents who called him a "communist" and even a "foreign agent." He said his positions on the environment are "conservative" in the old sense of the world. Businesses should take personal responsibility for cleaning up their messes, he said, and should be willing to pay "the true cost of doing business."



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Southern New Mexican Sam Donaldson returns home

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Wanda Mattiace, president of Adventure Travel & Cruise Center, enjoys a moment with Donaldson.



Joel Courtney of the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce and Crescent Muhammad of the Arrowhead Research Center



Doña Ana Community College President Margie Huerta, board chair of the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, introduces legendary ABC newsman Sam Donaldson and his wife Jan to a small gathering of Las Cruces during a reception Friday, Jan. 21, at the Las Cruces Convention Center. Donaldson, who was raised in Chamberino, N.M., in southern Doña Ana County, also operates a ranch east of Alamogordo. Donaldson was in town to deliver the keynote address for the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet.



Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce staff member Liz Banegas, center, greets the Donaldsons



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Ags look for strong finishes



Jim Hilley
Bulletin in the Zone

Everyone has heard of the dog days of summer. There must be an equivalent term for this part of the college basketball for the Aggies.

Each season begins with a lot of hope and high expectations, but by the end of January, reality has set in, and that magical season has again failed to materialize. By now, both the Aggie men and women have had their weaknesses exposed and have had to deal with some disappointing losses.

The Aggie men and women are mired in the middle of the pack in Western Athletic Conference play as of Wednesday, Jan. 26. The men have a 4-3 record in conference, good enough for fourth place, with home games coming up against the two teams standing between NMSU and first-place Utah State (7-0), now ranked No. 25 in the USA Today/ESPN basketball poll. Boise State and Idaho both begin this week's road swing through Louisiana Tech (0-7) and NMSU with 5-2 conference records. The Aggies hosted Boise State at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 27, and face off against Idaho at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, in the Pan American Center, a game telecast live on Fox Sports Arizona.

The Aggie women are currently 3-2 in WAC play, good enough for a third-place tie with Idaho, but behind the Lady Techsters at 5-0 and Fresno State at 4-1.

The conference tournament will be played in Las Vegas, Nev., this year and the top two seeds will earn automatic byes in the first round. It appears that Utah State has one of those spots pretty much in the bag in men's play. However, New Mexico State is very much in the hunt for the other bye if they take care of business at home and beat teams they are supposed to on the road.

Aggie players and coaches say the team isn't feeling down after recent losses on the always-tough road trip to Nevada and Utah State, and the team can still point to an 8-4 record in their last 12 games.

As for the women, earning a bye in the tournament is probably a long shot, but a respectable finish is well within reach. The Aggies play at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, at Idaho. After that, the good news for the Aggie women is that six of their last nine games are at home. The bad news is the girls must face league-leading LA Tech twice. The Aggies return home to face Fresno State at 7:05 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3.

With still a lot of basketball left, both teams can accomplish a lot if they stay focused. As the conference races sort themselves out, the doldrums seem to drop aside and some really good basketball happens. Don't miss it.

Oñate is king of the hill

Jacobs, DeRouen lead OHS Knights to No. 1 ranking

By **Craig Massey**
 Las Cruces Bulletin

The international hand gesture, or symbol, for a sports champion is the raised index finger. Players extend it into the air during triumphant moments. Fans wave oversized, foam versions of it at games.

No. 1 is the goal of every athlete and every team, but few actually reach it. The Oñate High School boys basketball team currently owns the title of No. 1 team in the state. Now, it's just a matter of keeping it.

The Knights, who are 17-3 on the season and 3-0 in district, moved into the top spot in New Mexico's Class 5A rankings last week. The poll is voted on by the state's coaches.

While some coaches downplay a top ranking during the middle of the season, Oñate coach Saul Perez welcomes it.

"It's a big accomplishment, without a doubt," Perez said, who is only in his second year as a head coach. "I do approach polls a little more seriously than some coaches."

Perez said it's important because the New Mexico Activities Association will use the rankings to seed the teams for the state tournament in March. And he says any poll by fellow coaches carries a lot of weight with him.

Clovis, 17-2, was the previous No. 1 team, even though the Knights defeated them last month. A second loss, this one to Cleveland, caused the Wildcats to slip out of the top spot. Other top teams are Eldorado and La Cueva.

"This is definitely a big thing with us," he said. "We still need to build on it and accomplish our ultimate goal."

If Oñate reaches that ultimate goal and captures a state title, the Knights' guards will have a lot to do with it. Like many, Perez believes that basketball has become more of a guards' game. Teams with experienced, talented guards can control the tempo of a game. Guards are drivers. They can steer a game one way or the other. They can slow it down or speed it up. They can play it safe or be reckless.

Oñate depends greatly on starters Tim Jacobs and Terrel DeRouen, a pair of 6-0 seniors who are among the best in the state. Jacobs is a smart point guard that has collegiate-level talent. DeRouen is a top athlete that causes all sorts of matchup problems for opponents.

"Tim is our glue ... he keeps us together," Perez said. "We run a lot of our offense around him and a lot of our defense. He does so much and plays a complete game. He's a team player, No. 1."

In a huge win over Las Cruces High last week, Jacobs erupted for 24 second-half points. DeRouen had 16 in the second half.

"Terrel brings so much energy and so much athletic ability to our team," Perez said. "He's one of the most athletic players around ... an outstanding jumper."

Perez said when the Knights need a shot of energy, they will run a play for DeRouen that often times leads to a crowd-pleasing dunk.

While the Knights are guard-heavy, there's plenty more to the team. Brandon Rosales uses his outside shooting to open up plays for the



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Raul X. Ruiz Rooney
 Oñate's Terrel DeRouen battles Las Cruces High School's Mando Marshall at the tip off to begin the Saturday, Jan. 21, game between the crosstown rivals in the LCHS gym.

“Terrel (DeRouen) brings so much energy and so much athletic ability to our team ...”

SAUL PEREZ,
 Oñate boys basketball coach

boys rest of the team, and Perez said forward Joe Medina “does all of the dirty work.”

“Joe is 6-1, but he plays so much bigger,” Perez said. “He defends extremely well and has outstanding shot selection. Also inside, we have Jaren Foote (6-4), who gives us rebounding

and interior defense.”

Another top player for Oñate is guard Chino Saldivar.

“He’s a backup guard, but we feel like he’s a starter,” Perez said. “He’s a defensive specialist, and he can also knock down the 3-point shot.”

Perez said the key to the team’s success is its willingness to play under control and make in-game and between-game adjustments. The temptation for a quick, guard-oriented, athletic team like the Knights is to force a fast tempo, but they routinely slow the game down and win low-scoring games.

“What we have is a group of kids who have bought into a system,” Perez said. “They have the discipline to play within the system. Sometimes we play a half-court game, and some games we pick up the pace. We adjust from game to game.”

The Knights, who own district wins over Gadsden, Las Cruces and Alamogordo, play at the fourth district team – Mayfield – at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1.

Aggies host Idaho Vandals Jan. 29

NMSU leads all-time series 18-3

The New Mexico State men's basketball team hosts the Idaho Vandals at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, in the Pan American Center. As of Wednesday, Jan. 26, the Vandals have a 12-7 overall and 5-2 WAC record after Boise State snapped their six-game win streak Jan. 22 with a 70-67 road win at Idaho. Idaho visited Louisiana Tech Thursday, Jan. 27.

The Vandals have three players in double figures with sophomore center Kyle Barone leading the way with 11.2

points and 6.1 rebounds per game. Senior guard Jeff Ledbetter adds 10.2 points per game, while junior guard Deremy Geiger provides 10.1 points per contest.

The Aggies have an 18-3 advantage in the all-time series following a 74-69 win in Moscow, Idaho, Dec. 29, 2010, to begin the conference season. Junior forward Troy Gillenwater led the Aggies with 22 points after missing the previous five games due to an injury. Sophomore forward Tyrone Watson and junior

guard Hernst Laroche added 12 points. The Aggies moved to 10-11 and 4-3 in the WAC after a 59-49 loss at Utah State Jan. 22. Gillenwater leads NMSU with a team-high 19 points and 7.1 rebounds per game.

Saturday's game is available on KGRT-FM 104 with the "Voice of the Aggies" Jack Nixon calling the action. The pregame show starts 30 minutes prior to tip off. The games is also available on AggieVision, which is shown across New Mexico on Comcast stations, Altitude2, ESPN Full Court and ESPN3.com, and will be shown live on Fox Sports-Arizona.

Ags beat USU



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Niki Rhynes

Senior guard Danisha Corbett guards a Utah State player in the Aggies' 75-71 victory over the Utags Saturday, Jan. 22, in the Pan American Center. Corbett had 21 points in the game, while fellow Aggie guard Madison Spence tallied a season-high 23. This week, NMSU is on the road for a pair of WAC games in Idaho. The Aggies played at Boise State on Thursday, Jan. 27, and travel to Idaho for a 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, match-up with the Vandals. Aggie women's games can be heard on the Aggie Sports Radio Network with Kyle Doperalski on KSNM-AM 570. At 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3, the Aggies will host Fresno State in the Pan American Center.

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The WAC retains its bid to the Big Dance

Instability won't cost the conference

Last week's NCAA convention cut the WAC some slack with its determination that conferences can keep their automatic bids to the NCAA basketball tournament through the league's changing skyline. The new rules basically stipulate that a conference must have seven active Division I members that sponsor men's and women's basketball, and the conference sponsors a minimum of six men's and women's sports. So that hurdle has been cleared as WAC Commissioner Karl Benson and company look to finalize the conference membership situation for the future.

The new members all have backgrounds similar to the Aggies in terms of resources and potential. Let's linger on the last word in that sentence for a minute. Potential is something that has to be developed or it becomes a stale reminder of what might have been. Aggie football head coach DeWayne Walker will announce his recruiting class Wednesday, Feb. 2, at the Villanueva Victory Club inside the Stan Fulton Center. All of you are invited to hear all about the new players, ask questions to your heart's content as well as an inside look at what the future holds for the program.

In 2012, the Aggies will be in the fourth year of the Walker plan and facing conference opponents that will be on a playing field that is level. (Sorry for the pun.) The WAC changes are an



Jack Nixon
Jack's Corner

example of water seeking its own level. Winning is winning, and it is something that Aggie fans long for on the gridiron. The school has made its mark in the current WAC in every other sport and should be able to add football to its first-division finishes. There is a ground swell of financial support, which is the most important kind in improving things, in major college athletics.

We have already had some very generous Aggies step up and lend efforts to developing the Football Excellence Fund. A large number of commitments have been made, and more will be revealed in the near future.

The days ahead can be exciting if the support is there. Money is what helps turns potential into success rather than a wish for what could have been.

Last year's signing day celebration will likely be eclipsed by next Wednesday's as a preview of what is coming for the future. As I have said in the past, getting in on the ground floor of the building is much more rewarding than joining in when the top layer of achievement is put into place. If the Excellence Fund is beyond your resources there are other levels that are just as supportive. It can only work with you on board.

Almost like Christmas

Swimmers get a breather ahead of the conference championships

If you are a member of swimming and diving team at New Mexico State, we're almost at the most exciting time of the year. It's taper time! Tapering is the process of gradually decreasing the work load of our training to allow swimmers to recover and get speed and extra endurance. We only do this once in our long season – for our peak meet, the WAC Championships in San Antonio, Feb. 22-26.

This means stopping weights, cutting out morning practices and focusing on details and final preparations. During this time they become more energetic, which leads them to act a little more silly than normal. The feeling on deck is different than the rest of the year, it's almost like Christmas – with a sense of something great is about to happen. As a staff, we have been coaching hard and trying to teach the skills needed to push their bodies to the limit everyday. Now it's almost time to just sit back and watch.

It has been a grueling month for the team, with doubles every day until school started back. This past weekend, we defeated Colorado State for the first time ever, and it was an exciting event. Our senior class, who was the first to defeat New Mexico in program history, got to help with another program first and that was extremely fitting.

We were down by 16 points with three events to go: 1-meter diving, the 400 individual medley and the 200-free relay. Junior Carly Smith won her event after finishing second on 3-meter earlier in the meet. Then in the 400 IM, freshman Tricia Kiss crushed the field by seven seconds and sophomore Beth Cate came from behind to touch out the other CSU swimmers to finish second.

Rick Pratt
Head Coach
Swimming and Diving



With the lead heading into the last relay, we had to win or finish second and third for the victory, if CSU finished first and third they would win the meet by only one point. The first three legs were neck and neck and sophomore Alex Fenton, from Rio Rancho, touched out the Rams' anchor leg to win by two tenths of a second, the meet was over and it was a defining moment for our group.

It felt great to win at the end like that, and our performances at CSU said much about the character and toughness of our athletes.

Swimmers train 50,000-75,000 yards a week – that's more than 2,000 lengths of the pool each week – all season for one moment of the year. All of this, to get on the block and improve by only a fraction of a second. This might seem ridiculous, but in the end the more you sacrifice, the better it feels.

Taper starts after our final dual meet of the season against UNM. That will be right here at home at noon Saturday, Feb. 5, at the NMSU Natatorium. Admission is free, and we're hoping to defeat the Lobos for the fourth straight time.

UNM has a young squad with good distance swimmers and great diving. It will be a great meet to finish with for our seniors, and a special time to honor their accomplishments. I hope everyone will attempt to come support them. It doesn't matter if you don't know swimming, everyone understands racing, and beating UNM is always important. Go Aggies!

This Week

In Aggie Athletics

Friday, Jan. 28
Track and Field
UNM Invite
Albuquerque
5 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 29
Men's Basketball
Idaho
Las Cruces
7:30 p.m.

Track and Field
UNM Invite
Albuquerque
9 a.m.

Women's Basketball
Idaho
Moscow, Idaho
3 p.m.

Men's Tennis
New Mexico
Albuquerque
6 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 3
Men's Basketball
Fresno State
Fresno, Calif.
8 p.m.

Women's Basketball
Fresno State
Fresno, Calif.
7 p.m.



Aggie student-athlete spotlight



Ginete Pinero
Sophomore
Women's tennis

Sophomore Ginete Pinero is the only Aggie women's tennis player to remain undefeated in singles matches after the season-opening weekend. She defeated Pacific's Sara

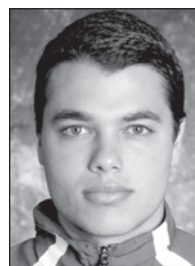
Irvin 6-4, 6-3 and UNLV's Adrienn Hidvegi, due to retirement.



Madison Spence
Senior
Women's basketball

Senior guard Madison Spence scored a season-high 23 points during a 75-71 win over Utah State. Spence also recorded a season-high field goal percentage

(53.8) on 7-of-13 shooting. She also had two blocked shots against Utah State.



Orlando Superlano
Sophomore
Men's tennis

Sophomore Orlando Superlano was undefeated in the season opening weekend for the Aggie men's tennis team. Against Texas A&M-Corpus Christi and Utah State, Superlano

won his singles match in each meet in two sets. Superlano also won each doubles match with sophomore Luiz Ramirez.

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Onthegreen

The doctor's tips for cold-weather golfing

Even in midwinter, golf can remain enjoyable with the right stuff

Charlie Blanchard
Golf Doctor



We haven't had much in the way of cold weather yet this winter, but we all know there will be some frigid golfing days lurking ahead. As you read this, your intrepid Golf Doctor is down in Florida attending the PGA Golf Show.

Before you start yelling, "Oh you lucky stiff," please know that my first round of golf at The Villages, north of Orlando, began at a swing-numbing 33 degrees. So I figured I had better address the business of playing golf – and staying comfortable – in winter conditions.

Of course, one of the consolations we have here in the sunny Southwest is that we can play golf in December, January and February, unlike the fine folks of Lake Wobegone, Minn.

The secret of staying warm and comfy while playing winter sports is layering. Start out with a "compression" layer such as a spandex pullover or snug, light thermal underwear. All of the important athletic outerwear companies make the stuff, and it's all pretty good. Next you need to add an "insulating" layer, which can be a wool sweater or sweatshirt or something similar. The whole idea is trapping body heat in a manner that won't create sweat, but rather will breathe.

Layers should be close-fitting, but not too tight. Your outer layer should be a wind- and water-resistant jacket that is lightweight and loose enough to let you swing freely. You might be toasty in a ski mobile suit, but you'll swing like the Michelin man. The idea is to be able to move like Spiderman while feeling comfortable.

Pay special attention to your hands and head. You lose most of your inner heat through your head. Wear a ski cap or an ear band and stow your golf cap in your bag for when it warms up. Keeping your hands warm is critical for performance. If you've ever tried to make an important 4-footer with frozen hands, you know what I'm talking about.

For warm hands, I'm old-school because I prefer those traditional metal hand warmers that use lighter fluid, which I used while

watching the game at the snowy Sun Bowl a month ago. I fired one up at 10 a.m., and it lasted until 6 p.m. Even more convenient are those small chemical heat packs, sold at almost all pro shops. Store six or eight in your bag. If you find that you just can't get your hands warm, forget that day of golf and go on in – it's not worth risking frostbite or Reynaud's.

As I advance further into senior-citizenship, I mostly ride rather than walk. I'd walk if there were

caddies. But I get enough hoofing early in the morning with my two golden retrievers. I love cart covers. Cart covers make you feel like you're in a quiet room at the airport or in an ice-fishing hut atop a frozen lake. Add a small propane heater and you don't have to fight the cold too much.

My purist friends pulling their carts while knocking the icicles off their beards might claim heated carts are too cushy to be real golf. I say why suffer needlessly. In fact, if I could work my will, all golf courses would provide golfers with optional covered carts.

Now that we're warm, let's talk about how

to tackle a cold golf course. No. 1, when it's really chilly your ball isn't going to fly as far as usual. Why? Physics and molecules, which is basically the same principle involved if you stick your tongue on a frozen pipe. So allow for a bit more "run-out," which is the room you have before you run out of fairway – a factor often noticed too late when laying up on par-5s. The two keys to winter play are, one, rapidly becoming aware of the true conditions, and, two, adapting your game quickly to those harsher and changing conditions.

I hate to break the news, but the greens aren't the same in February as they are in July. Anywhere. Grass doesn't grow very much in the winter. Count on generally faster greens with slightly less grain. Chips may run farther, and wedge shots may not bite. One guide that will not fail you this time of year, regardless of where you play, is keeping the ball below the hole. When putting on dry linoleum, it's better to have a putt that's uphill. One other tip: realize that cups may be days old and damaged, so short putts have to be hit firmly, go in the center and hit the back of the cup.

Despite the misconception of many golfers, there is no such thing as "winter rules." Following the winter solstice golf, goes on with the usual rules. Still, there are some tricky rules that can get us on thin ice if we don't know them. For example, ice and frost are not regarded the same by the USGA. Ice can be treated as a loose impediment, as long as it isn't man-made ice, like cubes. Frost can't.

Since you are not permitted to touch the line of your putt, except to remove loose impediments and repair ball marks, wiping away frost costs you two strokes or loss of hole in match play. Snow is considered ice.

“ I hate to break the news, but the greens aren't the same in February as they are in July. ”



Dr. Charlie Blanchard is a licensed psychologist specializing in sports and leadership who works with PGA professionals and young golfers. Email Blanchard at drblanchard@lascrucesbulletin.com.

Mayfield High School

High School

Athlete of the Week

Mando Marshall

Mando Marshall is a 16-year-old junior at Las Cruces High School. He plays post on the Bulldawg basketball team. Marshall averages 16 points, six rebounds and three assists per game. He works well with others and plays team basketball. He has become a model athlete. Marshall's attitude in school is terrific. He is looked up to as a role model and has matured into a respectful young man. Marshall enjoys spending time with his family when he is not playing or watching basketball.

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Football signing day

New Mexico State football coach DeWayne Walker and the Aggies football coaching staff will host the third annual Aggies' Signing Day Spectacular at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 2, on the third floor of the Stan Fulton Athletics Center.

The event is open to the public and Aggie fans are encouraged to attend and be a part of a very special occasion as Walker introduces the 2011 recruiting class. In addition, the weekly Aggie Coach's Show will be airing live from the event on KSNM-AM 570.

The event will feature a chalk talk from Walker on the 2011 recruiting class and his vision for the New Mexico State football program as well as an introduction of the coaching staff.

A cash bar will be available along with some light snacks beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Conrad earns award

New Mexico State senior swimmer Kelly Conrad was named the Verizon WAC Swimmer of the Week for Jan. 17-23. This is the first time she has earned the award this season and third time in her career.

Conrad led New Mexico State to a pair of road wins at Northern Colorado and Colorado State Jan. 21-22. Her performances lifted the Aggies to the victory over Northern Colorado. She swam the anchor leg of the winning 200-meter medley relay (48.14), and also claimed victory in the 50-meter freestyle with a time of 24.69. Conrad went on to wrap up the 132-108 victory for the Aggies as the leadoff leg for the winning 200-meter freestyle relay team (1:36.29).

Her two individual wins against Colorado State helped propel the Aggies to their first-ever victory over the Rams in 14 dual meets. Conrad claimed the top spot in the 100-meter freestyle, recording a season-best time of 51.98 in the event, and in the 200-meter freestyle



CONRAD

with a time of 1:53.71. The Aggies won the meet, 156.5-143.5.

"Kelly is having a special season and as our captain and senior, she is certainly taking advantage of everyday she has left in the pool," coach Rick Pratt said. "I thought her performances were great this past weekend, and it is an honor for her to receive this award."

"There were lots of great swims this past weekend, and we're excited to watch everything unfold heading into the WAC (Swimming and Diving) Championships."

The Aggies host New Mexico at noon Saturday, Feb. 5, in the regular season finale. The meet is also senior day for the Aggies.

Aldredge is Track Athlete of the Week

New Mexico State University sophomore Lasasha Aldredge from Fresno, Calif., was named the Verizon Western Athletic Conference Track Athlete of the Week Wednesday, Jan. 19.

Aldredge started the season in strong fashion Saturday, Jan. 15, at the University of New Mexico Lobo Open Invite in Albuquerque. Aldredge placed first in the 400 meter with a time of 57.27 and first in the 4-by-400 meter relay after her foursome finished with a time of 3:53.50. Both were season best times in the WAC. Aldredge also placed fifth in the 200 meter with a time of 25.50.

"Lasasha understands what she needs to do to be successful," coach Orin Richburg said. "She has put in the work and she's ready to move forward."

Aldredge also finished last semester with a 3.2 GPA and had a lead role in NMSU's theater production of "Seussical the Musical" where she played the "Sour Kangaroo."

"She works hard in all areas including academically and in theater," Richburg said. "She has her priorities in line."



ALDREDGE

H I G H S C H O O L SportsSchedule

Las Cruces High School

Friday, Jan. 28	Girls Basketball	at Gadsden High School	7 p.m.
	Boys Basketball	at Gadsden High School	7 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 29	Girls Basketball	Roswell High School	2:30 p.m.
	Wrestling	at Mayfield Invitational	TBA
Tuesday, Feb. 1	Boys Basketball	Socorro High School	7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 3	Wrestling	Gadsden High School	6 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 4	Girls Basketball	at Alamogordo High School	7 p.m.
	Boys Basketball	at Alamogordo High School	7 p.m.
Feb. 4-5	Swimming	at District 5-A Meet (Hobbs)	TBA



Mayfield High School

Friday, Jan. 28	Girls Basketball	Alamogordo High School	7 p.m.
	Boys Basketball	at Alamogordo High School	7 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 29	Wrestling	Mayfield Invitational	TBA
Tuesday, Feb. 1	Girls Basketball	at Oñate High School	7 p.m.
	Boys Basketball	at Oñate High School	7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 3	Wrestling	at Santa Teresa Triangular	6 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 4	Boys Basketball	Cathedral High School	7 p.m.



Oñate High School

Saturday, Jan. 29	Wrestling	at Mayfield Invitational	TBA
Tuesday, Feb. 1	Girls Basketball	Mayfield High School	7 p.m.
	Boys Basketball	at Mayfield High School	7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 3	Wrestling	at Santa Teresa Triangular	6 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 4	Girls Basketball	Gadsden High School	7 p.m.
	Boys Basketball	at Gadsden High School	7 p.m.



Mesilla Valley Christian Schools

Friday, Jan. 28	Girls Basketball	at Chaparral High School	7 p.m.
	Boys Basketball	New Mexico Military Institute	7 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 29	Swimming	at Santa Fe Prep Invite	9 a.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 1	Girls Basketball	Tularosa High School	6:30 p.m.
	Boys Basketball	at Tularosa High School	6:30 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 4	Girls Basketball	Lordsburg High School	6:30 p.m.
	Boys Basketball	at Lordsburg High School	6:30 p.m.



ATHLETE of the WEEK



Courtney Schultz Sophomore, Track and Field

Sophomore Courtney Schultz broke the New Mexico State record in the 3,000-meter run at the University of New Mexico Cherry and Silver Invite, Jan. 22. She broke her own school record by almost four seconds with a time of 9:53.96.



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Looking Back

This week in the history of the Mesilla Valley

Marvin Tessneer
Out of the Past



100 years ago

1911

• By a majority of nearly 18,000 of the roughly 30,000 votes cast, the people of New Mexico ratified the new constitution for the state of New Mexico. Only San Juan, Sierra and Lincoln counties cast a majority vote against ratification.

• The Santa Fe Railroad announced it would build a depot at Cutter, between Engle and Rincon. That announcement and the placement of a vanadium reduction plant nearby prompted the Rio Grande Republican to declare that Cutter would become one of the principal towns of southern New Mexico. Today, only a railroad signpost marks where the town of 3,500 inhabitants once stood.

75 years ago

1936

• The Boy Scouts were looking for a name that would be representative of the entire council

area, which included five counties in New Mexico and six in Texas. A prize of one week at the Ruidoso Boy Scout Camp was offered to the scout or leader who suggested the name.

• Albert Emery announced the grand opening of the new building for Las Cruces Mortuary. He said it was the most modern mortuary in the Southwest having the latest conveniences including a chapel seating 125, a family room, a large casket display room, a modern operating room and complete automobile equipment.

50 years ago

1961

• The Las Cruces Citizen featured an article on New Mexico State University basketball player Gary Ward, known as the "Blond Bomber." A transfer from Oklahoma Junior College, he was leading the Aggies in field-goal and free-throw shooting. An honorable mention All-American in junior college, he received no offers from major universities and was prepared to attend Tulsa University on a baseball scholarship when Aggie coach Presley Askew contacted him. "The Aggies needed guards and it gave me the chance to play both baseball and basketball," Ward said.

• The "old house" at the corner of Alameda Avenue and Water Street suffered major

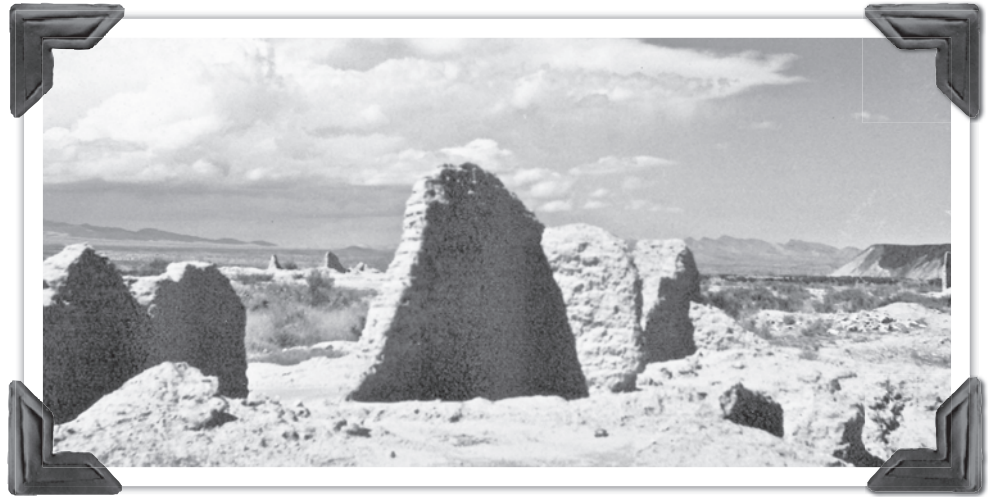


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The adobe walls of Fort Craig stand in the desert north of Elephant Butte Lake as a storm cloud looms over the distant mountains. Most of the adobe walls at Fort Craig have crumbled to the ground in the years since this photo was taken.

damage from a fire. The 81-year-old building was once one of the showcases of Las Cruces and was built by Martin Amador. One of his children, Cotilde, lived her entire life in the house and died in the house exactly one year before it burned. She was married to Antonio Terrazas in 1909. He died in the house at the stroke of midnight on Dec. 31, 1919.

25 years ago

1986

• Las Cruces businessmen were irked by a new sign ordinance. Jack Key, who had recently purchased Mitchell Motors on North Main Street, had to cover a portion of the sign

with canvas, which he said makes it look like he was "too cheap" to put up a new sign. Key said no one at the city was willing to "make a commitment" in regard to the sign. Rocky Burke of Burke Sign Company said it was taking four times longer to get a sign approved than before.

• Surplus water in Elephant Butte and Caballo reservoirs prompted the Elephant Butte Irrigation District to release water early to make room for water released from reservoirs upstream to comply with the Rio Grande Compact.

Information gathered from NMSU Library's Microform Area and Archives and Special Collections. Edited by Jim Hilley.

The 2011 Battle of the Clubs

TEAM TENNIS TOURNAMENT

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NMSU Kinesiology Club 5k run and 1 mile walk

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Participants in the New Beginnings 5k run and 1-mile walk, organized by the New Mexico State University Kinesiology Club, blast off the starting line on their journey around campus Sunday, Jan. 23.



Participants Doro Jasso and Leticia Lister run the last leg of the 5k.



NMSU students Adam Blalock and Brianne Loya stretch before the early-morning run.



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In the news

Martinez announces cost-saving measures

Gov. Susana Martinez said she is taking action on numerous cost-saving measures proposed by the people of New Mexico.

After inviting her fellow New Mexicans to submit their spending cuts through cutwastetips@state.nm.us, the governor's office received thousands of responses and examined each suggestion. Martinez said she is already implementing some of the suggestions.

"I have signed a one-year moratorium on new car purchases for non-law enforcement purposes," she said. "This will save taxpayer money immediately while also allowing my administration to determine how many additional cars we can eliminate from the state's fleet. These cars are not personal toys – they are paid for and maintained by New Mexico taxpayers."

In a radio interview with the Las Cruces Bulletin, Martinez said Jon Barela, her designate for secretary of the economic development department, refused use of a government vehicle, saying he already had his own car.

"Along these same lines, we will also examine how we can reduce expenses by cutting cell phones for state workers who don't need them and limiting unnecessary travel by taking advantage of videoconferencing technology," Martinez said. "We will also look at how we can eliminate redundancy and I have already ordered the Taxation and Revenue Department to consolidate its Revenue Processing Division and Audit Compliance Division."

Supreme Court OKs environmental rules

New Mexico Senate Democrats announced they are pleased with this week's State Supreme Court decision giving a green light to

the publication in the state register of recently approved pollution control measures over the objections of Gov. Susana Martinez.

In one of her first actions as governor, Martinez issued an executive order for a 90-day moratorium on the implementation of any new rules or regulations. This most notably affected new greenhouse rules passed by the state Environmental Improvement Board, and she also dismissed all members of the board.

A number of environmental groups sued to have the rules published, which would put them into effect.

Chief Justice Charles Daniels cited the great importance of the case saying it speaks to the separation of powers. Daniels said the records administrator has a duty under state law to publish the rules that are filed with the records center regardless of the requests made by the governor's office or disputes over the rules' merits.

"Gov. Martinez has shown a complete lack of concern for the process for implementing rules," said Sen. Peter Wirth, D-Santa Fe. "It is disappointing that she tried to achieve her goal of blocking new environmental protection measures by attempting to circumvent the rules."

Meanwhile, Martinez announced that she has made four nominations for the state's Environmental Improvement Board.

"Protecting the environment and jump-starting our economy are not mutually exclusive goals," Martinez said. "It is critical to New Mexico's future that bodies like the EIB make thoughtful decisions based on science and common sense rather than political whims that circumvent the will of the people."

The board members appointed by Martinez are: James Casciano, who manages the Corporate Environmental Health and Safety program for Intel Corp. in Rio Rancho; Timothy Morrow, a rancher from Capulin; Deborah Peacock, the managing partner of

Peacock Myers, P.C., an Albuquerque law firm specializing in intellectual property rights; and Elizabeth Ryan, a Roswell attorney.

NMDA secretary search taking applications

Applications for the director/secretary position at New Mexico Department of Agriculture (NMDA) are now being accepted.

New Mexico State University officially posted the position Wednesday, Jan., 26. The director of NMDA serves as the secretary of agriculture on the governor's cabinet, but the position is filled by the Board of Regents at NMSU and reports to the board and university president. Regents have selected a search committee of 16 members and a chairperson.

"We have a well-rounded, capable search committee who knows the importance of this position for New Mexico's agricultural industry. We are committed to making sure we find the best candidate," said search committee chair Lowell Catlett, dean of NMSU's College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences.

Interested applicants are asked to submit a letter of interest, résumé, unofficial transcript, and three letters of reference by Feb. 28. Applications received after this date may be considered.

NMDA's director/secretary position was vacated when Miley Gonzalez retired from NMDA and NMSU on Dec. 31, 2010.

"NMDA's six divisions and nearly 180 employees are essential in providing service to New Mexico's agricultural industry and protection for New Mexico consumers," said Tom Bagwell, NMDA interim director/secretary. "The person chosen for this position will play an important state, national, and international role in contributing to the safest, most affordable, and most nutritious food supply in the world."

For a review of the job description and qualifications to apply, visit www.nmda.nmsu.edu/jobs.html.

Annual game benefiting La Casa set for Saturday

Las Cruces police will battle Las Cruces firefighters on the gridiron Saturday, Jan. 29, in a flag football game that benefits La Casa domestic violence shelter.

The seventh annual flag football game between officers and firefighters kicks off at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, at the New Mexico State University practice field, just west of Aggie Memorial Stadium.

The police officers, also known as Las Cruces' Finest, will try to avenge their 2010 loss to the firefighters, Las Cruces' Bravest. The overall series is tied 3-3.

The public is invited to attend the game and cheer on their favorite team. Admission to the game is free but both departments are asking fans to bring non-perishable food items that will be donated to La Casa domestic violence shelter in Las Cruces.

La Casa is a nonprofit organization that offers safe housing, counseling and support services to victims of domestic violence and their children.

Oñate eighth-grade registration fair is Feb. 2

Oñate High School, 5700 Mesa Grande Drive, will hold an eighth-grade registration fair from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 2, in the school gymnasium.

Besides information about classes and programs at the school, there also will be door prizes.

For more information, contact counselor Valerie Groll at 527-9430, ext. 7712, or email vgroll@lcp.k12.nm.us.

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EBID OKs source for surface water plant

Site near Fort Selden approved

By **Marvin Tessneer**
Las Cruces Bulletin

The Elephant Butte Irrigation District board voted at its last meeting to grant 17 acres within its boundaries to allow the construction of a surface water treatment plant for domestic consumption.

The Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association is planning to build the North Valley Region Surface Water Treatment Plant at Fort Selden adjacent to the Leasburg Canal and to draw water from canal for the plant. The EBID diverts water from the Rio Grande into the canal.

"The plant will be designed to supplement ground water sources, which are limited, for domestic use," plant board president Charles Huestis said. "Now, we're trying to buy EBID surface water rights."

"The reason we're doing this is to allow the North Valley Region Surface Water Treatment Plant the ability to pump water out of the canal," EBID manager Gary Esslinger said. "They'll have the right to place orders for surface water just like farmers."

He added that the district does not expect the plant water orders to cause any problems with the farmers' irrigation deliveries.

The EBID contains about 133,000 acres, and 90,640 acres can be irrigated. Irrigation usually is conducted between the months of March and September.

The association has been working for the new water treatment plant for about eight years. It has not set a construction date, but it has developed a plant operation concept, according to Karl Tonander, vice president of Souder, Miller and Associates engineering firm, which is designing the plant and water transmission lines.

He described the plant operation concept:

- The plant will pump the surface water from the canal into a pool where the heavy particles will be allowed to settle out.
- Next, the water will be forced through a filter system that contains finely-porous straws. "The porous quality of the straws is so high that they can filter out bacteria," Tonander said.
- Finally, the plant will add chorine to the water to complete the treatment.

"The North Valley Regional Surface Water Treatment facility represents an important step in the diversification of water resources in the Mesilla Valley," Tonander said.

The plant will blend surface and ground water and distribute it to the DAMDWCA through about 53,000 feet of transmission lines. The association has six storage tanks that have a capacity of 5 million gallons, Tonander said.

Currently, the association has 3,800 consumers, and other mutual domestic water groups have indicated that they are interested in connecting with the NVRSWTP when the project is completed.

The association plans to develop the plant in three phases: the first phase, 500,000 gallons, the second phase, 1 million gallons and the third phase, 2 million gallons.

But as Huestis said about the design concept, "It's slowly coming along." The association has applied for and is awaiting approval of funding resources: State and Tribal Association Grants, \$1.1 million; American Relief and Recovery Act stimulus funds, \$450,000; Water Trust Board, \$1.9 million; and a USDA Rural Development loan, \$2.1 million.

The project also is subject to review by the State Environment Department, Huestis said.

BLM closes 28 bat caves

Closures aim to reduce bat health threat

The Bureau of Land Management published a notice in the Federal Register this week, closing 28 caves to public visitation for the next two years in an effort to reduce the threat of white-nose syndrome to bats. The temporary closures affect caves that are known to have significant bat roosts.

White-nose syndrome is a disease that has killed more than 1 million hibernating bats in the East and Southeast in the past four years. The fungus associated with the disease, *Geomyces destructans*, was found on a bat in western Oklahoma last May, which elevated the concern that the fungus might next arrive in New Mexico. The fungus is known to be transmitted from bat to bat and from cave to bat. Scientific data also indicates that fungal spores may be spread inadvertently by humans, their clothing or caving gear.

The closure notice is a continuation of the interagency efforts to protect New Mexico's bats that included the development of the White-nose Syndrome Interagency Response Plan for New Mexico in November 2010. Various user groups and interested publics provided input into the state plan and helped develop criteria used to identify significant caves and strategies for preventing human transmission of the fungus.

New Mexico is home to 28 species of bats, including 16 that hibernate in the state. Bats play a critical role in many cave ecosystems and are important nocturnal insectivores that

help control insect populations throughout the summer season.

- The following BLM caves are now closed:
- Roswell Field Office – Bat Hole, Big-eared, Corn Sinkhole, Crockett's, Crystal, Feather, Fly, Fort Stanton, Malpais Madness, Smiley, Sun Spot, Torgac's, Torgac's Annex, Tres Ninos and Martin-Antelope Gyp Cave Complex
 - Carlsbad Field Office – Billy the Kid, Dry, Endless, McKittrick, Rusty Hinge, Sand, Adobe and Yellowjacket
 - Las Cruces Field Office – Geronimo, U-Bar and Lepto Splat
 - Socorro Field Office – Ladron
 - Rio Puerco Field Office – Pronoun Cave Complex

Although other caves and mines on BLM public lands remain open, subject to prior restrictions and/or permit requirements, the public is discouraged from entering any caves and underground abandoned mine features on public lands to limit the potential spread of the fungus. Mandatory decontamination of clothing and gear is required of anyone entering non-commercial caves or mines on federal lands. The most current WNS decontamination protocols and gear dedication procedures are available at www.fws.gov/whitenosesyndrome/index.html. More information also can be found at www.blm.gov/nm/st/en/prog/more/hummel_wildlife/white-nose_syndrome.html.



Errol Chavez, who ran for state auditor in the last election, died Sunday, Jan. 23, after battling brain cancer diagnosed during his campaign.

Chavez loses cancer fight

Ex-DEA agent desired clean government

Senate Minority Leader Stuart Ingle asked the New Mexico State Senate for a moment of silence Monday, Jan. 24, in respect of former Republican state auditor candidate Errol Chavez, who died at a Las Cruces hospice after battling brain cancer, which was diagnosed in October 2010 during the campaign.

Chavez's experience as an investigator with the federal government prompted former state GOP Chairman Harvey Yates Jr. to recruit him to run for the auditor's office.

"New Mexico has lost a true public servant," said U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce. "Errol was a good friend and a great asset to the state of New Mexico. He served for over three decades in the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, and helped to make our country a better place to live. Errol was truly dedicated to making a

difference, and was always ready to serve. My prayers go out for the Chavez family. Errol will be missed by all those he touched."

During his time with the DEA, Chavez conducted money laundering investigations and directed policy in Europe, Latin America and the United States. After retiring from DEA, Chavez became the executive director of the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area, a federal drug-prohibition enforcement program. He served as president of the Hispanic American Police Command Officers Association and the International Narcotic Enforcement Officers Association.

Ingle said the state of New Mexico appreciated Chavez's willingness to serve the public his entire life. He said the state and the country is grateful to Errol Chavez.

Neighbors We've Lost

DEATH NOTICES

ATENCIO

Jessica Yvette Wood Atencio, 38, of Las Cruces, New Mexico, passed away on Thursday, January 20, 2011. Arrangements are with La Paz - Graham's Funeral Home, 555 W. Amador Avenue.

JOHNSON

Kathleen Johnson, 77, of Las Cruces, NM in died Tuesday, January 25, 2011. A visitation will be from 5 to 7 pm on Friday, January 28, 2011, at Getz Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10 am on Saturday, January 29, 2011, at Getz Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Linvell Tisdale officiating. Burial will follow at Gardens of Memories Cemetery in Hatch. Arrangements by Getz Funeral Home.

OWENSBY

Raymond Morrow Owensby, 63, passed away on January 15, 2011, in Albuquerque. He was a former Economics professor at New Mexico State University. Memorial services were held on January 22, 2011. In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to a scholarship fund for agricultural students in Morrow's memory c/o Morrow Owensby Memorial Scholarship, First National Bank, Raton, NM. Arrangements were by Yaksich-Long Funeral Home of Raton.

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Why clean energy?

Gabriel Vasquez
Business Editor



On Tuesday, Jan. 25, President Obama outlined his vision for rebuilding the nation's economy in his widely seen, heard and disseminated State of the Union Address.

Among his efforts to put Americans back to work and inspire domestic innovation, he mentioned a key initiative that could greatly benefit our state and region's economy.

I'm talking about the development of clean energy technologies and the president's intent to pursue those efforts aggressively. He envisioned that by 2035, the United States would produce 80 percent of its domestic energy from renewable sources.

New Mexico – specifically southern New Mexico – has been identified in dozens of public and private studies as a "hotbed" for alternative energy, most notably using the sun and wind.

Take into account the several projects, programs and conditions that make Las Cruces and the surrounding area a prime beneficiary of clean energy development now and in the future:

Sapphire Energy – This California-based algal biofuel company, backed by Bill Gates, has a research and development facility in the West Mesa Industrial Park and plans to build a refinery to process biofuel in Luna County.

SunZia project – A collaborative public and private effort that seeks to install 460 new miles of transmission lines and substations that will connect and deliver renewable energy resources in the state will help meet the nation's demand for clean energy.

Commercial-scale solar – Already, four leading solar energy companies have entered into agreements with private and public entities to build commercial-scale solar facilities in Doña Ana County.

NMSU biofuel research – The federal government has contracted with New Mexico State University to research the use of algal biofuels in jet engines, a leading research initiative for the university in 2011.

Re-Energize America – This annual conference hosted by NMSU brings together the top leaders in the nation's

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Award winners

The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce announced the following award winners during its 2011 annual banquet:

Citizens of the Year

- Bill Mattiace
- Paul Herzog

Business of the Year

Dickerson's Catering

Nonprofit of the Year

Las Cruces Rio Grande Rotary Foundation

Volunteer of the Year

Mike Zamora

Crystal Apple Awards

- Bobbie Grace
- Brenda Figueroa
- Velton Locklear

Conquistadore of the Year

Troy Tudor

Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce Board Chair Margie Huerta shares the excitement with one of two Citizens of the Year, Bill Mattiace, during the chamber's Annual Banquet Friday, Jan. 21, at the Las Cruces Convention Center.

Las Cruces Bulletin photos by Niki Rhynes

Chamber names Mattiace, Herzog Citizens of the Year

By **Gabriel Vasquez**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Small business owner Bill Mattiace and hospital CEO Paul Herzog were named the 2010 Citizens of the Year by the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce during its Annual Banquet Friday, Jan. 21, at the Las Cruces Convention Center.

This marks the first time the chamber has honored two individuals with the Citizen of the Year honor.

Mattiace, vice president of Adventure Travel & Cruise Center, served as mayor of the City of Las Cruces from 2003-07 and serves on the chamber's Governmental Affairs Committee. Originally from Long Island, N.Y., Mattiace has lived in Las Cruces since 1968 and has since served the public in several capacities, most notably as Honor Flight coordinator during the last several years.

"Most people that contribute to the community and work hard to make it a better place don't need recognition or accolades or plaques," Mattiace said. "But I am honored to receive this award."

Mattiace and his wife Wanda,



Paul Herzog, CEO of Memorial Medical Center, also was named Citizen of the Year by the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce during its annual banquet.

president of Adventure Travel, have made generous contributions to local nonprofits over the

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Dickerson's gets best business nod

By **Gabriel Vasquez**
Las Cruces Bulletin

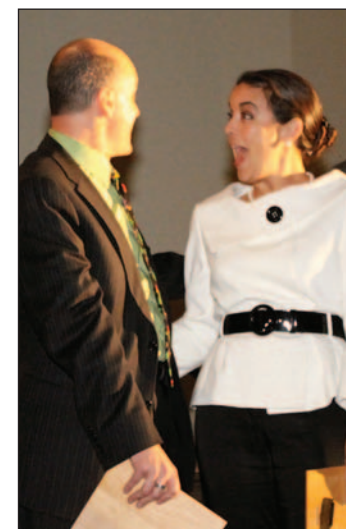
You can't talk about catering in Las Cruces without mentioning the city's largest private caterer and 2010 Business of the Year, Dickerson's Catering.

Owner Marci Dickerson graciously accepted the Business of the Year award during the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet Friday, Jan. 21, at the Las Cruces Convention Center.

"I am beyond honored to have received this award and recognition," Dickerson said. "We work hard every day to make sure we deliver the best service and the best food as well as trying to be a good partner in the community. We're honored the chamber chose to recognize these efforts and to recognize us."

Dickerson's Catering, with more than 40 employees, has grown in strides since it first opened in 1998. It's now an exclusive partner to local venues such as the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, Alameda House, Josefina's Old Gate Café and the New Mexico State University Golf Course.

"The catering business is a by-product of the business that my parents started," Dickerson said.



Ken Binkley of Wilson Binkley Advertising & Marketing congratulates Business of the Year winner Marci Dickerson, owner of Dickerson's Catering.

"Before we launched the catering aspect of the business, my parents owned and operated Dickerson's Event Center and the Smokehouse BBQ."

Dickerson said her involvement in the catering business really started after she experienced a misfortunate event during a wedding ceremony.

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Crystal Apple Award recipients Velton Locklear, left, Brenda Figueroa, center left, and Bobbie Grace, center right



Citizens

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years, donating to organizations such as the First Step Center, El Caldito Soup Kitchen, Jardín de Los Niños and Aggie Athletics.

"I remember working with the First Step Center when it first opened with Patsy Duran, helping with after school programs as mayor of the city and all the individual donations and contributions made over the years to different organizations," he said. "Our (volunteers') rewards really come from seeing the fruits of what we do. That's the great reward."

Every year, Mattiace takes the lead in organizing the Honor Flight, which last year provided the means for more than 150 World War II veterans in the region to visit the National World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C.

"I think many of the ballots (for Citizen of the Year) – the public ballots – were heavily loaded by a lot of those WWII vets," Mattiace laughed. "I want to take this opportunity to tell those comrades 'thank you.' I got five or six calls from them asking how to spell my last name, and they wouldn't tell me for what."

Mattiace reinforced that his numerous contributions to Las Cruces have come from a deeper desire to provide his family the best place possible to live and succeed.

"I have to give a lot of the credit to my wife Wanda and my family for getting this award," he said. "It's Wanda's hard work at Adventure Travel and the great accomplishments from my kids that keep me going – it's the blessings of them working and succeeding in Las Cruces."

Paul Herzog, CEO of Memorial Medical Center (MMC) and chamber board member,

has a long history of philanthropy and leadership in Las Cruces.

He was honored with the Salud Award by the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico in 2009 for his commitments to improve health care in the community. Among those commitments are MMC's strong support for the annual Tough Enough to Wear Pink Campaign, which raises nearly a half million dollars to support breast cancer research efforts in New Mexico.

The hospital, under Herzog's direction, also has a long history of sponsorship for March of Dimes, specifically the March for Babies fundraiser that takes place every year. Herzog served as the chair for the fundraiser last year, helping raise nearly \$160,000 to support the organization.

"This is all about making a difference," Herzog said during the 2010 March for Babies. "Making a difference for the families of the 4,200 babies who are born too soon each year in New Mexico."

Herzog was also a participant in a recent Men Who Cook fundraiser that benefited Mesilla Valley Hospice and recently agreed to be the 2010 Domestic Violence Awareness sponsor for La Casa Inc., a local women's shelter.

Since his time at MMC, the hospital has seen multi-million dollar improvements, added hundreds of additional staff members and has been recognized by its parent company, LifePoint Hospitals, as one of the best in the nation.

"I am honored to receive this award," Herzog said. "It is the team members, volunteers and medical staff at Memorial Medical Center that deserve the recognition for this. I would not be getting this award without their hard work and dedication to our patients and community."

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"A friend of mine was getting married in town, and the day before the wedding, she was doing her own table set-up," Dickerson said. "It had become so stressful for her that she was literally in tears crying. I thought to myself, 'There's got to be a better way to do this.'"

One of the events that got Dickerson's noticed for its quality of service and food was the grand opening of MountainView Regional Medical Center in 2002.

"After that, people knew who we were," she said.

Chances are, if you've been to a fundraiser or business event in town, you've experienced Dickerson's food and service. Her company has catered events such as the Mayor's Ball, Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico Gala, the President's Associates Ball and past chamber annual banquets.

"Because every event is different, one of the most rewarding things about owning this type of business is the ability to develop a vision for an event, execute it and see the reactions of the guests and the customers," she said. "Each event is unique in the hurdles that it presents."

In 2008, Dickerson opened The Game Sports Bar & Grill, "a great success," Dickerson said. Dickerson has also recently acquired and renovated Hurricane Alley, a 14-year-old Las Cruces bar.

In 2010, Dickerson received the first-ever Friend of the CVB Award given by the Las Cruces Convention & Visitors Bureau for her willingness to sponsor and assist with CVB events and facilities.

"Marci is always happy to help the CVB through sponsorship of events or by working with clients' budgets to make each event a success," said CVB Executive Director Ken Mompellier. "She is a strong supporter of the CVB efforts to bring convention, tourism and sports business to our community."

Dickerson also has big plans for 2012. She, along with husband Cody Marr, plans to convert Dickerson's Barn on Picacho Avenue into a gun and sporting goods store complete with gun, rifle and archery shooting ranges.

"We're excited about this," she said. As part of the re-purposing, Dickerson will start another company – Rio Grande Rifle Co.

Other honorees

The chamber also presented five other awards to local organizations and individuals during its banquet.

The Nonprofit of the Year award went to the Las Cruces Rio Grande Rotary Foundation, which each year organizes a variety of fundraisers, such as a yard sale that benefits Mesilla Valley Hospice, a silent auction for the Dress-the-Child program and annually supports the



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Bill Allen, president and CEO of the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, speaks to attendees during his first chamber banquet. Allen was hired in November 2010 to replace departing president and CEO Jim Berry.

national Rotary Foundation with an average giving that exceeds \$15,000.

The Volunteer of the Year honor was given to Mike Zamora of Action Equipment Rental, who organized the chamber's 2010 Golf Classic Tournament and donated many hours and equipment for other chamber events, such as the Thanks Team WSMR celebration.

"He went above and beyond in service to the chamber last year," said chamber Communications and Leadership Director Joel Courtney.

The Conquistadore of the Year, given to one of the members of the chamber's group of goodwill ambassadors, is Troy Tudor, chair of the Conquistadores and co-chair of the chamber's Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe Committee.

The Crystal Apple Awards, which honor local educators at the K-12 level, were given to Bobbie Grace, Brenda Figueroa and Velton Locklear.

"The award winners were chosen for their exemplary service to the community," said chamber board chair Margie Huerta. "All of the winners – from citizen to business to nonprofit of the year – embody the spirit of Las Cruces."

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Legendary newsman Sam Donaldson, who was raised in southern Doña Ana County, gave a rousing keynote speech during the chamber banquet.

Bartender Amy Hammons prepares to serve partygoers Friday, Jan. 21, at Hurricane Alley, 1490 Missouri Ave.

Las Cruces Bulletin photos by Niki Rhynes



Revelers enjoy a night of dancing to hometown band The Liars during a busy Friday evening at the newly remodeled Hurricane Alley.

Hurricane Alley has re-opening success

New bar owner unveils wave of changes

By **Gabriel Vasquez**
Las Cruces Bulletin

A hometown favorite among college students and revelers of all ages, Hurricane Alley is under new ownership and has undergone a bevy of changes.

Among those changes is a much-needed facelift, said new owner Marci Dickerson.

"We've completely remodeled it," said Dickerson, who also owns The Game Sports Bar & Grill on Espina Street and Dickerson's Catering. "We've re-done the bathrooms, took

the carpet out and put in new flooring, added a patio, re-painted and changed the entire décor. It now has more of an island-bar feel to it."

Dickerson, who took over as owner Jan. 1, said the time was right to take ownership of the 14-year-old establishment.

"I remember going to Hurricane when I was in college – I know it's an institution in Las Cruces," she said. "The opportunity was just right and I thought to myself, 'We could remodel this place and fix it up to restore it back to its original glory.'"

Dickerson purchased the bar from longtime

owner Van Wamel.

"Our regulars seem to be thrilled with the changes. It's really the same bar they've grown to love, but with improvements," Dickerson said. "We had a huge turnout opening weekend and we're looking forward to those folks coming back and partying with us again."

Angel Sanchez, 24, a college student who often visits the bar on weekends with his friends, said he's pleased with the bar's new look and atmosphere.

"It's one of the few places left for students to go out and have a good time here," Sanchez said. "The new look is good, and I think people will still go to Hurricane no matter what. I think remodeling the bathrooms was the best thing they could have done."

Other changes to the bar include the weekly specials and promotions, which now target a wider audience, Dickerson said.

"Tuesday night is our hip-hop night with DJ Black, Thursday we have country night, Friday night is geared toward the 28 to 40 age group with '70s and '80s cover bands coming in to play and Saturday night we'll have local and traveling bands," she said. "We're targeting different audiences."

Dickerson said future improvements to the bar include upgrading the audio and light system, but no timetable has been put forth just yet.

On tap for the evening of Friday, Jan. 28, is Triple Jack, a blues and Southern rock band and on Saturday, Jan. 29, local radio station HOT 103-FM will celebrate its 10th anniversary with a bash.

Hurricane Alley is located at 1490 Missouri Ave. behind Baskin Robbins and next to Olympian University.

For more information, call 532-9358.

Energy

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clean energy industry to discuss ways and collaborate to develop new clean energy projects in New Mexico and the Southwest. The conference's 2009 keynote speaker was Department of Energy Secretary Steven Chu.

Small business growth – Companies such as Sunspot Solar Energy Systems,

Positive Energy and Sun-Tech Services have grown notably during the past two years and are helping homeowners reduce the cost of electricity use.

Jobs – Doña Ana Community College is developing curriculum to train a new workforce in alternative energy to serve the local market.

There you have it, just a few of the conditions making it ripe for Las Cruces to capitalize on the president's vision of developing a robust clean energy industry.

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NM named 'Best Domestic Destination'

National publication gives state top honors

Readers of Global Traveler Magazine who voted on the best in business and luxury travel have named New Mexico the Best Domestic Tourism Destination in the magazine's seventh annual Global Traveler-Tested Reader Survey.

Global Traveler is a luxury travel magazine written for executive business travelers.

"Our survey is unique from others as our readers have the only say," said Francis Gallagher, publisher and CEO of Global Traveler Magazine. "Our yearly awards are sought after, highly respected and an unbiased reflection of the best in travel from those who know."

Martín Leger, advertising manager for the New Mexico Tourism Department, said it's the hard work of the department and citizens alike who have contributed to making New Mexico a top destination for domestic travelers.

"We accept this award on behalf of the citizens of New Mexico," he said. "Our great state continues to offer opportunity for new exploration, knowledge and adventure. Diverse cultures have shaped this land, its history and its people. Many choices for a fulfilling vacation exist in all parts of the state and these diverse, cultural resources provide a multitude of intriguing possibilities for our visitors."

"We thank the readers of Global Traveler for this prestigious award and the New Mexico tourism family – both the public sector and private industry – for making our Land of Enchantment such a popular destination for travelers from within the region and around the world."

Changes may be coming to the state's tourism department. Gov. Susana Martinez, in a press release, indicated that she supports the merging of the state's departments of tourism and cultural affairs and plans to take action this year.

The awards were announced in the December 2010 issue of the magazine.

Building Las Cruces

Rodriguez Construction



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Gabriel Vasquez

Rodriguez Construction is renovating the former space occupied by The Car Show on 680 S. Solano Drive to make way for the company's headquarters, said site manager Fidel Mata. Rodriguez Construction is a family-owned business that specializes in metal stud framing, drywall, plastering, stucco work, fireproofing, acoustical lay and scaffolding. The company has recently worked on projects such as the new Las Cruces City Hall, magistrate court and Mesa Middle School. The company's new offices should be complete and open to the public by summertime. For more information, call company owner David Rodriguez at 526-8097.

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The readers of Global Traveler Magazine, a publication that targets executive business travelers, have named New Mexico the "Best Domestic Destination" of 2010.

Family remembers community advocate with education fund

NMSU students to benefit from new scholarship

Courtesy of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico

Longtime community resident Raymond "Rusty" Van Pelt spent his life helping young adults until his death Jan. 4, and his wife Betty and daughters are doing what they can to keep his memory alive while continuing the mission he cared so much about.

"Our father dedicated his adult life to helping young adults succeed by becoming passionate about education," said Sandy Medina, Mr. Van Pelt's daughter. "He knew by getting young adults interested in school and sports, it would be a motivation for them to meet the goals they set for themselves and that those lessons learned would continue into their adult lives."

Betty Van Pelt and her daughters started the R.W. Van Pelt Educational Fund with the help of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico (CFSNM), which professionally manages the fund.

"While working with the staff at the CFSNM it was apparent they are a professional and compassionate team, and they are working hard to promote the community and their customers' desires," Medina said. "When setting up a fund it is important that the right organizations handle the tax implications and filings, and are non-biased in awarding the scholarships. The intention for our father's fund is to direct as much of the funds possible to the students that will receive the scholarship. Individuals setting up these types of funds could run into tax problems with the IRS, but this is not so if you use a foundation. All of the tax implications are addressed from the beginning."

Mr. Van Pelt attended New Mexico State University on a football scholarship, where he pursued teaching, earning a bachelor's degree in 1949. Following graduation, he worked as a teacher and a



VAN PELT

coach at Las Cruces High School before serving in the Korean War. When he returned to Las Cruces, he was a teacher and coach at Court Junior High before returning to LCHS. In 1954, he earned a master's degree in educational administration and in 1965, Mr. Van Pelt became the first assistant principal and athletic director at Mayfield High School. Two years later, he was named principal. He stayed at Mayfield until his retirement in 1985.

The R.W. Van Pelt Educational Fund will award two scholarships each year to graduating seniors from Mayfield High School who plan to major in education at NMSU. The students must have maintained a 3.0 grade point average or better; however, there are no limitations on parent or guardian income.

"There are so many times parents earn too much to have their students qualify, but not enough to send their children to college," Medina said. "These scholarships will also help bridge the gap between the first semester and when the lottery scholarship begins."

The Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico is dedicated to helping the Southern New Mexico community now, and in the future. Founded in 2000, the CFSNM offers opportunities for local people who want to give back locally. The beauty of the foundation is that donors need not be wealthy to make a positive difference in the lives of people in our area. Through the establishment of permanent funds, donors can sustain local charitable organizations, provide scholarships to area students and fulfill wishes that are close to their heart. Through our planned giving programs, donors can honor loved ones or leave a legacy that benefits the people of southern New Mexico for generations to come. The CFSNM can advise donors on how best to maximize contributions, no matter what size. For more information, visit www.cfsnm.org or call Luan Wagner Burn at 521-4794.

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Are you a landlord with a no-pet policy?

You may have to make an exception

Gary Sandler's
Real Estate Connection



According to our friends at the U.S. Census Bureau, a total of 78,644 individual housing units were providing shelter for homeowners and tenants in Doña Ana County at the close of 2009. Housing units include single-family homes, townhomes, condominiums, mobile homes, apartments and a group of rooms or a single room that is used as separate living quarters. More than 32 percent of those units, or 25,559 to be exact, were occupied by renters.

Our friends at the Census Bureau also noted that at the end of that same period, people who were disabled in one way or another occupied 16.3 percent of those housing units. By my fuzzy math, that's a total of 3,955 renters in Doña Ana County whose housing situations fell under the protection of the Americans With Disabilities Act.

Today's numbers are thought to be substantially the same. If you're a landlord, you are also governed by the act when it comes to accommodating our friends, family and neighbors who are considered disabled. How so? The answer is abundantly clear.

The Fair Housing Amendment Act requires landlords, condominium associations and other providers to make reasonable accommodations for the disabled, including "accommodations for service animals."

What is a reasonable accommodation? According to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Department of Justice (DOJ): "A reasonable accommodation is a change, exception or adjustment to a rule, policy, practice or service that may be necessary for a person with a disability to have an equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling, including public and

common space."

OK, that's clear enough. The question now is, what constitutes a service animal? The Fair Housing Amendment describes it as being "any animal that assists someone who is disabled." Can a horse be considered a service animal? Yes, according to the act. For practical purposes, however, we're talking animals of the canine variety here.

“ The consequences of noncompliance are steep – up to five years in prison ... ”

Service dogs come in a variety of shapes and sizes and provide numerous and diverse types of assistance for people with virtually any type of disability. "Service dog" is actually the generic term for dogs that help physically or mentally disabled persons. The animals are trained to provide specific types of assistance and are categorized by the type of assistance they provide. Here are just a few of their categories and job descriptions:

Mobility Assist Dogs pull a person's wheelchair, carry items in a backpack, retrieve items dropped by people, open and close doors and help handlers dress and undress.

Walker Dogs help by balancing or acting as a counter balance for the handler.

Hearing Dogs, on the other hand, are specially trained to assist deaf people, alerting their owners to noises such as doorbells, phones, crying babies and even teakettle whistles.

Seizure Alert/Response Dogs

are trained to respond to a person's seizures and either stay with the person or go for help. Some are even trained to push a button that dials 911, then bark when the operator answers the call.

A Psychiatric Service Dog helps people with mental disabilities such as agoraphobia (not being able to go outside alone) and can help them stay focused. There are also dogs trained to assist people with autism. Some are cross-trained to help with multiple disabilities, such as a guide dog that also assists with mobility.

While landlords and housing providers are bound by law to make accommodations for service animals, they are strictly prohibited from inquiring into the nature of a person's disability. Landlords are allowed to ask for information or documentation to determine if an accommodation is actually required due to a disability.

But what if the landlord already knows about the disability and the need is readily apparent or known? In that case, the landlord is prohibited from inquiring further regarding the nature of the disability. For example, if it is obvious that a person is blind and that person asks permission to keep a seeing-eye dog on the premises, the permission must be given without further inquiry.

Well, there you have it. If you're a landlord, and one of your tenants or prospective tenants asks to bring a service animal onto your premises, think twice before you ask illegal questions or just say no. The consequences of noncompliance are steep – up to five years in prison and/or a \$50,000 fine.

See you at closing.

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Can Ziawood survive?

New Mexico film industry under attack

The states have engaged in a sort of arms race competing for which will offer the largest tax incentives to the film industry.

New Mexico, under former Gov. Bill Richardson, led the way. Now, Gov. Susana Martinez is proposing a dramatic cut to the film credit from the current 25 percent to 15 percent. Unfortunately, given the generous tax breaks offered by other states, such a reduction could devastate New Mexico's film industry. Already, the \$150 million movie "Avengers" has put its New Mexico production schedule on hold pending legislative action.

Film production is what economists call a "footloose" industry, meaning that operations can easily be relocated based on tax incentives. In effect, each film project is a new business that opens for a while then closes when the project is complete. In deciding where to locate, the long run isn't an issue. Having good schools, decent roads or nice parks isn't important, so tax incentives play a larger role.

Currently, 40 states offer film credits. At 25 percent, New Mexico is among the most generous. Michigan offers a 40-percent credit. Credits of 20 percent are common. And it's not just other states that New Mexico must compete with. Canada and New Zealand are among the countries that also offer generous subsidies.

Let's be clear, the film credit has been successful in luring the film industry to New Mexico. Since the bill was passed in 2003, the credit has generated \$1.2 billion in direct spending. The problem is it cost \$228 million to attract that amount of business. Those are funds that could have been spent on other things, such as K-12 education. Ziawood is a pretty expensive proposition for what we get.

If you had asked me in 2003 if we should establish a film credit subsidy, I would have said "No." It is an expensive program and the funds could be better spent elsewhere. But I wasn't asked in 2003 and eight years later, the governor's proposed cuts would be disruptive to an already established industry.

Cutting the film credit to 15 percent will make New Mexico noncompetitive with other states.



Chris Erickson
State of the Economy

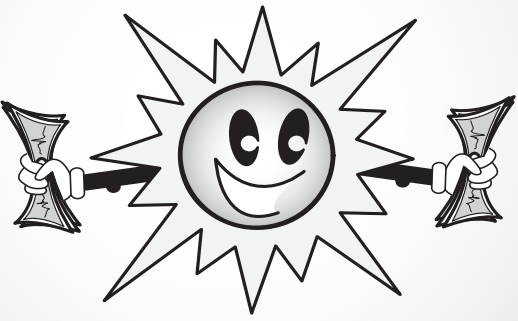
In effect, the governor's proposal pulls the rug from under those who have invested in New Mexico's film industry. This includes more than 700 students currently enrolled at New Mexico State University and Doña Ana Community College in programs related to the film industry who want to find jobs in-state and don't want to relocate. It also includes the three film stages that have been constructed in the state since the film credit was enacted, including the \$100 million Albuquerque Studios. The people who stand to hurt the most are the citizens of New Mexico who have invested in serving the industry.

I wish the state had never gotten into the film business, but we have. Developing a reputation as a state that allows private industry to make large investments, then rescinding the tax incentives those investments depend on, is not a good reputation to develop. Indeed, several studies show that consistent predictable policy is more important for attracting business than are low tax rates.

So what to do? The film credit was a bad idea, but the governor's proposal is a cure worse than the disease. One idea would be to scale back the film credit, but gradually over several years, for example, by 2 percent per year for five years. This would allow for mid-course corrections should it turn out that, as I expect, reductions in the film credit cause film production to move to other states.

Another idea, suggested by state Sen. John Arthur Smith among others, would be to keep the incentives in place, but set a cap on the total amount that can be awarded in a given year. This would allow us to continue to attract films to our state, but would limit the upside damage to the budget.

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Fast Forward Las Cruces



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Gabriel Vasquez

Melanie Goodman, field representative for U.S. Sen. Jeff Bingaman, congratulates the staff of Branigan Memorial Library and the Community Action Agency of Southern New Mexico for bringing the Fast Forward New Mexico program to Las Cruces Saturday, Jan. 22, at the library. Listening in the background are State Librarian Susan Oberlander, Las Cruces Mayor Ken Miyagishima and Branigan Library Administrator Lynette Schurdevin. The Fast Forward New Mexico program is an initiative of the New Mexico State Library, the University of New Mexico, the Global Center for Cultural Entrepreneurship and the 1st Mile Institute, aimed at increasing statewide broadband adoption and promoting computer literacy and Internet use, especially among Hispanic and Native Americans. The Fast Forward New Mexico classes now being offered at Branigan are free and designed for first-time computer and Internet users. Funding for the program comes from a \$1.5 million American Recovery and Reinvestment Act grant. To learn more or to sign up for the classes, call the library at 528-4000 or stop by the library, 200 E. Picacho Ave.

Briefs

City lagoon system gets award

The Water Resources Department of Las Cruces Utilities accepted an award for the New Mexico Water and Wastewater Association (NMWWA) the West Mesa Industrial Park Lagoon System Wednesday, Jan. 25. The facility was installed October 2000 and currently treats 110,000 gallons per day from West Mesa Industrial Park businesses. It uses fine air diffusers to aerate all four lagoons, rather than surface aerators found in most wastewater lagoon systems. The fine air diffusers are extremely efficient in providing air and in the use of electricity. The effluent of this lagoon system is then discharged onto 80 acres of natural desert vegetation by a sprinkler system installed with minimal disturbance of the natural vegetation.

McMillan's to open in Mesilla

McMillan's, a custom furniture maker with locations in Ruidoso; Alto, N.M.; and Tucson, will open a Las Cruces location at 1910 Calle

De Parian, on the corner of Mesilla Avenue and Calle de Parian. Owner Dennis McMillan handcrafts complete bedroom sets, china cabinets and occasional tables, accessories and other home items. The Mesilla store will be open Friday through Sunday. For more information, call 937-6948 or visit www.mcmillansfurniture.com.

Moratorium imposed on land exchanges

Ray Powell, New Mexico state land commissioner, has imposed a moratorium on land exchanges effective Jan. 20. The moratorium is part of an overall review of internal policies and procedures at the State Land Office, said Powell, who added that he wants "to make sure that we have as much transparency and accountability as possible." Land exchanges that are currently in the application process or are not completed will be suspended until there is a comprehensive review of the public processes with those local communities that would be affected by the proposed exchange. One exception to the Moratorium is a land exchanges with the Department of Interior Bureau of Land Management. This exchange will continue. Applicants who have land exchange applications out to bid or are under negotiation have been notified that the bid process will be suspended until further notice. For more information, call 505-827-5762.

On the Agenda

Business networking

The Greater Las Cruces and Hispano chambers of commerce will host a joint business-networking event to celebrate the grand re-opening of Hurricane Alley from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28, at Hurricane Alley, 1490 Missouri Ave. Free food and drinks will be available to chamber members. For more information, call the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce at 524-1968 or the Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces at 532-9255.

Date: Friday, Jan. 28
Time: 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Location: Hurricane Alley
 1490 Missouri Ave.
Contact: 524-1968 or 532-9255

Career Connections job fair

New Mexico State University Career Services will host the Career Connections 2011 job fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 1 and 2, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. Students and members of the public will have the opportunity to explore careers related to the fields of business, agriculture, liberal arts and health and social services Tuesday, and careers related to engineering, science and technology on Wednesday. Students can search for co-ops, internships, full-time employment and network with more than 100 employers. Students are asked to dress professionally and bring a copy of their résumé. For more information, call NMSU Career Services at 646-1631 or visit www.careerservices.nmsu.edu.

Date: Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 1 and 2
Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Location: Las Cruces Convention Center
 680 E. University Ave.
Contact: 646-1631

Business on the Border

David Estrada, senior manager for the state and local tax division of Moss Adams LLP will be the featured presenter at the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance Business on the Border luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1, at Lorenzo's de Mesilla Palermo Room, 1750 Calle de Mercado. Estrada will help business owners gain an understanding of the credits and incentives available to New Mexico businesses. The meeting will begin with a hot entree buffet followed by a brief update by MVEDA staff. Luncheon cost is \$20 per person, payable by cash, check or major credit card. Confirm your attendance no later than Friday, Jan. 28, by emailing rsvp@mveda.com or calling 525-2852. The meeting is open to the public.

Date: Tuesday, Feb. 1
Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Location: Lorenzo's de Mesilla
 Palermo Room
 1750 Calle de Mercado
Contact: 525-2852

WESST business class

WESST Corp. of Las Cruces will host "Road Mapping Business Success through Financial Statements" from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday,

Feb. 2, at the local WESST office, 2907 E. Idaho Ave. WESST is a national nonprofit that helps entrepreneurs and existing business owners succeed. It is funded by a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Small Business Administration and offers business advice and counseling, training and micro-lending. The class is open to the public. For more information, call local WESST Director Jennifer Craig at 541-1583.

Date: Wednesday, Feb. 2
Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Location: WESST Corp.
 207 E. Idaho Ave.
Contact: 541-1583

Chamber offers candidates' college

American Majority and the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce will host a Candidate Training School and Activist Training starting at 8:45 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 10, at Ramada Palms de Las Cruces, 201 E. University Ave. Regardless of campaign experience, the American Majority's Candidate Training Program invites any member of the public interested in running for public office. American Majority's Candidate Training Seminars are designed specifically to educate candidates on every level of how to run effective and victorious campaigns and prepare them to become successful elected officials. Candidates are encouraged to bring their campaign staff or volunteers. The course will end at noon. Registration is \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. For more information, call the chamber office at 524-1968.

Date: Thursday, Feb. 10
Time: 8:45 a.m. to noon
Location: Ramada Palms de Las Cruces
 201 E. University Ave.
Contact: 524-1968

Solar Energy Zone public meeting

Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar and Secretary of Energy Steven Chu have announced a schedule of public meetings to gather comments on a comprehensive environmental analysis that has identified proposed "solar energy zones" on public lands in the West most suitable for environmentally sound, utility-scale solar energy production. As a result of the Las Cruces area being identified as a solar zone, a public-comment meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 3, at Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces, 705 S. Telshor Blvd. Individuals may register to speak at a meeting in advance through the Solar PEIS project website, <http://solareis.anl.gov>, or may register prior to the public meeting. The public may also review maps and informational posters that will be on display. Computers for reviewing the project website or for submitting electronic comments will be available. There is no cost to attend the meeting. For more information, call Kendra Barkoff of the Department of the Interior at 202-208-6416.

Date: Thursday, March 3
Time: 6 p.m.
Location: Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces.
 705 S. Telshor Blvd.
Contact: 202-208-6416

Snippin' for success

Upcoming ribbon cuttings

Hurricane Alley
Date: Friday, Jan. 28
Time: 5 p.m.
Location: 1490 Missouri Ave.

Rustic Olive
Date: Thursday, Feb. 3
Time: 4:30 p.m.
Location: 1937 Calle de Parian

Alternative lender helps kids find their local castle

Longtime caregiver opens educational center in Las Cruces

By **F. Leroy Pacheco**
President and CEO, The Loan Fund

Courtesy of Finance New Mexico

Sandra Monica has a passion for working with children. That's why after 15 years as an employee, Monica decided it was time to start a day care center of her own.

Starting out was no easy task, but with her husband's support and financing from The Loan Fund, Monica opened Kid's Castle Child Development Center in Las Cruces. The center offers early education to children 6 weeks to 12 years of age. Kid's Castle serves more than 100 children and employs approximately 25 full-time teachers.

After approaching several lenders, the Small Business Administration referred Monica to The Loan Fund.

"If it wasn't for The Loan Fund, I wouldn't have been able to start up," Monica said.

The Loan Fund is an alternative lender, founded in 1989 with a \$70,000 investment from the Michigan-based Adrian Dominican

Sisters. Today it is a nonprofit organization with \$16 million in assets and a loan pool from sources as diverse as state and federal agencies, banks, individual donors and faith-based organizations.

In 2010, The Loan Fund reached several significant milestones when it surpassed \$41.5 million in loans to more than 1,200 New Mexico clients that created or preserved 6,000 living-wage jobs. More than \$12.5 million – 30 percent of the overall total – has been disbursed in the past two years, as the need for business financing increased and many banks stopped lending.

Focusing on low- to middle-income people whose financing needs may not fit a bank's traditional lending guidelines, The Loan Fund has made loans as small as \$2,000 to a home-based coffin maker and as large as \$750,000 for a chile processing plant. Loans are not limited

to businesses – nonprofit organizations have also received funding. These are people who are starting or expanding sustainable organizations that enrich their communities.

As The Loan Fund has grown, its services have expanded. In 2010, it started offering SBA 504 loans, which provide long-term fixed-rate financing to purchase fixed assets, such as real estate or equipment. The

organization also began managing Bernalillo County's \$1 million Revolving Loan Fund under the county's "Increment of One" initiative.

“... loan packages seek to balance social and fiscal responsibilities.”

Middle school students honored



Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces photo

More than two dozen middle school students from Las Cruces Public Schools were honored for their academic and personal achievements during the Middle School Recognition Reception organized by the Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces Wednesday, Jan. 12, at Doña Ana Community College. The keynote speaker for the event was New Mexico State University Men's Basketball coach Marvin Menzies, who brought several Aggie players to visit with students. In the rear are Aggie center "Chili" Nephawe and Las Cruces native and Aggie guard Gordo Castillo.

As an alternative lender, The Loan Fund can be flexible with terms and conditions. Collateral is required, but loan packages seek to balance social and fiscal responsibilities, which includes the number of jobs a loan helps create or preserve. It is the only alternative lender in New Mexico providing financing to nonprofits.

In addition to providing loans and credit, The Loan Fund offers technical assistance and mentoring – services that can help entrepreneurs turn financing into long-term success. As one business adviser for The Loan Fund said, "Financing doesn't do you much good if you don't know how to use it."

Monica said the consultation and follow-up helped her stay on track.

"They've been great," she said. "Even though they are based in Albuquerque, someone is always checking in with us."

For more information about The Loan Fund, visit www.loanfund.org.

Finance New Mexico is an initiative of the New Mexico Small Business Investment Corporation (NMSBIC) and its partners to assist individuals and businesses in obtaining skills and funding resources for their business or idea. To learn more, visit www.financenewmexico.org.



City of Las Cruces Building Permit Report Jan. 14-21

Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico

Permit #	Permittee	Owner	Project	Address	Value	Permit
20110241	Tommie J. Schroeder	Tommie J. Schroeder	Reroof	1910 Arlington St.	\$9,000	\$81
20110244	JC Roofing Inc.	Natalie L. and Zachary J. Chavez	Reroof	2066 Cotton Ave.	\$7,350	\$71
20110266	G Bishop Roofing LLC	Brewer Oil Co.	Reroof	3040 N. Main St.	\$17,345	\$130
20110221	Arei LLC	Lorraine E. Revling	Reroof	640 Frank Maes Ave.	\$7,000	\$69
20110269	Top Notch Exteriors	Rosendo M. Contreras Et Ux	Reroof	404 Keathly Drive	\$7,000	\$69
20110297	Baker Industries	James E. and Josie A. Phillips	Reroof	2117 Anita Drive	\$7,200	\$70
20110298	Charlos Homes	Charlos Homes LLC	Res/New	5909 Leaping Lizard Loop	\$158,014	\$270
20110289	GS Roofing	Anthony W. and Teresa Reyer	Reroof	1737 Defiance Road	\$7,206	\$70
20110282	Rozco Construction LLC	Margaret Goehring and David A. Klement	Swimming Pool	361 Wall Ave.	\$39,180	\$235
20110267	Hakes Brothers Construction LLC	Sonoma Ranch East II LLC	Res/New	4333 Del Prado Way	\$186,960	\$4,097
20110290	Sweetwater Homes LLC	Sweetwater Homes LLC	Res/New	6451 Sierra Linda Court	\$180,318	\$3,836
20110262	Robert Cano	Thomas F. Thurston	Reroof	1805 Altura Ave.	\$5,000	\$57
20110300	DJ Walker Construction LLC	Texas-NM Newspaper Partnership	Reroof	256 W. Las Cruces Ave.	\$10,500	\$90
20110307	DRH Southwest Construction Inc.	BPS LLC	Res/New	4689 Salado Creek St.	\$170,396	\$3,269
20110308	Hacienda Carpet & Tile Inc.	Hacienda Carpet & Tile Inc.	Comm/Alt	910 El Paseo Road	\$9,015	\$81
20110314	CDI Construction LLC	Mesilla Valley Mall LLC	Comm/Alt	700 S. Telshor Blvd.	\$40,036	\$239
20110291	Sweetwater Homes LLC	Logos Development Inc.	Res/New	3583 Sierra Bonita Ave.	\$194,586	\$3,860
20110337	R4 Constructors	Lankford Enterprises LLC	Comm/Alt	3030 Harrelson St.	\$9,500	\$84
20110336	ORL Construction LP	Wells Fargo Bank New Mexico	Comm/Alt	2400 N. Main St.	\$9,005	\$81

* Information from the BIA is provided by City of Las Cruces and Doña Ana County permit offices



Doña Ana County Building Permit Report Jan. 14-21

Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico

Permit #	Contractor	Owner	Project	Address	Subdivision	Permit
36249	Perry Construction	Kent Jacobs	Res/Add	3610 Southwind Road	N/A	\$1,005
36252	Alfredo and Silvia Schavz	Alfredo and Silvia Schavz	Res/New	4263 Santa Lucia Arc	The Sanctuary Phase I	\$517
36254	Rio Grande Premier Homes	Clarence Pritchett	Res/New	8481 Calle De Brazito	Pritchett Subdivision	\$634

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Information provided by Downtown Las Cruces Partnership volunteers and staff. For more information, call 525-1955 or email downtown@dlcp.org.

Las Cruces, where people make the difference

Human capital is Downtown's biggest asset

Laura Kindseth
Executive director,
Downtown Las Cruces
Partnership



It's a bright new year here in Downtown Las Cruces where the usual daily greeting is "It's another beautiful day!"

How wonderful it is to live in a place with such a rich culture and history, bright sunny skies, magnificent sunsets coloring the mountains and a vast brilliant sky at night. All these fantastic amenities still don't match up to our most priceless asset – the people of Las Cruces.

From my perspective as the new kid on the block, Las Cruces is a community of people helping people. From providing day care to homeless families to receiving assistance from retired professionals who share their valuable business experience with new entrepreneurs and countless other ways people are volunteering is simply a way of life to so many.

Why is volunteerism becoming so universally popular? The ongoing benefits of serving others and your community are many, to name several important ones:

- Knowing that you helped to make one person's life just a little better
- Giving a child a chance to develop creative talents
- Making a difference by generating new cultural awareness and sense of place in your community
- Helping to make your community visibly cleaner and safer
- Seeing a smile on a grateful child's face
- Protecting your valuable natural resources
- Preserving treasured historic resources
- Helping to provide funding for necessities to families in transition
- Having fun
- Knowing that you have contributed your time (valued at the national standard of \$20.85 per hour) to enhance the general quality of life in your community

To illustrate the commitment and value of Downtown Las Cruces Partnership Main Street volunteers – including board members and committee members who attend monthly

meetings, provide research, solicit sponsorships, organize events, set-up and coordinate behind the scenes to ensure events are carried out according to plan, and clean up after – a tally of their hours resulted in \$15,929 worth of time during the last quarter of 2010.

Building social capital in your community is an intrinsic and very important benefit.

"Social capital is the underpinning and core fabric of social communities," states eartheconomics.org. "Left intact, social capital has a stream of benefits, including safety and security, friendship and community, a sense of civic identity ..."

We live in an era of total media overload with cable TV, cell phones, text messaging, exercising with the headset plugged in and so-called "social" media.

So immersed in technology, do we even recognize that good old-fashioned camaraderie? Even dinner conversation is becoming obsolete to many families.

This epidemic has even prompted health professionals to prescribe social relationship-building as a measure to improve mental and physical health. So now we need to explore ways to break off – at least temporarily – our relationship with our smart phone.

Can you think of a better way to cultivate new relationships than by picking up a hammer or a paintbrush or a broom alongside your community members in the midst of a community sprucing up event?

By now I'm sure you have a pretty good idea what I am proposing here. Volunteer opportunities are abundant in Downtown Las Cruces. Whether you are feeling a need for the satisfaction of painting, passionate about saving a historic structure, intrigued by local culture and history, a baker at heart, wishing to cultivate your host abilities in serving food to other volunteers (we keep our volunteers well fed), an event organizer, interested in organization and governance, a fundraiser or grant writer or interested in setting up and/or cleaning up events, we can find a way that you can help to make a difference Downtown.

This year's New Mexico Centennial



Freddy Bailon of El Campesino Salsa was one of several dozen participants at the 2010 SalaFest organized every year by the Downtown Las Cruces Partnership.

SalsaFest promises to be the biggest and best ever, and an important event across the state as part of the centennial kickoff, as well as a great volunteer opportunity.

The Friends of New Mexico MainStreet Façade Squad program activities will give volunteers the chance to use that paintbrush or provide treats to the painters. When December rolls around again, we will need volunteers to help prepare and place those thousands of luminarias as well as many other tasks.

Success of Main Street programs around the country truly relies on volunteer support in fulfilling their mission of downtown revitalization. It's a great collaboration of volunteers and our main partners – the City of Las Cruces and New Mexico MainStreet – bring a winning combination of talents to DLCP. With assistance from the New Mexico MainStreet professionals in areas of technical support, strategic planning and other valuable trainings, we can continue to effectively accomplish our revitalization goals.

"Everybody can be great because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace, a soul generated by

love," said Martin Luther King Jr.

For more information about volunteering with DLCP, call Delia or Laura at 525-1955. Until then, we'll see you Downtown!

Downtown Las Cruces Partnership is a certified New Mexico Main Street Community. DLCP, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, has 350 members and volunteers who are the backbone of community involvement in the revitalization of Las Cruces.

The DLCP works closely with business and property owners, city government and interested individuals to plan and design improvements in Downtown Las Cruces. The reopening of Downtown streets, new streetscape, landscape and new civic plaza design are all part of DLCP's design activities Downtown. DLCP works closely with the private sector to create real estate that is ready for occupancy. Attracting new business is a top priority. The organization's focus is to restore a vital retail, restaurant, arts, culture and entertainment district Downtown. Since residents support retail, DLCP is working on mixed-use development that incorporates housing and retail development. DLCP partners with the Mesquite and Alameda neighborhoods to keep nearby residents closely involved. For more information, call DLCP at 525-1955.

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In Good Company: Sounds Unique

An audiophile's paradise

Sounds Unique offers the latest in audio/video technology

By **Gabriel Vasquez**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Looking to upgrade your stereo system without putting a serious dent in your wallet?

In Las Cruces for more than 15 years, Sounds Unique has helped novices, amateurs and audiophiles alike find the perfect harmony between man and machine.

"We've got everything you can think of, from the basic CD player to the high-end woofers, speakers and in-dash entertainment systems," said owner Rudy Costales.

Sounds Unique specializes in selling, installing and fabricating high-end video and audio systems for just about any car. Initially a dream of Costales' that hinged on a \$1,000 investment and a lot of sweat equity, Sounds Unique has grown to become one of the most prominent car audio

installation shops in Las Cruces since its humble beginnings in 1995.

"I started out my career in high school doing a lot of electrical work, until one day I fell and broke my arm and decided to retrain in a different field," said Costales, who was born and raised in Las Cruces. "When I started going to college, I started working at an (audio install) shop and kept pursuing it from there.

"A few years later I started the business and it was just basically me, an old gas station on Mesquite Street and my toolbox. Little by little I've kept growing the business from my initial investment of \$1,000."

Now with five technicians and enough inventory to service a couple of hundred vehicles, Costales said business is thriving, and as long as audio and video enthusiasts keep coming back, he predicts even more growth for the company in the coming years.

"Within five years we hope to be expanding," Costales said. "We're

already outgrowing our location and we want to expand and grow with this community."

Sounds Unique is an authorized dealer for popular name brands in car audio such as Alpine, Pioneer, Kenwood and JL Audio.

"I stress that to a lot of our customers because people who buy these products online or from unauthorized dealers don't get the full factory warranty and support that they get here," Costales said.

In addition to subwoofers, tweeters, speakers and receivers, the shop also specializes in the custom installation of video and GPS equipment – in the dashboard, headrests, or just about anywhere you can fit a TV in a vehicle.

"We did one truck that had a total of 14 screens," Costales laughed. "We get those every once in a while. We've done a few cars with more than \$25,000 worth of equipment."

To make the added equipment fit in a manner that's consistent with



Las Cruces Bulletin photos by Gabriel Vasquez
Sounds Unique owner Rudy Costales started his business 15 years ago with \$1,000, a toolbox and big aspirations.

the manufacturer's layout of the car's interior, the shop does custom fiberglass and woodwork to create systems that are flush with the car's original design.

"We're working on a BMW right now that requires a lot, lot of custom work," Costales said.

With the automotive market experience under his belt, Costales and his employees are now venturing into the world of home theater installation, following a national trend among homebuilders and homeowners who want the biggest bang for their entertainment buck.

"We're talking high-end equipment here – overhead projectors, big screens, in-wall speakers and subs, floor-standing speakers and of course, a custom installation," he said.

Sounds Unique even has a home theater showroom where customers can design or choose from the different speaker and receiver combinations

to get the sound they're looking for.

"Some of those brands we carry are Paradigm, Anthem, Denon and Synclair," said Costales, adding that he and his staff research every brand or item thoroughly before adding it to their inventory. "Quality brands at half the price of many of the manufacturers you'll see in other stores."

The shop's work has gained such a notable reputation, Costales said, that last year Pioneer asked Sounds Unique to build an audio/video system for a Toyota Avalon that was subsequently entered into a popular California car show.

"They gave us all the equipment and we took it up to Palm Springs for the competition," he said. "We got fourth place overall in the country for superior sound quality."

For more information or to contact Sounds Unique, call 525-2336 or visit the shop, 111 S. Solano Drive, Suite A.

Details

Company
Sounds Unique

Address
111 S. Solano Drive, Suite A

Contact
• 525-2336
• www.sounds-unique.com

Hours:
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Monday through Friday
10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday



Aside from audio/video products and services for the automotive market, Sounds Unique now offers a full line of home theater products and features a home theater showroom inside its Solano Drive store.

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When: Thursday, February 10

Where: Ramada Palms, 201 E. University Ave.

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Activist training will end at noon
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Profile

John Tegmeyer: Cookin' up good business sense

Restaurant consultant keeps independents in the black

By **Gabriel Vasquez**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Ever visit a local and restaurant and find yourself thinking that if you ran the place, things would be much different ... much better?

While the typical restaurant-goer may not be well versed in business lingo and management, John Tegmeyer, a local consultant and former successful restaurant owner, has the credentials and expertise to do just that – help restaurants run better and more efficiently.

“The failure rate for independently owned restaurants is unbelievable,” Tegmeyer said. “For every 100 that start, on average, only one will remain after five years.”

Tegmeyer, with more than 40 years of restaurant management experience, said independent restaurants that fail or are on the brink of failure typically suffer from the same mismanagement symptoms.

“I’ll tell you that 99 percent of those that fail are due to a lack of operating capital, management skills or a combination of both,” Tegmeyer said.

Tegmeyer is the former owner of Tegmeyer’s Salad Works, which in the 1990s served customers at two locations on El Paseo Road and Lohman Avenue. Tegmeyer opened the first Salad Works on Lohman in 1987, “a very popular place until about ’91, when the franchises came,” Tegmeyer said. Anticipating the arrival of Village Inn, Golden Corral, Chili’s and Red Lobster in 1991, Tegmeyer built a second Salad Works location on El Paseo Road in 1990, which operated successfully until 2008 when Tegmeyer retired and sold the business. He closed the Lohman Salad Works location in 1996.

“At the time when they opened up all four of those (franchises) they were four of the largest restaurants we had in Las Cruces,” he said. “That hurt us quite a bit. I closed the Lohman location because I was losing out and the other location was booming.”

The Tegmeyer name has a long history in the Las Cruces restaurant business. Tegmeyer’s brother, Richard, is the former owner of Tegmeyer’s Steakhouse, which opened in 1965 and closed in 1985 and is now known as Cattleman’s Steakhouse on

the East Mesa. Tegmeyer moved from the Windy City in 1969 to help his brother with the business aspect of the restaurant, and has been in the industry ever since.

Since closing Salad Works in 2008, Tegmeyer has worked as a small business consultant for the local SCORE chapter until his most recent small business venture as a consultant for the restaurant business.

“I’m not without failure, I had a couple of truck stops that failed on me and it cost me about \$25,000,” he said. “But I learned from it, and that’s what I want to teach others.”

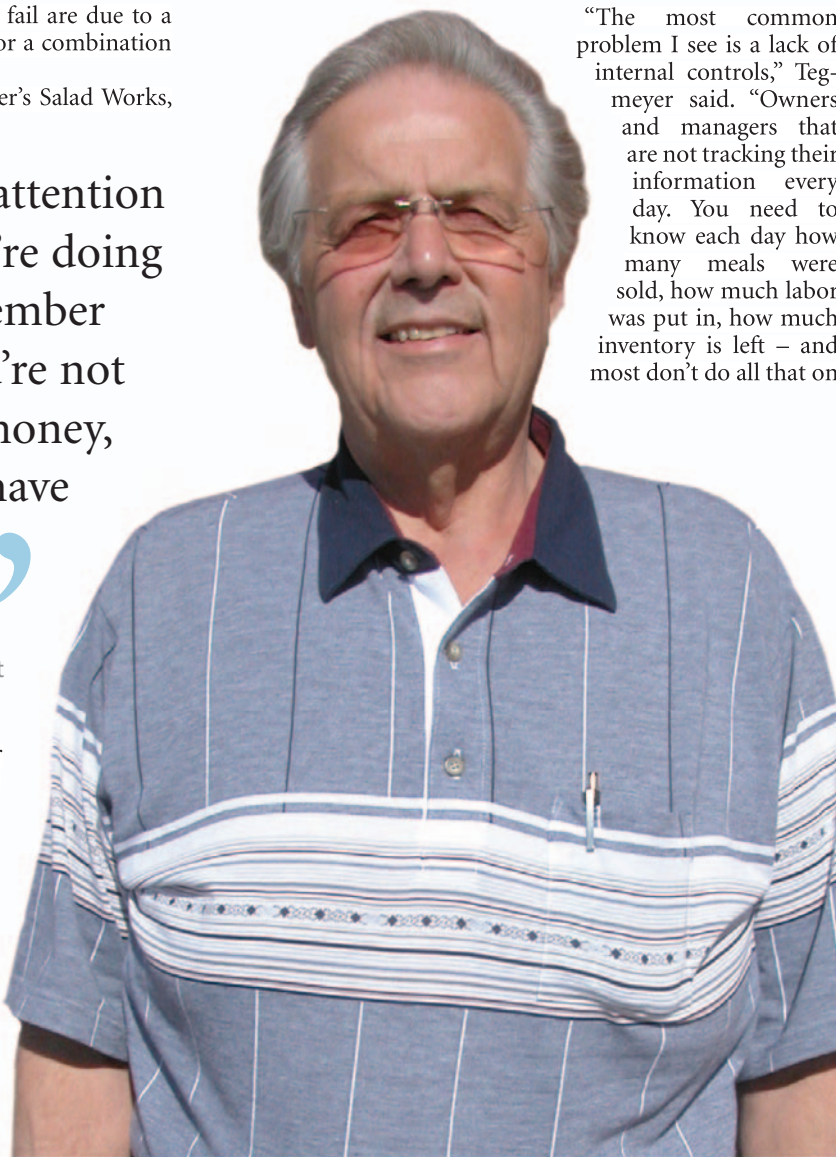
Tegmeyer has since taken a leave of absence from SCORE to concentrate on his new business, Restaurant Solutions, which he opened in January.

With a small client portfolio for now, Tegmeyer said he’s been able to help several restaurants in town increase their profit margin and implement more sound management practices to ensure their viability in the local market.

“The most common problem I see is a lack of internal controls,” Tegmeyer said. “Owners and managers that are not tracking their information every day. You need to know each day how many meals were sold, how much labor was put in, how much inventory is left – and most don’t do all that on

“ ... pay attention to what you’re doing and remember that if you’re not making money, you don’t have control. ”

JOHN TEGMEYER, restaurant consultant



Details

John Tegmeyer
Owner, Restaurant Solutions

Family

- Wife Dalene
- Son John Tegmeyer III
- Daughter Katherine

Education

Some college, accounting focus

Organizations

Former business adviser, SCORE

Contact

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- 496-6366

a weekly or even monthly basis.

“That’s where most of the problems come from. A lot of people start restaurants because they’re really good cooks, but they don’t pay attention to the other two-thirds of their business – payroll and profit.”

Pricing menu items carefully, accurately and fairly is also critical to success, he said.

“A lot of people complain about food costs, but a lot of how you price your menu is dependent on your overhead,” Tegmeyer said. “I go in and work out a comprehensive financial statement. I tell (owners), ‘If this is the place you want to rent, and this is the price of your average ticket, that means you’re going to have to do 238 meals a day to pay your loan.’ A lot of the times they’ll find they need a bigger place, lower costs or different pricing or it’s just not going to happen.”

There’s no mistaking it, the restaurant industry is a tough business, Tegmeyer said, but with the right management, capital and fiscal responsibility, new restaurant owners can greatly increase their chances of success.

“I don’t know everything about the restaurant business, but after 40 years, I’d like to think I have a pretty good handle on it,” he said. “It’s not brain surgery but you really have to pay attention to what you’re doing and remember that if you’re not making money, you don’t have control.”

For more information or to contact Tegmeyer, email johntegmeyer@comcast.net or call 496-6366.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-CV-201001268

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

RUBEN M. RENTERIA; MANNY E. RENTERIA; DONNA J. RENTERIA; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RUBEN M. RENTERIA, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 3, 2011 at 1:00 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 11 in Block numbered E of Desert Breeze Subdivision, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Desert Breeze Subdivision, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on July 27, 2006 in Plat Book 21, Folio 714-717.

The address of the real property is 5603 Patagonia Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88012. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on November 15, 2010 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$147,538.47 plus interest from November 8, 2010 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.500% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the 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 (800) 286-0013; (505) 848-9500

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-CV-201002342

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

MELISSA L. FERNANDEZ; EDWARD A. FERNANDEZ, JR.; BENEFICIAL NEW MEXICO INC. D/B/A BENEFICIAL MORTGAGE CO., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 3, 2011 at 1:00 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 south of Fort Seldon, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 25 T. 21S., R. 1W., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys, being U.S.R.S. Tract 2-5E, Tract 2 and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a 1/2" iron rod found for the Southeast corner of the tract herein described; WHENCE P.O.S.L. #611, identical to the northeast corner of Section 25, T. 21S., R. 1W., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys bears the following two courses and distances; S. 89 deg 55' 15" E., 90.14 feet; Thence N. 61 deg 54' 14" E., 1703.07 feet;

THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING, N. 89 deg 55' 15" W., 138.11 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found for the southwest corner of this tract;

THENCE N. 21 deg 09' 16" E., 388.32 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found for the northwest corner of this tract;

THENCE S. 89 deg 58' 53" E., 51.26 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found for the northeast corner of this tract;

THENCE S. 08 deg 22' 00" W., 366.22 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.788 acre of land more or less.

Together with a 12 foot wide road and utility easement being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of the above described 0.788 acre tract; Thence from the point of beginning, N. 89 deg 55' 15" W., 242.65 feet to the East right of way of New Mexico State Highway 85 for

the Southwest corner of this easement;

Thence along the East right of way of said highway, N. 31 deg 37' 10" W., 14.10 feet to the Northwest corner of this easement;

Thence leaving the highway S. 89 deg 55' 15" E., 251.81 feet to the Northwest corner of this easement;

Thence S. 08 deg 22' 00" W., 12.13 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.788 acres of land, more or less

The address of the real property is 10010 North Valley Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88007. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on November 22, 2010 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$159,637.80 plus interest from November 13, 2010 to the date of sale at the rate of 5.375% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a 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 (800) 286-0013; (505) 848-9500

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-CV-201002192

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

BRANDON WEAVER; OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN, IF ANY; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BRANDON WEAVER, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 3, 2011 at 1:00 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 31, Block C, Sandhill Center Heights Phase 2, 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. 4101 on 1/24/2005 Book 21, Page(s) 122-23 of Plat Records.

The address of the real property is 1193 Gunsight Peak Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88012. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on December 8, 2010 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$190,761.68 plus interest from November 22, 2010 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.625% 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

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Pub # 10302 Dates 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2011

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

NO. CV-2010-3200 Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Louis Armstrong FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Louis Armstrong, 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 he seeks to change his name from Louis Armstrong to Lucas Armstrong, and that this petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta, District Judge, on the 23rd day of February 2011, at the hour of 1:30 p.m., at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted, /s/ Louis Armstrong 3630 Arcilla Pl. Las Cruces, NM 88005

Mailing address: P.O. Box 15032 Las Cruces, NM 88004 512-228-7374

Pub # 10303 Dates 1/21, 1/28, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-10-2682

CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.

ANTONIO PICADO; ROCIO PICADO, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 2, 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 350 Chile Patch Lane, La Union, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

A tract of land situate Southwest of Anthony, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located in Section 17, 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 1/2" iron rod set for the Southwest corner of this tract:

WHENCE the Northwest corner of Section 17, T.27S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys, bears the following two courses and distances:

N. 89° 46' 30" W., 853.85 feet; and N. 62° 12' 12" W., 2501.88 feet;

THENCE, from the point of beginning, N. 00° 13' 02" E., a distance of 280.84 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set for the Northwest corner of this tract;

THENCE, S. 89° 46' 30" E., a distance of 155.11 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found for the Northeast corner of this tract;

THENCE, S. 00° 13' 02" W., a distance of 280.84 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set for the Southeast corner of this tract;

THENCE, N. 89° 46' 30" W., a distance of 155.11 feet to the point of beginning, enclosing 1.000 acre of land, more or less. A plat was prepared under Job No. 1071a. Field Notes by SCANLON WHITE, INC. License No. 9433.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on December 29, 2010, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$171,484.23 and the same bears interest at 7.500% per annum from January 1, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,162.81. 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

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

NO. DM2010-1864 Judge Mike Murphy

Carla Serna, Petitioner,

vs.

Alejandro Pimentel, 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 Divorce/ Dissolution of Marriage on the grounds of incompatibility, and a division of property, debts, and a determination of child custody, visitation, and child support.

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.

Carla Serna 235 Placitas St. P.O. Box 1005 Hatch, NM 87937

WITNESS the Honorable Mike Murphy, 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 16th day of December, 2010

James H. Dempsey CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

BY: /s/ Maria Hayes DEPUTY

Pub # 10311 Dates 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 7, 2010, Steven G. James, 2011 Glass Rd., Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-3168-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 well LRG-3168 located on land owned by William Schumacher and located within the SW1/4 SW1/4 SE1/4 of projected Section 23, Township 23 South, Range 01 East, NMPM, and drilling new well LRG-3168-POD4 to a depth of approximately 60 feet with 6-inch casing to be located on land owned by the applicant within the NW1/4 SE1/4 SE1/4 of said Section 23 at approximately X=1,468,385 Y=469,109 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83), for the continued diversion of shallow groundwater and surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District in that amount required for beneficial use for the irrigation of 4.73 acres of land owned by the applicant and located within the SE1/4 of said Section 23 identified as URS/EBID Tract 10-383AB. Well LRG-3168 is located approximately 1,350 ft. west southwest of the intersection of Glass Rd. and NM 292, in Mesilla, NM. Proposed well LRG-3168-POD 4 is located approximately 400 feet west southwest of said intersection. Well LRG-3168 will be retained for other water rights.

Dated this 7th day of January, 2011.

/s/ Marnita Torres, Personal Representative

Prepared by: LAW OFFICE OF KATHERINE N. BLACKETT, P.C.

/s/ Katherine N. Blackett Attorney for Personal Representative Post Office Box 2132 255 W. Hadley Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-2132 (575) 526-3312 telephone/ (877) 457-7213 facsimile

Pub # 10314 Dates 1/14, 1/21, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-CV-201001808

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS,

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 # 10312 Dates 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA PROBATE COURT

No.: 11-0007 Judge Alice M. Salcido

IN THE MATTER OF VADIS J. JOHANSEN, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Marnita Torres was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Vadis J. Johansen, deceased, without bond in an informal probate of the Estate of Vadis J. Johansen, deceased. All persons having claims against this Estate must present their claims within two months after the date of first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the Personal Representative c/o Law Office of Katherine N. Blackett, PC, Post Office Box 2132, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-2132, or filed with the Doña Ana County Probate Court, 845 N. Motel Boulevard, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

Dated this 7th day of January, 2011.

/s/ Marnita Torres, Personal Representative

Prepared by: LAW OFFICE OF KATHERINE N. BLACKETT, P.C.

/s/ Katherine N. Blackett Attorney for Personal Representative Post Office Box 2132 255 W. Hadley Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-2132 (575) 526-3312 telephone/ (877) 457-7213 facsimile

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DEVISEES, OR LEGATEES OF JOHN E. MORROW, DECEASED; OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN, IF ANY; THE UNKNOWN SURVIVING SPOUSE OF JOHN E. MORROW, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 10, 2011 at 1:00 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 14 in Block numbered 2 of Desert Shadow Subdivision - Phase III, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Desert Shadow Subdivision - Phase III, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on August 21, 1998 in Plat Book 19, Folio 145-146.

The address of the real property is 169 Yellowlegs Court, Santa Teresa, NM 88008. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on November 24, 2010 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$141,282.55 plus interest from November 3, 2010 to the date of sale at the rate of 4.750% 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 Stawiariski, LLC
20 First Plaza NW, Suite 602
Albuquerque, NM 87102
Attorney for Plaintiff
(800) 286-0013;
(505) 848-9500

10-1714 FCO1

Pub # 10315
Dates 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4,
2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-201002509

MIDFIRST BANK, Plaintiff,
v.

**JOSEPH ANGEL CHAVEZ
AKA JOSEPH A. CHAVEZ;
UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA BY AND
THROUGH THE SECRETARY
OF HOUSING AND
URBAN DEVELOPMENT;
NATIONWIDE
ACCEPTANCE
CORPORATION; THE
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF
JOSEPH ANGEL CHAVEZ
AKA JOSEPH A. CHAVEZ, IF
ANY, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 10, 2011 at 1:00 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 24, BUFFALO ESTATES SUBDIVISION NO. II, 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 October 22, 2001, in Book 19 Pages 740-742 of Plat Records.

The address of the real property is 530 Fort Furlong Trail, Radium Springs, NM 88054. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on December 2, 2010 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$87,520.23 plus interest from November 17, 2010 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.460 % 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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Attorney for Plaintiff
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(505) 848-9500

10-2834 FCO1

Pub # 10316
Dates 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4,
2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-2010-02696

**WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,
Plaintiff,**
v.

**CHARLES D. DEEMS; JANET
E. DEEMS, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 10, 2011 at 1:00 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:

DESCRIPTION OF A 1.99
ACRE TRACT

A 1.99 acre tract of land situate in the Section 17, Township 25 South, Range 3 East, N.M.P.M., being a part of U.S.R.S. tract 21-3, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and being more particularly described as follows to wit:

BEGINNING at a found iron rod for the southeast corner of the tract herein described, WHENCE the $\frac{3}{4}$ corner of the aforementioned Section 17 bears S 89 degrees 41 minutes 00 seconds W, 226.54 feet;

THENCE S 89 degrees 28 minutes 00 seconds W, 135.38 feet along the south line of a concrete ditch to the southwest corner of the tract herein described, marked by a found iron rod;

THENCE N 00 degrees 21 minutes 36 seconds W, 640.08 feet to the northwest corner of the tract herein described, marked by a found iron rod;

THENCE N 89 degrees 41 minutes 37 seconds E, 135.87 feet to the northeast corner of the

tract herein described, marked by a found iron rod;

THENCE S 00 degrees 19 minutes 00 seconds E, 639.55 feet to the place and point of beginning containing 1.99 acres of land, more or less, and subject to easements of record and such as may exist on the ground.

Said tract subject to a 50 foot wide road and irrigation ditch easement north of and adjacent to the south property line.

The address of the real property is 95 Myers Road, Vado, NM 88072. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on December 1, 2010 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$125,961.81 plus interest from November 29, 2010 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.625% 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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10-2770 FCO1

Pub # 10317
Dates 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4,
2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-1275

**BANK OF OKLAHOMA, N.A.,
Plaintiff,**

v.

**ROBERT L. HUSTON; ELISE
HUSTON; and CITIZENS
BANK OF LAS CRUCES,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 9, 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 505 Sandy Beach Road, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 83 in Block C of La Mancha Estates Phase I, located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat thereof filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on November 15, 2004 and recorded in Book 21 at Pages 30-34, Plat Records. Affidavit of Correction filed November 16, 2004, recorded in Book 565, page 682, records of 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 January 4, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$439,320.41 and the same bears interest at 6.125% per annum from December 16, 2010, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$4,128.41. 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 # 10320

Dates 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4,
2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. #: #2010-1747
JUDGE Manuel I. Arrieta

**U.S. Bank, National
Association, ND, Petitioner,**
v.

**(1) Jamie Rogers
(2) Guadalupe Rogers
(3) U.S. Bank National
Association, ND
(4) Unknowns: All Unknown
Occupants and/or Tenants Of
the Subject Real Estate**

**Unknowns: All Unknown
Spouses Of Any Party Hereto,
And All Other Persons Living
Or Dead Whose Names Are
Unknown, Who Claim Any
Interest In The Subject Real
Estate Respondents.**

Notice of Special Master's Sale of Real Estate

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO COURT ORDER IN THE ABOVE CAPTIONED MATTER, THE SPECIAL MASTER INDICATED BELOW WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER IN LAWFUL MONEY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE REAL ESTATE DESCRIBED BELOW.

THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE
OF SAID SALE IS:

Date:
MARCH 04, 2011

Time:
1:45 P.M.

Place:
Main Entrance of the Doña
Ana District Court
201 W. Picacho Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Real Estate:
Common Description:
3909 Pearl Court
Las Cruces, NM 88012

Legal Description:
Lot 54, Block 23, LAS
COLINAS PLANNED UNIT
DEVELOPMENT, PHASE
VI-C SUBDIVISION, in the
County of Doña Ana, State
of New Mexico, as shown and
designated on the plat thereof,
filed in the office of the County
Clerk of said county as Plat No.
3686 on 12/19/2002 in Book 20
Page(s) 204-06 of Plat Records.

Tax I.D. #02-29471 Mobile or
Manufactured Home:

Common Description:
None Known

Legal Description:
None Known

The date of the Court Order is January 4, 2011, pursuant to which an Order of Sale was issued on January 4, 2011. The referenced Court Order entered judgment for Plaintiff for \$160,465.33 plus interest, costs of this action, including all costs of the sale and costs to preserve the Real Estate, including ad valorem property taxes. Additional interest of \$31.95 per day shall accrue to the date of said sale.

Special Master:
Faisal Sukhyani, Special Master
2222 Parkwest Drive, NW
Albuquerque, NM 87120-3660
(505) 228-8484

KLEINSMITH &
ASSOCIATES, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff

by /s/ Philip M Kleinsmith,
#6261
6035 Erin Park Dr., #203
Colorado Springs, CO 80918
1(800) 842-8417

STATE OF COLORADO)
) ss:
COUNTY OF EL PASO)

Acknowledged, subscribed, and sworn to before me on the 11th day of January, 2011, by Philip M. Kleinsmith at Colorado Springs, Colorado. My commission expires: 12-7-2014

(SEAL)

/s/ M. Joy Quigley
M JOY QUIGLEY
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
My Commission Expires 12-07-2014

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM YOU WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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Dates 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4,
2011

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ex rel. CHILDREN,
YOUTH AND FAMILIES
DEPARTMENT

**In the Matter of T. F. E.
H., and H. H., children,
And Concerning, Rachel
Howell, Jerry Wayne Fisher,
Shump Fairley, Heriberto
Urrutia, and Alfredo Soto,
Respondents**

JQ-2010-36
Judge: Macias

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

**TO: Jerry Wayne Fisher
and Heriberto Urrutia,
Respondents.**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an abuse/neglect petition has been filed against you in the above named court and county by the State of New Mexico. In the petition, the New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department alleges that you have neglected and/or abused T.F. and E.H., children, and seeks legal custody of the children.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that this matter will be heard in the Children's Court Division of the District Court in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, no sooner than twenty (20) days after the last publication date of this Notice. Unless you appear at the hearing on the petition in the above court, a judgment may be entered against you.

The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for the Petitioner is: Linda Burson, Children's Court Attorney, P.O. Box 2135 Las Cruces, NM 88004, 575-373-6400

THIS PROCEEDING COULD RESULT IN THE TERMINATION OF ANY PARENTAL RIGHTS YOU MAY HAVE TO THE NAMED

CHILDREN.

Witness my hand and Seal of the District Court of the State of New Mexico.

(Seal)
Clerk of the District Court

By /s/ Peggy R. Brock
Deputy

Dated: 1-11-2011

Pub # 10331
Dates 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 24, 2010, John K. & Juanita K. Clayshulte, P.O. Box 113, Mesilla, NM 88046, filed application numbered LRG-1042-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-1042 located within the SW1/4 SE1/4 NW1/4 of projected Section 19, Township 26 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, where X=1,507,412 feet, Y=375,913 feet NM Coordinate System Central Zone NAD 83 and by continuing the diversion of 3 acre feet of ground water or the historical beneficial use which ever is less from a replacement well drilled to a depth of 300 feet and fitted with 6 inch casing and located in the SW1/4 SE1/4 NW1/4 of said projected Section 19 where X=1,507,914, Y=375,910 NM 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 19. Proposed change location of well LRG-1042-POD2 can be found southeast of Chamberino, 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 (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 # 10336
Dates 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 30, 2010, John K. Clayshulte, Jr., P.O. Box 113, Mesilla, NM 88046 filed application numbered LRG-3864-POD 3 with the State Engineer for Permit to Drill a Supplemental Well to Supplement Ground and Surface Water within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana

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County by drilling well LRG-3864-POD 3, to be located on land owned by the John K. and Jeanne S. Clayshulte Trust within the NE1/4 NE1/4 SE1/4 of projected Section 27, T23S, R01E, NMPM at approximately X=1,464,387 Y=465,398 ft. (NMSF, Central, NAD83), for use in conjunction with well LRG-3864, located on land owned by the John K. and Jeanne S. Clayshulte Trust within the NW1/4 NW1/4 SW1/4 of projected Section 26, T23S, R01E, NMPM, and well LRG-3864-S located on land owned by the applicant and Juanita K. Clayshulte, Marshall A. Clayshulte, and Nelson E. and Carolyn A. Clayshulte within the NW1/4 NE1/4 SE1/4 of said Section 27, for the continued diversion of that amount of shallow groundwater combined with surface water rights on record with the Elephant Butte Irrigation District required for the irrigation of 106.83 acres of land described as USRS/EBID Tract Nos. 10-56CTR1, 10-57C, 10-58F, and 10-58G, which are owned by the applicant and Juanita K. Clayshulte, Marshall A. Clayshulte, and Nelson E. and Carolyn A. Clayshulte, and USRS/EBID Tract No. 10-56CTR2, which is owned by the John K. and Jeanne S. Clayshulte Trust, all within Pt. E1/2 of said Section 27 and Pt. NE1/4 of projected Section 34, T23S, R01E, NMPM. Existing wells LRG-3864 and LRG-3864-S are located approximately 1,750 ft. southeast and 1,510 ft. southwest of the intersection of Snow Rd. and Glass Rd. in Mesilla, NM. The proposed location for well LRG-3864-POD 3 is located approximately 1,570 ft. southeast of said intersection.

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 # 10337
Dates 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 4, 2011, Benjamin Rodriguez, 316 Valley Chile Rd., Vinton, TX 79821, filed application numbered LRG-4934-POD 3 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underdrain Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-4934 on land owned by Deerman Farms, Inc. and located within the NW1/4 SW1/4 NE1/4 of projected Section 07, Township 27 South, Range 03 East, N.M.P.M., and drilling new well LRG-4934-

POD 3 with 16" casing drilled to a depth of 200 ft. on land owned by the applicant, Gina S. Rodriguez, Juan Rodriguez, and Dolores Rodriguez and located within the NE1/4 NE1/4 SW1/4 of projected Section 08, Township 27 South, Range 03 East, N.M.P.M. at approximately X=1,513,608 Y=354,224 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83), for the continued 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 16.62 acres of land owned by the applicant, Gina S. Rodriguez, Juan Rodriguez, and Dolores Rodriguez and others located within the Pt. S1/2 of said Section 08, also identified as USRS/EBID Tract Nos. 28-29B and Pt 27A. Well LRG-4934 is located approximately 1,900 ft. northwest of the intersection of Haase Rd. and Alvarez Rd. and proposed well LRG-4934-POD 3 will be located approximately 1,100 northeast of the intersection of Haase Rd. and Fig Tree Ln., northeast of La Union, NM. Well LRG-4934 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 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 # 10338
Dates 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-2631

CITIMORTGAGE, INC., successor in interest to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. by merger, Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD R. FRIETZE; JOSIE D. FRIETZE; NATIONAL CITY BANK, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 16, 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 5060 Ralls Road, Las

Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 8h, Block 13, ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND AND TRUST COMPANY AMENDMENT NO. 2 OF SUBDIVISION "C", BLOCKS #12, 13, 14 AND 15 AS CORRECTED, in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on July 17, 1967, in Book 10 Page(s) 10-12 of Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 5, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$171,689.39 and the same bears interest at 5.875% per annum from December 16, 2010, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,741.01. 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 # 10340

Dates 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-882

CITIBANK, N.A., as Trustee for the Certificateholders of Structured Asset Mortgage Investments II Inc. Bear Stearns ALT-A Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-4, Plaintiff,

vs.

SCOTT ENGEL; JAMIE ENGEL; MORTGAGE

ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as nominee for Plaza Home Mortgage, Inc., Defendants.

FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 16, 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 4888 Camino Dos Vidas, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 20 in Block N of Dos Suenos Estates, located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat thereof filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on December 23, 2004 and recorded in Book 21 at Pages 84-89, 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 June 28, 2010, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. Subsequent to the entry of the judgment, the Defendants were dismissed from bankruptcy proceedings in case number 1:10-bk-18727-MT. The amount now due on the judgment is \$111,967.00, plus interest thereon at the rate of 7.500% per annum from May 29, 2010, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$6,073.83. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

Pamela Carmody, Special Master
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
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Pub # 10341

Dates 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-10-2856

CITIMORTGAGE, INC., successor in interest to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. by merger, Plaintiff,

vs.

KENNETH MONTOYA, JR.; CHRISTINA MONTOYA, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 16, 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 2011 Avenida De Antigua, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 34, TIERRA VERDE-PHASE 1, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on June 30, 1997, in Book 18 Page(s) 715-717 of Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 12, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$254,978.96 and the same bears interest at 6.500% per annum from January 1, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$2,134.14. 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
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Pub # 10342
Dates 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2011

Stull Storage Units #2 960 Triviz Las Cruces, NM 88001

To:

Alex De La Pena 115 Commerce Suite B5 Las Cruces, NM 88011

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 0340 at Stull Storage Units #2 will be SOLD at AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$576.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: Tools, Building Supplies, washer, treadmill, Misc.

Date of Auction:
February 15, 2011

Time:
10 a.m.

Place:
Stull Storage Units #2 960 Triviz Las Cruces, NM 88001

Stull Storage #2 - Agent
Laura Stull Kaczmarek, Manager
(575) 525-2927

Pub # 10343
Dates 1/21, 1/28, 2011

Stull Storage Units #2 960 Triviz Las Cruces, NM 88001

To:

Delight J Knapp 2425 Knobhill Drive Evansville, IN 47711

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 0176 at Stull Storage Units #2 will be SOLD at AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$356.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: Boxes, misc.

Date of Auction:
February 15, 2011

Time:
10 a.m.

Place:
Stull Storage Units #2 960 Triviz Las Cruces, NM 88001

Stull Storage #2 - Agent
Laura Stull Kaczmarek, Manager
(575) 525-2927

Pub # 10344
Dates 1/21, 1/28, 2011

Stull Storage Units #2 960 Triviz Las Cruces, NM 88001

To:

Bruce R Budde Jr. 215 Rolling Acres Road Youngsville, NC 27596

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 0123, 336 & 342 at Stull Storage Units #2 will be SOLD at AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$1,897.00, which includes legal costs and

fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: Boxes, misc.

Date of Auction:
February 15, 2011

Time:
10 a.m.

Place:
Stull Storage Units #2 960 Triviz Las Cruces, NM 88001

Stull Storage #2 - Agent
Laura Stull Kaczmarek, Manager
(575) 525-2927

Pub # 10345
Dates 1/21, 1/28, 2011

NOTICE OF VEHICLE SEIZURE

January 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

BLUE 1988 LINCOLN TOWN CAR
1LNBM81F1JY842262
CORRINA GARCIA

RED 1989 MAZDA PICKUP
JM2UF313XK0765743
SAMUEL OR MICHELLE FLORES

TAN 1993 TOYOTA COROLLA
1NXAE09E1PZ087278
JIMMIE JACKSON

WHITE 1998 DODGE VAN
2B4FK5135JR611673
DONALD GRAHAM

RED 1994 FORD PROBE
1ZVLT20A9R5148783
ANGEL BACA

GRAY 1992 TOYOTA CAMRY
4T1SK12E5NU092753
RYAN BURCH

WHITE 1986 FORD RANGER
PK
1FTBR10A6GUA72997
ANTONIO ESCANDON

GRAY 2004 PONTIAC GRAND AM
1G2NF52EX4C148062
RACHEL SANDOVAL

WHITE 2001 FORD PK F150
1FTZF17291NA28824
ALICIA MARTINEZ

TAN 1993 HONDA ACCORD
1HGCB7670PA050536
MARYBEL HERNANDEZ

BLUE 1998 FORD RANGER
PK
1FTYR14X8WTA29324
JOSEFA TORRES

TAN 1995 BUICK REGAL
4 DR
1G4CW52K75H611988
PAIGE CHAVEZ

SILVER 1997 BUICK 4 DOOR
1G4HP52K9VH428387
JUAN MARTINEZ

GRAY 1979 CHEVY PK
CCD149A107045

VALENTINO ESCUDERO

GREEN 1991 HONDA 2 DOOR
1HGCB7264MA002286
ISIDRO CORRAL

RED 1996 FORD TAURUS
4 DOOR
1FLAP549N2A21426
YVETTE GARCIA

MARON 1998 CADILLAC 4 DOOR
1G6KD54Y4WU712283
JENNIFER HENDERSON

WHITE 2000 CHEVROLET BLAZER
1GNDT13W0Y2303723
LIONEL GARCIA

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 # 10346
Dates 1/21, 1/28, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-2969

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP, Plaintiff,

vs.

ALEXANDER J. LOPEZ; and LILLIAN LOPEZ, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

Defendant(s) Alexander J. Lopez and Lillian Lopez is/are hereby notified that Plaintiff has filed a civil suit against Defendant(s) in the above_ entitled cause of action, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 1650 Colorado Avenue, in the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

Part of Lot 2, Block J, MONTECITO SUBDIVISION, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on March 5, 1953, in Book 7 Page 36 of Plat Records

SAVING AND EXCEPTING THAT PORTION OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LOT 2, BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

Beginning at the northerly common corner of Lots 2 and 3, Block J, on the southerly boundary of Colorado Avenue, being the point of beginning;

Thence along the common boundary of Lots 2 and 3, the easterly boundary of the portion herein described, S.25 deg. 18'00"E., 119.49 feet to the southeasterly corner of the portion herein being the southerly common corner of Lots 2 and 3;

Thence along the southerly boundary of Lot 2 N.74 deg. 24' 00" E., 23.61 feet to the southwesterly corner of the portion herein;

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Thence N.20 deg. 47' 38"W., 122.16 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

Defendant(s) is/are required to serve upon the Plaintiff an Answer or Motion in response to the Complaint within thirty (30) days and file a copy of the Answer or Motion with the Court as provided in Rule 1-005 NMRA 2005.

If the Defendant(s) fail(s) to file a timely Answer or Motion, a default judgment may be entered against Defendant(s) for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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January 6, 2011
By: Phyllis L. Jankowski
Phyllis L. Jankowski/
Deborah A. Nesbitt
Attorney for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 11th day of January, 2011.

JAMES H. DEMPSEY
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT
COURT

By: Mary E. Apodaca
(SEAL) Deputy

Pub # 10354
Dates 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-10-2878

CITIMORTGAGE, INC.,
Plaintiff,

vs.

ISIDRO M. PENA, JR.; ALMA
PENA; and BENEFICIAL
NEW MEXICO INC. d/b/a
BENEFICIAL MORTGAGE
CO., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 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 620 Rocky Road, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 2A
A tract of land situate South of the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, situate in Section 3, T. 24 S., R. 2 E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys, being part of Lot 2, Block 2, Elephant Butte Land and Trust Company Subdivision "B" No. 3, filed June 2, 1911, in Plat Record 4, Page 24, Doña Ana County Records, and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at an iron rod found on the South

line of Rocky Road for the Northwest corner of the tract herein described identical to the Northwest corner of Lot 2, Block 2 of the mentioned Elephant Butte Land and Trust Company Subdivision B;

THENCE from the point of beginning, along the South line of Rocky Road, S. 89 deg. 55' 00" E., 148.79 feet to an iron rod found on the South line of Rocky Road for the Northeast corner of this tract;

THENCE leaving the South line of Rocky Road, DUE SOUTH, 330.00 feet to an iron rod found for the Southeast corner of this tract;

THENCE N. 89 deg. 55' 00" W., 148.79 feet to an iron rod found identical to the Southwest corner of Lot 2, Block 2 of the mentioned Elephant Butte Land and Trust Company Subdivision B;

THENCEDUENORTH, 330.00 feet to the point of beginning containing 1.1272 acre of land more or less.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 11, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$309,848.84 and the same bears interest at 4.2500% per annum from December 31, 2010, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,984.31. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
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Pub # 10355
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18,
2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-2876

BAC HOME LOANS
SERVICING, LP, FKA
COUNTRYWIDE HOME
LOANS SERVICING, LP,
Plaintiff,

vs.

RICHARD HAMMIRICH;
and GREGG GANTNER, if living;
if deceased, THE ESTATE
OF GREGG GANTNER
aka GREGORY GANTNER,
Deceased, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF
ACTION

Defendant Gregg Gantner, aka Gregory Gantner, if living; if deceased, the Estate of Gregg Gantner, aka Gregory Gantner, Deceased, is hereby notified that Plaintiff has filed a civil suit against Defendant Gregg Gantner, aka Gregory Gantner, if living; if deceased, the Estate of Gregg Gantner, aka Gregory Gantner, Deceased, in the above-entitled cause of action, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 3044 Estrada Dr., in the City of Mesilla, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

A parcel of land situate within the limits of the Town of Mesilla, Doña Ana County, New Mexico in Section 36, T.21S., R. 1E., N.M.P.M. of the USRS Surveys and more particularly described as follows on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof;

A tract of land situate in the Town of Mesilla, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 36, T.23S., R. 1E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys, being part of U.S.R.S. Tracts 11B-49A2 and 11B-49A1B and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a ½" iron rod found for the Southeast corner of the tract herein described; whence the Southwest corner of U.S.R.S. Tract 11B-49A3B bears N.56 deg. 21' 00" E., 189.01 feet;

Thence from the point of beginning, S. 56 deg. 21' 00" W., 205.36 feet to a ½" iron rod found for the Southwest corner of this tract;

Thence N. 33 deg. 40' 30" W., 145.93 feet to a ½" iron rod set for the Northwest corner of this tract;

Thence N. 56 deg. 35' 00" E., 205.36 feet to a ½" iron rod set for the Northeast corner of this tract;

Thence S. 33 deg. 40' 30" E., 145.10 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.6860 acres of land, more or less. Subject to any easements and restrictions of record.

Information in the preparation of this description derives from Deed filed February 11, 2004, in Book 497, Pages 354-355, Doña Ana County records. A plat was prepared under Job #06-0752. Field Notes by Moy Surveying, Inc., License No. 5939.

Defendant Gregg Gantner, aka Gregory Gantner, if living; if deceased, the Estate of Gregg Gantner, aka Gregory Gantner, Deceased, is required to serve upon the Plaintiff an Answer or Motion in response to the Complaint within thirty (30) days and file a copy of the

Answer or Motion with the Court as provided in Rule 1-005 NMRA 2005.

If the Defendant Gregg Gantner, aka Gregory Gantner, if living; if deceased, the Estate of Gregg Gantner, aka Gregory Gantner, Deceased, fails to file a timely Answer or Motion, a default judgment may be entered against Defendant Gregg Gantner, aka Gregory Gantner, if living; if deceased, the Estate of Gregg Gantner, aka Gregory Gantner, Deceased, for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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December 27, 2010
By Karen H. Bradley
Attorney for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta, District Judge of the First Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 11th day of January, 2011.

JAMES H. DEMPSEY
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT
COURT

By Peggy R. Brock
(SEAL) Deputy

Pub # 10356
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2/1, 2011

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

PB-10-117

IN THE ESTATE OF NANCY
ANN COLEMAN, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, MONTE W. COLEMAN has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address shown in the notice filed with the Court.

The attorney for the personal representative is William L. Lutz, of the law firm Martin, Lutz, Roggog & Eubanks, P.C., 2110 North Main Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88001.

DATED this 19 day of January, 2011.

/s/ MONTE W COLEMAN
Personal Representative

Pub # 10357
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

CASE NO: CV-2010-1682
Judge James T. Martin

CITIZENS BANK OF LAS
CRUCES, Plaintiff,

vs.

ANA E. FELIX, Defendant.

AMENDED NOTICE OF
SALE

By virtue of a Default Judgment issued out of the District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on November 23, 2010, in the above entitled cause in which it was determined that Plaintiff had a judgment against the Defendant and the amount of the judgment is \$49,679.65, together with interest at the rate of 18% per annum, from and after October 26, 2010, and by which judgment I am among other things commanded to sell all of the lands described in said judgment which real estate is to be sold in this foreclosure sale is more particularly described in the Judgment in said cause and hereafter described.

Notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of March, 2011 at the hour of 2:00 p.m. in the front of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex located at 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, I will in obedience to said Judgment sell the following described real estate to wit:

A tract of land situate east of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located in the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Lot 4, Section 4, Township 22 South, Range 3 East, N.M.P.M., and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the northwest corner of the tract herein described, whence the northwest corner of said Section 4, bears the following two courses and distances: N. 89 deg. 50'40"W. a distance of 326.15 feet; thence N. 0 deg. 56'41"W. a distance of 314.01 feet; thence from said point of beginning S. 89 deg. 50'40"E. 119.29 feet to a point; thence S. 0 deg. 53'30"E. 170.95 feet to a point; thence S. 89 deg. 50'40"E. 216.50 feet to a point; thence S. 0 deg. 53'30"E. 130.11 feet to the southeast corner of the tract herein described; thence N. 89 deg. 39'41"W. 337.98 feet to the southwest corner of the tract herein described; thence N. 0 deg. 28'45"W. 299.95 feet to the northwest and beginning corner of the tract herein described and containing 1.474 acres of land, more or less.

The property or its address is commonly known as 6880 #2 Moongate Rd., Las Cruces, NM 88012. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the real property address, the legal description shall control together with the hereditaments and appurtenances belonging to said real estate and in any way pertaining to said premises to satisfy Plaintiff's Judgment in the amount of \$49,679.65, together with interest thereon to the date of sale in the amount of \$3,062.50 together with all costs of said sale.

If the amount bid is over and above the amount due the Plaintiff, plus costs of sale, the amount of the proceeds shall, pursuant to said Judgment, be paid into the registry of the Court for determination of the amounts to be paid, and to whom said amount shall be paid, said sale shall be to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds provided however that Plaintiff shall be entitled to bid all or a part of its Judgment.

DATED this 20 day of January, 2011.

RESPECTFULLY
SUBMITTED,
By /s/ Stephen Hosford
Special Master
P.O. Box 420
Arrey, NM 87930-0420
(575) 644-6068

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2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-10-2442

CITIMORTGAGE, INC.,
successor in interest to ABN
AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc.
by merger, Plaintiff,

vs.

SONYA L. DELGADO and, if married, JOHN DOE A, (True Name Unknown), her spouse; MELANIE D. VIRAMONTES and, if married, JOHN DOE B, (True Name Unknown), her spouse; BANK OF AMERICA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION fka LaSalle Bank Midwest N.A., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 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 623 Kristin Drive, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

The westerly portion of Lot 3, SUNDOWN ACRES, 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 9, 1976, in Book 12 Pages 33-34 of Plat Records, more fully described as follows:

BEGINNING at the northwest corner, a found iron rod, which is identical with the northwest corner of Lot 3;

Thence from the point of beginning N. 70 deg. 54' E., 145.20 feet along Kristin Drive, to the northeast corner;

Thence S. 19 deg. 06' E., 150.35 feet to the southeast corner;

Thence S. 71 deg. 34' 48" W., 113.84 feet to a set iron rod;

Thence S. 19 deg. 06' E., 1.00 foot to a point on the south line of said Lot 3;

Thence S. 70 deg. 54' W., 31.37 feet to the southwest corner, marked by a found iron rod, which is identical with the southwest corner of Lot 3;

Thence N. 19 deg. 06' W., 150.00 feet to the point of beginning.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 14, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$130,874.49 and the same bears interest at 5.625% per annum

from December 16, 2010, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,411.83. 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

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-09-105

CITIMORTGAGE, INC.,
Successor in Interest to ABN
AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc.,
Plaintiff,

vs.

TANY P. NIETO; and JOHN
DOE and JANE DOE (true
names unknown), Tenants,
Defendants.

FIRST AMENDED NOTICE
OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 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 2710 Boldt Street, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 5, Block D, MESILLA FARM SUBDIVISION, 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 December 5, 1988, in Book 15 Page(s) 389-390 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 August 21, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. Subsequent to the entry of the judgment, the Debtor(s) made payments pursuant to a Forbearance Plan and partially satisfied Plaintiff's judgment. The amount now due on the judgment is \$402,547.86, plus interest thereon at the rate of 6.375% per annum from December 31, 2010, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$3,866.95. 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

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-200900355

HSBC BANK USA,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
AS TRUSTEE FOR WELLS
FARGO HOME EQUITY
TRUST 2004-2, Plaintiff,

v.

ROBERT ANTHONY
GUTIERREZ; OCCUPANTS
WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE
UNKNOWN; UNKNOWN
SPOUSE OF ROBERT
ANTHONY GUTIERREZ,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 24, 2011 at 1:00 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-

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named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Lots 1,2,3 AND 4, Block 2, GRANDVIEW ANNEX SUBDIVISION, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on Plat No. 354, thereof filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk of said county on March 3, 1948, and recorded in Book 6, Page 71, Plat Records.

The address of the real property is 1502 Arizona Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on December 27, 2010 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$40,161.06 plus interest from November 11, 2010 to the date of sale at the rate of 10.500% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

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
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(505) 848-9500

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

Case No.
D-307-CV-201002528

**WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,
Plaintiff,**

v.

**TYLER J. KETELHUT-
HERRERA; MEGAN L.
WARD; THE UNKNOWN
SPOUSE OF TYLER J.
KETELHUT-HERRERA,
IF ANY; THE UNKNOWN
SPOUSE OF MEGAN L.
WARD, IF ANY, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 24, 2011 at 1:00 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 7, Block 1, SETTLERS' RIDGE, UNIT ONE, AT RANCHO DEL REY, 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 22, 1991, in Book 17 Page(s) 108-110 of Plat Records.

The address of the real property is 3931 Ramrod Forge, Las Cruces, NM 88012. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on December 21, 2010 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$205,437.39 plus interest from November 8, 2010 to the date of sale at the rate of 7.50% 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

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 purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.

Jeffrey Lake

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

Case No.
D-307-CV-201002690

**WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,
SUCCESSOR BY MERGER
TO WELLS FARGO HOME
MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,**

**EDWIN R. CLARK; MARY
T. CLARK; BENEFICIAL
NEW MEXICO INC. D/B/A
BENEFICIAL MORTGAGE
CO., Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 24, 2011 at 1:00 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 218, Hacienda Acres (Revised), 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 August 22, 1961, recorded in Book 8, Page 77, Plat Records, Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

The address of the real property is 5208 Wilt Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88011. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on December 14, 2010 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$79,791.86 plus interest from November 26, 2010 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.00% 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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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

No. CV-2010-0052
Judge Arrieta

**BBVA COMPASS BANK f/k/a,
STATE NATIONAL BANK,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**WESTMORELAND
ENTERPRISES,
LLC, FORREST W.
WESTMORELAND and
JOYCE WESTMORELAND,
Defendants.**

**AMENDED NOTICE OF
SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 24th day of February, 2011, at 10:00 AM, at the front entrance to the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho Avenue (corner of Alameda and Picacho), Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, the undersigned Special Master will sell all the right, title, and interest of Defendant Westmoreland Enterprises, LLC, Forrest W. Westmoreland and Joyce Westmoreland and to the hereinafter described real property for cash or certified funds. The property which is the subject of this action (the "Real Property") is a series of lots located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, which is attached as Exhibit A.

This is an action by Plaintiff upon indebtedness and foreclosure of mortgages, and the sale will be made to satisfy a Stipulated Judgment, Order of Foreclosure, and Dismissal of Counterclaim entered by the Court on January 4, 2011, in favor of Plaintiff as follows:

BBVA Compass Bank shall have judgment against the Property and against Defendants to the extent of their interest in the Property, in the following amounts;

1. On Note #8506894 in the amount of the unpaid principal balance of \$4,551,359.70, plus accrued interest of \$558,883.91 plus late fees of \$46,312.29, and appraisal fees of \$23,700.00 for a total judgment of \$5,180,255.90 as of November

9, 2010, plus additional interest accruing at the default rate of 18% per annum from that date until the judgment is paid.

2. On Note #88535109 in the amount of the unpaid principal balance of \$1,000,000.00, plus accrued interest of \$113,353.90 plus late fees of \$1,610.28, appraisal fees of \$705.00, and title fees of \$1,074.38, for a total judgment of \$1,116,743.56 as of October 21, 2010, plus additional interest accruing at the default rate of 18% per annum from that date until the judgment is paid.

3. On the Note #88579610 in the amount of the unpaid principal balance of \$413,135.73, plus accrued interest of \$15,244.50 plus late fees of \$1,595.11, for a total judgment of \$429,975.34 as of November 9, 2010, plus additional interest accruing at the default rate of 18% per annum from that date until the judgment is paid.

4. BBVA Compass Bank has an additional judgment for its attorneys' fees, costs, interest, appraisal fees, environmental assessments and other charges expended or to be expended in this proceeding in the amount of \$39,590.00.

Should any judgment holder, including Plaintiff, herein bid and/or become the purchaser of said real estate and improvements at the foreclosure sale, it may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The purchaser or purchasers at the foreclosure sale shall take title to the above-described properties, subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

The Special Master is empowered, without notice, to postpone the time and date of the Special Master's sale in the event the Special Master deems postponement advisable.

The real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold as is, 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. Lots may be sold separately, in groups, or in bulk.

SPECIAL MASTER
/s/ Douglas Boberg
P.O. Box 1119
Mesilla Park, New Mexico
88047
Phone: (575) 644-9469

EXHIBIT A

TRACT 1

Lots 2, 4 and 6, Block A, Lots 2, 3, and 4, Block B, Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 21 and 22, Block C, Lot 11, Block D, Lots 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, Block E, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, Block F, Lots 1, 2, 3, 8 and 14, Block K, Del Rey Estates Phase 1, located in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico as shown and designated on the plat thereof filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of said County on October 25, 2007 in Plat Book 22, Pages 363-365.

AND

TRACT 2

Lots 18 through 31, Block 14, and Lots 13 and 14 and 16 through 22, Block 15, Elephant Butte Land and Trust Co. Amendment #2 of Subdivision

"C", Blocks 12, 13, 14 and 15 as Corrected, located in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico as shown and designated on the plat thereof filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of said County on July 17, 1967 in Book 10, Pages 10-12.

AND
TRACT 3

A TRACT OF LAND WITHIN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, LYING WITHIN SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 2 EAST, N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS, BEING COMPRISED OF A PORTION OF LOTS 28, 29 AND 31, ALL OF LOT 30, BLOCK 15, ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND & TRUST COMPANY SUBDIVISION "C", CORRECTED 2ND AMENDMENT, AS RECORDED 07-17-1987 IN PLAT RECORD 10, PAGES 10-12, OF THE DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS, ALSO BEING A PORTION OF THAT TRACT DESCRIBED IN BOOK 828, PAGES 197-198 (RECORDED 07-18-2005), AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

BEGINNING AT A 1/2" REBAR SET ON THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF THE FOREMENTIONED SUBDIVISION FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; WHENCE A U.S.G.L.O. BRASS CAP FOUND FOR THE SOUTH QUARTER CORNER OF SECTION 20, T.22 S., R.2E., BEARS S. 86° 24' 07" E. 6584.42 FEET;

THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING, LEAVING SAID SUBDIVISION LINE, N. 26° 11' 21" W, 45.89 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N. 85° 32' 32" E., 121.31 FEET TO 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N. 42° 27' 08" E., 289.05 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N. 50° 22' 12" E., 157.60 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N. 24° 26' 30" W., 932.38 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S. 64° 28' 30" W., 2.83 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N. 24° 26' 30" W., 110.00 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET ON THE NORTH LINE OF THE FOREMENTIONED LOT 31, BLOCK 15, FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE ALONG THE NORTHERLY LINES OF LOTS 31, 30 AND 29, BLOCK 15, N. 64° 26' 30" E., 827.82 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; WHENCE A 1/2" REBAR FOUND FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 29 BEARS N. 64° 26' 30" E., 15.53 FEET;

THENCE S. 24° 20' 46" E., 549.27 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS

TRACT;

THENCE N. 64° 26' 42" E., 257.30 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A POINT OF CURVATURE AND A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE 12.79 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 205.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 03° 34' 15", AND WHOSE CHORD BEARS N. 82° 39' 35" E., 12.77 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S. 24° 23' 37" E., 677.81 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET ON THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF THE FOREMENTIONED SUBDIVISION FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE ALONG SAID SOUTH SUBDIVISION LINE, S. 64° 14' 06" W. 1532.56 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 28.764 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, SUBJECT TO EASEMENTS AND RESERVATIONS OF RECORD;

AND

TRACT 4

LOTS 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36 AND 37, BLOCK 15, ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND AND TRUST CO. AMENDMENT #2 OF SUBDIVISION "C", BLOCKS #12, 13, 14 AND 15 AS CORRECTED, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON JULY 17, 1967, IN BOOK 10 PAGES 10-12 OF PLAT RECORDS.

AND

TRACT 5

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, BEING A PART OF LOTS 34 AND 35, BLOCK 15, ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND AND TRUST CO. AMENDMENT #2 OF SUBDIVISION "C", BLOCKS #12, 13, 14 AND 15 AS CORRECTED, FILED JULY 17, 1967, IN BOOK 10 PAGES 10-12 OF PLAT RECORDS AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

BEGINNING AT A CONCRETE MONUMENT FOUND AT THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY ROAD D-026, ALSO KNOWN AS DEL REY BOULEVARD, FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF TRACT HERIN DESCRIBED. SAID MONUMENT BEING IDENTICAL TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 35, BLOCK 15 OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED SUBDIVISION, WHENCE STATION 51=23.84 OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY ROAD D-026 PLAT FILED AUGUST 4, 1977, IN BOOK 12 PAGES 119-121 OF PLAT RECORDS BEARS S.64°12'38"W., 639.94 FEET;

THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING, LEAVING THE COUNTY ROAD AND FOLLOWING ALONG THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF

LOT 35, N.24°27'32"W., 706.98 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT FOUND FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE LEAVING THE WEST BOUNDARY OF LOT 35, N.64°26'02"E., 659.63 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT FOUND AT THE EAST BOUNDARY OF LOT 34 FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF LOT 34, S.24°29'22"E., 704.40 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT FOUND AT THE NORTH LINE OF A PLOTTED ROAD FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT, SAID CORNER BEING IDENTICAL TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 34;

THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE PLOTTED ROAD S.64°12'38"W., 395.21 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT FOUND AT A POINT OF INTERSECTION OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY ROAD D-026 AND AT 660.06 FEET THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 10.687 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

SAVING AND EXCEPTING THE FOLLOWING TWO TRACTS OF LAND FROM TRACTS 4 AND 5

ALL OF DEL REY ESTATES, PHASE 1, FILED OF RECORD ON OCTOBER 25, 2007, IN PLAT BOOK 22, PAGE(S) 363-365, PLAT RECORDS AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT:

A TRACT OF LAND WITHIN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, LYING WITHIN SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 2 EAST, N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS, BEING COMPRISED OF A PORTION OF LOTS 31, 34, 35, 36 AND 34, AND ALL OF LOTS 32 AND 33, BLOCK 15, ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND AND TRUST COMPANY SUBDIVISION "C", CORRECTED 2ND AMENDMENT, AS RECORDED 7-17-1967 IN PLAT RECORDS 10, PAGES 10-12, OF THE DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS, ALSO BEING A PORTION OF THAT TRACT DESCRIBED IN BOOK 626, PAGES 197-198, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT:

BEGINNING AT A 1/2" REBAR SET ON THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF FOREMENTIONED SUBDIVISION FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT; WHENCE A U.S.G.L.O. BRASS CAP FOUND FOR THE SOUTH QUARTER CORNER OF SECTION 20, T.22S., R.2E., BEARS S.86°24'07"E. 6564.42 FEET;

THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID SUBDIVISION, S.64°14'06"W., 670.69 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A POINT OF CURVATURE OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE LEAVING SAID SUBDIVISION LINE, 45.74 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 25.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGEL

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OF 104°49'08" AND WHOSE CHORD BEARS S.11°49'33"W., 39.82 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET WITHIN THE EXISTING RIGHT-OF-WAY OF DEL REY BOULEVARD FOR THE MOST SOUTHERLY CORNER OF THIS TRACT AND A POINT OF COMPOUND CURVATURE (NON-TANGENT) LYING ON THE PROPOSED EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE DEL REY BOULEVARD RE-ALIGNMENT PROJECT;

THENCE ALONG SAID PROPOSED EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, 102.73 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 1460.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 04°01'64", AND WHOSE CHORD BEARS N.42°35'57"W., 102.72 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT AND A POINT OF COMPOUND CURVATURE (NON-TANGENT);

THENCE LEAVING SAID PROPOSED RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, 31.05 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 25.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 71°09'00", AND WHOSE CHORD BEARS S.80°11'24"E., 29.08 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N.64°14'08"E., 186.40 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N.24°26'27"W., 635.34 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.64°26'42"W., 337.06 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A POINT OF CURVATURE OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE 139.36 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 185.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 43°09'43", AND WHOSE CHORD BEARS S.42°03'54"W., 136.09 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A POINT OF TANGENCY AND A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.20°29'02"W., 45.65 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A POINT OF CURVATURE OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE 39.43 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 25.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 88°04'13" AND WHOSE CHORD BEARS S.23°33'05"E., 34.78 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A POINT OF COMPOUND CURVATURE (NON-TANGENT) LYING IN THE PROPOSED EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE DEL REY BOULEVARD RE-ALIGNMENT PROJECT;

THENCE ALONG SAID PROPOSED RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, 98.34 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 1460.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 03°51'33", AND WHOSE CHORD BEARS N.69°30'58"W., 98.32 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET, FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT AND A POINT OF COMPOUND CURVATURE (NON-TANGENT);

THENCE LEAVING SAID PROPOSED RIGHT-OF-WAY

LINE, 38.43 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 25.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 88°04'14", AND WHOSE CHORD BEARS N.84°31'09"E., 34.76 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR THE POINT OF TANGENCY AND A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N.20°29'02"E., 45.64 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A POINT OF CURVATURE AND A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE 177.36 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE RIGHT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 235.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 43°14'33", AND WHOSE CHORD BEARS N.42°06'19"E., 173.18 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET AT THE POINT OF TANGENCY AND A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N.64°26'44"E., 603.48 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT FOUND FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT, SAID POINT BEING IDENTICAL TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THAT PARCEL DESCRIBED IN BOOK 254, PAGE 625, AS RECORDED 03/05/79;

THENCE N.24°25'09"W., 489.15 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT FOUND FOR THE MOST NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT, SAID POINT BEING IDENTICAL TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THAT PARCEL DESCRIBED IN BOOK 254, PAGE 625, AS RECORDED 03/05/79, AND ALSO IDENTICAL TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE AFOREMENTIONED LOT 33, BLOCK 15;

THENCE ALONG THE NORTHERLY LINES OF SAID LOT 33, 32 AND PART OF LOT 31, N.64°26'30"E., 807.50 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.24°26'30"E., 110.00 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N.64°28'30"E., 2.63 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.24°28'30" E., 932.38 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.50°22'12"W., 167.60 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR THE CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.42°27'08"W., 289.05 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.65°32'32"W., 121.31 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.25°11'21"E., 45.89 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 26.938 ACRE OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

ZIA ENGINEERING & ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS, LLC, DATED NOVEMBER 16, 2006.

AND

ALL OF THE PROPOSED DEL REY SUBDIVISION, PHASE 2, MORE PARTICULARLY

DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS;

A TRACT OF LAND WITHIN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, LYING WITHIN SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 2 EAST, N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS, BEING COMPRISED OF A PORTION OF LOTS 28, 29 AND 31, ALL OF LOT 30, BLOCK 15, ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND & TRUST COMPANY SUBDIVISION "C", CORRECTED 2ND AMENDMENT, AS RECORDED 07-17-1967 IN PLAT RECORD 10, PAGES 10-12, OF THE DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS, ALSO BEING A PORTION OF THAT TRACT DESCRIBED IN BOOK 626 PAGES 197-198 (RECORDED 07-18-05), AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT:

BEGINNING AT A 1/2" REBAR SET ON THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF THE AFOREMENTIONED SUBDIVISION FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; WHENCE A U.S.G.L.O. BRASS CAP FOUND FOR THE SOUTH QUARTER CORNER OF SECTION 20, T.22S., R.2E., BEARS S.86°24'07"E., 6584.42 FEET;

THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING, LEAVING SAID SUBDIVISION LINE, N.26°11'21"W., 45.89 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N.85°32'32"E., 121.31 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N.42°27'06"E., 289.05 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N.50°22'12"E. 157.60 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N.24°26'30"W., 932.38 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.64°26'30"W., 2.83 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N.24°26'30"W., 110.00 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET ON THE NORTH LINE OF THE AFOREMENTIONED LOT 31, BLOCK 15, FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE ALONG THE NORTHERLY LINES OF LOTS 31, 30 AND 29, BLOCK 15, N.64°26'30"E., 827.62 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; WHENCE A 1/2" REBAR FOUND FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 29 BEARS N.84°28'30"E., 15.53 FEET;

THENCE S.24°20'46"E., 549.27 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N.64°26'42"E., 257.30 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A POINT OF CURVATURE AND A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE 12.79 FEET ALONG THE ACRE OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A

RADIUS OF 205.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 03°34'15", AND WHOSE CHORD BEARS N.82°39'35"E., 12.77 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.24°23'37"E., 677.81 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR SET ON THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF THE AFOREMENTIONED SUBDIVISION FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE ALONG SAID SOUTH SUBDIVISION LINE, S.64°14'06"W., 1632.56 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 28.764 ACRE OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

ZIA ENGINEERING & ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS, LLC, DATED NOVEMBER 16, 2006.

A.P.N. 03-06642

Pub # 10364
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2011

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

No. PB 2011- 4
Judge Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DALE STANLEY GREEN, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Dale Stanley Green, 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: Jeffrey M. Gariano, P.O. Box 243, Organ, NM 88052 or filed with the Clerk of the above entitled Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

/s/ Jeffrey M. Gariano
P.O. Box 243
Organ, NM 88052

Pub # 10365
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2011

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

No. PB 2011-4
Judge Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DALE STANLEY GREEN, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: Sherry Lynn Green and Judy Diane Green

You are hereby notified that a probate is pending and you are named in the above entitled Court in which the decedent's estate is to be administered. The purpose of the Probate is to identify the decedent's assets, debts, and claims and to distribute all assets after the payment of just debts and cost. Unless you enter your appearance, answer, or otherwise respond to this matter, judgment will be

entered against you and your potential claim will be barred on or after thirty days from the last day of publication of this Notice.

The Personal Representative is Jeffrey M. Gariano, P.O. Box 243, Organ, NM 88052 and the attorney for the estate is Kenneth L. Beal, P.C., P.O. Box 725, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004.

Dated this 19 day of January, 2011.

JAMES H. DEMPSEY
Clerk of the District Court

By /s/ Peggy R. Brock
Deputy

Pub # 10366
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2011



New Mexico State University, an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer, will hold Bids at 4:00 p.m. local time in the office of the Director of Procurement Services & Risk Management of the following:

Bid Invitation: 10097319-RA Delta Control System for NMSU-Carlsbad

Bid Opening Date: 02/15/2011

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

Pub # 10369
Dates 1/28, 2011



New Mexico State University, an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer, will hold Bids at 4:00 p.m. local time in the office of the Director of Procurement Services & Risk Management of the following:

Bid Invitation: 10098938-F Medical Equipment for DACC

Bid Opening Date: 02/15/2011

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

Pub # 10370
Dates 1/28, 2011



New Mexico State University, an equal opportunity/affirma-

tive action employer, will hold Proposals at 2 p.m. local time in the office of the Director of Purchasing of the following:

Proposal Invitation: I0099201-P RFP NMSU-Anderson Hall, ADA & Fire Safety

Proposal Due Date: 3/15/11

Proposal forms will be sent on request by calling the Central Purchasing and Risk Management Office @ (575) 646-2916.

Pub # 10371
Dates 1/28, 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 of the following:

Proposal Invitation: I0099333-A RFP Outgoing Mail Processing Services

Proposal Due Date: 2/15/11

Proposal forms will be sent on request by calling the Central Purchasing and Risk Management Office @ (575) 646-2916.

Pub # 10372
Dates 1/28, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO DOÑA ANA COUNTY THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. PB-2011-2
Judge Douglas R. Driggers

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RUDOLFO ALARCON, Deceased.

NOTICE OF HEARING BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF RUDOLFO ALARCON, DECEASED, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO HAVE OR CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF RUDOLFO ALARCON, DECEASED, OR IN THE MATTER BEING LITIGATED IN THE HEREINAFTER MENTIONED HEARING.

Hearing on the Petition filed by the undersigned personal representative, which petition provides for entry of an Order formally declaring that RUDOLFO ALARCON died intestate, determining the heirs of said Decedent and the heirs' interest in the following described real property:

Lots 9, 11, 13, 15, 14 and 19 in Block 6 of the MILLER SUBDIVISION, located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat thereof filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

will be held at the Las Cruces District Courthouse, 201 West Picacho Avenue, #A, Las Cruces, New Mexico in Courtroom No. 6 on the 11th day of April, 2011 at 8:30 A.M.

Pursuant to 45-1-401 NMSA 1978, notice of the time and place of hearing on said petition is hereby given you by publication, once each week for two consecutive weeks. January 12, 2011.

KEITHLY & ENGLISH, L.L.C.
By: /s/ JOHN E. KEITHLY
Attorney for the Petitioner
Dana A. Hinojos
P.O. Drawer 1329
Anthony, NM 88021
(575) 882-4500
(575) 882-5000 [fax]

Pub # 10367
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO DOÑA ANA COUNTY THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. PB-2010-113
Judge Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ELIZABETH G. CHAVEZ, Deceased.

NOTICE OF HEARING BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ELIZABETH G. CHAVEZ, DECEASED, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO HAVE OR CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF ELIZABETH G. CHAVEZ, DECEASED, OR IN THE MATTER BEING LITIGATED IN THE HEREINAFTER MENTIONED HEARING.

Hearing on the Petition filed by the undersigned personal representative, which petition provides for entry of an Order formally declaring that ELIZABETH G. CHAVEZ died intestate, determining the heirs of said Decedent and the heirs' interest in the following described real property:

Lot Nine (9), Block Forty-two (42), Unit 5B in MEADOW VISTA, a subdivision in Doña Ana County New Mexico according to the map of such subdivision recorded under County Clerk's File No. 516 in the Map Records of Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

will be held at the Las Cruces District Courthouse, 201 West Picacho Avenue, #A, Las Cruces, New Mexico in Courtroom No. 7 on the 26th day of April, 2011 at 9:00 A.M.

Pursuant to 45-1-401 NMSA 1978, notice of the time and place of hearing on said petition is hereby given you by publication, once each week for two consecutive weeks. January 11, 2011.

KEITHLY & ENGLISH, L.L.C.
By: /s/ JOHN E. KEITHLY
Attorney for the Petitioner
Enrique Chavez
P.O. Drawer 1329
Anthony, NM 88021
(575) 882-4500
(575) 882-5000 [fax]

Pub # 10368
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-09-145

CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD R. SALAZAR; JOHN DOE I, JANE DOE I, JOHN DOE II, JANE DOE II, JOHN DOE III, JANE DOE III, JOHN DOE IV and JANE DOE IV, (true names unknown), Tenants, Defendants.

FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 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 238 Desert Rose Court, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 18 IN BLOCK 1 OF ROSE VILLAGE SUBDIVISION, LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON SEPTEMBER 25, 1978 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 12 AT PAGES 219-220, 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 April 22, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. After accounting for the amounts paid by the Defendant(s) Edward R. Salazar while protected under the bankruptcy action with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Mexico, Case No. 13-10-11060 SL, entitled "Edward Salazar", in which bankruptcy action an Order of Dismissal was entered on November 8, 2010, and additional advances made by Plaintiff after the Judgment, the amount due on the Judgment including interest is \$162,772.21 plus interest thereon at the rate of 8.375% per annum from December 16, 2010, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$2,614.39. 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.

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to 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
(505) 525-2711

Pub # 10373
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2011

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

NO. D-0307-CV-2010-00100

NORCO SYSTEMS, INC., PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST, Plaintiff,

v.

STONE CANYON HOMES, INC., JOHN TOTH III, a/k/a JOHN TOTH, ROBERT and TINA BRADSHAW, and JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above entitled Court, having appointed the undersigned as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered the Special Master to sell the below described real property, situated in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, more particularly described as:

LOT 21, THE VILLAGES AT RANCHER'S CLUB, UNIT 1, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on June 9, 2006, in Book 21, Pages 650-651.

The sale shall commence at 10:00 a.m. on March 15, 2011, at the front entrance to the Third Judicial District Court House, at 201 W Picacho Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88005. The property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash. The property will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and to any liens and assessments not otherwise foreclosed upon herein. Interested bidders should undertake to make their own determination as to the status of title.

For purposes of this sale, "cash" shall mean (1) cash on hand, (2) other immediately available funds, including, but not limited to, bank cashiers checks, or (3) an irrevocable letter of credit payable at sight issued by a financial institution acceptable to and in a form acceptable to the Special Master in an amount not less than the bid amount, delivered to and approved by the Special Master prior to sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proceeds of sale will

be applied as follows: first, to all costs and expenses of sale, including the Special Master's fee and costs; second, to the judgment awarded to Plaintiff for damages in the amount of \$79,916.07, plus interest from March 28, 2009, at the rate of 11.0% per annum, damages in the amount of \$10,000.00, plus interest from February 2, 2009, at the rate of 12.0% per annum; plus attorney fees in the amount of \$4,352.76 and costs incurred by Plaintiff in the amount of \$43.78, plus interest from December 20, 2010 at the rate of 8.75% per annum; third, in such manner as the Court may determine by order entered after the sale.

NOTICE IS FINALLY GIVEN that Plaintiff may bid and purchase the property at the foreclosure sale and may apply all or a portion of its judgment as cash toward the purchase price.

JOHN P. COSENTINO
Special Master
500 N. Church St.
Las Cruces, NM 88001-3440
(575) 523-9505

Pub # 10374
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 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 Winegrower Off-Site "C" Liquor License (On-Premise Consumption and Package Sales of Wine) to Luna Rossa Winery, located at 1321 Avenida De Mesilla, 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 Tuesday, February 22, 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 may approve the issuance.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 25th day of January 2011.

Esther Martinez, CMC,
City Clerk

Pub # 10375
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2011

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE WAIVER

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 Restaurant Liquor License (Beer and Wine On-Premise Consumption Only) to Okazuri Floating Sushi, Las Cruces, to be located at 1715 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 Tuesday, February 22, 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 may approve the transfer.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this

the 19th day of January 2011.

Esther Martinez, CMC,
City Clerk

Pub # 10376
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 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 Restaurant Liquor License (Beer and Wine On-Premise Consumption Only) to Okazuri Floating Sushi, Las Cruces, to be located at 1715 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 Tuesday, February 22, 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 may approve the transfer.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 19th day of January 2011.

Esther Martinez, CMC,
City Clerk

Pub # 10377
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2011

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE WAIVER

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 Restaurant Liquor License (Beer and Wine On-Premise Consumption Only) to Zeffiro Pizzeria Napoletana, located at 136 S. Water Street, 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 Tuesday, February 22, 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 may approve the issuance.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 25th day of January 2011.

Esther Martinez, CMC,
City Clerk

Pub # 10378
Dates 1/28, 2/4, 2011

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS CLARA MONREAL and TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF JOSE FRANCISCO AGUILAR Deceased, No.C-1-PB-06-085765 in Probate Court Number One of Travis County, Texas.

TRICIA GRAY DEATS aka TRICIA GRAY, Dependent Administrator

in the above numbered and entitled estate, filed on December 3, 2010, an Administrator's Account for Final Settlement in the said estate and request(s) that, upon distribution of the property as ordered and the filing of the proper receipt and/or proof of delivery thereof, the Court enter an order discharging Administrator from her trust as Successor Dependent Administrator of the Estate of Jose Francisco Aguilar, releasing the surety on Administrator's bond from further liability and declaring that this Administration is closed and such further relief the Court deems just and necessary.

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/s/ O. Ruiz

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Dates 1/28, 2011



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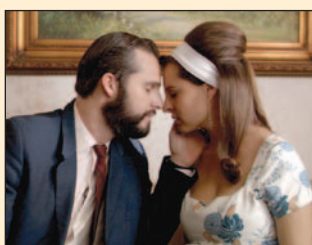


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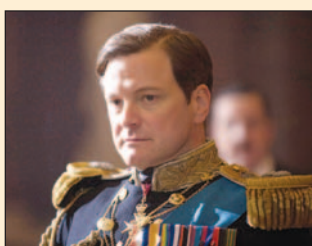
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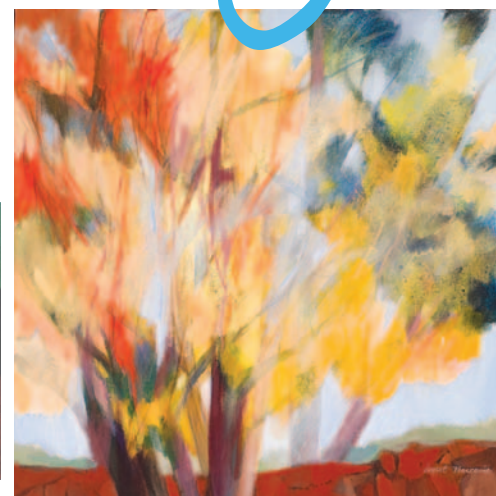
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NEXT WEEK

Contemporary Arts Festival
New art festival hits Las Cruces' streets



Fall in love with art during February's For the Love of Art Month



Keeping art in your heart

For the Love of Art Month continues to grow in Las Cruces

By **Samantha Roberts**
Las Cruces Bulletin

A tradition that is more than a decade old, For the Love of Art (FLOA) Month brings visual and performing arts to Las Cruces during an anticipated month-long celebration.

The first FLOA was held 14 years ago in an effort to promote and recognize the talent and versatility of local artists, theater groups, orchestras, galleries and studios, said Cherie Gamboa, FLOA chair.

ArtForms, a nonprofit organization, plans



"Bronco" by Tomi LaPierre will be part of the member show during For the Love of Art Month.

the month-long event to help support and promote all artistic forms.

"(For the Love of Art Month) gives each artist the opportunity to be exposed to an audience from all areas of New Mexico, Texas and beyond," Gamboa said. "It gives the art community the chance to open their studios, galleries and the many venues for special performances, galas and concerts, with a celebration of expression in a variety of arts."

FLOA extends beyond oil paintings and sculptures, although both are included and equally as artistically pleasing.

"Its not just visual arts, there are performing arts also," said Cheryl Fallstead, FLOA publicity coordinator. "The month will also include poetry readings, films at the Fountain Theatre, performances at the Black Box Theatre and more."

Along with the watercolors, oil paintings, sculptures, fiber art, gourd, fractal and photography art, FLOA will have a Mardi Gras Gala sponsored by the American Southwest Theatre Company Friday, Feb. 4. The gala

“ (For the Love of Art Month) gives each artist the opportunity to be exposed to an audience from New Mexico, Texas and beyond. ”



"Doña Ana Picker" by Mel Stone will be at the Mesquite Art Gallery.

will feature music, dancing, food, a costume contest and more – all with a Cajun flair.

Also on that day, "Sheesh-ka-deesh," an inagural performance featuring the dance groups of Mikey's Place, will be held. The event includes an evening of dessert, dance and St. Clair wines.

Events are even happening in Picacho Hills with an artist exhibit at the Picacho Mountain Visitor's Center Sunday, Feb. 6.

"Our goal was to make sure there is something happening every day," said John Northcutt, ArtForms president. "We wanted something to see, something to hear or something to do happening all the time."

Northcutt also wants the community to know that ArtForms is pushing new attractions and features to this year's event.

"The ramble will have more entertainment," he said. "People will see art in places they are not used to seeing art. There will be new things going on everywhere."

"But FLOA could not happen without the help of participating galleries,

studios and artists."

Northcutt and ArtForms encourage non-traditional venues to get involved in upcoming arts events.

"Having art in front of, or in, your business is a win-win situation," he said. "It helps an artists and promotes your business because people are encouraged to walk by."

A month-long celebration of art with something to do every day means no this is excuse to miss out. Come see the diverse and talented group of artists that make Las Cruces a destination of beauty.

For more information on FLOA, visit www.artformsnm.org.

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"Flower on Fire from 5 Stony Pieces" was part of a photo exhibit at the Black Box Theatre during a past For the Love of Art Month.

For the Love of Art Month schedule

Studios will be open Feb. 12-13 and 19-20, with a wide range of exceptional art and a glimpse into the working environment of local artists.

FEB. 4

SPECIAL EVENT ASTC Fundraiser

7 to 11 p.m.
American Southwest Theatre Company Mardi Gras Gala
Las Cruces Convention Center
680 E. University Ave.
\$30 per ticket
Table of 10 \$275
Call 646-4515

PERFORMANCE

7:30 to 10:30 p.m.
"Sheesh-ka-deesh"
Area dancers, music, refreshments
Mikey's Place
3100 Harrelson St.
Tickets \$10

OPENING RECEPTION

5 to 7 p.m.
ArtForms Artists Association of New Mexico Member Exhibit
Branigan Cultural Center
501 N. Main St.
Continues through Saturday, Feb. 26

OPENING RECEPTION

5 to 7 p.m.
New Mexico Watercolor Society Southern Chapter "I See Red"
Branigan Cultural Center
501 N. Main St.
Continues through Feb. 26

OPENING RECEPTION

5 to 7 p.m.
GFWC Progress Club Member Exhibit
"New Endeavors"
Paintings and photography
Branigan Library
200 E. Picacho Ave.
Continues through Feb. 26

OPENING RECEPTION

5 to 7 p.m.
Las Colcheras Quilt Guild "By George" Challenge
Branigan Cultural Center
501 N. Main St.
Continues through Feb. 26

FEB. 5

OPENING RECEPTION

4 to 6 p.m.

A Map of One Journey by C.C. Cunningham
Unsettled Gallery and Studio
905 N. Mesquite St.
Continues through Feb. 26

FEB. 6

SPECIAL EVENT

11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Artists of Picacho Hills paintings, gourds, basketry, jewelry, woodworking and pottery
Picacho Mountain Visitors Center
7038 Calle Estancias
Call 523-1740

OPENING RECEPTION

Noon to 2 p.m.
Multi-media by Georjeanna Feltha
Tombaugh Gallery
2000 S. Solano Drive
Continues Friday, March 4

FEB. 10

SPECIAL EVENT

5 to 7:30 p.m.
"A Night With Cupid"
Jewelry by Joyce Deaso and Men's Fashions by Kaya's Cottons and Things for the Desert
Cutter Gallery
2640 El Paseo Road

FEB. 11

CONCERT

7:30 p.m.
New Horizons Symphony Orchestra "Mostly Mozart"
Featuring soloists Gordon Butler & Ross Palmer
NMSU Atkinson Recital Hall
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FEB. 12

PERFORMANCE

7 p.m.
Yolanda Martinez Singer, songwriter, performer and recording artist
Black Box Theatre
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Tickets \$15
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OPENING RECEPTION

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
"A Celebration of Mandelbrot" by Mesilla Valley Fractal Artists
Fractal art framed, unframed and cards
Funky Karma Incense & Tea Shop
3207 S. Main St.
Continues through

Monday, Feb. 28

SPECIAL EVENT

6 to 9 p.m. First annual anniversary opening
Art Galaxy
2521 Avenida de Mesilla, Suite A

OPENING RECEPTION

11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Las Cruces Arts Association "For the Love of Toys"
Oils, acrylics, sculpture, fiber arts
Nopalito's Galleria
326 S. Mesquite St.
Continues through Saturday, Feb. 26

FEB. 14

PERFORMANCE

7 p.m.
No Strings Theatre Company "Love Letters"
Black Box Theatre
430 N. Main St.
Call 523-1223

FEB. 19

SPECIAL EVENT

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19
For the Love of Lit by Sin Fronteras.
Featuring area poets and writers
Branigan Cultural Center
501 N. Main St.
Call 522-1119

FILM SCREENING

1:30 p.m.
Mesilla Valley Film Society "The Desert of Forbidden Art"
Fountain Theatre
2469 Calle de Guadalupe in Mesilla
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11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday
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FEB. 21

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Noon
Mesilla Valley Film Society "Art & Cinema, Chapter II"
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EXHIBITS

Noon to 5 p.m.
Tuesday through Sunday
Southwest Glass Creations by Lois Wilson
Fused Glass Art and Jewelry
Art Galaxy
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"New Mexico's Enchantment"
by Rebecca Courtney

Acrylic
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8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday
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Continues through March

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10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday
Southwest Glass Creations by Lois Wilson
Main Street Gallery
311 N. Downtown Mall

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Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery
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11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Monday through Saturday
"Tbird" by John B. Northcutt

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High Desert Brewing Co.
1201 W. Hadley Ave.
11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday

through Friday
Digital fine art photography – Hawaiian tropical art by Kurt Van Wagner
Ono Grindz Hawaiian Cuisine
300 N. Main St.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, Feb. 2-24
"Donna's Evolving Art"
Watercolor paintings by Donna Wood
Women's Medical Associates
2100 S. Triviz Drive, Suite H

During store hours
Photography by Sharlene Glock
Toucan Market
1101 E. University Ave.

PERFORMANCE

Select nights through Sunday, Feb. 6
No Strings Theatre Company "Crime and Punishment"
Black Box Theatre
430 N. Main St.
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DOWNTOWN

It's Really happening

Upcoming Events

Jan 30th	LCCCA presents Afara String Quartet Rio Grande Theatre, 3pm-5pm
Feb 1st	Magician Gary Carson Rio Grande Theatre, 7pm-9pm
Feb 3rd	ASNMSU presents Junior Mance Quartet Rio Grande Theatre, 8pm-10pm
Feb 4th	Artist Reception: Luis Navarro FREE! Rio Grande Theatre, 5pm-7pm
Feb 4th	Downtown Ramble MainStreet Downtown, 5pm-7pm

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Featured artist: *Las Colcheras Quilt Guild*

Quilters take on 'By George' challenge

Artist inspires quilter's guild to tackle next contest

By **David Edwards**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Colcheras Quilt Guild is dedicated to promoting the art of quilting in the Mesilla Valley. The Guild was formed in January 1988, when about 25 women met at the Doña Ana County Extension Office to share their love of quilting.

The name Las Colcheras comes from the Spanish word "colcha," which refers to a bedspread, coverlet or counterpane. In the Southwest, it usually means any kind of bed covering or comforter.

It also refers to a particular type of Spanish embroidery, probably dating back to New Mexico's colonial period.

Quilting is an ancient art that can be traced back to Egypt and China. The idea is to stitch together three layers of fabrics – a top layer, a middle layer consisting of batting for warmth and a bottom layer or backing. Stitching them together keeps the middle layer in place.

Quilting also has been used as early as the 11th century to hold together the layers of padding underneath armor. Quilting us-

ing patterns and decorative designs became a common form of needlework.

Every year, the outgoing president of Las Colcheras leaves the guild with a challenge, something of the president's own choosing and they set up the guidelines. Those accepting the challenge purchase a kit, which signifies their acceptance of the challenge, and the finished quilts are entered in a show and judged.

The immediate past president this year is Chris Ramsey and she created the "By George" challenge.

"I read that (local artist) George Mendoza had created some lines of fabric," Ramsey said. "After meeting with him I came up with the 'By George' challenge. Two pieces of his fabric are in the kit and must be used in the quilt."

The challenger doesn't have to incorporate anything specifically about Mendoza, but they can. One quilter has created a piece that features a running figure of the legally blind artist and athlete. As long as the quilt can be tied somehow to the theme, there is considerable latitude of subjects – George Washington to

“ I was amazed at how beautiful the quilts are. ”

GEORGE MENDOZA,
artist



George Mendoza inspired the "By George" exhibit at the Branigan Cultural Center beginning Friday, Feb. 4.

George M. Cohan for example.

"The response has been surprising," Ramsey said. "Normally, we have a couple of dozen entrants for these challenges. This one has 70-plus, including some developmentally disabled first-time quilters from Albuquerque who were inspired by the way George overcame his disability."

One particularly thrilling aspect of all this involves the creation of a traveling trunk show featuring 20 quilts by local quilters. The show is sponsored by Quilts, Inc., the organization that puts on the Houston International Quilt Festival, the largest of its kind in the world.

"By George," the President's Challenge exhibit of the Las Colcheras Quilt Guild opens with a reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4, during the Downtown Ramble and runs through Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Las Colcheras

will hold hand quilting demonstrations from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesday and Saturday mornings throughout the month of February at the cultural center.

Details

Las Colcheras Quilt Guild

When

Meetings are at 7 p.m.
Second Monday of the month

Where

Trinity Lutheran Church
2900 Elks Drive

Contact

lcnmquilters@aol.com

More about George

George Mendoza never really set out to make a living with his art, but in September 2009, the Art of Possibility Studios, which promotes the work of disabled artists, selected 30 of Mendozas paintings to be reproduced as fabric designs. He now has three lines – "Wise Tree," "April Showers" and "Flower Garden" – and the cloth is being used for everything from sundresses to quilts.

It was a talk he gave to the local quilt guild Las Colcheras that inspired even more interest in his fabric. It led outgoing Las Colcheras president Chris Ramsey to come up with the idea for her President's Challenge to the guild members. "By George" is the name of the guild exhibit that opens Feb. 4 at the Branigan Cultural Center.

There have been more than 70 entrants, including eight from Albuquerque created by women with developmental disabilities who were

inspired when Mendoza gave a gallery talk there. He has been legally blind since the age of 15.

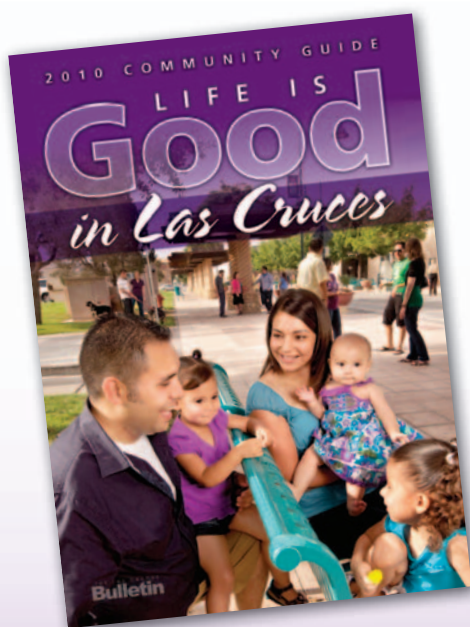
He went on to be a world-class runner, author and motivational speaker as well as a nationally known painter.

"I really didn't know anything about fabric or quilts or anything like that," he said. "But when I got an art-licensing agent and the designs were sold, believe me I learned pretty fast."

While the quilt designs in the Las Colcheras exhibit don't necessarily have anything to do with Mendoza other than using some of his fabric, some of them do, including one that depicts him in his running days.

"I was amazed at how beautiful the quilts in the show are," he said. "There are some really talented quilters here. This show is something for Las Cruces to be proud of."

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A Chinese holiday that shouldn't be forgotten

The Year of the Rabbit comes in 2011

Bulletin Staff Report

The Chinese New Year is considered to be one of the most important Chinese holidays. The origin of the holiday is hundreds of years old and gains momentum as traditions and myths continue to stem from all over the world.

Ono Grindz owner Rachel Faulkner celebrates the holiday every year because she misses the festivities in Hawaii.

"I make dim sum for the new year," she said. "A lot of people aren't familiar with this type of food, but my restaurant is always busy during the New Year with people celebrating. I do it because it's my cultural thing."

Dim sum is a traditional Chinese dish that "involves small individual portions of food and is usually served in a small steamer basket or on a small plate."

But traditions continue beyond the food for the new year. Faulkner said she also participates in decorating her restaurant with a traditional Chinese dragon. Brightly-colored decorations represent the new year and can be seen throughout the celebration.

Year of the Rabbit

If you were born in 1915, 1927, 1939, 1951, 1963, 1975, 1987 or 1999, then this is your year. According to www.c-c.org, people born in the Year of the Rabbit are articulate, talented and ambitious. They are also virtuous, reserved and have excellent taste. Rabbit people are admired, trusted and are often financially lucky. They are fond of gossip, but are tactful and generally kind.

Since the Year of the Rabbit follows the Year of the Tiger, it is also suggested to be a calmer

year. After the ferocious tiger, this year is a time to heal wounds and recuperate.

Want to continue celebrating the Chinese New Year? Join Faulkner at Ono Grindz, 300 N. Main St., Thursday, Feb. 3, and try some dim sum, such as coconut lobster and roast pig. Hours are 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 to 8 p.m. weekdays, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, call 541-7492.

Details

Ono Grindz

Address

300 N. Main St.

Phone

541-7492

Hours

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9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. Saturdays



Students get to painting



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Samantha Roberts

Las Cruces Catholic School/Holy Cross Art Club students paint the walls of soon-to-be Body Shop Nutrition, 114 N. Campo St. The wall is a graphic representation of the Sierra Mountains by artist Rene J. Palomares, a graduate of Gadsden High School and New Mexico State University. Body Shop Nutrition will host artist exhibits and fitness classes. The studio is expected to open Monday, Feb. 14.

ASTC Mardi Gras Gala



Tickets are now on sale for American Southwest Theatre Company's Mardi Gras Gala from 7 to 11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. The event will feature music, dancing, food, a costume contest and more – all with a Cajun flair. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$275 for a table of 10, and may be purchased by calling 646-4515 or through all Ticketmaster outlets. For more information, call 646-4515 or visit www.nmsu.edu/artgal.

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EventsCalendar

FRI. 1/28

10 a.m. Storytime, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Special guest Spot will visit. Free. Call 522-4499.

6 to 9 p.m. Live music, Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. No cover. Call 527-5310.

6 p.m. Bob at the Boba 2011 dinner, Boba Cabaret, 1200 S. Espina St. A singer-songwriter with a comic twist, Bob Diven returns for a week-end of concerts featuring his original songs about life, love and road-killed animals. Cost \$27.50. Call 647-5900.

6 p.m. Spur Ride Band concert, Cattleman's Steak House, 3375 Bataan Memorial West. Dance to classic country music. No cover. Call 649-6175.

8:15 p.m. Bob at the Boba 2011 cocktail show, Boba Cabaret, 1200 S. Espina St. A singer-songwriter with a comic twist, Bob Diven returns for a weekend of concerts featuring his original songs about life, love and road-killed animals. Cost \$10. Call 647-5900.

SAT. 1/29

8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market, Downtown, along Main Street. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh produce, unique fine art and much more. Free. Email staff@lasrucesfarmersmarket.org.

10:30 a.m. Storytellers of Las Cruces, COAS Bookstores, 317. N Main St. and 1101 S. Solano Drive. Sharlene Wittern

and Sarah Addison will be the storytellers at the Downtown location, and Loni Todoroki 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.

11:30 a.m. to noon, Magic Carpet StoryTime, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Free. Call 541-2154.

1:30 p.m. Amazing Magical Musical Adventure, Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. Celebrate Chinese New Year and usher in the Year of the Rabbit with festivities and traditional Chinese activities. This event is fun for the entire family. Cost \$5. Call 523-1223.

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, Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. No cover. Call 527-5310.

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7 to 9 p.m. Swinging Dancers of Munson Center, Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Couples, singles and guests are welcome to dance to the music of Mark Coker. Cost \$6. Call 528-3000.

7 p.m. NMSU vs. Idaho

men's basketball game, Pan Am Center on the NMSU campus. Cost \$8-\$31. Call 646-1420.

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SUN 1/30

Noon to 3 p.m. Seed Share & Potluck, Mountain View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road, Suite M. Join Jon Simmons of Local Solutions during this event. Free. Call 523-0436.

Noon to 4 p.m. Uptown Craft and Growers Market, Mesilla Valley Mall in front of Sears in the parking lot. 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. \$10. Call 680-6515.

2:30 p.m. Afiara String Quartet, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Cost \$20. Call 521-4051.

3 to 7 p.m. Open Mic, Blue Moon Bar, 13060 N. Highway 185. Free. Call 647-9524.

3 p.m. The Mesilla Valley Concert Band, Atkinson Recital Hall on the NMSU campus. Special guest artist, Nathan Wood will perform "T-Bone Concerto," by Johan



Bob Diven will perform at the Boba Cabaret Friday and Saturday, Jan. 28-29.

de Meij. Free. Call 646-2421.

MON. 1/31

10 a.m. Yarn Junkies, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Meet in the café for fun and 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 regular games begin, with early-bird sessions beginning before the regular games start. There is a snack bar available. \$10. Call 680-6515.

TUE. 2/1

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.

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.

7:30 p.m. Junior horn recital, Atkinson Recital Hall on the NMSU campus. The recital will feature Keisha Twitchell. Free. Call 646-2421.

WED. 2/2

8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market, Downtown, along Main Street. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh produce, unique fine art and much more. Free. Email staff@lasrucesfarmersmarket.org.

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 lasrucesstitches.multiply.com.

THU. 2/3

9 a.m. to noon, Fiber Club, My Place Jewell, 140-A Wyatt Drive. Cost \$2. Call 526-9509.

11:30 a.m. Classics Four Concerts luncheon, Ramada Palms de Las Cruces, 201 E. University Ave. Cost \$16. Call 646-3709.

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.

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Amazing Magical Musical Adventure
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523-1223
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527-9400
Tickets \$5-\$7
Thursday, Feb. 3

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Crime and Punishment
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430 N. Main St.
523-1223
Tickets \$7-\$10
Through Sunday, Feb. 6

Coming Soon

The Prisoner of Second Avenue
Las Cruces Community Theatre
313 N. Main St.
523-1200
Tickets \$7-\$10
Friday, Feb. 11

Love Letters
Black Box Theatre
430 N. Main St.
523-1223
Tickets \$9-\$10
Monday, Feb. 14

Dog Sees God: Confessions of a Teenage Blockhead
Hershel Zohn Theatre
NMSU campus
646-4515
Tickets \$10-\$13
Friday, Feb. 18

6 to 9 p.m. Live music, Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. No cover. Call 527-5310.

6 p.m. Organic Botanical Fragrances, Mountain View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road, Suite M. Learn about the ingredients in commercial perfumes and sample locally produced organic botanical fragrances for him and her with Trish McCaul of Mother McCaul's. Free. Call 523-0436.

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. \$10. Call 680-6515.

8 p.m. The Junior Mance Quintet, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. The quintet will perform a cultural series. This performance is the closing event for the Jam Session Exhibit. Cost \$10-\$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 are welcome. Must be 21 years or older. Dress code. Cost \$7-\$9. Call 526-6504.

FRI. 2/4

5:30 to 7 p.m. Literary open-mic, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. The event is sponsored by Sin Fronteras. Bring up to three poems or five minutes of prose to read. The host is Dick Thomas. Free. Call 521-9314

6 to 9 p.m. Live music, Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. No cover. Call 527-5310.

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. Join Howling Coyote's sixth anniversary during For the Love of Art Month. Free. Call 525-9333 or 915-799-5684.

7 to 11 p.m. ASTC Mardi Gras Gala, Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. Master of Ceremonies for the evening will be Carrie Hamblen. The event will include music, hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar and a costume contest. Cost \$30. Call. 646-4515.

7:30 p.m. Friday Night at the Symphony, Atkinson Recital Hall on the NMSU campus. Cost \$5-\$15. Call 646-3709.

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LCCCA presents Afiara String Quartet



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Afiara String Quartet will perform at the Rio Grande Theatre Sunday, Jan. 30.

The Las Cruces Civic Concert Association welcomes the Afiara String Quartet in a concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 30 at the Rio Grande Theatre. This viola, cello and twin violin quartet gives every piece they play a unique blend of energy, style and pizzazz. The all-Canadian group was named The Juilliard School's new graduate resident string quartet and won the Concert Artists Guild International Competition in New York. The quartet couples Haydn and hip-hop, complete with a rapping cellist, often to the glee of students and enthusiastic amusement of adults. Doors open at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20. The Rio Grande Theatre is located at 211 N. Main St. For more information or to reserve tickets, call 521-4051.

Felting to Your Heart's Content



Learn wool-felting techniques and make your own valentine jewelry Tuesday, Feb. 1, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum.

A felting class for ages 16 and older will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 30, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. The workshop is limited to the first 20 to pre-register. The workshop, Come create valentine projects using the technique of wool felting. Explore both wet felting and needle felting during this two-hour class. The wet-felting projects include heart-shaped soap and valentine boxes. Participants will also utilize needle felting to create one-of-a-kind valentines and earrings to go into the boxes. This is for beginning felting students, and no experience is required. The cost is \$20 per person and materials will be provided. Pre-registration required. For more information, call 522-4100.

The Reality Magic Show

Professional illusionist Garry Carson and wife Kelsey Kara bring their crowd-pleasing Las Vegas show to the Rio Grande Theatre for one big night, featuring magic, grand illusions, comedy, audience participation and live animals. From the premiere opening of the MGM Grand Hotel and more than 8,000 shows to appearances on national and international television shows including "Good Morning America," "Inside Edition" and the Fox special "Masters Of Illusion," the dynamic duo presents a family-friendly show that will have audiences talking for years to come. The Reality Magic Show will be a fundraiser with 100 percent of proceeds going to Jornada Elementary School. Showtime is 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1, and doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12. The Rio Grande Theatre is at 211 N. Main St. For more information or to reserve tickets, call 621-3205.

Classics Four Concerts by LCSO

The Las Cruces Symphony presents its fourth classics concert of the season Thursday through Sunday, Feb. 3-6, at Atkinson Recital Hall on the New Mexico State University campus. The concert will feature mezzo soprano Maria Elena Armijo and the Prentice Loftin Chorale in Saint-Saëns' "Mon coeur s'ouvre a ta voix" from "Samson and Delilah," Borodin's "Polovtsian Dances" and Prokofiev's "Alexander Nevsky." The program also includes the "Overture to William Tell" by Rossini.

Performances will be held at the following times:

- Pre-concert Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 3, at Ramada Palms de Las Cruces, 201 E. University Ave. Maestro Lonnie Klein will preview the music being performed at

- the Classics Four Concerts. Tickets are \$16.
- Friday Night at the Symphony at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4, at the Atkinson Recital Hall on the NMSU campus. Tickets are available at the door for \$15, or \$5 with a valid student ID.
- Performances at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6, at the Atkinson Recital Hall on the NMSU campus. Tickets are \$35 to \$45. For more information, call 646-3709.

Junior Mance concert

A Chicago native, Junior Mance is a jazz pianist, composer, author of "How To Play Blues Piano" and recording artist of 30 plus albums as a leader and numerous recordings as a sideman. Before putting together his own band, Junior Mance toured with Dinah Washington, Cannonball Adderley and Dizzy Gillespie. Presented by the New Mexico State University Cultural Series, the Junior Mance Quintet appears as part of the two-month long Jam Session in Las Cruces. The concert will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3, at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for general admission and \$10 for NMSU students, faculty/staff, seniors and children. Tickets can be purchased at the Pan Am Center ticket office or at Enchanted Gardens, 270 Avenida De Mesilla. For more information, call 523-6403.

Grammy Awards raffle

The Doña Ana Arts Council, in partnership with The Recording Academy, will send a winner and guest to the 53rd annual Grammy Awards Feb. 13. This is a trip worth \$1,200. \$10 per ticket. The drawing will be held Friday, Feb. 4. Purchasers don't need to be present to win. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact the DAAC offices at 523-6403.

Call to Artists

NEW MEXICO ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR

The 50th annual New Mexico Arts and Crafts Fair, which will feature 220 of New Mexico's most talented artisans, invites artists to submit their work. Artwork will be displayed at the Manuel Lujan building at Expo New Mexico, the state fairgrounds in Albuquerque. The New Mexico Arts and Crafts Fair is the longest-running art show in New Mexico and features New Mexico artists exclusively. The deadline to register is Monday, Jan. 31. Apply online at www.zapplication.org. For more information, visit, www.nmartsandcraftsfair.org, email info@nmartsandcraftsfair.org or call 505-884-9043. Event dates are June 24-26.

AUDITIONS FOR 'THE SPITFIRE GRILL'

No Strings Theatre Company will hold auditions for "The Spitfire Grill," a play based on the film by Lee David Zlotoff, with music and book by James Valcq, and lyrics and book by Fred Alley, at 7 p.m. Sunday and Monday, Feb. 6-7, at the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Downtown Mall.

Performances will be April 8-24, with a possible extension to a fourth weekend. In "The Spitfire Grill," a feisty parolee follows her dreams, based on a page from an old travel book, to a small town in Wisconsin and finds a place for herself working at Hannah's Spitfire Grill. The

grill is for sale, but there are no takers for the only eatery in the depressed town, so newcomer Percy suggests to Hannah that she raffle it off. Entry fees are \$100 and the best essay on why you want the grill wins. Soon, mail is arriving by the wheelbarrow and things are definitely cookin' at the Spitfire Grill.

Available roles include: one female to play a character in her 20s with range to D, some head voice; one female to play a character in her 70s with mezzo/alto range; one female to play a character in her 30s with a folk soprano to D; one female to play a character in her 50s with a strong mezzo/alto chest range and ability to harmonize; one male to play a character in his 40s with tenor to G; one male to play a character in his 40s with no singing or speaking part, but in need of strong stage presence; and one male to play a character in his mid-late 20s tenor with strong range to G.

Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script and the performance of a prepared piece of music. A perusal script is on reserve at Branigan Library Reservation Desk. All music is in the folk/country genre and the audition piece should be appropriate. For more information, email the director Nikka Ziemer at nziemer@hotmail.com.

THE MINI ART GALLERY SHOW

Senior Programs will be

participating in The Love of Art with a show at the Munson Senior Center. This show highlights artwork by senior artists – people 50 years of age or older – and crafters from the Las Cruces area.

The Love of Art Show has been set for Tuesday through Friday, Feb. 15-18. The show will run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, and 10 a.m. to noon Friday. Artists 50 and older who wish to show their work can bring it to the Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St., Friday, Feb. 11.

An artist reception will be held from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15. The show is open to the public.

Submitted work may include paintings, drawings, china paintings, stained glass, pottery, woodcarving, jewelry, quilts, embroidery, crochet and knit items and other crafts. There is a limit of two items, with only one being a painting. Stained glass items may also be limited. If you are only showing jewelry and greeting cards, four items will be allowed. For more information, call the Munson Center at 528-3000.

OPEN STUDIO TOUR

Artists residing in the Alameda area that would be interested in participating in a one-day Open Studio Tour must reside in the area and be willing to open their studio to the public for an event from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 21. For more information,

contact Georjeanna Feltha at 704 El Prado Ave. or email gfelthathearartist@gmail.com. Deadline for entries is Monday, Feb. 14.

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 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.

AVANCE, CORAZONES DE FAMILIA

An auction of heart art by regional artists and friends of Las Cruces and Doña Ana County will be held from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 30, at Peace Lutheran

Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. AVANCE will supply wooden hearts to decorate for the fundraising event at no cost to the artist, and hearts will be available for pick-up at 424 N. Downtown Mall, Suite 100. Enter through the parking lot next to the Black Box Theatre. The deadline for the return of all hearts is April 1, and hearts received by March 15 may be used for advance publicity and media opportunities at the discretion of AVANCE. For more information, call 526-6666 or 532-9330.

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.

MESILLA VALLEY FINE ARTS GALLERY

The Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery, 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe in Mesilla, has openings for interested artists and digital photographers to display their work. For more information, call 522-2933, stop by the gallery for an application or visit www.mesillavalleyfinearts.com.

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Galleries & Openings

LAST CHANCE

UNSETTLED GALLERY & STUDIO will host a second exhibit by Las Cruces artist Wendy Blackwell through Saturday, Jan. 29. Blackwell's realistic colored pencil compositions explore light and shadow on inanimate objects and create a conversation between color and texture. Unsettled Gallery is 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. Saturday or by appointment. Call 635-2285.

MVS STUDIOS presents an exhibit by Michael Ponce through January. The gallery is at 535 N. Main St. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Call 524-3636.

M. PHILLIP'S FINE ART GALLERY announces a one-man show, "Self Portraits in Three Dimensions" by mixed-media artist Michael Flynn Moffatt through January. The gallery is 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.

THE MAIN STREET GALLERY features Material Girls Judy Licht, Lynn Unangst and Ann Angel during the month of January. Fiber artworks include hand-dyed silk, quilted constructs and hand weavings. The 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 p.m. Saturday. Call 647-0508.

MESILLA VALLEY FINE ARTS GALLERY will feature Nina Cobb Walker and Yvonne Postelle during the month of January. Walker is a lifelong art enthusiast and native Texan who utilizes the impasto technique of rich color to create texture in her paintings. Postelle works primarily in oils as a landscape painter pursuing the love of art through her paintings. 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.

RIO GRANDE THEATRE GALLERIES will feature jazz art and memorabilia with Southwestern flavor through January. The El Paso Electric

Gallery will host historical artifacts detailing the rich jazz history of Las Cruces and El Paso. The galleries are at 211 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 523-6403.

BLACK BOX THEATRE will present "Kicking Nature up a Notch," an exhibit by Karen Currier and the Mesilla Valley Musical Arts Chamber, through Jan. 31. Currier is a Las Cruces artist specializing in uniquely handcrafted gourds and creative walking sticks. The theater is at 430 N. Main St. Viewings are one hour before performances or by appointment. Call 523-1223.

OPENING

UNIVERSITY MUSEUM will host "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

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 Friday, Feb. 4, through Saturday, April 2. A reception for the artist will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4. Naranjo will also present a lecture at Branigan Cultural Center at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5. Naranjo sculpts in stone, wax and clay. 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-size 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.

THE CUTTER GALLERY will host an art opening for

Rosemary McLoughlin from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29. Her show is titled "The Bridge to Tir na nOg," and 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.

MESILLA VALLEY FINE ARTS GALLERY will participate in the eighth annual For the Love of Art Month celebration in Mesilla in conjunction with the Las Cruces celebration. The gallery will hold the annual "My Masterpiece" contest. "My Masterpiece" challenges local artists to mimic oil-famous artists, such as Charles Russell, R.C. Gorman, Monet and many more. A \$50 gift certificate will be awarded to the winner of the contest. The gallery will also feature Carol Lopez and Karin Bradshaw during the month of February. Lopez has been involved in the arts for more than 25 years, working with a variety of media, including the ancient painting medium encaustic (beeswax). Bradshaw's work depicts traditional Pueblo Indian designs burned into beautiful symmetrical gourds. From a distance, these decorated gourds look like Indian pottery. The gallery is pleased to announce new member Aubrey de Cheubell. Both an art historian and a working studio artist, Cheubell has developed into a unique perspective on creating ceramic art. Cheubell has participated in numerous art shows and received many awards. 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 presents "By George!" from Friday, Feb. 4, through Saturday, Feb. 26. "By George!" (the theme of the 2011 President's Challenge exhibit) presents the exciting possibility for a wide variety of interpretations in the use of George Mendoza's fabrics. Mendoza, now a Las Cruces resident, was a promising high school athlete when a degenerative eye disorder caused legal blindness. Mendoza's talents remained intact as he became a world-class runner, a motivational speaker and a full-time artist. His colorful art has become a 100-percent cotton fabric collection that debuted at the International Quilt Market Show in October 2009. The Las Colcheras Quilt Guild will hold hand-quilting demonstrations from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesdays and Saturdays throughout the month of February. An opening reception

with light refreshments will be held at the Branigan Cultural Center from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4, during the Downtown Ramble on Main Street. Awards will be presented at 5:30 p.m. The center is at 501 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 541-2154.

BRANIGAN CULTURAL CENTER will host "I See Red," an intimate exhibit by the Southern Chapter of the New Mexico Watercolor Society, Friday, Feb. 4, through Saturday, Feb. 26. The New Mexico Watercolor Society was founded as a statewide chapter of the Southwestern Watercolor Society of Dallas in 1969. In 1975, the NMWS became an independent entity. Founded in 2001, the southern chapter is located in Las Cruces and serves the state's southern counties. NMWS promotes watercolor as an art medium and educates the public as to the significance of watercolor as an important painting medium. Its goal is to make New Mexico known nationally for its watercolorists. The center is at 501 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 541-2154.

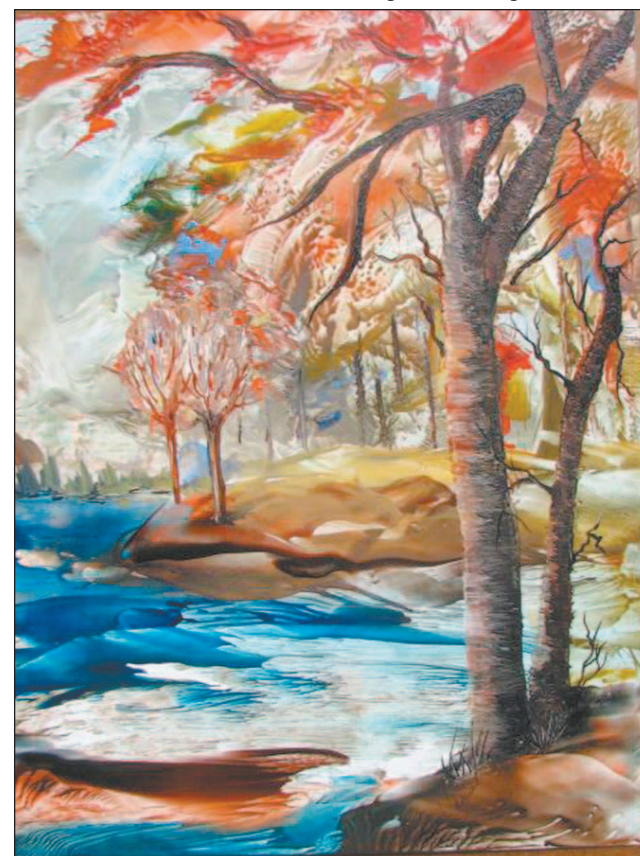
ONGOING

NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY ART GALLERY presents the 2011 Art Faculty Biennial exhibition. The exhibition showcases current work by NMSU studio art faculty in a wide variety of media, including photography, sculpture, metalwork, painting, ceramics and drawing. The exhibit will remain on display through Wednesday, Feb. 23. The gallery is at 1390 E. University Ave. on the NMSU campus. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 646-2545.

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 Bucci; 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.

PRESTON CONTEMPORARY ART CENTER presents the first of six exhibitions of 2011, including Craig Cully, painting; Fernando Delgado, photography; Ed Freeman, photography; Charlotte Segull, drawing; and Leandra Spangler, handmade paper sculpture. 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.

TOMBAUGH GALLERY of the Unitarian Universalist Church hosts a showing of abstract paintings by J. Carey Crane and Deborah Welch. The exhibit continues through Feb. 4. Crane is currently the cura-



This painting by Carol Lopez is on display at the Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery.

tor of exhibits for Las Cruces City Museums. Welch's abstract paintings are full of color, reflecting the theory of hue contrast. Welch's artistic goal is to push and pull the parameters of hue contrast to the extent of invoking fresh new images. The gallery is at 2000 Solano Drive. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Call 522-7281.

NOPALITO'S GALERÍA hosts "Old and New Paths" by the Las Cruces Art Association with artwork in a variety of media, and "Impressions, Impressions," a new exhibit of photographs by Tony Martinez and Richard Davis. "Little Pictures" by Irma Lee will also be on display. The gallery is at 326 S. Mesquite St. Hours are noon to 3 p.m. Friday, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday or by appointment. Call 524-0003.

GALERÍA TEPÍN hosts an exhibition "Carnaval Social" featuring the work of César Iván, a visual artist and musician, through Feb. 28. He works in various media including oil-acrylic painting, metal, wood, mosaic, murals, computer graphics and handmade calaca (skeleton) marionettes. Galería Tepín is located at 2220 Calle de Parian. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call 523-3988.

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 Dunclee, 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" through August. The exhibit revisits the dramatic Dust Bowl and sheds light on the causes, effects and aftermath in New Mexico in the 1930s.

"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.

THE STUDIO features the work of Robert Carlson, Tracy Jamison and Susan Loverin. The Studio is at 665 E. University Ave. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturdays by appointment. Call 523-1809.

Coming soon

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Saturday, Feb. 12

Bulletin Restaurant Guide

Meet me at Le Rendez-vous Name change means more cuisine de Francais

By David Edwards
Las Cruces Bulletin

When I was in college, I worked as a dishwasher, salad maker and waiter in a restaurant owned by a couple whose kids I knew from the theater. It was called El Adobe and they served ... you guessed it ... French food. That's right, French. I know El Adobe seems like it should be Southwestern cuisine, but that was not the case. I don't know if I ever heard the story of why it didn't have a French-sounding name. It remains a mystery to me.

El Adobe has long since gone to the restaurant graveyard – the building is now a house, no physical evidence of it remains. Jim Mangas was a helluva cook and he produced some great food. It wasn't a very extensive menu, and its Frenchness was not necessarily representative of the expanse of that country's famous vittles. I don't recall there being



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by David Edwards

The lunch crowd enjoys sandwiches, soups, salads and French fare, especially the pastries.

many other French restaurants in Las Cruces during the years that followed. At least none come to mind.

But since Thierry Marceaux and his wife Jung-sook blew into town about two and a half years ago, there has definitely been some French options on the table. They purchased The Big Chair Café and gradually began introducing French items to the menu. The first noticeable things were the incredible French pastries.

Marceaux was born, raised and trained as a pastry chef in France. He came to the United States to open a pastry café in New Orleans. He tired of that after a couple of years and began to work in hotels, which took him to South Carolina, Texas and back to New Orleans. It was in South Carolina that he met Jung-sook, who was an intern from Korea working in the same hotel kitchen.

The Marceauxs and their three children found themselves back in New Orleans, and in 2003, lost their home in the flooding caused by Hurricane Katrina. Another brief spell in Dallas ended when they followed a retired friend's advice and came to Las Cruces.

"The Big Chair was already an established business with customers who came for the sandwiches and salads," Marceaux said. "I didn't want to lose the customers we already had, so I kept much of the menu the same and added French items."

To further their visions of Paris, the owners renamed The Big Chair, Le Rendez-vous in 2011.

One of the French dishes added was quiche, and there are usually two types every day. A variety of new soups joined the lineup as well as a daily special, such as beef burgundy.

Lunch buddy and I showed up on Saturday around 12:15 p.m., and the place was busy. Despite our server's apologies, the food came very quickly.

I decided I was going for a total French experience and ordered the

French onion soup as a prelude to the pan-bagnet on a French roll. The former came with three large croutons soaking in the soup and it was covered with melted cheesiness. The pan-bagnet is a tuna salad with boiled egg, black olive and greens. It may be the best tuna sandwich I have ever had in my life. It comes with a spring salad and a tasty balsamic vinaigrette dressing.

Lunch buddy had the pâté maison, which is a variety of the house pâtés and French sausage with Dijon mustard, a spring salad and a small baguette. He also had the French onion soup as a starter. Marceaux also bakes his own bread, and it's wonderful.

Other French country-side items includes a plate with a variety of cheeses and a combination cheese and pâté plate, both are served with a salad and a baguette.

The pastry case was unavoidable. I tried the brioche bread pastry with a filling of thick custard. I could hear my taste buds shouting, "Formidable!" while I was eating it and "Zut alors," when it was gone. LB had the blueberry tart, which is also custard-filled.

Le Rendez-vous supplies pastries for several other restaurants in town, which has helped to establish Marceaux's reputation as a superb pastry chef.

How soon before the menu goes French completely?

"Well, I don't know that we will completely get away from the old menu," he said. "Although if I keep adding things and never take anything away, I will need a menu as long as this table. I even kept a burrito on the breakfast menu because people like it."

Yes, they serve breakfast from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. and all day on Saturday. And, yes, they have croissants and French toast.

For now, Thierry and Jung-sook Marceaux are just happy to have a popular restaurant that can offer foodies in Las Cruces something different and très magnifique.

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Television Listings

Sports News Movies

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FRIDAY EVENING		JANUARY 28, 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)	Frontline (In Stereo)	Charlie Rose (N)	World	T. Smiley					
CBS	3	News	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	NCIS: Los Angeles	CSI: NY	Hawaii Five-0	News	Letterman	Late					
ABC	7	News (N)	ABC News (N)	Ent	Supernanny	Primitime: What	20/20 (N)	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live						
FOX	8	14	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	Kitchen Nightmares	Fringe "Reciprocity"	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb			
NBC	9	9	News (N)	News	News (N)	Lopez	Minute to Win It	Dateline NBC (In Stereo)	News (N)	Jay Leno	Late					
CW	14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	Smallville (N)	Supernatural (N)	The City	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 From Aspen, Colo. (Live)						NBA Basketball Boston Celtics at Phoenix Suns.			SportsCenter					
ESPN2	27	SportsCenter			Track and Field Millrose Games.			Boxing Friday Night Fights. (Live)			X Center (Live)		NBA NFL Live			
USA	31	NCIS			CSI: Crime Scene			CSI: Crime Scene			CSI: Crime Scene			"Chaos" (2005)		
TNT	32	Bones			*** "The Dark Knight" (2008, Action) Christian Bale.			(:15) *** "Lethal Weapon" (1987) Mel Gibson.			Negotia					
TBS	33	Seinfeld			** "Get Smart" (2008) Steve Carell.			Office			** "Legally Blonde" (2001)					
COM	35	Daily			Tosh.0			Kevin Hart			Iglesias: Fluffy			Comedy		
LIFE	39	Mother			Tosh.0			Reba			Reba			Comedy		
FOOD	40	Flay			Best			Chopped			Diners			Diners		
HGTV	41	Hunters			House			Property			Hunters			Hunters		
A&E	43	Criminal Minds			Criminal Minds			Criminal Minds			Criminal Minds			(:01) Criminal Minds		
HIST	44	Modern Marvels			Modern Marvels			Modern Marvels (N)			American Pickers			Modern Marvels		
TLC	45	Four Weddings			Say Yes			Say Yes			Four Weddings			Say Yes		
DISC	47	Gold Rush: Alaska			Gold Rush: Alaska			Flying Wild Alaska			Gold Rush: Alaska			Flying Wild Alaska		
ANPL	50	The Haunted			Fatal Attractions			Fatal Attractions			Confessions			Fatal Attractions		
FAM	51	Funny Home Videos			Funny Home Videos			Funny Home Videos			The 700 Club			Who's? Who's? Get Hot! Shirt Off!		
DISN	52	Wizards			Wizards			Wizards			G. Martin			Nanny		
NICK	54	Sponge.			Sponge.			Chris			Lopez			Lopez		
AMC	57	"High Plains Drifter"			*** "True Grit" (1969) John Wayne, Glen Campbell.			*** "El Dorado" (1967) John Wayne, Robert Mitchum.								
SYFY	59	(4:00) "Catwoman"			WWE Friday Night SmackDown! (N)			Merlin "Gwaine" (N)			Being Human			Merlin "Gwaine" Face Off		
CNN	62	John King, USA (N)			Parker Spitzer (N)			Piers Morgan			Anderson Cooper 360 (N)			Piers Morgan		
CNBC	63	The Kudlow Report			60 Minutes on			The Sky's the Limit			Ford: Rebuilding			Mad Money		
MSNBC	64	Hardball Matthews			The Last Word			Rachel Maddow			Lockup			Lockup		

SATURDAY MORNING		JANUARY 29, 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		Bob Build	Dinosaur	Thomas	Mr Rogers	W'dwright	Best of Joy	Fine Art	Sews	organic	Liv'g
CBS	3	Paid Prog.		The Early Show (N) (In Stereo)		Good Morning America		Doodlebop	Doodlebop	Sabrina	Sabrina	Buystown	Pregame
ABC	7	Sports		Reporter		Good Morning El Paso		Good Morning El Paso		School	Replacemn	So Raven	So Raven
FOX	8	Real-Scrt		Profit		Paid Prog.		Icons		House	Secrets	Marketpl	Marketpl
NBC	9	Paid Prog.		Faith Ave		Today U.S. Figure Skating		Championships. (N)		Turbo	Sheldon	Magic Bus	Babar (El)
CW	14	(3:00) Storm Track Weather 24/7		Look Thin		Makeovers		Nu Wave		In the Heat of the Night	Sonic X	Sonic X	Yu-Gi-Oh!
WGN	15	Paid Prog.		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		College GameDay (Live)	College Basketball
ESPN	26	X Center		Sport Sci.		NBA		NFL Live		Tennis Australian Open, Women's Final.		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	27	X Center		Sport Sci.		NBA		NFL Live		Tennis Australian Open, Women's Final.		SportsCenter	
USA	31	Whiz Kid!		Paid Prog.		Fat Loss		Fairly Legal "Priceless"		*** "Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines"		(:02) "The Condemned"	
TNT	32	Law & Order (In Stereo)		Law & Order (In Stereo)		Law & Order (In Stereo)		Law & Order (In Stereo)		Memphis Beat		The Closer "Fate Line"	
TBS	33	Harvey		Harvey		Yes, Dear		Yes, Dear		Bloopers 4		(:20) ** "Win a Date With Tad Hamilton!"	
COM	35	Bosley Hair		Get Hot!		Comedy		Comedy		** "Trading Places" (1983, Comedy) Dan Aykroyd.		Stand-Up	
LIFE	39	Paid Prog.		Paid Prog.		USA Faces		No Diets!		Paid Prog.		"Racing for Time" (2008) Charles S. Dutton.	
FOOD	40	Tyler's Ult.		Grill It!		Big Daddy		Giada		Day Off		Mexican	
HGTV	41	Income		Kitchen		Bathtastic!		Sweat Equ.		Holmes on Homes		Disaster	
A&E	43	My Ghost Story		Sell House		Sell House		Sell House		Sell House		Sell House	
HIST	44	Heavy Metal		Blood Diamonds		Sierra Leone.		Home Made Simple (N)		Property Ladder		Property Ladder	
TLC	45	TRIALaser		Paid Prog.		Paid Prog.		Million \$		* "Dinocroc" (2004) Costas Mandylor.		"Kraken: Tentacles of the Deep" (2006)	
DISC	47	Paid Prog.		Removal		Hot Bodies of 2011		Dirty Jobs		Catching a Killer: BTK		Exorcists-Story	
ANPL	50	(4:00) Animal Planet Dog		Championships		Animals		Animals		It's Me or the Dog		Pit Boss	
FAM	51	Boy World		*** "Bridge to Terabithia" (2007, Fantasy)		*** "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" (2005)							
DISN	52	Charlie		Little		Jungle		Chugging		Movers		Manny	
NICK	54	Parents		Rugrats		Fanboy		SpongeBob		SpongeBob		SpongeBob	
AMC	57	Fat Loss		Paid Prog.		Paid Prog.		Paid Prog.		Stooges		** "Kansas Raiders" (1950) Audie Murphy.	
SYFY	59	Paid Prog.		Paid Prog.		Paid Prog.		Million \$		* "Dinocroc" (2004) Costas Mandylor.		"Kraken: Tentacles of the Deep" (2006)	
CNN	62	Saturday		Gupta		CNN Saturday Morning		Bottom		Newsroom		Newsroom	
CNBC	63	Get Hair		Paid Prog.		Paid Prog.		Lean Sexy Waistline		Paid Prog.		USA Faces	
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)	

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		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	Hometime	MotorWeek	NMSU	This Old House Hr	Garden	Garden	Endless	Avec Eric	Rachel	Lawrence Welk		
CBS	3	College Basketball Minnesota at Purdue.			PGA Tour Golf Farmers Insurance Open, Third Round. (Live)			Light Relief			Paid Prog.		
ABC	7	Hannah		Suite Life		Paid Prog.		Paid Prog.		ESPN Sports Saturday		Sports anthology. (N)	
FOX	8	Paid Prog.		Eco Co.		Look Thin		Traveler		Raceweek		Donate	
NBC	9	Pets.TV		3 Wide Life		Skiing		Figure Skating U.S. Championships, Pairs Free Skate & Dance Free.		Paid Prog.		Paid Prog.	
CW	14	Yu-Gi-Oh!		Yu-Gi-Oh!		Into Wild		Wild Amer.		Edgemont		Edgemont	
WGN	15	Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI	
ESPN	26	College Basketball		College Basketball		Bradley at Wichita State.		Winter X Games From Aspen, Colo. (Live)		College GameDay (Live)		College Basketball	
ESPN2	27	College Basketball		College Basketball		Bradley at Wichita State.		Winter X Games From Aspen, Colo. (Live)		College GameDay (Live)		College Basketball	
USA	31	(10:02) * "The Condemned" (2007)		(:31) "Chaos" (2005, Action) Jason Statham.		(:32) ** "War" (2007, Action) Jet Li.		(:34) Crank					
TNT	32	** "Payback" (1999, Action) Mel Gibson.		*** "Lethal Weapon 3" (1992) Mel Gibson. (DVS)		*** "Lethal Weapon 4" (1998)							
TBS	33	Bewitched (:20) ** "Legally Blonde" (2001) Luke Wilson		Jim		Raymond		Raymond		Raymond		King	
COM	35	Stand-Up		Stand-Up		Stand-Up		Stand-Up		Stand-Up		Stand-Up	
LIFE	39	** "No Reservations" (2007, Drama)		** "Management" (2008) Jennifer Aniston.		** "She's the One" (1996) Jennifer Aniston.							
FOOD	40	Contessa		Contessa		Worst Cooks		Chopped		Cupcake Wars		Iron Chef America	
HGTV	41	Unsellable		Get It Sold		Curb/Block Design		Cash, Cari Bang, Buck		Candice Sarah		Genevieve Color Spl.	
A&E	43	Flip House		Beyond Scared Straight		Beyond Scared Straight		Beyond Scared Straight		The First 48		The First 48	
HIST	44	IRT Deadliest Roads		IRT Deadliest Roads		IRT Deadliest Roads		IRT Deadliest Roads		IRT Deadliest Roads		IRT Deadliest Roads	
TLC	45	Property Ladder		Cake Boss: Next Baker		Cake Boss: Next Baker		Cake Boss: Next Baker		Cake Boss: Next Baker		Cake Boss: Next Baker	
DISC	47	Solved		Solved		The Dark Side		Ten-of-the Mafia		FBI's 10 Most Wanted		Almost, Away	
ANPL	50	Pit Boss		Pit Boss		Pit Boss		Pit Boss		Pit Boss		Pit Boss	
FAM	51	*** "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" (1971)		*** "Coming to America" (1988, Comedy) Eddie Murphy.		*** "Snow Dogs"							
DISN	52	Phineas		Fish Hooks		Suite/Deck		Suite/Deck		Wizards		Wizards	
NICK	54	Big Time		Victorious		SpongeBob		SpongeBob		SpongeBob		Penguins	
AMC	57	"High Plains Drifter"		*** "El Dorado" (1967, Western) John Wayne, Robert Mitchum.		*** "True Grit" (1969) John Wayne.							
SYFY	59	"Supergator" (2007, Suspense) Brad Johnson.		"Malibu Shark Attack" (2009) Peta Wilson.		"Mega Shark vs. Giant Octopus" (2009)							
CNN	62	Your Money		Newsroom		Newsroom		Newsroom		Newsroom		Situation Room	
CNBC	63	Paid Prog.		MaxClarity		Salad Chef		MaxClarity		Paid Prog.		USA Faces	
MSNBC	64	Kindness of Strangers		Candy Heiress		Who Shot the Sheriff		From Glory to Gone		A Long Dark Stretch of Road			

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PBS	22	News	Heartland	Ebert	News	Monarch of the Glen	Wait...	Red	Austin City Limits	International Jazz	Sun Stud	Taste			
CBS	3	News	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	CSI: Crime Scene	Criminal Minds	48 Hours Mystery	News	Extra (N)	Judge J.				
ABC	7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Insider	*** "Dreamgirls" (2006)	Jamie Foxx. (In Stereo)		ABC 7	(:35) Cheaters	Ent				
FOX	8	14	House	The Unit	Cops (N)	Amer. Most Wanted	News	Seinfeld	Fringe	"Reciprocity"	Fame	Office			
NBC	9	9	Raymond	News	News (N)	Lopez	Harry's Law	Figure Skating	News (N)	(:29) Saturday Night Live (N)					
CW	14		* "Bio-Dome" (1996)	Pauly Shore.	*** "Philadelphia" (1993, Drama)	Tom Hanks.	The Hills	Chris	Payne	South Pk	South Pk				
WGN	15		Bones	NBA Basketball	Indiana Pacers	at Chicago Bulls.	News	Mother	Mother	South Pk	South Pk	Entou	Curb		
ESPN	26		College Basketball	College Basketball	Pittsburgh	at Rutgers.	Tennis	Australian Open, Women's Final.	X Center	(Live)	Winter X Games				
ESPN2	27		College Basketball	College Basketball	Pittsburgh	at Rutgers.	Tennis	Australian Open, Women's Final.	X Center	(Live)	Winter X Games				
USA	31		(4:34) ** "Crank" (2006)	*** "The Bourne Ultimatum" (2007)	Matt Damon.	** "Crank" (2006)	Jason Statham.				Royal Pains				
TNT	32		"Lethal Weapon 4"	*** "Training Day" (2001)	Premiere.	(:10) *** "The Bourne Supremacy" (2004)					(:25) "Mission: Impossible III"				
TBS	33		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	** "Get Smart" (2008)	Steve Carell.	"Talladega Nights: Ricky Bobby"	*** "Men in Black" (1997)							
COM	35		Stand-Up	Stand-Up	Stand-Up	Stand-Up	Nick Kroll: Cool	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Nick Kroll: Cool	Bo Burnham				
LIFE	39		*** "Friends With Money" (2006)	** "Picture Perfect" (1997)	Premiere.	** "No Reservations" (2007)					Mother	Mother			
FOOD	40		Tailgate-Fieri	Tailgate-Fieri	Tailgate-Fieri	Tailgate-Fieri	Tailgate-Fieri	Iron Chef America	Tailgate-Fieri	Tailgate-Fieri	Tailgate-Fieri				
HGTV	41		Hunters	House	Candice	Color	Dear	Cash,	House	Hunters	House	House			
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		IRT Deadliest Roads	Prophets of Doom		Megaquake 10.0			(:01) Prophets of Doom						
TLC	45		Cake Boss:Next	Cake Boss:Next	Cake Boss: Next Great Baker	19 Kids	Cake Boss:Next	Cake Boss: Next Great Baker	19 Kids	Cake Boss: Next Great Baker	19 Kids				
DISC	47		Almost, Away	Almost, Away	Kidnap & Rescue	Kidnap & Rescue	Almost, Away	Kidnap & Rescue	Kidnap & Rescue	Kidnap & Rescue					
ANPL	50		Pit Boss	It's Me or the Dog	Pit Boss	Pit Boss	(In Stereo)	Pit Boss	Pit Boss	(In Stereo)	It's Me or the Dog				
FAM	51		(4:00) "Snow Dogs"	** "The Game Plan" (2007)	Madison Pettis	*** "Remember the Titans" (2000)	Will Patton	Prince	Prince						
DISN	52		Shake it	Shake it	Wizards	Wizards	Hannah	Deck	Deck	Phineas	Fish	Hannah	Forever	Hannah	Hannah
NICK	54		Big Time	iCarly	Sponge.	Sponge.	Sponge.	iCarly	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny
AMC	57		(3:00) "True Grit"	*** "Jeremiah Johnson" (1972)	Robert Redford.	*** "Jeremiah Johnson" (1972)	Robert Redford.	** "Wyatt Earp"							
SYFY	59		"Mega Piranha" (2010)	Tiffany.	"Mega Python vs. Gatoroid" (2011)	(:04) "Lake Placid 2" (2007, Horror)	"Mega Python"								
CNN	62		Newsroom	Selling the Girl Next	Piers Morgan	Newsroom	Selling the Girl Next	Piers Morgan	Newsroom						
CNBC	63		Supermarkets	American Greed	Suze Orman Show	Debt Part	Debt Part	American Greed	Suze Orman Show	Debt Part	Debt Part				
MSNBC	64		Murder for Hire	Lockup	Lockup: Raw	Lockup: Raw	Lockup: Raw	Lockup: Raw	Lockup	Lockup					



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PBS	22	Sun Studio Sessions	McLaughlin	Conrady	Santa Fe	Scully	Need to Know (N)	Wash.	Legislators	Religion	McLaughlin		
CBS	3	Home.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Bondage	CBS News Sunday Morning (N)	The Nation	Nieman	Foods	Motorcycle Racing			
ABC	7	Business	Wall Street	Good Morning El Paso	Good Morning America	Good Morning El Paso	This Week-Amanpour	Paid Prog.	NBA				
FOX	8	14	Paid Prog.	Fat Loss	Paid Prog.	Bndg Brkr	Abndnt L	Paid Prog.	Fox News Sunday	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Funniest	Paid Prog.
NBC	9	9	Bellator	Old House	Today (N)	Salad Chef	Church	Foods	Paid Prog.	Meet the Press (N)	Mtthws	Auto Show	
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	Feed	Word	Funniest Home Videos	** "King Arthur" (2004)	Clive Owen. (In Stereo)		
ESPN	26		SportsCenter	SportsCenter	Outside	Reporters	SportsCenter	Sunday NFL Countdown	X Games				
ESPN2	27		E:60 (N)	Final	NBA	SportsCenter (N)	Tennis	Australian Open, Men's Final.	From Melbourne, Australia.				
USA	31		Paid Prog.	Creflo Doll	Paid Prog.	J. Osteen	White Collar	Royal Pains "Pit Stop"	NCIS "Yankee White"	NCIS (In Stereo)			
TNT	32		Law & Order (In Stereo)	Law & Order "Ritual"	Law & Order (In Stereo)	Law & Order "Phobia"	Law & Order (In Stereo)	"Bourne Suprm."					
TBS	33		"American Wedding"	** "Blue Streak" (1999)	Martin Lawrence.	** "Billy Madison" (1995)	Adam Sandler.	** "Varsity Blues"					
COM	35		Hot Bodies of 2011	Presents	** "Turner & Hooch" (1989)	Tom Hanks.	** "Blue Collar Comedy Tour Rides Again" (2004)						
LIFE	39		In Touch	Hour of Power	J. Osteen	Paid Prog.	Chris	Chris	"For One Night" (2006)	Raven-Symone.			
FOOD	40		Boitano	Day Off	Chef	30-Minute	Rachael Ray's	Giada	Giada	Cooking	Aarti Party	Money	Dinners
HGTV	41		Income	Kitchen	Bathstastic!	Sweat Equ.	Holmes on Homes	Disaster	House	Yard	Income	House	Hunters
A&E	43		Biography	Biography	Private Sessions (N)	*** "Cliffhanger" (1993)	Sylvester Stallone.	Heavy "Tom; Jodi"					
HIST	44		Modern Marvels	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars
TLC	45		Dr. Frederick K.C. Price	MaxClarity	Paid Prog.	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes to the Dress	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes
DISC	47		Paid Prog.	Jentezen	J. Osteen	In Touch	Dirty Jobs	Auction	Auction	Flying Wild Alaska	Gold Rush: Alaska		
ANPL	50		Animals	Animals	Funniest Animals	Me or Dog	Me or Dog	It's Me or the Dog	Wild Kingdom	Wild Kingdom			
FAM	51		*** "Coming to America" (1988, Comedy)	Eddie Murphy.	*** "Remember the Titans" (2000)	Denzel Washington.	700 Club-Programming						
DISN	52		Charlie	Little	Little	Jungle	Chugging	Movers	Manny	Agent Oso	Mickey	Mickey	Phineas
NICK	54		Parents	Rugrats	Hero	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	T.U.F.F.	T.U.F.F.	Penguins	Planet	The Troop
AMC	57		Stooges	Stooges	Stooges	Stooges	Stooges	Stooges	** "Wyatt Earp" (1994, Biography)	Kevin Costner, Dennis Quaid.			
SYFY	59		Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	MaxClarity	Face Off	** "The Graves" (2010, Horror)	Clare Grant.	** "Kill Theory" (2008)			
CNN	62		Newsroom	Gupta	CNN Sunday Morning	State of the Union	Fareed Zakaria GPS	Reliable Sources	State of the Union				
CNBC	63		Paid Prog.	Spinning	MaxClarity	Get Hot!	Paid Prog.	Get Ripped	Paid Prog.	MaxClarity	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	TRIALaser
MSNBC	64		Hardball	Business	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	The Runaways		

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PBS	22	News	New Mexico In Focus	Moneytrk	Wider	Opinion	Healthy	Greener	Field Trip!	Travel	Antiques Roadshow		
CBS	3		College Basketball	Duke at St. John's.	PGA Tour Golf	Farmers Insurance Open, Final Round. (Live)					Paid Prog.		
ABC	7		NBA Basketball	Miami Heat at Oklahoma City Thunder.	NBA Basketball	Boston Celtics at Los Angeles Lakers.					Entertainment Tonight		
FOX	8	14	Jeanie	Fat Loss	"Air Buddies" (2006)	Patrick Cranshaw.	*** "Meet the Robinsons" (2007)				Deadliest Catch		
NBC	9	9	Auto Show	Snowboarding	Bull Riding	Figure Skating					AAA	WEN Hair	
CW	14		Edgemont	Edgemont	Funniest Moments	Storms	Storms	Kickin' It	Latino TV	LatiNation	Smash Cut	Smash Cut	
WGN	15		** "The Royal Tenenbaums" (2001)	(In Stereo)	* "Out Cold" (2001)	Jason London. (In Stereo)	Scrubs	Scrubs	Scrubs	Scrubs	Just Shoot	Chris	
ESPN	26		(10:30) Winter X Games	From Aspen, Colo. (Live)							SportsCenter		
ESPN2	27		Tennis	PBA Bowling	Women's College Gymnastics	Women's College Basketball	Georgia at LSU.						
USA	31		NCIS "Sea Dog"	NCIS Officer's sword.	NCIS "The Curse"	NCIS "High Seas"	NCIS "Sub Rosa"	NCIS "Marine Down"					
TNT	32		"Bourne Suprm."	(:15) *** "Training Day" (2001)	Denzel Washington.	(:45) *** "The Dark Knight" (2008)	Christian Bale.						
TBS	33		(10:00) "Varsity Blues"	*** "Men in Black" (1997)	Tommy Lee Jones.	"Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby"	** "Get Smart"						
COM	35		Scrubs	Scrubs	Scrubs	Scrubs	* "Vegas Vacation" (1997)	Chevy Chase.	** "Blue Collar Comedy Tour Rides Again"				
LIFE	39		** "She's the One" (1996)	Jennifer Aniston.	** "Sydney White" (2007)	Amanda Bynes.	* "The Ex" (2006, Comedy)	Zach Braff.					
FOOD	40		Home	Guy's, Bite	Tailgate-Fieri	Tailgate-Fieri	Tailgate-Fieri	Tailgate-Fieri	Restaurant: Impossible				
HGTV	41		My First	First Place	Estate	Selling NY	Bang, Buck	Get It Sold	House	Hunters	For Rent	Unsellable	Cash, Cari
A&E	43		Heavy	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	The Sopranos	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds			
HIST	44		Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars
TLC	45		Lottery Changed	Life	Lottery Changed, Life	Lottery Changed, Life	Lottery Changed	Lottery Changed	Lottery Changed	Lottery Changed	Lottery Changed		
DISC	47		Sons	Sons	Desert Car Kings	Dirty Jobs	MythBusters	MythBusters	Auction	Auction			
ANPL	50		Wild	Wild	Wild	Wild	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive			
FAM	51		(10:00) 700 Club Special	Programming							700 Club-Programming		
DISN	52		Phineas	Fish Hooks	Suite/Deck	Suite/Deck	Wizards	Wizards	Good Luck	Shake it	Hannah	Hannah	Suite/Deck
NICK	54		iCarly	iCarly	Parents	Fanboy	Fanboy	Penguins	Penguins	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Jackson	Big Time
AMC	57		(8:00) ** "Wyatt Earp" (1994)	*** "Jeremiah Johnson" (1972)	Robert Redford.	*** "Open Range" (2003)	Robert Duvall.						
SYFY	59		(10:00) "Kill Theory"	"The Final" (2010, Drama)	Marc Donato.	*** "28 Days Later" (2002, Horror)	Cillian Murphy.	Dawn-Dead					
CNN	62		Fareed Zakaria GPS	Newsroom	Your Money	Newsroom	Newsroom	Newsroom	Newsroom	Newsroom			
CNBC	63		Paid Prog.	Get Rich	Get Ripped	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Salad Chef	TRIALaser	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	MaxClarity	Shirt Off!
MSNBC	64		The Runaways	Meet the Press	A Murderous Career	Eight Times a Killer	To Catch a Killer	Caught on Camera					

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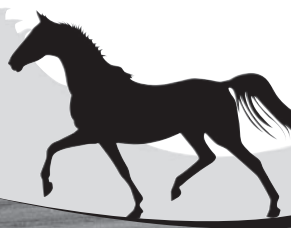
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SUNDAY EVENING

JANUARY 30, 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	Globe Trekker	NOVA (N) (In Stereo)	Nature (In Stereo)	Masterpiece Classic (N) (C)	Art-Century	Spain	Europe	Europe						
CBS 3	News	News	60 Minutes (N)	Undercover Boss	"The Lost Valentine" (2011) Premiere.	News	Cold Case (C)	Paid						
ABC 7	News (N)	ABC	Funny Home Videos	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition (N)	Desp.-Wives	News (N)	News	Insider	Betty					
FOX 8	NFL Football AFC-NFC Pro Bowl. From Aloha Stadium in Honolulu.	Fam. Guy	KFOX News at Nine	Seinfeld	Mother	Office	Mother							
NBC 9	News	News	Dateline NBC (C)	** "National Treasure: Book of Secrets" (2007) (In Stereo)	News (N)	Lopez	Nieman	Paid						
CW 14	*** "Evelyn" (2002)	Pierce Brosnan.	*** "Drumline" (2002)	Nick Cannon.	Access Hollywood	Ugly Betty (C)	Brothers & Sisters							
WGN 15	Chris	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Monk (C)	Monk (C)						
ESPN 26	Winter X Games From Aspen, Colo. (Live) (C)				NBA Basketball Utah Jazz at Golden State Warriors.	SportsCenter (Live) (C)								
ESPN2 27	Tennis Australian Open, Men's Final. From Melbourne, Australia.	X Center (Live)	SportsCenter (C)	Winter X Games	Quarterback									
USA 31	NCIS (C)	NCIS "Eye Spy"	NCIS (C)	NCIS (C)	Royal Pains (C)	White Collar (C)	* "FearDotCom"							
TNT 32	"The Dark Knight"	17th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards	17th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards	17th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards	** "Patriot Games" (1992) Premiere.	** "Billy Madison" (1995)	Adam Sandler.							
TBS 33	(4:00) "Get Smart"	17th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards	** "Get Smart" (2008)	Steve Carell.										
COM 35	Blue Com	Jeff Foxworthy	Jeff Dunham: Spark of Insanity	The Comedy Central Roast	Tosh.0	Onion	South Pk	Futurama	Futurama					
LIFE 39	* "Picture Perfect" (1997) (C)		** "The Nanny Diaries" (2007) (C)	** "The Nanny Diaries" (2007) (C)										
FOOD 40	Worst Cooks	Challenge	Worst Cooks	Iron Chef America	Cupcake Wars	Worst Cooks	Iron Chef America							
HGTV 41	Hunters	House	Holmes on Homes	Holmes Inspection	House	Hunters	Income	Income	Holmes Inspection	House	Hunters			
A&E 43	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	(:01) Criminal Minds	(:01) Criminal Minds							
HIST 44	Ax Men (C)	Ax Men (C)	Ax Men (N) (C)	Pawn	Pawn	Modern Marvels	(:01) Ax Men (C)	(:01) Ax Men (C)						
TLC 45	Lottery Changed	Lottery Changed	Kennedys' Home Movies (N) (C)	Kennedys' Home Movies (N) (C)	Kennedys' Home Movies (N) (C)	Lottery Changed								
DISC 47	Auction	Auction	Beer Saved	Hogs Gone Wild	Hogs Gone Wild (N)	Beer Saved	Hogs Gone Wild	Hogs Gone Wild						
ANPL 50	Pit Boss (In Stereo)	Confessions	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	Confessions							
FAM 51	(4:00) 700 Club Special Programming					J. Osteen	Ed Young	Zola Lev	Paid					
DISN 52	Deck	Good	Wizards	Wizards	Hannah Forever	Hannah	Good	Shake It	Good	Good	Hannah	Hannah		
NICK 54	Penguins	Sponge.	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny		
AMC 57	"Open Range" (C)	*** "Seraphim Falls" (2006)	Liam Neeson.	*** "Seraphim Falls" (2006)	Liam Neeson.	*** "Seraphim Falls" (2006)	Liam Neeson.	"Open Range" (C)						
SYFY 59	(4:30) *** "Dawn of the Dead" (2004)	** "Jurassic Park III" (2001)	Sam Neill.	"Triassic Attack" (2010)	Steven Brand.	"Pterodactyl" (2005)								
CNN 62	Newsroom	State of the Union	Piers Morgan	Newsroom	State of the Union	Piers Morgan	Newsroom							
CNBC 63	Debt Part	Wall St.	Big Mac: Inside	Made-Millions	Supermarkets	The Sky's the Limit	American Greed	Ultimate Fight.						
MSNBC 64	Caught on Camera	Caught on Camera	Will You Kill for Me: Charles Manson	Predator Raw	Predator Raw	Criminal Mindscape								

MONDAY EVENING

JANUARY 31, 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	Amer. Experience	Chautauqua	Charlie Rose (N)	World	T. Smiley					
CBS 3	News	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	Mother	Rules	Two Men	Mike	Hawaii Five-0 (C)	News	Letterman	Late		
ABC 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	The Bachelor (N) (In Stereo) (C)	(:01) Castle (C)	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live					
FOX 8	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	Human Target (N)	Lie to Me (C)	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb			
NBC 9	News (N)	News	News (N)	Lopez	Chuck (N) (C)	The Cape "Dice" (N)	Harry's Law (N)	News (N)	Jay Leno	Late				
CW 14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	90210 (N) (C)	Gossip Girl (N)	The City	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	Texas at Texas A&M.	SportsCenter (C)	SportsCenter Spec.	SportsCenter (C)						
ESPN2 27	Women's College Basketball			Welcome to the NFL	Year/Quarterback	Bowl	Bowl	Final	NFL	NBA	Basket			
USA 31	NCIS "Iceman"	NCIS (C)		WWE Monday Night RAW (C)	(:05) White Collar	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles	CSI: NY Decisions.	CSI: NY (C)					
TNT 32	Bones (C)	Bones (C)		Bones (C)	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles	CSI: NY Decisions.	CSI: NY (C)						
TBS 33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Conan (N)	Lopez Tonight (N)	Conan				
COM 35	*** "American Pie" (1999) (C)			Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Daily	Colbert	Sunny	Sunny	Futurama	Daily	
LIFE 39	"Homecoming" (2009)	Mischa Barton.	"Taken From Me: Tiffany Rubin Story"	Tiffany Rubin	Tiffany Rubin	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Will					
FOOD 40	Iron Chef America	Unwrap	Unwrap	Diners	Diners	Best	Good Eat	Good	Diners	Diners	Best	Best		
HGTV 41	Hunters	House	Property	Property	House	Hunters	Cash,	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Cash,	Hunters		
A&E 43	The First 48 (C)	Intervention (C)	Intervention (N)	Heavy (N) (C)	Heavy (C)	(:01) Intervention	(:01) Intervention							
HIST 44	American Pickers	Pawn	Pawn	American Pickers	Pawn	Pawn	American Pickers	Pawn	Pawn	American Pickers				
TLC 45	Cake	Cake	Cake	Cake	Cake Boss (C)	19 Kids	19 Kids	Cake	Cake	Cake Boss (C)	19 Kids	19 Kids		
DISC 47	MythBusters (C)	American Chopper	American Chopper	Gold Rush: Alaska	American Chopper	Gold Rush: Alaska	American Chopper	Gold Rush: Alaska	American Chopper	Gold Rush: Alaska				
ANPL 50	Pit Bulls-Parole	Pit Bulls-Parole	Pit Boss (C)	Pit Boss (In Stereo)	Pit Boss (C)	Pit Boss (C)	Pit Boss (C)	Pit Boss (C)	Pit Boss (C)	Pit Boss (C)	Pit Boss (C)	Pit Boss (C)		
FAM 51	Pretty Little Liars	Pretty Little Liars	Greek (N) (C)	Pretty Little Liars	The 700 Club (C)	Whose?	Whose?	Paid	Paid					
DISN 52	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Hannah	Good	Deck	Deck	"Avalon High" (2010, Fantasy)	Fish	Deck	Deck			
NICK 54	iCarly	Sponge.	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Lopez	Lopez
AMC 57	"Seraphim Falls"	** "Hidalgo" (2004)	Viggo Mortensen, Omar Sharif. (C)	** "Hidalgo" (2004)	Viggo Mortensen, Omar Sharif. (C)									
SYFY 59	"Jurassic Park III"	Being Human	Being Human (N)	** "Dawn of the Dead" (2004)	Sarah Polley.	Being Human	Face Off							
CNN 62	John King, USA (N)	Parker Spitzer (N)	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360 (C)	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper								
CNBC 63	The Kudlow Report	Supermarkets	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

FEBRUARY 1, 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)	News 22	Pioneers, Television	Frontline (N) (C)	Independent Lens (N) (C)	Charlie Rose (N)	T. Smiley						
CBS 3	News	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	NCIS "Freedom" (N)	NCIS: Los Angeles	The Good Wife (N)	News	Letterman	Late				
ABC 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	No Ordinary Family	V "Unholy Alliance"	(:01) Detroit 1-8-7	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live				
FOX 8	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	Glee (C)	Million Dollar	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb			
NBC 9	News (N)	News	News (N)	George	The Biggest Loser (N) (In Stereo) (C)	Parenthood (N)	News (N)	Jay Leno	Late					
CW 14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	One Tree Hill (N)	Hellcats (N) (C)	The City	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	Purdue at Wisconsin.	College Basketball	Vanderbilt at Florida.	SportsCenter (C)	SportsCenter Spec.	SportsCenter (C)							
ESPN2 27	College Basketball	Baylor at Oklahoma.	Quarterback	NBA Coast to Coast	Boston	Boston	SportsNation (C)	NBA	Final					
USA 31	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	White Collar (N)	Royal Pains (C)	Fairly Legal (C)	White Collar (C)							
TNT 32	Bones (C)	*** "I Am Legend" (2007)	Will Smith.	Southland (N) (C)	Memphis Beat	Southland (C)	CSI: NY (C)							
TBS 33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Office	Office	Office	Office	Conan	Lopez Tonight	Conan					
COM 35	Daily	Colbert	Larry, Cable	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Onion	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	Onion	Futurama	Daily	
LIFE 39	Mother	Mother	Reba	Reba	Kids	Kids	One Born Ev.	Mother	Mother	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Will	
FOOD 40	Iron Chef America	Challenge	Cupcake Wars (N)	Chopped	Private Chefs	Cupcake Wars	Chopped							
HGTV 41	Hunters	House	First Pla.	First Pla.	Hunters	Selling	House	Hunters	Property	Property	Hunters	House	Hunters	
A&E 43	The First 48 (C)	The First 48 (C)	The First 48 (C)	The First 48 (C)	The First 48 (C)	The First 48 (C)	(:01) The First 48	(:01) Ax Men (C)	(:01) Ax Men (C)					
HIST 44	Ax Men (C)	Ax Men (C)	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	Fabulous Cakes (N)	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	Fabulous Cakes					
TLC 45	19 Kids	19 Kids	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	Fabulous Cakes (N)	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	Fabulous Cakes					
DISC 47	Pitchmen (C)	Dirty Jobs (C)	Dirty Jobs (C)	Dirty Jobs (N) (C)	Auction	Auction	Dirty Jobs (C)	Dirty Jobs (C)	Auction	Auction				
ANPL 50	Weird	Weird	I, Predator (N)	Human Prey Hippo.	Maneaters (C)	I								

WEDNESDAY EVENING													FEBRUARY 2, 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)	News 22	News 22	Nova scienceNOW	NOVA (N) (In Stereo)	Evening-Smokey	Charlie Rose (N)	World	T. Smiley					
CBS 3	News	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	Live to Dance	Criminal Minds	Blue Bloods (N)	News	Letterman	Late					
ABC 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	Middle	Middle	Family	Cougar	Off the Map (N)	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live			
FOX 8	14	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	American Idol (N)	Human Target (N)	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb			
NBC 9	9	News (N)	News	News (N)	Lopez	Minute to Win It (N)	Minute to Win It (N)	Law & Order: SVU	News (N)	Jay Leno	Late				
CW 14	14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	Nikita "Free" (N)	The Vampire Diaries	The City	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU	Access			
WGN 15	15	Funny Home Videos	Chris	Chris	Mother	Mother	WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Scrubs	South Pk	South Pk	Entou	Curb		
ESPN 26	26	College Basketball	Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball	Duke at Maryland.	SportsCenter	SportsCenter Spec.	SportsCenter							
ESPN2 27	27	College Basketball	Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball											
USA 31	31	NCIS	NCIS	NCIS "Ignition"	NCIS	NCIS "Jet Lag"	Fairly Legal	Royal Pains	"Dawn of the Dead"						
TNT 32	32	Bones	Bones	Bones	Bones	Bones	Southland	CSI: NY "Zoo York"	CSI: NY						
TBS 33	33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Browns	Browns	Payne	Payne	There	There	Conan (N)	Lopez Tonight (N)	Conan			
COM 35	35	Daily	Colbert	Chap	Chap	South Pk	South Pk	Tosh.0	Daily	Colbert	South Pk	Futurama	Daily		
LIFE 39	39	Mother	Mother	Reba	Reba	"Reviving Ophelia" (2010, Drama)	Mother	Mother	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Will			
FOOD 40	40	Iron Chef America	B. Flay	B. Flay	Worst Cooks	Restaurant: Im.	Diners	Diners	Worst Cooks	Restaurant: Im.					
HGTV 41	41	Hunters	House	Property	Property	Disaster	Disaster	House	Hunters	Vanilla	Vanilla	Disaster	Disaster	House	Hunters
A&E 43	43	The First 48	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Storage	Storage	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog
HIST 44	44	MonsterQuest	Pawn	Pawn	Bigfoot: The Definitive Guide (N)	MonsterQuest	Pawn	Pawn	Bigfoot: The						
TLC 45	45	Tiniest Girl	Tallest Children	Addiction	Addiction	Toddlers & Tiaras	Addiction	Addiction	Toddlers & Tiaras	Tallest Children					
DISC 47	47	MythBusters	Black Ops Brothers	Sons	Sons	Desert Car Kings (N)	Black Ops Brothers	Sons	Sons	Desert Car Kings					
ANPL 50	50	Monsters Inside Me	Animal Nightmares	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive					
FAM 51	51	Funny Home Videos	Funny Home Videos	Funny Home Videos	Funny Home Videos	The 700 Club	Whose?	Whose?	Paid	Paid					
DISN 52	52	Shake It	Shake It	Shake It	Shake It	Hannah Forever	Deck	Deck	** "Sky High" (2005)	Fish	Deck	Deck			
NICK 54	54	iCarly	Sponge.	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Lopez	Lopez	
AMC 57	57	"Chronicles-Ridd"	"Exit Wounds" (2001)	Steven Seagal.	** "Demolition Man" (1993)	Sylvester Stallone.	Breaking Bad	Break							
SYFY 59	59	Face Off	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters Inter.	Face Off	Ghost Hunters Inter.	Face Off	Highlander							
CNN 62	62	John King, USA (N)	Parker Spitzer (N)	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360										
CNBC 63	63	The Kudlow Report	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed (N)	Mad Money	American Greed	American Greed							
MSNBC 64	64	Hardball Matthews	MSNBC Live (N)	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show							

THURSDAY EVENING													FEBRUARY 3, 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)	News 22	News	Field	Globe Trekker	Aviators	NMSU	Charlie Rose (N)	World	T. Smiley				
CBS 3	News	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	Big Bang	Dad Says	CSI: Crime Scene	The Mentalist (N)	News	Letterman	Late				
ABC 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	Wipeout (N)	Grey's Anatomy (N)	Private Practice (N)	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live					
FOX 8	14	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	American Idol (N)	Bones (N)	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb			
NBC 9	9	News (N)	News	News (N)	George	Commun	Couples	Office	Parks	30 Rock	Out	News (N)	Jay Leno	Late	
CW 14	14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	The Vampire Diaries	Nikita (N)	The City	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU	Access			
WGN 15	15	Funny Home Videos	WWE Superstars	WWE Superstars	WGN News at Nine			Scrubs	Scrubs	WWE Superstars	Entou	Curb			
ESPN 26	26	College Basketball	Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball	Teams TBA. (Live)	SportsCenter	SportsCenter Spec.	SportsCenter							
ESPN2 27	27	College Basketball	Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball	Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball	Gonzaga at Portland.	Final	Nation						
USA 31	31	NCIS	NCIS "Masquerade"	Royal Pains (N)	Fairly Legal (N)	White Collar	Royal Pains	Fairly Legal							
TNT 32	32	NBA Pregame (Live)	NBA Basketball Miami Heat at Orlando Magic.	NBA Basketball: Spurs at Lakers											
TBS 33	33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	** "The Wedding Planner" (2001)	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Conan (N)	Lopez Tonight (N)	Conan						
COM 35	35	Daily	Colbert	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	South Pk	Futurama	Daily
LIFE 39	39	Mother	Mother	Reba	Reba	** "Notting Hill" (1999)	Julia Roberts.	Chopped	Mother	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Will		
FOOD 40	40	Iron Chef America	Iron Chef America	Iron Chef America	Cakes	Unwrap	Chopped	Iron Chef America	Cakes	Unwrap					
HGTV 41	41	Hunters	House	First Pla.	First Pla.	Selling	Selling	House	Hunters	Selling	Selling	House	Hunters		
A&E 43	43	The First 48	The First 48	The First 48 (N)	Beyond Scared	Beyond Scared	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48	
HIST 44	44	Ancient Aliens	Ancient Aliens	Swamp People	Brad Meltzer's Dec.	MysteryQuest	(:01) Ancient Aliens	(:01) Swamp People	Police Women	Cellblock 6	Police Women				
TLC 45	45	Pawn	Pawn	Police Women	Police Women	Cellblock 6	Police Women								
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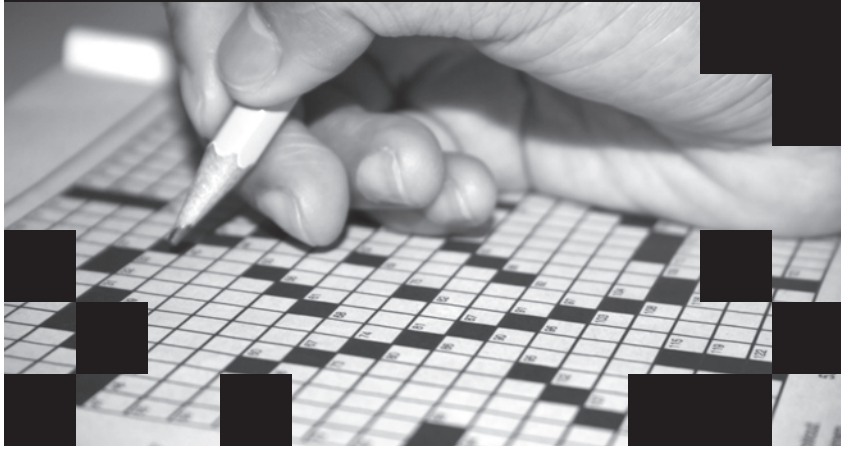
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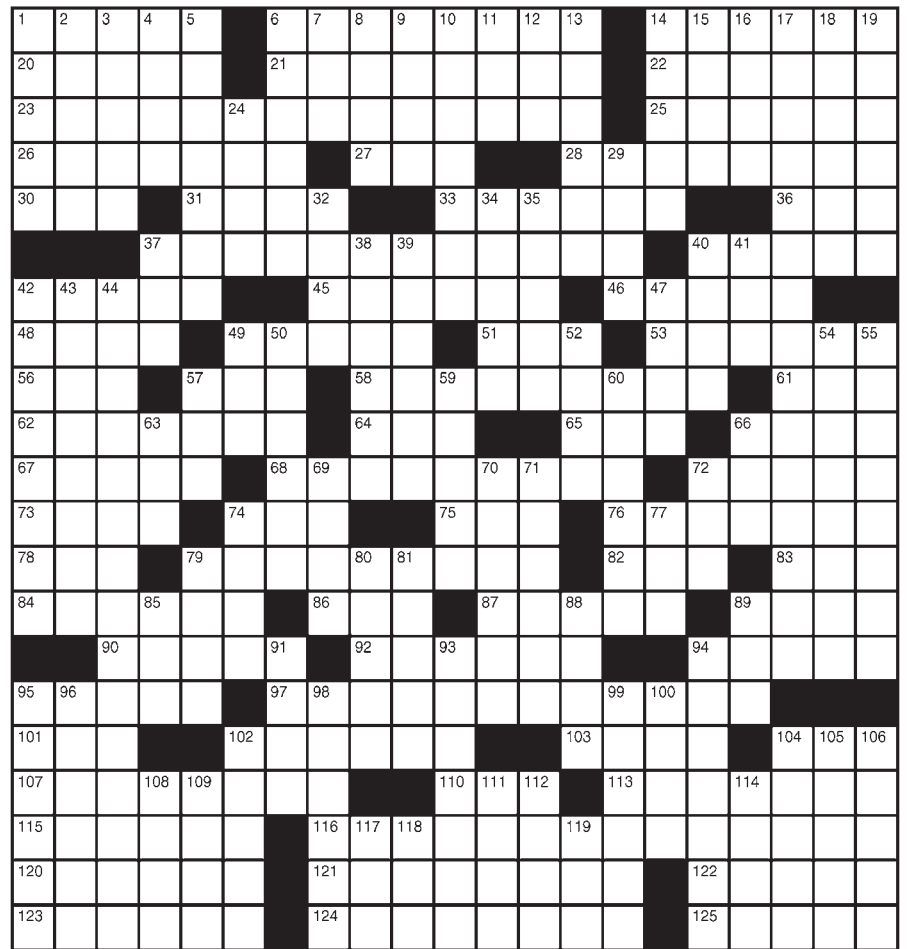
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- Inflatable boats
 - “Spin City” network
 - Mr. Rogers from the “neighborhood”
 - Shore line?
 - Likable losers
 - Treat badly
 - Spike or brad
 - Recesses
 - Garr of “Close Encounters...”
 - Cincinnati ballplayers
 - Balance sheet item
 - Boxer Witherspoon
 - In the manner of a sailor
 - Full blast
 - Runts
 - Spoke frankly
 - Light from a hot object
 - Goteborg populace
 - Skin openings
 - Flaky condition
 - Alaskan chain
 - Babies, at times
 - Minus money
 - Fit to be tied
 - Wipe out
 - Eva or Zsa Zsa
 - Showery times
 - Veep Agnew
 - Gem State
 - Thorny patch
 - One who fetters
 - Mother of Calcutta
 - Danube tributary
 - Regarded with respect
 - Cowpoke, at times
 - Highland dogs
 - Is of use
 - Card holder
 - Discharges
 - Like cautious practices
 - Dumbfounds
 - Palace of Tiepolo’s frescoes
 - Radio static, in brief
 - False face
 - Glances over
 - Grounds for a lawsuit
 - Part of N.Y.P.D.
 - Charlotte of “The Facts of Life”
- DOWN**
- Lacoste and Auberjonois
 - Serving to intoxicate
 - Healthy eating
 - Nielsen of “Airplane!”
 - Detects by scrutiny
 - Foreign representatives
 - Hawaiian food fish
 - Olympic sleds
 - Elbow room
 - Sun. follower
 - Put to sleep
 - Has a job
 - Reliquary
 - Summon
 - Department store counter staff
 - Avis offering
 - Oldman and Sinise
 - Traveled on horseback
 - TWA and El Al, e.g.
 - Pub choice
 - Heron’s relatives
 - Exaggerated the importance of
 - Auction actions
 - Clothe
 - Becomes weary
 - Successor of Ramses I
 - Broadcasting
 - Dwell permanently
 - Knight’s address
 - Goes over the same ground
 - Verbal
 - Source of chocolate
 - Military division
 - Pariahs
 - Kitchen compartment
 - Japanese drink
 - Repairs
 - Pinkerton and Sherman
 - de-France
 - Ghana’s capital
 - Acid of apples
 - Recall
 - Calder piece
 - Stuck around
 - Teapot covers
 - Aftermaths of havoc
 - Short trousers
 - Photorealist painter

PEOPLE PERSONS

- ACROSS**
- African-American org.
 - William Shatner series
 - Eleventh Greek letter
 - Make fit
 - Put up with
 - Common mushroom
 - Dean
 - Poughkeepsie college
 - Property merchant
 - Small snake
 - Almond liqueur
 - Double bend
 - Zeno’s home
 - Guitarist Flatt
 - McKellen of “Gods and Monsters”
 - Scuffle
 - Jamie Lee Curtis’s mom Janet
 - Burden of proof
 - Never existed
 - 4 of dates
 - Pampas plain
 - Fed. transport agcy.
 - Lowly NCO
 - Bobby
 - Eng. honor
 - Sensed by touch
 - Cure starter?
 - Taxing grp.
 - Fit
 - Correct text
 - Feign
 - Psychologist Havelock
 - Musical pause
 - Prohibit
 - President’s financial grp.
 - Panamanian dictator
 - Hosp. intake locations
 - Beau
 - Recombinant letters
 - Gullet of an animal
 - Beam supporting a pitched roof
 - Poetic contraction
 - Concepts
 - Portal
 - Habitual practice
 - Coastal inhalations
 - Like rattan furniture
 - Chan’s portrayer
 - Mark or patsy

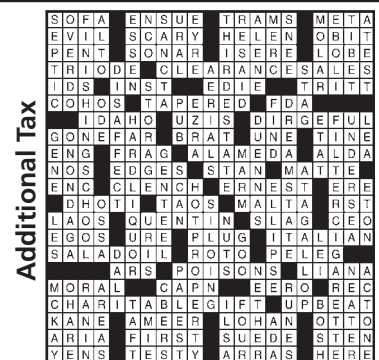
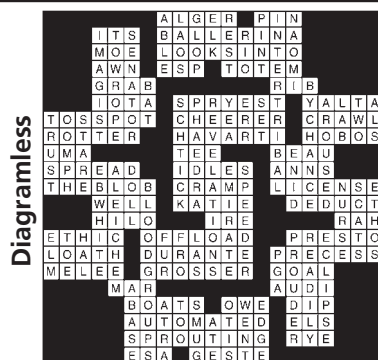
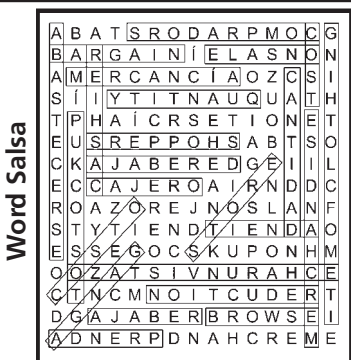
- Auditory organ
- Poured
- Took to court
- Hindu title
- Extremely scanty
- Dawn Chong
- Depended on
- Experts
- Dick
- Old French card game
- Sort of
- God of the east wind
- Timothy who was James Bond
- Zero option
- Map within a map

- DOWN**
- Mother-of-pearl
 - Lotion additives
 - Ayn Rand’s shrugger?
 - Prison unit
 - Trumped-up excuse
 - Music system
 - Also
 - Romeo (Italian car)
 - Umps’ cohorts
 - Base-clearing hits
 - AAA in the U.K.
 - French season
 - Horny; pref.
 - Hunt or Alexander
 - Thickening agent
 - Stable denizen
 - Earl
 - Of the back of a tooth
 - Moss Hart’s autobiography
 - Tiger’s sport
 - Whimper
 - Refined skills
 - Fitzgerald and Grasso
 - Sacked out
 - Lb. parts
 - Stupid ones



- Camera settings
- Digestive juice
- Khan IV
- Dawdling lingerer
- Judges chambers
- Victor
- Building add-ons
- Depression era agcy.
- Dawn-til-dusk
- Sora
- Constrain
- Went up and down
- Cow’s chew
- Reunion attendee
- Actress Vaccaro
- Blowup letters?
- Ring king
- Data
- Servile
- No-good-nik
- Significant period
- 1976-80 Wimbledon champ
- Switch positions
- Endure
- Spruce stuff
- Dunne of Hollywood
- Half a fly?
- Goofs up
- Empty space
- Biblical twin
- Speak to
- Medical insignias
- Abounded
- Mexican tourist destination
- “— and Hopin”
- Hindu ritual suicide
- Withered
- Al of the Indians
- Mixes
- Theatrical production
- That is (to say): Lat. Encircle
- “Do — others as...”
- Actor Guinness
- Writer Buchanan
- Dumbfound
- John’s Yoko
- Menlo Park initials
- Psychic’s power

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS



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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:
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AtTheMovies

Amusing hurdles in 'Nora's Will'

Preparing her own will creates drama and a class-act film

Review by **Jeff Berg**
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

"Nora's Will" is a finely tuned film about a battle of wills, so to speak, which gives the title an interesting double meaning.

Winner of an Ariel – the Mexican equivalent for an Oscar – for "best picture" in 2010, along with another for director Mariana Chenillo – the first woman director to ever win both, and for her first picture no less. Flecked with comedy, the picture is one of the more dignified films that I have ever seen.

The title character, Nora, was a strong-willed Brazilian Jewess, but now she is dead, and that's pretty much how the film opens. Viewers don't really see her while she is alive, other than the opening scenes where she bustles about her pleasant tidy apartment making arrangements of some kind.

Not seeing Nora while she was alive is a great idea by Chenillo, and the audience should be pleased to see the unhurried and sophisticated scenes of serio-comic activities that take place after her passing.

Nora's will was strong – so strong, that prior to her going to the "other side," she made arrangements for everything, including the Passover dinner that was to have taken place at her house.

Her other will, the one written on paper, becomes a contention when it is accidentally misplaced ... something that only viewers are privy to in those opening scenes.



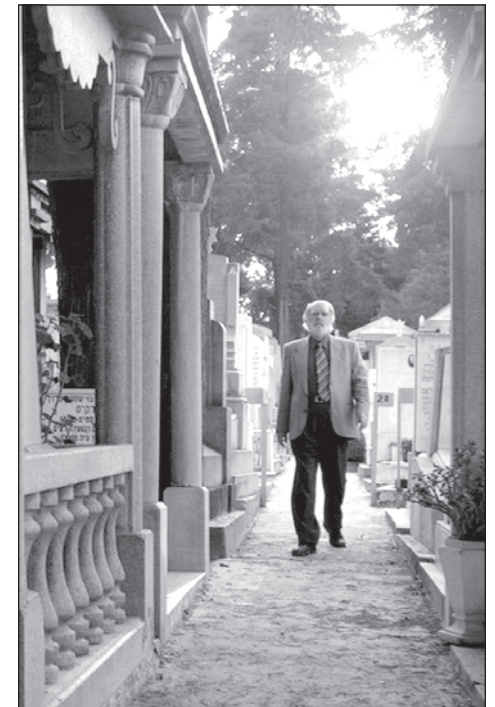
Jose (Juan Pablo Medina) and Nora (Marina de Tavira) share a tender moment in "Nora's Will," now playing at the Fountain Theatre.

Nora's ex-husband Jose is the first to discover her recent planned passing. Not one to sit and let such things bother him, he becomes, not exactly by choice, the point man for Nora's funeral plans and more. He is loath to do this, but at the same time, underneath his sardonic and pointed humor and observations about Nora, religion, death and food, Jose doesn't manage to keep all of his sadness under wraps.

One by one the other characters are introduced, each with his or her own idea

of what should happen to Nora's body, who just happened to leave pointed instructions about much of this before her passing. There is the very conservative Rabbi who insists on tradition and law, even if that means that Nora's body won't be able to leave the apartment for her funeral for five more days.

There are the two curious granddaughters who want to see what is under the sheet that covers Nora, Nora's son and his wife and the nosy aunt who is on hand shedding crocodile tears as she tries to keep all of Nora's secrets from Jose. Then there are the workers from the Christian funeral home that Jose calls who arrive in a semi-hysterical fashion and threaten to put an end to all of the religious things that have turned things upside down; Nora's doctor, who might have known her better than one would think; and Nora's housekeeper, who takes things in stride and who probably knew Nora the best, since she



José Kurtz, played by Fernando Luján, is faced with difficult decisions in the film.

just starts to follow Nora's instructions to her, preparing the labeled food containers just as she was supposed to.

Oh, and don't miss the scenes with Jose and the sausage pizza.

On a more serious note, there is the issue of where Nora can actually be buried. Since she has chosen to overdose on sleeping pills, she cannot be buried in the Jewish cemetery, which opens up a whole new set of challenges for the beleaguered Jose.

"Nora's Will" is a complex and well-written film, which quietly pokes fun at many things while not making anything or anyone look foolish. Fernando Lujan as Jose does an outstanding job of keeping the whole situation together without any sort of hysteria or unbelievable occurrences.

At once a heart-tugger and a smile inducer, Nora had me under her spell – who cares if she is dead – and her will can be viewed from Jan. 28-Feb. 3 at the Fountain Theatre. Not rated, it is probably best seen by those who have no qualms with religion-related humor and salty language. The film is in Spanish with English subtitles, and has a 90-minute running time.

Leave me in your will! jeffberg@lascrucesbulletin. Jeff Berg is a board member of the Mesilla Valley Film Society. These reviews reflect his opinion of the movie, not that of anyone else connected with the film society.



Surrounded by Rabbis, José Kurtz reads a letter that could reveal more than he wants to know in "Nora's Will."



Mystery movie – what will it be?

Action- adventure film at the Fountain

The CineMatinee for Saturday, Jan. 29, is a mystery movie (1970s, 120 minutes, rated PG).

In the past, mystery movies have included Roy Rogers' last movie, "MacIntosh and TJ," a rather unusual rarely seen adult drama by

Rogers; and a while back, "Bunny O'Hare," a cheesy screwball comedy that marked Bette Davis's entire New Mexico film making experience.

With this film, however, gears are changing gears (that's a hint), and an action-adventure picture will be shown, a small part of which was shot in New Mexico.

Its director made one of the most renowned thrillers ever made prior to this project, and its star, now deceased, made a different horror

film a couple of years later, a film that remains a box office draw to this day.

Filed entirely and amazingly on location, the title does not befit the movie, and rest assured, after you see this exciting and tense drama, you won't need to use fingernail clippers for a week.

CineMatinee is a unique blend of movies presented by the Mesilla Valley Film Society which showcases unique films, past and present, often with an emphasis on life in the west – which could

mean the new west, the old west, or anything in between– and "movies that missed us" – films that are notable but never had a lot of publicity.

The series is designed to show area residents that film is a form of art and education as well as entertainment. At least one film a month in this series has a 'New Mexico Connection', drawing from the vast pool of movies made in the state (nearly 500) or perhaps featuring a star or story from New Mexico talent ... film-festival quality movies in an old adobe theatre!

Unless otherwise noted, screening time is 1:30 p.m., and admission is \$4 for everyone except film society members who are admitted for \$1. The theater is located one-half block south of the Mesilla Plaza. For more information, call 524-8287, and leave a message.

AtTheMovies

Speak the speech I pray you Firth performs royally in 'The King's Speech'

Review by **David Edwards**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Sometimes going to the movies is like eating your vegetables – you do it because it is good for you.

I had a feeling that was going to be the case with "The King's Speech." It was going to be one of those British films that was important for a balanced diet. It would be excellently prepared and full of flavor, but just wouldn't be quite as exciting as the entrée. I was not ready for how delicious it really was.

The Brits definitely know how to tell stories of gravitas about everything from commoners to nobility, from street urchins to queens. These tales are often imbued with the country's rich history and real participants in it. They are pretty good at dryly humorous situations as well.

"The King's Speech" uses a number of those elements to tell a fascinating story – a part of history of which I was completely unaware.

The film is intimate and very personal, shedding some light on the life of a monarch.

This contrasts nicely with the backdrop of England prior to the outbreak of World War II and the sense of duty that Britain's royal family has toward its nation. It shows a rare friendship develop between a king and a commoner as they work on a very human difficulty.

King George VI (father of current queen Elizabeth II) was a stutterer – so severely afflicted that it interfered with everything from his private duties as a father to his public responsibilities as the Duke of York. When we first see him, Prince Albert (as he was known before ascending the throne) is preparing to give a speech before thousands of people at well as for a radio audience during the Empire Exhibition in 1925. It is agonizing to watch and clearly unsettling to all who listen.

After that, Albert and his wife Elizabeth sought treatment for his speech defect from many different doctors and specialists, but to no avail. After swearing he will no longer subject himself to these treatments, Elizabeth goes behind his back to Lionel Logue, a transplanted Australian who is noted for his successful but somewhat unorthodox treatments.

Albert finally agrees to see Logue, and the two begin an arduous plan to resolve the prince's speech difficulties. These sessions show Albert's frustrations and Logue's eccentricities, but they are entertaining and often humorous. The relationship between the two men begins to develop, both professionally and personally.

Albert's world changes drastically when his father George V dies and his older brother assumes the throne. In



Colin Firth gives an Oscar-worthy performance as Prince Albert, later King George VI of England.

one of the more interesting (and scandalous) chapters of English history, Albert's brother Edward VIII abdicates the throne in order to marry American divorcée Wallis Simpson. Albert is suddenly England's king, and the world is on the brink of war. His radio speech to the nation forms the climax of the movie.

I haven't been this informed while being entertained in a long time. I was not at all aware of George's debilitating condition, nor did I know too much about the Edward and Mrs. Simpson story. The contrast and similarities between the royal family and the speech therapist's family was fascinating and extremely well-handled by the filmmakers. The glimpses into the personal lives of the royals were interesting as well.

There is so much to admire about this film – every aspect was topnotch. But I have to say, the actors were allowed to shine. Colin Firth as Albert is nothing short of amazing. His struggles were heartbreaking, and yet he doesn't allow himself to indulge in the audience's pity. He shows temper, but also warmth and humor. His bedtime story to his daughters Elizabeth and Margaret (seeing them as children was also such fun) was my favorite moment.

Geoffrey Rush as Logue more than makes up for his slovenly performance in the ninja

flick "The Warrior's Way." This is Rush at his intelligent, quirky and charming best. He has wonderful scenes with his wife and sons as well, particularly when he is performing Caliban from Shakespeare's "The Tempest" while his sons are doing their homework.

Helena Bonham Carter gives a wonderfully controlled performance miles away from her role in the "Harry Potter" films or her work with husband Tim Burton. She is so empathetic and obviously loves her husband. The Queen Mother she portrays was one of the most beloved of recent members of Britain's Royal Family.

Guy Pearce as Edward VIII is really good as well. He and Eve Best as Wallis Simpson look remarkably like the real ones. The rest of the cast is dotted with other notable actors. Two other "Harry Potter" performers appear as George V (the esteemed Michael Gambon) and Winston Churchill (Timothy Spall) and, yes, that is Claire Bloom as Queen Mary.

By the time you read this, the Oscar nominations will have been announced, and I fully expect "The King's Speech" to be one of the leaders when it comes to a number of nominations. I predict that Firth will have another important speech to give – when he accepts the Academy Award.

THE KING'S SPEECH

Starring: Colin Firth

Director: Tom Hooper

Running time: 118 minutes

Rating: R

Film Review

I have not enjoyed a movie more this year. It was engaging, educational and elicited a good number of chuckles as well as evoking much empathy for those who stutter.

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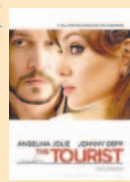
No Strings Attached

Rating: R
Plot Overview: In this comedy, Emma and Adam are lifelong friends who almost ruin everything by having sex one morning.
Starring: Natalie Portman, Ashton Kutcher
Director: Ivan Reitman



The Tourist

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: An American tourist's playful dalliance with a stranger leads to a web of intrigue, romance and danger.
Starring: Angelina Jolie, Johnny Depp
Director: Florian Henckel von Donnersmarck



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



Season of the Witch

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A heroic Crusader and his fellow soldier must transport a woman accused of being a witch to a remote monastery.
Starring: Nicolas Cage
Director: Dominic Sena



Tangled

Rating: PG
Plot Overview: When the kingdom's most wanted – and most charming – bandit hides out in a mysterious tower, he's taken hostage by Rapunzel.
Starring: Mandy Moore
Directors: Nathan Greno, Byron Howard



Black Swan

Rating: R
Plot Overview: A psychological thriller set in the world of ballet. Nina, a featured dancer, finds herself locked in a web of competitive intrigue with a new rival at the company.
Starring: Natalie Portman
Director: Darren Aronofsky



Gulliver's Travels

Rating: PG
Plot Overview: Travel writer Lemuel Gulliver takes an assignment in Bermuda, but ends up on the island of Liliput, where he towers over its tiny citizens.
Starring: Jack Black, Jason Segel
Director: Rob Letterman



Country Strong

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A rising young singer-songwriter gets involved with a fallen, emotionally unstable country star and the pair embarks on a career resurrection tour.
Starring: Gwyneth Paltrow
Director: Shana Feste



The Fighter

Rating: R
Plot Overview: A look at the early years of boxer "Irish" Micky Ward and his brother who helped train him before going pro in the mid-'80s.
Starring: Mark Wahlberg, Amy Adams
Director: David Russell



Yogi B

Rating: PG
Plot Overview: Yogi, everyone's favorite pic-a-nic basket-stealing bear, must prove he really is "smarter than the average bear," to find a way to save Jellystone Park from closing forever.
Starring: Dan Akroyd
Director: Eric Brevig



The Dilemma

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A comedy about a man who finds out that what you don't say to a friend is just as important as what you do and how far you can bend a brotherly bond before it snaps.
Starring: Vince Vaughn, Kevin James
Director: Ron Howard



True Grit

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A tough U.S. Marshal helps a stubborn young woman track down her father's murderer.
Starring: Jeff Bridges, Josh Brolin
Directors: Joel and Ethan Coen



The Green Hornet

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: Britt Reid, aka the Green Hornet, and his human weapon Kato, jump into action to rid the city of the mob once and for all.
Starring: Seth Rogen, Cameron Diaz
Director: Michel Gondry



The Rite

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: The battle against the devil, which is the principal task of Saint Michael the Archangel, is still being fought today, because the devil is still alive and active in the world.
Starring: Anthony Hopkins
Director: Mikael Håfstrom
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127 Hours

Rating: R
Plot Overview: A mountain climber becomes trapped under a boulder while canyoneering alone near Moab, Utah, and resorts to desperate measures in order to survive.
Starring: James Franco
Director: Danny Boyle
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The Mechanic

Rating: R
Plot Overview: Arthur Bishop (Jason Statham) is a "mechanic" – an elite assassin with a strict code and unique talent for cleanly eliminating targets.
Starring: Jason Statham, Ben Foster
Director: Simon West
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New this week on DVD

Tuesday, Feb. 1

Beverly Hills Chihuahua 2

Rating: G
Genre: Comedy, Family
Starring: George Lopez, Erin Cahill
Director: Alex Zamm

The Tillman Story

Rating: R
Genre: Documentary
Starring: Josh Brolin
Director: Amir Bar-Lev

Welcome to the Rileys

Rating: R
Genre: Drama
Starring: Kristen Stewart
Director: Jake Scott

Never Let Me Go

Rating: R
Genre: Drama, Suspense
Starring: Keira Knightly, Carey Mulligan
Director: Mark Romanek

Let Me In

Rating: R
Genre: Horror, Suspense
Starring: Chloe Moretz
Director: Matt Reeves

Top Grossing Jan. 21-23

- 1 **No Strings Attached** (Week No. 1)
\$19,652,921
- 2 **The Green Hornet** (Week No. 2)
\$17,677,565
- 3 **The Dilemma** (Week No. 2)
\$9,108,890
- 4 **The King's Speech** (Week No. 9)
\$7,854,910
- 5 **True Grit** (Week No. 5)
\$7,330,092
- 6 **Black Swan** (Week No. 8)
\$5,869,744
- 7 **Little Fockers** (Week No. 5)
\$4,320,090
- 8 **The Fighter** (Week No. 7)
\$4,164,504
- 9 **Yogi Bear** (Week No. 6)
\$3,819,395
- 10 **Tron Legacy** (Week No. 6)
\$3,647,121

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'Crime and Punishment' keeps it simple

Shortened version provides much entertainment

Review by **Gerald M. Kane**

For the Las Cruces Bulletin

It was a relatively slow ride down the Volga, so to speak, at the Black Box Theatre last weekend at the opening performance of Marilyn Campbell and Curt Columbus' 90-minute adaptation of Fyodor Dostoyevsky's novel, "Crime and Punishment." Slow boat rides can make you seasick, but as in this case, they can also give you much to contemplate as you sail through frequently stormy waters.

"Crime and Punishment" in 90 minutes – yes, you read correctly. The adapters of this play chopped down the several-hundred-page iconic Russian novel to an hour and a half. I would doubt that even Evelyn Wood of speed reading fame could have read "Crime and Punishment" in that length of time.

Overall, the editing of this text is not a bad thing. None of the key themes elucidated and repeated over and over in the novel are forgotten. In some ways, this gives the story a sharper focus and clarity, which is blurred in the novel.

Many superfluous characters and plot turns are eliminated. The approach of the adapters is to present the play as a sort of stream of consciousness recollection of the central character in the novel.

The key premise is that certain "extraordinary" human beings are justified in performing

acts – which they deem evil – for the betterment of society as a whole. The point of the novel, and the play, is that this is not necessarily the case.

For the most part, the performances by the cast are well defined, but two performers deserve special praise. Most especially to be commended are William Zimmerman in the leading role of the dotting, troubled Raskolnikov, along with his antagonist – the voice of "justice," the interrogator Porfiry, played with precision by Algernon D'Amassa. I hope to see more of these talented performers in future productions.

Unfortunately, Natasha Rae Sanchez as the "heroine" Sonia did not project her voice sufficiently in the beginning of the play and we could barely hear the important lines she had to speak. To her credit, as the production progressed, her projection improved.

The scenic and lighting design by Peter Herman was appropriately stark. The direction of Shaun Hadfield in his Black Box directorial debut was crisp and clever.

In sum, the Volga Boatman delivered us safely ashore after our often dark and somber journey through Dostoyevsky-land. He left us with much to contemplate and apply to the current world situation in which both "crime" and "punishment" are words that pepper our daily press and dinner table

“ This is a journey on which you should go. It is well worth the thought-provoking ride. ”



Algernon D'Amassa as Porfiry and William Zimmerman as Raskolnikov are performers in "Crime and Punishment at the Black Box Theatre" through Sunday, Feb. 6.

conversation. This is a journey on which you should go. It is well worth the thought-provoking ride.

"Crime and Punishment" runs through Sunday, Feb. 6, at the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. Performances are at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Jan. 30, and Feb. 6, and a Thursday performance at 7 p.m. Feb. 3. Tickets are \$10 regular and \$9 students and seniors over 65. All seats on Thursdays are \$7.

For reservations, call 523-1223 or visit www.no-strings.org.

Gerald Kane has reviewed theater and opera for NPR stations and newspapers in New Orleans, Phoenix, Kansas City and The Las Cruces Bulletin." A former member of the American Theatre Critics Association, he is the rabbi emeritus of Temple Beth-El in Las Cruces. He is currently teaching "Studies in Film: Jews on Screen" for the English Department of New Mexico State University.

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Overcoming my demons

Natisha Hales
Adventures in Dieting



It has been three weeks since I started this challenge, and I only lost weight during the first week. I have been gaining steadily as everyone else loses.

At our weigh-in, that was made painfully clear. A gain of 1.4 pounds. Not so bad, but still disappointing. It was a message that I'm back to doing what I usually do when I'm on a diet or exercise program.

I start telling myself I can tailor it this way or that way and that I can have a certain food, even if I know it's a bad decision. I ultimately stop following the plan and slowly return to my fast food-eating, weight-gaining habits.

But I don't want to be there again. I want to overcome this. First of all, it's just not right that a person who started a weight challenge is the biggest gainer. Secondly, I want to enjoy healthier choices and a healthy lifestyle. I've just been in this zone for so long that it's a hard habit to break.

That's exactly what nutrition coach Laura Smart talked about this week. I wasn't the only one disappointed and a little discouraged at our weigh-in, but Laura put it into perspective for us.

"You didn't get overweight overnight, and you're not going to lose the weight overnight," she said. "These things take time."

Fitness coach Bill Davila reinforced that statement, explaining that it's not just our weight that we should be measuring – there are plenty of other factors that go into reaching our ideal fitness and weight goals, so we shouldn't be discouraged. He also said that changing our lifestyle is not just a physical thing – there are emotional ties as well.

Think about it. You may eat when you're depressed. You may have come to rely on a certain food every time you feel a certain way, or you may associate certain eating habits with an emotion. That's definitely true with me.

So I've taken that step to visit someone who I can talk to who can help me overcome these demons and ultimately help me get to that goal.

That goal is not going to be met with short-term, temporary fixes. It's going to take hard work.

As much as I appreciate the interest in the weight loss challenge, I feel like we've become a target for health and wellness consultants looking to make money. I have received several emails and notes since we started from people pitching their products or services. I have talked with Laura about each one, and she suggests researching each business and understanding what the product is before we purchase them. I've forwarded each email on to the entire weight loss group so they can make a decision for themselves, but I strongly

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You have more options

Local pregnancy resource center educates families

By **Natisha Hales**
Las Cruces Bulletin

For more than 25 years, the Mesilla Valley Pregnancy Resource Center has let mothers and their families know that there is a place to turn, even when they think they're out of answers.

The faith-based center is led by Lupe Davila. With a background as a certified nursing assistant, Davila accepted the position in October 2010.

"I call myself the center director, and God is the executive director," she said. "This is his ministry."

She said it was God who led her to the resource center in the first place, when she was searching for a job in June 2009. She started as a volunteer.

She said she believes God leads others to the center as well, where they provide spiritual and emotional support for everyone who seeks their services.

At the Mesilla Valley Pregnancy Resource Center, peer counselors – who are volunteers – will educate center visitors on options pregnant women have in addition to abortion.

"We plant the seed," said Claudia Gonzalez, office manager and peer counselor. "We're not here to judge them on their choice, and we're still here if they make (the decision to get an abortion). But we want them to know that there are other options available."

In addition to counseling, the center also



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Natisha Hales

Peer counselor Phyllis Larkin, Center Director Lupe Davila, Administrative Assistant Sarah Closson and Office Manager Claudia Gonzalez of the Mesilla Valley Pregnancy Resource Center are ready to discuss all available options with pregnant women and their families.

provides free pregnancy tests, proof of pregnancy and referrals to medical providers and other resources, such as where to obtain Medicaid applications. Even after the baby is born, the center provides new mothers with clothing, blankets and a gift bag that includes the essentials – diapers, wipes, baby powder and others.

But through its peer counselors, the center offers another invaluable resource – life experience.

"We make sure each of our counselors has a relationship with God," Davila said. "That is the key. In order for us to help, we have to have that walk with God."

"We have to lead by example," Gonzalez added.

No matter the denomination, each volunteer can provide a unique experience. Phyllis Larkin has been a peer counselor for more than 20 years.

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Ciclovia is back in full swing

Mission is to get Las Cruces active

By **Natisha Hales**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Though the program took a couple months off at the end of 2010 for the holiday season, Ciclovia Las Cruces is back and will offer even more activities from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 30, at Young Park.

"We've got a lot of new games and the same ones," said June Donohue of Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach, which sponsors the free monthly event that encourages physical activity among families. "We do have a new instructor this year, so we will have one additional class, but we will still have yoga, Zumba and jump rope."

The new class will include stretches and bands, and could eventually include kickboxing and step aerobics. The usual activities will still be around – horseshoes, volleyball and a jumping balloon for the kids – but new games

include croquet, tetherball and badminton.

Health-related organizations will also be on hand to provide information on health issues and parenting, and the New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service's Kitchen Creations program will provide recipes.

"It's going to be very exciting," Donohue said. "We put flyers in the kids' (of Las Cruces Public Schools) backpacks from kindergarten through middle school, and last year when we did, we had over 600 show up in January. So we're expecting a large group again this year, if the weather is nice."

To assist with a large group of participants, volunteers also are needed to set up and tear down or help out in any other capacity.

"We're always happy to have volunteers," Donohue said.

For more information, call 522-0289.



Danae De La O jumps rope at Young Park during a Ciclovia event in 2010. The monthly event will host its first event of 2011 Sunday, Jan. 30, at Young Park.

Details

Ciclovia Las Cruces

When
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 30

Where
Young Park
1905 E. Nevada Ave.

Contact
522-0289

Stay safe and healthy during the winter

Mayo Clinic offers tips for cold-weather exercise



Bob Nosbisch
Getting the Word Out

When next week's edition of the Las Cruces Bulletin comes out, we will already be in the month of February. Punxsutawney Phil (or Philippa; I'm not an expert on groundhog gender, so I won't assume anything) will have seen his or her shadow, which may or may not be good news for people who live in parts of our country that have been inundated by an onslaught of cold weather, seemingly endless snowfall and treacherously icy roads.

As Bulletin Publisher David McCollum has pointed out on several occasions, we are very fortunate to live in Las Cruces. A big part of that good fortune can be attributed to our weather. Sure, we'll get the windy season and some iced tea-guzzling, sweltering days in the summertime, but for most of the year, our weather is downright nice. From my third-story office window, the peaks of the Organ Mountains jut into a brilliant blue sky, never failing to impress me or others.

Last Friday, I met with a prospective nursing student and her mother. The student, Lauren, and her family live in Wisconsin, but their roots are in Pittsburgh. We discussed the weather in those two places (as well as who she would root for if the Packers and Steelers both won their conference championship games, which they did). Then I said to them, "Please look out my window and drink in that view. It's like this more than 300 days of the year."

The mother replied, "Lauren has never seen mountains before, and she has not stopped taking pictures since she got off the plane."

Maybe the pleasant weather and your New Year's resolution to exercise more have enticed you to lace up running shoes and run, bike or walk in the mornings or evenings. The question is: How should you dress for cold-weather exercise? We may be enjoying sunny days, but the mornings and evenings still tend to be a bit nippy.

The Mayo Clinic offers several suggestions for cold-weather enthusiasts who want to stay motivated. If you have heart problems, asthma or Raynaud's disease, you should get your doctor's approval before working out in cold weather. If Doc Goodheart says, "Go for it," then here are some

tips that will help you stay warm and safe as you work out in the cold.

According to the Mayo Clinic, one of the biggest mistakes people make while exercising in cold weather is dressing too warmly. When you exercise, you're going to generate heat, and you may feel as if it's warmer than it really is. However, you can get chilled when your sweat starts to dry. Therefore, the clinic recommends dressing in layers.

Start with a thin layer of synthetic material that will draw sweat away from your body. Since cotton stays wet near your skin, you should avoid it. Next, a layer of wool or fleece for insulation should be added. Finally, a breathable, waterproof outer layer should be added.

Also, leaner people may need more insulation than heavier people. You also may want to wear a scarf or facemask if it's very cold. This will warm the air before it enters your lungs. The Mayo Clinic also warns that such stop-and-go activities as mixing walking with running may make you more vulnerable to the cold if your sweat is topped off by chills.

In next week's issue, we will look at hypothermia, hydration and heading into the wind.

Bob Nosbisch is a senior program specialist in the NMSU College of Health and Social Services.

Health briefs

Volunteers sought for county alliance

Doña Ana County is seeking volunteers to serve on its Health and Human Services (HHS) Alliance, which serves as the primary advisory body to the HHS Department regarding improvements to the health status of Doña Ana County's residents.

The alliance improves coordination and collaboration, nurtures public understanding, strengthens accountability, promotes informed policy-making and provides an opportunity for effective community input. According to HHS Director C. Silvia Sierra, members of the alliance have the opportunity to participate in border-wide issues. The alliance considers a broad range of health and human services needs and facilitates direct lines of communication between internal departments and external agencies.

According to alliance Chair Tony Martinez, membership reflects a cross section of the community. The membership includes individuals with a wide range of strengths, abilities, experiences and resources found within the community. Diverse membership enhances collaboration and helps the alliance develop a more comprehensive response to community needs.

The alliance is soliciting applications for the following vacant categories: advocate, consumer, educational and/or provider. To request an application for alliance membership, contact Laura Henry, alliance facilitator at the Doña Ana County Health and Human Services Department, at 525-5834 or laurah@donaanacounty.org. Deadline for applications is 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 21.

Gift of Life scholarship available

The Betty Montoya Gift of Life Scholarship is an essay contest that will award two \$1,000 and two \$500 scholarships to New Mexico high school seniors. The essay contest is jointly sponsored by the Organ Transplant Awareness Program of New Mexico (OTAP) and Rotary District 5520. Students planning careers in health-related occupations are especially encouraged to apply.

The purpose of this scholarship is to promote organ and tissue donation as an important social responsibility while assisting New Mexico youth with higher education. Approximately 108,000 people are awaiting an organ transplant in the United States, and more than 1 million will need a tissue transplant this calendar year, according to OTAP. By increasing awareness of organ and tissue donation, we can help others make an informed decision about giving the gift of life.

To apply, download a scholarship application from otapnm.org and submit a completed application along with a three-page essay about organ donation by Feb. 14, National Donor Day. The application includes submission instructions.

The Betty Montoya Gift of Life scholarship honors former Albuquerque Public Schools teacher and kidney transplant recipient Betty Montoya. Montoya taught U.S. history, social studies and physical education for 19 years. She received numerous nominations and awards during her tenure and was recognized by many. Montoya was also an activist, educating the public about organ and tissue transplantation and was instrumental in establishing the Transplant Recipients International Organization (TRIO) Gift of Life scholarship for New Mexico students.

Pregnancy

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With 11 children of her own, as well as experience as a Girl Scout leader and catechism teacher, the 73-year-old offers a tried and true perspective.

"I must've done something right," she said. "All of my kids are college-educated, and I thought, 'Well, I might be an inspiration to these young girls.'"

While Larkin was able to stay home and raise her children, Davila faces the task of raising her four children while her husband lives outside of the country.

"I consider myself as a single mother because my husband is out of the U.S. and we only see each other two or three times a month," Davila said. "But I see (Phyllis) as my inspiration. If she did it, I could do it."

Administrative assistant and peer counselor Sarah Closson said she also sees Larkin as an inspiration while she raises her four young children, and she is sure to tell young pregnant women of her experience.

"We won't lie to you, it's hard," said Closson, who is a single mother. "It's hard work, but it's worth it to have them and watch them grow. We can show them that we're doing it."

While all the services provided at the center are free, Davila said there are costs incurred for which they must rely on the community. Project Linus provides many of their blankets, and Davila said they are always accepting used baby clothing sized newborn to 12 months and maternity clothes as well as diapers and other baby-related items.

To keep its doors open, the center also is in need of monetary donations to cover operating costs.

"Right now, we're only open Monday through Thursday, and we'd like to be open on Fridays," Closson said. "But we can't afford it."

Details

Mesilla Valley Pregnancy Resource Center

Address
1071 N. Solano Drive

Phone
526-6242

Website
www.mvprc.com

Pet brief

Las Cruces Dog Park Coalition annual meeting

The Las Cruces Dog Park Coalition will hold its annual meeting at 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 12, in the conference hall of the Las Cruces Association of Realtors, 150 E. Idaho Ave.

Coalition members with reservations prior to Feb. 9 will enjoy a free buffet dinner, a silent slide show of the development and progress of the Las Cruces Dog Park and the coalition and the music of Ross LeCompte and the Jazz Hounds. Tickets for nonmembers who reserve by Feb. 9 are \$10. Tickets at the door are \$15.

Reservations can be made by emailing armstrongkevin@hotmail.com or by phone with Vivian Hawn at 523-6856. All proceeds benefit the Dog Park Coalition, a nonprofit charity dedicated to maintaining, improving and expanding leash-free dog parks in the Las Cruces area.

The meeting will involve the election of coalition officers and members of the board of directors. Goals for the next two years will also be adopted.

Challenge

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suggest that you think about your intentions before you pitch your latest product to me. I'm going to be honest – it leaves a bad taste in my mouth, and I've immediately decided that I don't want to be a paying customer, especially when I reached out to everyone before the challenge officially began.

This week's challenge is going to be a doozy for everyone – we are to cut out sugar from our diets. No candy, no soda, no artificial sweetener (we should have already cut out sweeteners for two weeks now). If a label reads that a serving contains more than 12 grams of sugar, we are not to buy it.

My sister, Alyssa Davila, is especially going to have difficulty with this one – since she admits she'll have up to two king-sized candy bars a day.

"I told (Laura) that I'll eat a piece of fruit when I'm craving a candy bar," she said, but she didn't sound too thrilled about it.

This comes from someone who used to buy the prepared icing and eat it out of the container when we were younger. That's determination.

Our fitness challenge seems easy enough. Bill has challenged us with interval training at a 2-to-1 ratio. I don't know if I said that correctly, but essentially what he means is increasing your intensity for twice as long as your "recovery time." Example: If you're on a treadmill, increase your incline or speed for four minutes, but decrease the intensity

for two.

By doing this, Bill said we get a good workout in a shorter amount of time. Our body adjusts to the higher-intensity interval since we're doing it for a longer amount of time. It's great for those of us who don't have time to make it to the gym for a long workout – we can knock it out in 30 minutes. In fact, Bill said we should do it for no longer than 30 minutes.

Everyone seems to maintain the same enthusiasm as when we first started. Sure there are some who can't make it to the workouts or the weigh-ins, but this is a slow and steady climb up a steep hill. It may be week three, but for me it's a new beginning.

Email me at natisha@lascrucesbulletin.com.



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.

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 classes each Tuesday, with beginners classes from 9 to 10 a.m. and classes for more experienced practitioners from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. in the fourth-floor Women's Resource Room at MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4351 E. Lohman Ave. No registration is required. Cost is \$2, or free for Senior Circle and Healthy Woman members. For more information, call 526-3016.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Overeaters Anonymous meets from noon to 1 p.m. every Wednesday at St. James Episcopal Church on the corner of St. James and South Main streets. For more information, call 647-5684.

CARING BRIDGE SUPPORT GROUP

Caring Bridge, an activity support group for adults in recovery from mental illness, meets from 4 to 6 p.m. every Monday and Wednesday 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.

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. each Monday 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_fn@yahoo.com or leave a message at 882-4943.

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. each Wednesday 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.

APHASIA SUPPORT GROUP

The Southern New Mexico Aphasia Support Group is a community group for social conversation, support and education about aphasia. The group meets at 4 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico, 4441 E. Lohman Ave. For more information, call 521-6400.

FEDERATION OF THE BLIND MEETS

The Mesilla Valley Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind meets from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. the third Saturday of each month at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. For more information, call Nato at 571-2604.

TRANSPLANT SUPPORT GROUP

The Southern New Mexico Transplant Support group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4311 E. Lohman Ave., in the Community Education Room. The group helps to bring information and support to people who have lost a family member, donor family members and

transplant recipients. For more information, call 496-2627.

LA LECHE LEAGUE MEETINGS SET

La Leche League of Las Cruces, a group for breastfeeding mothers and mothers-to-be interested in breastfeeding, has two monthly meetings. The daytime meeting is at 10 a.m. the first Friday of each month at the Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Downtown Mall. The nighttime meeting is at 6:30 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at the home of leader Renee Beltran. Contact Beltran at 635-6683 or reneeelbeltran1@comcast.net for directions or any other inquiries specific to this meeting.

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.:

- Areobics: 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
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- Zumba: 7 to 8 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

For more information, call 541-5181. All classes are \$2.

For more information, call the City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department at 541-2550.

GAY COMMUNITY CENTER GROUPS

The Las Cruces Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender and Questioning/Queer (GLBTQ) Center, 1210 N. Main St., and 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@newmexicolgbtcenters.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. each Tuesday. The group is open to all with a focus on the GLBT 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. each Monday. The group is a 12-step program for anyone dealing with sexual compulsion.
- A LBTQ 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 LBTQ 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.
- Southern New Mexico Trans Support Group meets from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5. The group is a confidential, welcoming group open to all ages. Gender-questioning individuals are also welcome. All are invited to attend.

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.

HABITS OF HEALTH SYSTEM TAUGHT

During January and February, certified health coach Katia LeMone will teach the "Habits of Health System" from noon to 1 p.m. Mondays at 525 E. Lohman Ave., and from 7 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at 2801 E. Missouri Ave., Suite 12. The "Habits of Health System" is a comprehensive program designed to give participants control over their daily habits and behaviors in order to create a life of vibrancy and optimal health. For more information, call LeMone at 636-4627.

MONTHLY CICLOVÍA EVENT IS JAN. 30

Las Cruces looking for a fun way to get healthy and active can participate in this month's free Ciclovía health events from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 30, at Young Park, 1905 E. Nevada Ave. Ciclovía offers bike riding, horseshoes, walking, jogging, dancing, aerobics, jumping balloon and more. These fun physical activities are held each month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. January through October. Ciclovía is sponsored by the Doña Ana Diabetes Action Coalition and the Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach, a nonprofit organization. For more information, call June Donohue at 522-0289 or for information in Spanish call Beatriz Favela at 202-2376.

NEUROPATHIC MEETINGS SOUGHT

Anyone who suffers from a neuropathic disorder and who is interested in having a meeting to discuss it is asked to call 507-848-0530.

CROHN'S AND ULCERATIVE COLITIS SUPPORT GROUP

Crohn's and Ulcerative Colitis are collectively known as Irritable Bowel Disease or IBD. As many as 1 million Americans have IBD and both illnesses are similar. They are marked by an abnormal response by the body's immune system and include chronic inflammation of the intestines. There are no cures and management of the diseases includes medications, diet and surgery.

The Crohn's and Ulcerative Colitis support group meets from 3 to 5 p.m. the second Sunday of each month in the Community Education Room of MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4311 E. Lohman Ave. The support group is sponsored by the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America (www.cdfa.org).

For more information about the Crohn's and Colitis support group, call Jo Tice Bloom at 382-0722.

LA CASA DONOR MATCHING EVENT

Las Casa, 800 S. Walnut St., will host a donor matching event for leukemia patient Gina Orona-Ruiz from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28. La Casa is asking Las Cruces to participate in one of three ways – by being a donor, making a contribution or volunteering. For more information, contact Aubrey Vargas at 602-501-0501.

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Getting back to you

Equine-assisted programs can help strengthen life skills

By **Natisha Hales**
Las Cruces Bulletin

When you first come into contact with a horse at Spirit Ranch – maybe it's your very first time ever working with a horse – it's a mild approach. At first timid, and maybe even a little intimidated, you walk up to the horse and hold up the halter, trying to understand where it is to be placed over the horse's head.

There's little instruction from the equine specialist standing nearby, only that you do what's right for you. It's just you and the horse.

The horse mirrors your actions – at first continuing to stamp away at what's left of the grass in the arena and grazing, unfazed that you're nearby or maybe sensing your anxiety.

When you finally have an idea of how to place the halter on the horse, putting it on is another task. You touch the horse to let him know you're about to place it on him, but the horse is still relatively unfazed. No anger, no fear, just disinterest. The horse walks away from you to something more interesting and stamps away at a new patch of dormant Bermuda.

The dance ensues until you're finally able to put the halter on and buckle it.

This simple, initial exercise becomes a great triumph – and a great lesson in problem solving.

That's the philosophy at Spirit Ranch, started by marriage and family therapist Ann Remick-Barlow in 2003. The property, which has ample room for its six horses, is named Spirit Ranch because "good things happen here."

"I realized that kids and families do best outside and around animals," Remick-Barlow said. "At first, I thought dogs, but then I thought a bigger animal would be better. Seeing the kids work with the horses really taught me that this was the right thing. In the Southwest, horses are accepted as a pet and have a presence culturally, and that's another reason it came naturally."

As herd animals – and also prey animals – Remick-Barlow said horses are very intuitive and are sensitive to the slightest change or inconsistency in their environment. They will "mirror" feelings of anxiety, sadness, fear, loss of trust and other behaviors and help a person understand relationships and strengthen interpersonal skills.

Working with horses coaches people in their lives no matter the situation – whether they are suffering a loss, recovering from an injury or want to return to their "wholeness," said Lia Wiss, director of programming and community outreach.

"They develop coping mechanisms based on what works here," she said. "With this program, there is really good carryover into their own environment, and the results are evident. From all roles, what we've learned is the process creates its own answers."

This isn't a lesson in horseback riding – the entire process is learned through groundwork. Relating through tactile exercises, people hal-



A participant in Project Jumpstart, which assists soldiers who have mild to moderate traumatic brain injuries, leads Sage at Spirit Ranch. The equine-assisted programs offered at the ranch help participants strengthen their interpersonal skills and ultimately get to know themselves again.

Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Chris Mortenson

ter, groom and lead the horses. People even have power in choosing their horses, or letting the horse choose them.

The exercises can reveal a sense of power or helplessness, and leading the horse through a maze also strengthens problem-solving skills and adaptability. Throughout the entire process, a licensed therapist and equine specialist work alongside the family, offering insight to help them process feelings and observations.

Working with horses has helped the Hacker family of Las Cruces adapt to the one-year military deployment of Joann Hacker, a master sergeant for the National Guard. She has been deployed overseas for a year, leaving behind her husband Ken and 9-year-old son Fabien.

The family worked proactively, however, and sought Remick-Barlow's services before Joann Hacker left for training earlier this month.

"They all have worked together, this is a safe place," Remick-Barlow said. "They're all very creative in how they're handling a difficult situation."

In addition to visiting Spirit Ranch for about a year now, Ken Hacker uses music as his outlet, while Fabien uses art.

Ken Hacker said he writes music to express his feelings, and Fabien also expressed interest. At first his song "I Miss Mommy" was sad, but Fabien recently recorded another song where he will be excited to have Mommy back.

"It's a great progression," Ken Hacker said.

He said the pair is working together to help each other stay strong through their music and art, while breaking up the time for better management. They will get to see Joann Hacker in February before she heads overseas and later in the year when they will meet during a trip to France, where Ken Hacker has family.

"We (Fabien and I) keep talking about how we feel," Ken Hacker said. "Fabien is someone I can always talk to, and there's no embarrassment. We play off of each other."

They come to Spirit Ranch to continue that progression.

"We already knew about the program, and we were told this would help," he said. "I believe in preventative measures. We're not going to sit and wait until something breaks down."

Working with the horses, Fabien learned first, and then watched Dad.

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Advocates rally behind the Sanctity of Human Life

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Marchers gather at Young Park for the Sanctity of Human Life pro-life rally on Sunday, Jan. 23.



The Right to Life Committee of New Mexico was a sponsor of the rally and urged attendees to sign a petition in favor of banning late-term abortion.



Interested citizens listen to the facts about abortion and what the community can do to get involved in the prevention of abortions in Las Cruces.



Greg Goldblatt of Doña Ana County Right to Life speaks to the crowd during the rally.

Dr. Anthony Levatino of Turning Point of Las Cruces talks about the services that Turning Point offers to the community at Sunday's Pro-Life rally at Young Park.

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LEADING AS A SERVANT CONFERENCE

Calvary Chapel Las Cruces Men's Conference "Leading as a Servant" will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. There is no charge for the conference, but attendees will be responsible for their own lunch. Speakers will include Pastors Bruce Konkle, Martin Arriola, Xavier Silva and Jim Suttle. For more information, call 524-0985.

CONCERT AT TEMPLE BETH-EL

Temple Beth-El, 3980 Sonoma Springs Ave., presents a free classical concert by the Piatigorsky Foundation at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29. For more information, call 524-3380.

NEW CLASSES AT UNITY

Unity of Las Cruces, 125 Wyatt Drive, will begin a new series of classes. From 1 to 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Jan. 30 and Feb. 6, will be "Unity Basics," which will discuss the beliefs and five basic principles of Unity. From 6 to 7:30 p.m. beginning Thursday, Feb. 3, and 10:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 5, will be "Fillmore for Today," a class about Unity co-founder Charles Fillmore. For more information, call 523-5592 or visit www.unityoflascruces.org.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN MEETING

Mujeres Metodista Unidas (United Methodist Women) will meet at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 5, at El Calvario United Methodist Church, 300 N. Campo St. The meeting will be followed by a meal. All women are welcome to attend. For more information, call 525-2708.

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Learning to lead as a servant

Calvary Chapel Men's Conference comes to Las Cruces

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin

This year, the free Calvary Chapel Men's Conference, scheduled for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave., will focus on the importance of spiritual leadership through service.

In its third year, the conference came about as a way to unite men of Calvary Chapel throughout southern New Mexico and west Texas.

"(The men from about eight Calvary Chapels throughout southern New Mexico) get together once a month and we talk and pray and share," said Pastor Bob Ortega of

Calvary Chapel Las Cruces. "We thought it would be a good idea to hold a conference at the end of January to do that on a larger scale."

Last year, the conference was held in Alamogordo and 200 men attended. This year, Ortega said it was Calvary Chapel Las Cruces' turn to host the event.

"We started to make plans and our church holds 230 people," he said. "But then we thought about parking."

Realizing that the conference would coincide with the popular Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market, the church, which is located Downtown, decided to seek another venue.

"Members suggested the new

convention center," Ortega said. "Phil Garcia, the coordinator working with us, has been a blessing and has helped us so much."

With much more space available, Ortega said they can now open the growing conference to men throughout the area.

"We're hoping for 250 or more," he said.

The theme of the conference this year will be "Leading as a Servant."

"The greatest example of this is Jesus," Ortega said. "Jesus showed us when he washed the disciples' feet before he was crucified. He said, 'Go, do unto others.' He didn't mean to literally go wash people's feet, but to be a servant."

During the conference, four pastors from New Mexico and west Texas will present teaching seminars on various topics related to Mark 10:35-45, which states, "Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

The topics will include humility presented by Pastor Bruce Konkle of Sun City, compassion presented by Pastor Martin Arriola of Santa Teresa, faithfulness presented by Pastor Xavier Silva of Deming and sacrificial presented by Pastor Jim Suttle of Roswell.

"Humility is something we all should have and we all should have compassion for others," Ortega said.

Ortega added that the theme was chosen because the church felt awareness of these values is needed.

"Our country, our state, our city, we definitely need spiritual guidance," he said.

Worship during the conference will be lead by Pastor Charley Flores of El Paso and Ortega will act as the master of ceremony. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and coffee and pastries will be provided. Participants will then receive an hour and a half to get their own lunch.

Ortega said he encourages every man to attend and hopes the free conference is such a success that they can return to the convention center in 2012.

"My goal is that this would be so successful that we can come back and do it again next year," he said.

For more information, call 524-0985.

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Feb. 5, and after all masses Sunday, Feb. 6. The public can bring their treasures, except clothing, for this sale by Monday, Jan. 31. For more information, call 526-8171.

MOTHERS AND DAUGHTER PROGRAM

A Mothers and Daughters Fertility Awareness and Chastity Program will be held from 1 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6, at Bella Ballroom, 5585 S. Main St. The age-appropriate seminar is for girls 13 to 16 years old and their mothers and will discuss God's gift of chastity and fertility and God's plan of growing up as a woman. Cost is \$20 for mother and one daughter or \$25 for mother and two or more daughters. Seating is limited. For more information, call 640-8358 or 382-9231.

CREATING OPTIMISM CLASS

Wellspring Church, 140 Taylor Road, will offer a six-week work-study session on dealing with depression from 6 to 7:30 p.m. beginning Monday, Feb. 7. Led by Rev. Bonnie Smith, the topic will be based on "Creating Optimism" by Bob Murray and "This Thing Called You" by Ernest Holmes. A love offering is suggested. For more information, call 382-8218 or 647-2560.

EASTERN STAR FINDRAISER

Las Cruces Chapter No. 20, Order of the Eastern Star, will host its annual enchilada dinner from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 12, at the Masonic Lodge, 180 E. Boutz Road. The dinner will include red enchilada, beans, rice, cole slaw, dessert and drinks. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 12.

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Boutz Road, will host

"The Gospel of John," a one-man show by Brad Sherrill, at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 13. Child care is available on request. For more information, call 526-5559 or visit www.gospelofjohn.com.

FREE WEDDINGS

Unity of Las Cruces, 125 Wyatt Drive, will once again hold free weddings on Valentine's Day, Monday, Feb. 14. For more information and times, call 526-5592.

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.

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.

ALPHA COURSE

The public is invited to a 10-week, video-based small

group study course on the Christian faith at Morning Star UMC, 2941 Morning Star Drive. The sessions begin at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, and a potluck supper will be held beforehand at 5:30 p.m. Child care is provided. For more information, call 521-3770.

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 anytime for the free group, and child care will be provided. For more information, call 521-3770.

CALVARY GROUPS

El Calvario United Methodist Church is starting a

group approach to empower Christian believers to become better disciples. Calvary Groups, to be led by Rev. Raul Dominguez, are planned for various areas in Las Cruces. Anyone interested in participating, whether they're a member of the congregation or not, should call the church office at 524-1230.

BOOK STUDY AND PROSPERITY DISCUSSION

Unity Church of Mesilla Valley, 125 Wyatt Drive, will hold a book study group for "Atom Smashing Power of Mind" by Charles Fillmore, co-founder of Unity, at 10 a.m. Tuesdays. New members are welcome to come explore another facet of Practical Christianity in action. The church will also hold pros-

perity discussions at 9 a.m. Saturdays. For more information, call 523-5592 or visit www.unityoflascruces.org.

DIVORCECARE

Sonoma Springs Church, 3940 Sonoma Springs Ave., now offers an ongoing DivorceCare support ministry from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. The ministry is devoted to helping people find support, healing and becoming whole again. Child care is available. For more information, call 526-4907.

BIBLE COURSE

John Anderson at Holy Cross Church, 1327 N. Miranda St., will hold a course based on the writings of the apostolic fathers from 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays in the church's gathering space. Bring your Bible and a friend.

STUDY GROUP

The Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St., has a study group for "The Course In Miracles" from 11 a.m. to noon every Saturday. For more information, call Lisa at 644-2977.

OPEN SPIRITUAL GROUP

The Association for Research and Enlightenment (ARE) Edgar Cayce Studies holds group meetings from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday. The meetings are hosted by local chapter leader Linda Aragon and are open to the public. Anyone seeking spiritual study, knowledge and awareness is encouraged to attend. There is no fee. For more information and location, call 382-6400.



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Senior Activities



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

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.

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.

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 Senior 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 Senior 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 instructor Jason Shoberg are held from 3 to 4 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Donation suggested.

CHINA PAINTERS

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

CHESS

Chess games are played from 8:30 a.m. to noon

Fridays at the Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. All are welcome. Participants are asked to bring chess sets, boards and clocks, if available.

MAH JONGG

Mah Jongg is played from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays at Munson Senior 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 Senior 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.

PINOCHLE

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

HORSESHOE PITCHING

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.

CANASTA

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

MEN'S 8-BALL TOURNAMENT

A free men's 8-ball tournament open to men 50 years of age and older is held at 9:15 a.m. the last Wednesday of each month at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Sign -p is from 8 to 9 a.m. For more information, call Dan Carrillo at 528-3111.

LADIES' POOL TOURNAMENT

A free ladies' pool tournament open to ladies 50 years of age and older is held at 8:30 a.m. the first Monday of each month at the Munson Center.

WATERCOLOR PAINTING CLASS

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

STAINED-GLASS

Beginning and advance 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 Senior 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 and is currently booking the following trips:

- **Indian Cliff Ranch and Cattleman's Steakhouse in Fabens, Texas:** Feb. 25. \$75 per person includes dinner.
- **Las Vegas and Hoover Dam:** April 11-15. \$385 double, \$410 single.
- **Mount Rushmore and Black Hills of South Dakota:** May 14-22. \$760 double, \$1,019 single.
- **Alaska Cruise and Tour:** Sept. 7, 11 days/10 nights. Call for details.
- **Hawaii Cruise:** Oct. 22. 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. Trips are subject to cancellation. For more information or to sign up, call 528-3000.

WALKING GROUP

All walks depart from Munson Senior 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.

MYSTERY TOURS

A mystery tour will depart from Munson Senior 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.

SWINGING DANCERS

The Swinging Dancers of Munson Center meet at 7 p.m. Saturdays at Munson Senior 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. the first, third and fifth Thursday of each month at the Las Cruces Country Club, 2350 N. Main St. Cost for lunch is \$9, including tax and gratuity. Cost for bridge is 60 cents. All are welcome.

For more information, call 523-6106 or 373-9309.

INCOME TAX PREPARATION

The Community Action Agency (CAA) and AARP will be offering free tax preparation beginning Tuesday, Feb. 1, and continuing through Friday, April 15, at CAA office, 3880 Foothills Road. Service hours will be from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:30 a.m. to noon on Friday. Evening hours will be offered starting in mid-February on days to be determined. In addition, taxes will be prepared at the Anthony Women's Intercultural Center, 303 Lincoln St. starting in mid-February. For more information, call 527-8799.

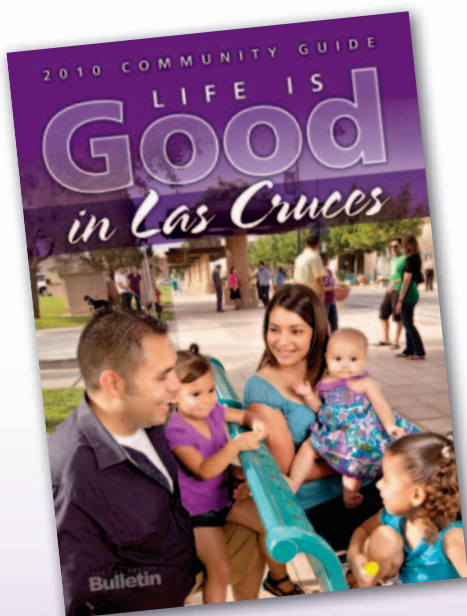
SENIOR OLYMPICS KICKOFF EVENT

The Doña Ana County Senior Olympics will kick off the 2011 Games with its annual registration and awards program from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Trails West clubhouse, 1450 Avenida de Mesilla. All residents age 50 and over are invited to participate in one or more of the 26 sports. For more information call the Senior Olympic office at 541-5171.

Frequently called numbers

MUNSON CENTER	975 S. Mesquite St.	528-3000
BENAVIDEZ COMMUNITY CENTER	1045 McClure Road.....	541-5185
EASTSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER	310 N. Tornillo St.....	541-2304 or 541-2305
MESILLA PARK COMMUNITY CENTER	304 W. Bell Ave.	541-2455
IN-HOME SERVICES	304 W. Bell Ave.	541-2451
RESOURCE CENTER	975 S. Mesquite St.	528-3307
RETIRED & SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM	975 S. Mesquite St.	528-3000
SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM	Reservations and cancellations.....	528-3012
	From outside the city.....	800-397-3544
SENIOR OLYMPICS	Mesilla Park Center.....	541-5171
DIAL-A-RIDE SENIOR TRANSPORTATION	Call 24 hours in advance	541-2777
ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION	101 N. Alameda Blvd.....	647-3868
	From outside the city.....	888-588-0005

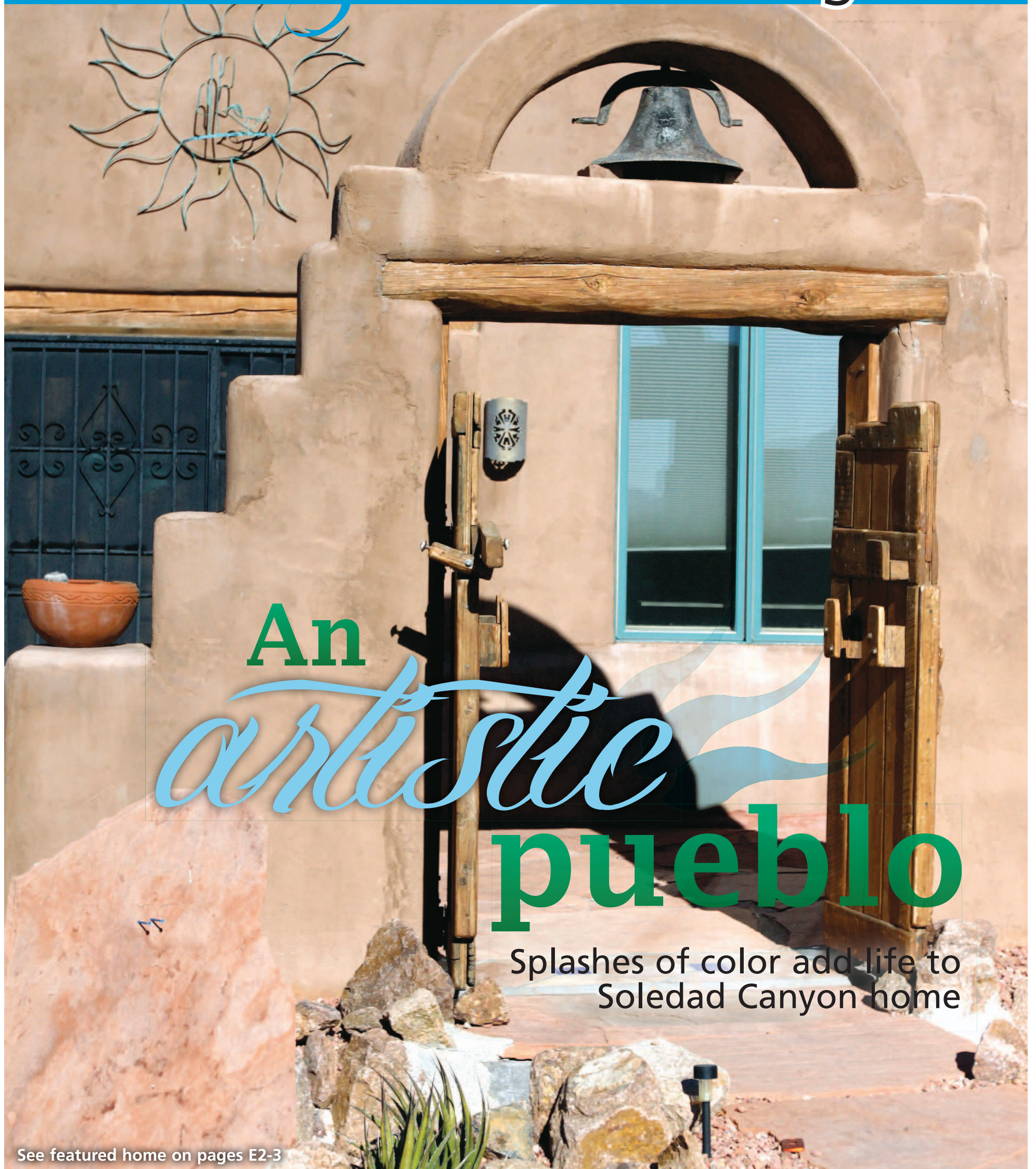
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Splashes of color add life to Soledad Canyon home

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Featured home: 10525 Achenbach Canyon Road

Photos by Niki Rhynes

Built in 1990, the home at 10525 Achenbach Canyon Road sits on 4.224 acres in the Dripping Springs area.



A light blue spiral staircase leads to the loft, an ideal location for another bedroom area.



A round wall of windows in the living room brings the view of the Organ Mountains indoors.



The kitchen was updated with modern appliances, but the original fireplace still stands.



A casita was added to the house, and while it isn't adobe, it was finished to resemble it.

As in the main house, vigas, Saltillo tile and a fireplace can be found in the casita.



The jewel at the end of the dirt road

Bumps, dips lead to pueblo-inspired adobe decorated with color

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Located in Talavera off a dirt road full of dips and bends is an artistically inspired adobe home that captures the rustic feel of the peaceful area.

Built in 1990 by a local artist, the pueblo-style home was just the undiscovered jewel John Scarbrough and Kevin Baughman desired.

"We were out there exploring one day and we went down the dirt road and saw the 'for sale' sign," Scarbrough said.

Eager to take a peek at the Old World-inspired residence, the duo was given a tour by the then owner, and decided to make the 2,549-square-foot abode and accompanying casita their new home in 2008.

As guests drive down the bumpy dirt road, they reach a gate, tucked behind which is the roundabout driveway leading to the front of the home.

"(We like) the peace and quiet of living out there – its so quiet and secluded," said Scarbrough, adding that the infrequently traveled road is home to a variety of caring neighbors. "It's extremely safe."

Boulders and native brush line a flagstone walkway that steps up a slight hill to the courtyard of the main house. Incorporating a passive solar design, Scarbrough said the home is situated on the property so the winter sun hits it and heats the interior during the colder months.

Through the large wood front double doors is the brick-lined foyer. Scarbrough added that the use of the brick and Saltillo tile throughout the home, except in one room, allows the floors to remain cool in the summer, but warm in the winter.

Reflecting the former owner's love of art, splashes of light blue, sea green and terracotta pink can be found in the adobe home, giving the interior a Santa Fe feel, Scarbrough said.

"It took a little time to grow on you, but the colors just fit the home so well," he said.

To the right of the foyer is the kitchen, which features a light blue fireplace. While the couple updated the room by installing new appliances, Scarbrough said they maintained its rustic pueblo feel.

"The kitchen isn't granite or stainless steel," he said. "It's more authentic."

Saltillo floors fill the adjacent living room. A light blue banco lines the wall beside the sea green fireplace and extends underneath a series of windows that cover the round wall.

"We especially liked all of the natural light

in the home," said Scarbrough, adding that the numerous windows add a sense of openness to the residence.

The grand ceiling is decorated in vigas and planks laid out like the spokes of a wagon wheel. The traditional wood element, which Scarbrough said adds warmth, can be found throughout the main home and casita.

Down a hall, passed a light sea green bathroom, is a bedroom that can also be used as an office. The only room to have wood floors, the area also features a blue spiral staircase that leads to a loft. The fireplace in the room features a more ornate exterior and is decorated in a variety of blue and white flower tiles.

As with just about all of the rooms in the home, this office-bedroom area features a door to the outdoor living space.

"There are multiple patios that take advantage of the view," said Realtor Connie Hettinga of Steinborn & Associates Real Estate, who represents the listing.

"There are decks all around," said Scarbrough, adding that there is room for a hot tub. "There is a lot of livable outdoor space."

Another bedroom completes the main house. Not officially the master suite, the bedroom includes double doors to the front courtyard. A three-fourths bathroom, featuring a freestanding shower, is connected to the laundry facility across the hall.

A short walk down rock-lined pea gravel paths lead to the casita. Scarbrough said in addition to installing the walking paths, they also tidied up the landscaping, leaving the natural vegetation for a native appearance.

Built in 1992, the casita isn't adobe, but reflects the same Southwest style featured in the main house, from the Saltillo floors to the viga and plank ceiling.

"The casita is perfect for guests or as a separate living space," Scarbrough said. "It's a nice little touch."

A front patio with a fireplace and nichos



Tucked behind swinging doors, a clawfoot bathtub rests beside a window in the casita.

Details

Featured home

10525 Achenbach Canyon Road

Square footage

2,549

Acres

4.2

Bedrooms

Three

Bathrooms

Two and three-fourths

Fireplaces

Five

Price

\$450,000

Special features

Adobe main house with a separate casita, views of the Organ and Tortugas mountains, native landscaping, viga and plank ceilings and energy efficient design

For more information

Call Connie Hettinga at 640-7279 or Zane Fikany at 640-4374

takes guests into the home. Inside, another fireplace rests in the corner as an arch hides the bedroom area, which also features a bathroom. A clawfoot bathtub and pedestal sink nestled beside a widow can be found behind the swinging shutter doors.

"The view from here is gorgeous," said Hettinga of the casita.

Sitting on 4.2 acres, the home includes open spaces, seclusion and one-of-a-kind views.

"The house is right against BLM (Bureau of Land Management) land," Scarbrough said. "The view to that side will never be obstructed."

In addition to the breathtaking 360-degree view that spans from the Organ Mountains to the Tortugas Mountain, Scarbrough said the residence offers easy access to hiking trails as well as Bar Canyon.

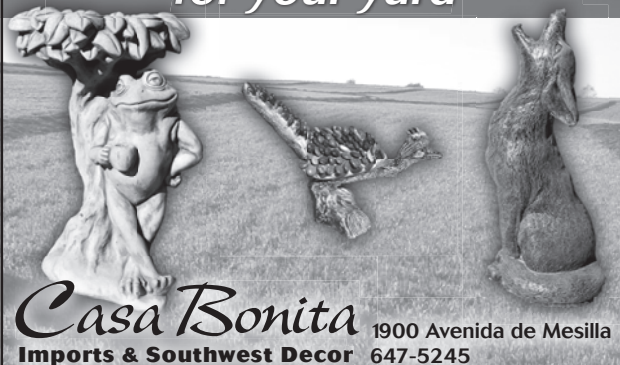
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A fizzy helper

The many uses of thirst-quenching, bubbly soda pop

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Created from carbonated water, soda pop has been a popular beverage around the world since the late 18th century.

From the fountain machine to bottles, the beverage can be enjoyed in a variety of ways – including alongside Pop Rocks, which urban legend says will make your stomach explode when paired together.

While many find it refreshing, soda pop has been associated with a variety of health problems, including obesity and tooth decay. If your New Year's resolution is to cut back on your daily consumption of the carbonated beverage, use those extra cans and bottles in some unusual ways around your home.

1. Clean a car battery: If the battery terminals of your car become corroded, a good way to wash away all of that gunk is with soda pop. Using your favorite brand, pour the carbonated beverage over the terminals and let it sit. Then, rub off the sticky residue with a wet sponge. The carbonic acid in the drink will dissolve rust deposits. Do this every so often to prevent rust from forming.

2. Fix rusted nuts and bolts: The bubbly fizz of soda pop can also be used to remove rust from your nuts and bolts. The next time you can't get the hardware to move, save yourself some elbow grease and loosen it by wrapping a soda pop-soaked cloth around the area.

3. Clean chrome: If your chrome has begun to develop small areas of rust, easily clean them away with soda pop. To do this, just dip a piece of crumpled aluminum foil in soda pop and carefully rub the rust spots. When you're done, wipe the area with a clean, soft cloth.

4. Make cut flowers last longer: While beautiful, cut flowers often begin to wilt in a matter of days. Keep them fresher longer with

the help of soda pop. Pour about 1/4 cup of the liquid into a vase of water. Although any soft drink will do, if your vase is clear, use a clear soda. The sugars in the soda pop will help the blossoms thrive.

5. Scrub a toilet: Eliminate dirt and odors without the need of store-bought cleaners by using a can of soda pop. Simply dump the soda pop around the toilet bowl and let it sit for an hour. Next, vigorously scrub the bowl and flush. Your toilet will sparkle and shine.

6. Unclog a drain: The next time a slow-moving drain has stopped up your bathtub or sink, skip the commercial chemicals and grab the soda pop. Using a 2-liter bottle of the fizzy stuff, pour it down the drain and the carbonation will help get the clog moving.

7. Remove gum from your hair: While peanut butter is the famed go-to gum remover, soda pop can also get the sticky substance out of hair. Simply put the section of the gum-covered hair in a bowl of soda pop and let it sit for several minutes, then rinse. When you're done, wash your hair thoroughly and carefully comb it out.

8. Moisten a roasted ham: The secret to the juiciest roasted ham possible can be found in your refrigerator. Just pour a can of soda pop over your traditional ham recipe and follow its regular baking instructions. The result will be moist, mouth-watering meat.

9. Polish coins: A common problem for coin collectors is dealing with dirty currency. Bring your coin collection back to life with soda pop. Place the coins in a small bowl of the bubbly beverage and soak them for a few minutes. After, rinse them under cold water and dry off with a soft cloth. Don't do this to rare and very valuable coins, however.

10. Banish grout stains: Give a dingy shower an easy facelift with soda pop. Soak a sponge in the popular drink and scrub the tile and grout with a few quick passes. While any soda will work, a darker beverage is said to do the job better. When you're done, spray down the tiles, rinsing away the soda and grime.

11. Lift out tough stains: A grease spot doesn't have to ruin your favorite piece of clothing when you have soda pop. Pour a



Around-the-house item: Soda pop

Chocolate Coca-Cola Cake

1 cup Coca-Cola
3 tablespoons cocoa
1 cup butter, softened
2 cups all-purpose flour
2 cups granulated sugar
1 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 cups miniature marshmallows
1/2 cup buttermilk
2 eggs

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and flour a 13-by-9-inch baking pan. Mix together Coca-Cola, cocoa and butter. Pour Coca-Cola mixture over dry ingredients, stirring to blend. Add buttermilk and eggs. Blend well. Add marshmallows. (This batter is thin and marshmallows will float.) Pour in prepared pan. Bake for 40 minutes or until done. Let cool, then frost.

Frosting:
1/2 cup butter
3 tablespoons cocoa
6 tablespoons Coca-Cola
1 box confectioners' sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 cup nuts, chopped

Bring butter, cocoa and Coca-Cola to boiling, then pour over sugar. Add vanilla extract and nuts. Spread over cake while hot. (Recipe adapted from www.recipegoldmine.com.)

regular, dark 12-ounce can of the beverage into the washer with your laundry detergent and wash as usual. The soda will help lift the stain. Also, for hard-to-remove milk stains, soak the spot in the soda pop for about five to 10 minutes and wash as usual.

12. Wash your windows: Dirty, grimy windows, especially those on your car, can be difficult to clean. Get help for the tough-acting citric acid found in soda pop. Drizzle the soda over the window and wipe it off with a damp cloth. Be sure to wash off any leftover sticky residue.

13. Relieve a jellyfish sting: Sure, the desert Southwest isn't riddled with sea-dwelling jellyfish, but you never know when that vacation to the ocean may result in a painful sting from the creature. If you happen to have a close encounter with a jellyfish, neutralize the pain of its sting with soda pop, preferably the dark variety. Dump the soft drink over the hurt area, and it will instantly be soothed.

14. Freshen a dirty dish: Baked-on messes don't stand a chance when you have soda pop around. Empty a can of the beverage into the bottom of the dish and let it sit. Using the rough side of the sponge, scrub the container until it's clean.

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Realtors Political Action Committee Vice Chair Bill Brady stands with the RPAC VIPs.



Las Cruces Association of Realtors board member Shannon Sells-Gutierrez and LCAR President Evan Self catch up during the LCAR Realtor Rally Thursday, Jan. 20.



Sandra Espiritu accepts a certificate of affiliate member from Self on behalf of Carmona's Salon and Day Spa.



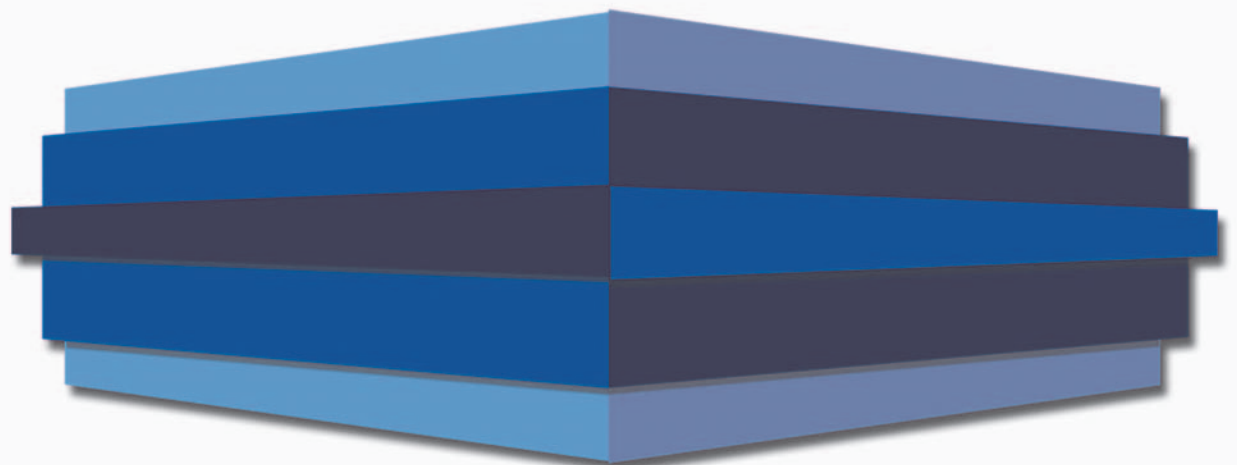
Self awards an affiliate certificate to Aaron Perez of Chilitos Restaurant.

Mary-Catherine Meeks of Accent Real Estate bids on a silent auction item. All of the proceeds of the rally will be donated to the Make a Wish Foundation.



LCAR CEO Isaac Chavez holds up a raffle item during the rally, which was attended by 83 local Realtors.

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Featured builder: Polly Benavidez

Building a new career after the boom

Drafter succeeds in building field thanks to energy-efficient product

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin



BENAVIDEZ

Since entering the building industry three years ago, Polly Benavidez has stuck to her promise of providing the community with energy-efficient and stylish homes.

Raised in Mesquite, N.M., Benavidez said she has been interested in painting and design since childhood, explaining that as a youngster, she would help her mother and sister rearrange the family's house on an almost weekly basis.

"Every other weekend, my dad would come home and find the furniture in a different place," she said. "I would always change things. I have never been scared of change or using color."

She attended New Mexico State University to study microbiology. Although she had worked in the NMSU lab since her junior year of high school, Benavidez decided her passion for art and design were more important.

"I had a close family friend at ASA Architects, and she told me that I was really good at drawing," Benavidez said. "She suggested an internship, and I started taking classes at NMSU and Doña Ana Community College."

Benavidez graduated with a bachelor's degree in architectural drafting and design and began drawing floor plans and working closely with area builders. She also taught part-time at DACC. In addition to these responsibilities, she donated her services to Mesilla Valley Habitat for Humanity.

"Habitat usually gets odd-shaped lots, so they asked me to help," she said. "It is a challenge to design a house to fit, but I try to help out as much as I can when I'm available."

After 13 years in the drafting and design



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Beth Sitzler

Dedicated to style and function, builder Polly Benavidez incorporates open spaces in the living room-kitchen area in the homes she constructs.

industry, Benavidez said in 2008 she was ready to break out on her own and began Saguario Homes Building and Development.

"Nothing is cooler than to see your thoughts on paper and then build it from the ground up," she said.

Bringing a different perspective

When establishing Saguario Homes, Benavidez said she realized that she had the opportunity to bring a different point of view to area homes.

"Being a woman in the industry isn't very common. We bring that unique feminine

touch," she said. "Being a designer, I love sitting down and building the whole concept from the foundation and up."

She said she adds special touches that usually are overlooked by male builders, such as creating larger closets and integrating lighting into pantries.

"These are things us as women like to have," she said. "When I was growing up, I would change things and ponder what I would like to have in my home. Now, I consider and think of how the home can cater to a family."

After building her first home — a 2,300-square-foot residence in the Mesa Grande Estates — Benavidez said she has

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- Husband Ray
- Baby on the way

constructed about 12 homes that average about 1,900 square feet.

"When I saw (my first home) it really impacted me, because I knew I could do it and that I was on the right path," she said. "Seeing all of the walls go up and all of those details I put in the plan get built, I knew I was in the right business."

She said she has used her design talents to create numerous homes in the \$150,000 to \$200,000 range in a variety of styles.

"The price range doesn't really limit me. As a custom designer, I can build pretty much anything," she said. "The trend right now is toward a Tuscan style, but definitively in the Southwest, the pueblo style is very common. People from the East and West coasts come here and like that style."

More important than style or accessories, Benavidez said she has focused on creating an affordable home that would save the owners money over time, thanks to energy-efficient building techniques.

"Ever since I started, I wanted to build something energy-efficient in some way," she said. "I read about this technology in school and thought it was so important to incorporate

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Long halls are in the home Benavidez is constructing on Sombre Moranda Road.



Building in any style, this Sonoma Ranch Boulevard home has a Southwest feel.



Also currently under construction, Benavidez included a three-way fireplace to divide the space in the master suite between the bedroom area and at-home office.

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Creating a smart investment for her customers, Benavidez said she constructs Energy Star certified homes, which requires tracking and documenting the home throughout the various stages of construction.

"It's a different process of construction," she said, explaining that she works closely with a home energy rater.

Recently joining the El Paso Electric Energy Star New Homes Program, Benavidez said she hopes to be an example for other area builders and encourage them to join the green movement.

"Las Cruces is slowly moving into this," she said. "The community is going that route, and it's important to contribute and be part of it."

With so much information about energy efficiency out there, Benavidez said many people are misled about certification, so it is important for homeowners to become educated.

"I try to give as much information to my customers as possible," she said. "I explain what energy certification is and what they're getting. Certification at the end is very important."

Creating a home

Benavidez said her perspective of the construction process and quality building has helped her find success in the industry.

"I don't cut corners," she said. "I do all of these things to give a homeowner more money and value when they're buying a home so it's a good, long-term investment."

In addition to the support of her family, including her husband Ray, with whom she is expecting her first child, Benavidez said the success of Saguaro Homes is also due to those involved in the day-to-day operations.

"I'd like to thank my subcontractors for their everyday workmanship and the quality they put into the houses. It's not a one-person deal," she said.

Adding that she works closely with her subs, Benavidez said she runs every job sight to ensure the quality.

"I like to be out there," she said. "I can make decisions right away."

Although the building industry has declined since the boom in the early 2000s – during which time Benavidez said she was drafting

about 10 homes a week – she said things could be worse.

"Las Cruces is steady compared to other places. We're not nearly as bad as the West Coast," said Benavidez, who built eight to 10 homes in 2010.

While she doesn't think the market will return to 2005 levels, the height of the housing boom, Benavidez said she does predict things getting better and back to normal in a few years.

Despite all of the challenges, creating a happy homeowner is worth it all, she said.

"The reward is seeing the house come to life and seeing the customer's face when they move

in," she said. "The smiles, hugs, appreciation – nothing compares to that."

Benavidez said she plans to continue in the business and wants to begin incorporating Build Green New Mexico certification into her homes.

"My biggest accomplishment is being able to make this come true," she said. "When you have a dream and think about it and start to make it happen, it takes so much strength and determination to get there. It's hard to establish yourself as a new builder, especially with this market. It's been an accomplishment to start my business, have homes on the ground and continue to work."

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A mobile way to be green

Four ways smart phones and mobile devices can combat energy waste in your home

Bob Pofahl

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OK, I'll admit it ... I'm an iPhone convert.

Until about six months ago, the only thing smart about my phone was the guy using it. Now that I have converted to an iPhone, I'm not sure how I ever survived without it.

I've slowly adapted to using my iPhone for more than just phone calls. I can now send emails, surf the web, take photos and video and download applications.

The evolution of mobile device applications (more commonly known as apps) has revolutionized the way we do many things in life. You can check in for a flight, pay for a cup of coffee, manage your tasks, check facebook, read books and magazines, pay your bills and so much more through apps on your iPhone, iPad or other mobile device.

Apple's App Store currently features more than 350,000 apps. With so many apps and functions available through smart phones, I decided to look into a few ways a smart phone could help conserve energy and promote green building in Las Cruces homes.

Here are the top four ways I have found that you can integrate your smart phone into your quest for a greener home:

Improve your energy efficiency

The easiest way your mobile device can help you save energy in your home is by selecting products and optimizing the products you currently have.

There are quite a few apps available to help you select the right light bulb depending on how and where you plan to use it. Light Bulb Finder is a free app that takes you through a short questionnaire to determine the type of bulb you are currently using and then recommends the most energy-efficient bulb that you can select for that usage.

Cybermill's WattStopper calculates the potential energy savings realized by controlling plug-in appliances and electronics. According to the EPA, this is one of the fastest growing areas of energy consumption in the United States.

Graham Haley Meter Readings helps you closely monitor the water and energy use of your home. Monitoring your usage can help you conserve.

Apps like these help you to calculate your potential savings in energy and money. Once you see how much you can save, you'll realize why going green is such a popular movement.

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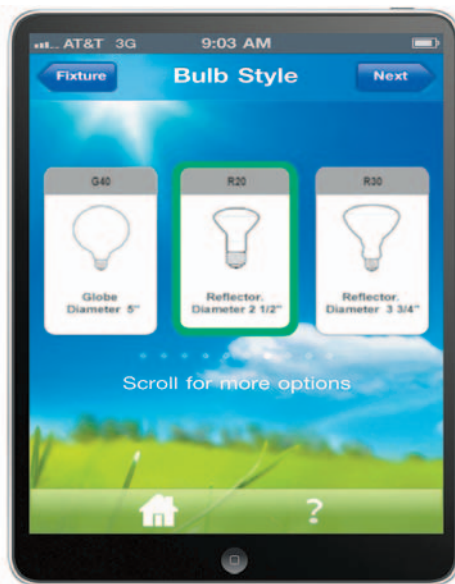
The Internet is overflowing with advice and tips on green building and green living, and the information overload can get downright overwhelming. Sometimes it's better to get green information in small doses.

Apps such as One Stop Green delivers daily tips on green living right to your phone.

One Stop Green offers practical tips such as, "Switch to cold water! Almost 90 percent of the energy used to wash clothes is used to heat the water, according to the U.S. Department of Energy. Save money and energy, wash your clothes in warm or cold water, instead of hot, using a detergent formulated for cold-water use."

These are everyday tips you can easily put into practice in your home right away.

If you're looking to go more in-depth or want to learn to build green like the pros, download the Green Builder Magazine app for free. This app gives you free access to a



Light Bulb Finder is an app for your smart phone that helps you select the right bulb for the job.

wealth of great green building information that used to only be available to builders and developers.

Control your smart home with a smart phone

Most homeowners still control their lights with traditional switches. The home of the future is just around the corner where all of your lights, appliances and home electronics will be controlled by your smart phone.

This might sound far-fetched, but the technology is available today. Systems such as Vantage automate your home through preset programming and remote control of lighting, heating and cooling, entertainment and security systems. This can all be done from your smart phone anywhere you have a signal.

There are so many green applications for automated control systems like Vantage.

Did you forget to turn off your heater when you left for work this morning? With Vantage, that's no problem. Just pull out your phone and open the Vantage app to turn your heater off.

Smart bar codes

One of the latest mobile app technologies that's beginning to take off is called bar code scanning technology.

Apps such as ScanLife can be loaded onto your iPhone, Android, Blackberry or other smart phone. Use the camera on your phone to scan a product barcode or other printed smart code and you will instantly receive information about the product and where to purchase it.

ScanLife can also be used by companies to allow readers to instantly download information and more. The most recent issue of Green Builder Magazine allows readers to enter a contest just by scanning a smart code printed in the magazine.

My hope is that, in the future, even more companies will use this bar code to help consumers find the greenest products on the market.

These are just four areas I've found to use my new iPhone for a greener home. I'd love to hear how you are using your smart phone as a tool for green living.

Bob Pofahl is the owner and developer of Picacho Mountain, southern New Mexico's only Build Green New Mexico certified community. For more information about green building, contact Bob at 523-2500 or visit his blog at blog.picachomountain.com.

Enjoying ocean bounty at the 'Cooking with Sea Vegetables' class

Photos by Beth Sitzler



Guest instructor Dee Davis explains the nutritional and culinary value of sea vegetables, aka seaweed, during the Mountain View Market "Cooking with Sea Vegetables" class Thursday, Jan. 20.



Davis shows off her hijiki roll. Hijiki contains the highest calcium content of any sea vegetable.

When reconstituted, wakame expands to three times its size.



Using nori, Davis assembles a California sushi roll for the 24 class participants.

Renovating your countertops and cabinets

Material selection more involved than cost and color

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Editor's note: This is the second in a series of articles that examine different remodeling options for a home.

As homeowners examine the condition of the housing market, many are looking at ways to upgrade their current abode. One room that receives an abundance of remodeling attention is the kitchen.

"The economy is so poor, people are remodeling instead of building new homes," said Walter Kowalski, owner of W. Kowalski Inc. Fine Woodworking. "They can do complete remodels or a simple facelift."

Whether you're looking for a modern facility or are in need of a dramatic change, the most common way to renovate your kitchen is with new countertops and cabinetry.

Choosing your right countertop

Probably the most popular remodeling item for the kitchen is the countertop, and for good reason considering the vast variety of materials and the numerous color choices available.

Peter Akel of Stone Counter Top at The Design Center said the most common countertop is Formica, an inexpensive plastic laminate material that easily scratches, tears, burns, separates from the particleboard and swells, if soaked.

"There isn't a lot of maintenance with Formica, but once it's damaged, it goes quickly. As long as it's not damaged from scratches or water, it's very durable," he said, adding that the manufactured material comes in a variety of colors and can even resemble stone.

A step up from Formica is tile, which is a happy medium, Akel said, thanks to its strength.

"It's very durable and it doesn't burn, however, it requires a high level of maintenance," he said, explaining that the grout joints must be cleaned and replaced often. "Grout is the biggest upkeep in a kitchen."

The next are seamless surfaces, which include granite, an all-natural porous material, and quartz, a man-made product that is created from 75 percent recycled materials, including glass bottles, mirrors and ceramic.



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Modern hinges are not only adjustable, but come apart so the cabinet door can be easily cleaned.

“A lot of people are upgrading their entry level cabinets to something more durable and functional.”

JOE HURTADO,
JH Cabinets

Vidal Rivera of Don Tan Interiors said man-made quartz, a green product, is a popular material in hospitals, courthouses and doctors' offices because it isn't porous like granite and won't absorb bacteria or liquids.

"If someone abuses their kitchen and they do a lot of cooking, they should consider quartz," he said. "It requires less maintenance and less sealers. It's easy to clean. It's as strong as granite and has a wide choice of colors."

Although granite requires a sealant, Akel and Rivera said the unique colors in the stone found around the world and its strength make it one of the most desirable countertop materials.

"Man can't do what nature can. Granite is so durable, it lasts a lifetime," said Akel, adding that once an expensive product, the cost of the stone has greatly decreased in recent years.

"The exotic colors is what makes granite different and attractive," Rivera said. "It's a good time now for people to buy granite."

Akel said the cost of granite is influenced by its color, with more common hues, including tan and brown, costing less than rare pigments, such as dark green and red.

When selecting a new granite countertop, Akel said it is important to see the actual slabs that will be installed, adding that purchasing from a sample could result in mismatched colors and pieces with blemishes.

For those who prefer a more matte finish, Akel said soapstone is a popular choice, however, it is softer than granite.

"People like it because it does scratch easily, but that gives it an old, rustic look," he said, adding that soapstone costs the same as granite.

Another option is to incorporate a wood countertop to match the kitchen's cabinetry. Usually best in small quantities, such as on an island, Akel said the material is more costly, and even though it requires low maintenance, it can easily be scratched.

While desirable in a bathroom, Akel and Rivera both said marble and travertine shouldn't be used in the kitchen because the soft stones can be easily scratched and stained.

"Marble in the bathroom brings an element of elegance to a house," Rivera said.

Other materials, such as glass and copper, haven't taken off in the market due to their high cost and low durability, Akel said. Also, he said concrete, an expensive and labor-intensive product, isn't as popular as it once was because it was difficult "to make it look neat and not like a driveway."

Whatever material is chosen, Akel said when installing a new countertop, a homeowner should also look at purchasing a new sink.

"Most sinks are under the stone now, so they need to use a good-quality sink," he said.

Also, when upgrading countertops, homeowners usually choose to update their cabinets.

Choosing your right cabinet

While most people put extensive thought into their countertop selection, often times, the cabinets are merely an afterthought.

"You see home advertisements that talk about granite



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When selecting a new countertop, it is important to review the durability, style and upkeep of the various materials available.

countertops, but don't say anything about the cabinets," said Kowalski, adding that some builders pair granite countertops with cheap cabinets. "The actual construction of the cabinet is important."

When looking to change cabinetry, it is important to look at the entire package, including a new look and modern hardware.

"A lot of people are upgrading from their entry-level cabinets to something more durable and functional," said Joe Hurtado of JH Cabinets, adding that this includes hinges and drawer glides.

Nowadays, Kowalski said, cabinets are made using the 32 millimeter metric system, which places the hinges on the back of the cabinets so they are hidden.

"Now you have more options for hardware," Kowalski said. "There is more flexibility in the design and color factors."

He added that modern hinges come off, allowing the door to be cleaned without having to remove screws.

"The flexibility of a cabinet is very important," Kowalski said.

Kowalski added that the interior of the cabinet is also important, with the most common being laminate.

"It's clean, bright and it can be cleaned with soap and water," he said, adding that the shelves don't require paper.

Also frequently used is a plywood interior, which Kowalski said is more susceptible to moisture, wears more and requires the use of shelving paper.

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BIA-SNM luncheon



Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico 2011 President Farrell Thurston welcomes participants to the first monthly BIA-SNM luncheon of the New Year Thursday, Jan. 20. William Hett-Dobricky, Procurement Technical Assistance Program adviser for the Small Business Development Center, spoke about securing government work contracts.

What's that pitter-patter?

Roof rats perform a balancing act into attics

The pitter-patter of little footsteps, they sound so cute, but if these babies are roof rats and running through your attic, call pest control – fast.

These disease-carrying vermin – whose claim to fame is the bubonic plague – need to go.

Roof rats are dark in color, about a foot long and distinguished from other rats by the long tail – it's longer than the rat. They're most common in Florida, but can be found everywhere on the coast from Virginia to Texas and even inland states such as New Mexico. They live in Pacific coast states including California, Washington and Oregon as well.

Attics are among their favorite abodes, but trees and shrubbery make them happy, too. They're like high-wire artists and Houdini combined. Roof rats can easily perform a balancing act across phone wires

and will fit through an opening as tiny as a quarter, according to the University of Florida.

Fruit is their favored fare, but they'll devour livestock and pet food, too. They don't care if they have to chew through lead or plastic to get to water.

Roof rat control is complex and should be left to a professional and will include trapping or poisoning. These rats also have natural predators: owls, hawks and snakes, to name a few.

You can take a few measures to help make your property a less hospitable environment for roof rats:

- Don't let fruit tree branches touch anything else, including roof, wires, other trees and fences.
- Lower branches should not touch the ground.
- Prune trees so the ground is visible, effectively removing a



Barry Murray
The Bug Guy

- hiding place for rats as they feed.
- Metal rat guards on tree trunks will keep critters out of the trees. An 18- to 24-inch wide piece of sheet metal cut to a length equal to the circumference of the tree will do.

As national spokesperson for Truly Nolen of America, Barry "The Bug Guy" Murray has more than 20 years of experience in the pest control industry. Murray brings an informative and uniquely entertaining perspective pest problems of 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. For more information, to ask the expert a question or to see the brand-new "Insect Inquirer" blog, visit www.trulynolen.com.

Remodel

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Next, Hurtado said it is important to consider other functional accessories, such as spice racks, lazy Susans, pullouts and areas for waste and recycle baskets.

"A cabinet is a combination of function and style," Hurtado said. "If they do a lot of cooking, they want their cabinets to be functional. If not, they usually focus on style."

"You should use cabinets to make your kitchen work better," Kowalski said.

After the functional aspects of the cabinets have been determined, it's time to decide on the style of the cabinets, which includes the

type of wood used.

"Wood is a design factor, not a quality factor," Kowalski said.

With a wide variety of wood available, Hurtado and Kowalski said the chosen material should be based on the homeowner's preference.

For those who prefer a wood with less grain, Kowalski said maple or cherry is for them, while those who desire more grain should select oak or pecan.

"Colors are all over the gamut," he said, adding that they can be stained or painted to match the countertop and lighting of a room.

"Price varies with the material and style," said Hurtado, adding that oak and birch are

the most common and least expensive, with maple and cherry being more expensive.

Because many homeowners in Las Cruces desire a Southwest appearance, Hurtado and Kowalski said alder is a popular choice in the area thanks to its rustic look.

"Oak is a beautiful, strong wood," Hurtado said. "We still sell a lot of it here. It's reasonably priced and is a good-looking wood. Plus, it can be stained."

While bamboo cabinets tend to be pricey, Kowalski said homeowners can also go green by selecting a solvent- or water-based finish that is formaldehyde free. This will help cut back on allergies.

No matter the type of wood used, Hurtado said it is important for it to be sealed to

prevent swelling and mold.

While the exterior of the cabinets are relatively easy to care for, depending on the finish, Kowalski said a unique problem to the Southwest is that shipped wood may not be fully dried, which can cause the doors to warp over time in the dry climate. To stop this, he said to polish both the front and back of the door frequently.

When selecting new cabinetry, Hurtado said it is important to shop around and ask questions about construction and materials so you know what you're getting for your money.

"Educate yourself beyond the price," he said. "Don't let just the dollar figure convince you."

Home Sales Scoreboard

LAS CRUCES AREA

	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Closed Sales New Homes	1	1	4

Closed Sales Existing Homes	10	9	13
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Pending Home Sales (All)	158	151	161
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	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Average Days on Market (All)	94	146	132

"Homes" include detached single-family homes, townhomes and condominiums

	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Median Price New	n/a	\$129,000	\$292,000

Median Price Existing	\$172,500	\$158,500	\$200,000
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	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Total Homes on Market (All)	1,036	1,028	1,205

Real Estate Agents	406	406	446
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Source: Las Cruces Multiple Listing Service (MLS)* for the period 1/17/11 - 1/23/11
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Are you ready for some football?

Watch the Super Bowl with these spicy treats

The heat is on for Super Bowl XLV! Sunday, Feb. 6, the Green Bay Packers versus the Pittsburgh Steelers at the Dallas Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas.

Lucky you if you got tickets. As I type in these words, only 67 tickets remain, costing \$2,376 to \$8,800. By the time you read this, however, it'll be a sold-out game. But relax – there's the boob tube. Invite friends over to watch the hottest game of the year. No doubt they'll be a rowdy bunch and hungry to boot. So be prepared with a fiesta of salivating finger foods.

The Ultimate Spicy Serrano Slider

- 1 pound Angus hamburger
- 1 teaspoon medium-hot red chile powder
- 1 serrano pepper, stemmed, seeded and minced
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- Hot pepper jack cheese, 8 thinly sliced pieces
- Slider buns or dinner rolls, warmed if desired

Garnishes:
Guacamole, favorite recipe
1 small Roma tomato, 8 thinly sliced pieces
1 small white onion, 8 thinly sliced pieces
Cilantro

Mix hamburger with chile powder, minced serrano, minced garlic salt and pepper. Shape beef into about 1 1/2-inch-diameter burgers. Grill to desired doneness.

Place burger on bottom half of bun. Add garnishes. Top with other half of bun and serve immediately.

These taste especially delicious if cheese is melted. Before adding other garnishes, top the burger with cheese and microwave a few seconds or until cheese begins to melt. Makes 8 burgers.

Grab-a-Crab Cake Minis

Serve crab cakes with wasabi aioli dipping sauce.

- 1/3 cup mayonnaise
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1 large egg
- 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper powder
- 3 cups fresh bread crumbs
- 1/4 cup celery, finely chopped



- 1/4 cup red bell pepper, finely chopped
- 1/4 cup green onion, finely chopped
- 4 (6-ounce) cans crab meat, well drained

For crab cakes, in a large bowl, combine mayonnaise, mustard, egg, cayenne, 1 cup bread crumbs, celery, red bell pepper and green onion; mix well. Gently stir in crabmeat.

Place remaining 2 cups bread crumbs in a shallow dish. Shape crab into small cakes (about 1 1/2-inch diameter); coat with bread crumbs, pressing gently to adhere.

Place the cakes apart in two oiled 12-by-17-4-inch rimmed baking pans. Bake in a 500 degree oven for 7 minutes, switch pan positions, and continue baking until golden brown, about 7 minutes longer. Serve hot with wasabi aioli dipping sauce. Makes 40 mini cakes.

Wasabi Aioli Dipping Sauce

- 1 cup mayonnaise, light
- 4 teaspoons soy sauce
- 1 1/2 teaspoons sugar
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons wasabi paste*
- Salt and pepper to taste

Whisk all ingredients together. Add salt and pepper to taste. Cover and chill. Serve chilled with hot crab cakes. Makes about 1 cup.

*Wasabi is a spicy-hot Japanese condiment. Most grocery stores and specialty markets carry the paste.

Indian-Style Grilled Chicken

- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon coriander
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 2 teaspoons garam masala*
- 1/4 cup fresh cilantro, chopped
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup favorite hot sauce
- 3/4 cup plain yogurt
- 1/4 cup heavy cream
- 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 3 tablespoons soy sauce
- Cooking spray
- 8 chicken bone-in thighs

Combine all ingredients (except cooking spray and chicken) in a large bowl; stir until well blended. Add chicken, turning to coat well. Cover and refrigerate at least 8 hours and up to 24 hours.

Prepare grill and spray grate with cooking spray. Remove chicken from marinade and place on a platter. Discard marinade. Grill chicken skin side down over direct heat with the grill cover closed 6 to 8 minutes; turn and grill second side 6 to 8 minutes. Makes 8 servings. (Recipe by Chef Jon Ashton, relish.mag.com, May 2010.)

*The word "garam" refers to spice intensity, not heat; garam masala is pungent, but not "hot" in the same way as chile pepper. (From wikipedia.org.)

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Chile Knights



Chicken and Black Bean and Corn Salsa Mini Empanadas

- 1 refrigerated pie crust
- 1/2 cup shredded chicken (about 1 small chicken breast baked or grilled)
- 1/2 cup bean and corn salsa, commercially prepared or homemade, puréed in blender (recipe below)*
- 1/2 cup packaged finely shredded Mexican 3 cheese blend

Flour for dusting

Pre-heat your oven to 400 degrees. Combine chicken and puréed salsa in a saucepan and bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 5 minutes. Remove from heat and allow to cool.

Dust cutting board with flour. Unroll pie crust. Use a glass (or 3 inch round cutter) to cut out all the dough. Re-roll the scraps as necessary.

Top each circle with a bit of cheese and 1 tablespoon of chicken mixture. Moisten the edges with water and fold circles in half. Seal edges using thumb and index finger. Pierce tops gently with fork.

Bake for 15 minutes on a greased baking sheet. Serve immediately. Makes about 15 servings.

*Or substitute a favorite chunky salsa. If using chunky salsa, skip puréeing.

Southwest Black Bean and Corn Salsa

The empanadas call for only 1/2 cup of puréed salsa. Serve remaining salsa with corn chips or tortilla chips.

- 1 cup canned black beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 cup corn kernels – frozen, canned or fresh cooked
- 1/2 medium sweet red pepper, chopped
- 1/2 medium red onion, chopped
- 1/2 cup ripe tomato, finely diced
- 1/4 cup cilantro, chopped
- 4 green onions, chopped
- 2 fresh jalapeño peppers, seeded and minced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 1 teaspoon salt

In a mixing bowl, toss together all the ingredients. Taste, and adjust seasoning if necessary. To meld flavors, let sit at room temperature for about 30 minutes or refrigerate for at least one hour before serving. Makes about 4 cups.

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Human and houseplant care

While pleasing to the eye, these can be dangerous if consumed

Nothing livens up the interior of your home like a houseplant. They can create a focal point, brighten a drab corner, fill in a blank area on a large wall, or any other number of aesthetic or creative uses.

Here are a few of the most basic and easy-to-grow plants that are readily available, and the care they require.

One of the most commonly grown or used houseplants is the pothos. This plant is good at removing toxins in the air and is a very easy plant to grow. One can use it as a hanging plant, table plant, or grow it on a trellis or obelisk. It can be grown in any container filled with water only as well as soil.

The pothos requires minimal care and should not be over watered. As a rule, the soil should be allowed to almost dry out

before watering again. This plant thrives best in bright filtered light, but can also grow in dimmer areas of the home. The downside is that it can be toxic to children and pets.

The ficus Benjamina, or weeping fig, is another commonly grown houseplant. This one comes or grows in different forms, such as a single- or multi-trunked tree, a braided trunk or in bush form. This one generally requires very bright light or filtered sun. It can acclimate to a very "hot" window during the summer months to help cool down a room.

It will often shed leaves to compensate for lower light levels, or when it is taken from one room to another. Leaf drop will almost always occur when it is taken from a nursery or retail store to the home. There are some newer cultivars, such as one

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labeled "midnight," which are more resistant to leaf drop. The foliage on this particular variety is a deeper green. This tree or plant prefers evenly moist soil and should not sit in standing water. This one also helps filter out toxins in the air. This plant too is listed as toxic.

The spathiphyllum, or peace lily, can tolerate lower levels of light. This beauty has deep green shiny leaves with the occasional white bloom or blooms. The soil should never be allowed to completely dry out, but should not be waterlogged. This one also helps clean the air around it. However, this plant is also toxic to humans and animals.

The split-leaf philodendron is a popular houseplant that can grow into a massive vine. It has heart-shaped leaves when young and stands upright. With age, the new leaves begin to grow larger and slits form on the leaves, hence the common name split leaf. The plant will begin to need staking after some time, depending upon how large of a plant you started out with. It does best with bright light and only needs water when the soil is almost dried out.

Dracaena marginata, or dragon tree, grows into a graceful, tall "palm" looking plant indoors. This one can tolerate lower levels of light and only needs watering when the soil slightly dries out.

As a rule, feeding of most houseplants should begin around March and end in September. There are many forms of fertilizer, including water soluble, liquid, granular, stakes, time release and organic. Whichever method you choose, read and follow the directions listed on the package.

For houseplants, there are many forms of insect control as well. There are sprays, systemic granules, soil drenches, spikes, soaps, sticky traps and so on. Again, read and follow all instructions exactly as listed. Inspect plants regularly to help avoid a severe infestation. In most cases, physical removal of a few insects promptly can keep you from using harsh chemicals in the future. This can be done with a cotton swab or even a strong stream of water.

You may have noticed the plants listed above were toxic to humans and animals. Plants that are labeled or sold as non-toxic still contain pesticide residue or may have been treated with a systemic insecticide. Even if a plant is nontoxic, there is still a chance that a person can have an allergic reaction to that specific plant. With that in mind, if a child or pet has consumed any part of a plant, you should assume it is toxic and seek medical advice immediately. It is also best to know the name, preferably the botanical name, before you take a plant home. This can be crucial in event of an emergency.

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