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State audits LCPS funds

Rounds says data glitch led to special education growth

By **Todd G. Dickson**
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Las Cruces Public Schools Superintendent Stan Rounds said state auditors have begun an audit Tuesday, April 19, prompted by a sharp increase in special education funding he said was caused by a data collection error.

"I believe we will come out in compliance," Rounds said. "We welcome again the audit."

New Mexico Secretary of Education Hanna Skandera called for the audit to explain an apparent \$9 million increase in special education funding last year. Compared to the increase in the number of students needing special education services, Gov. Susana Martinez said it came out to about \$30,000 per student.

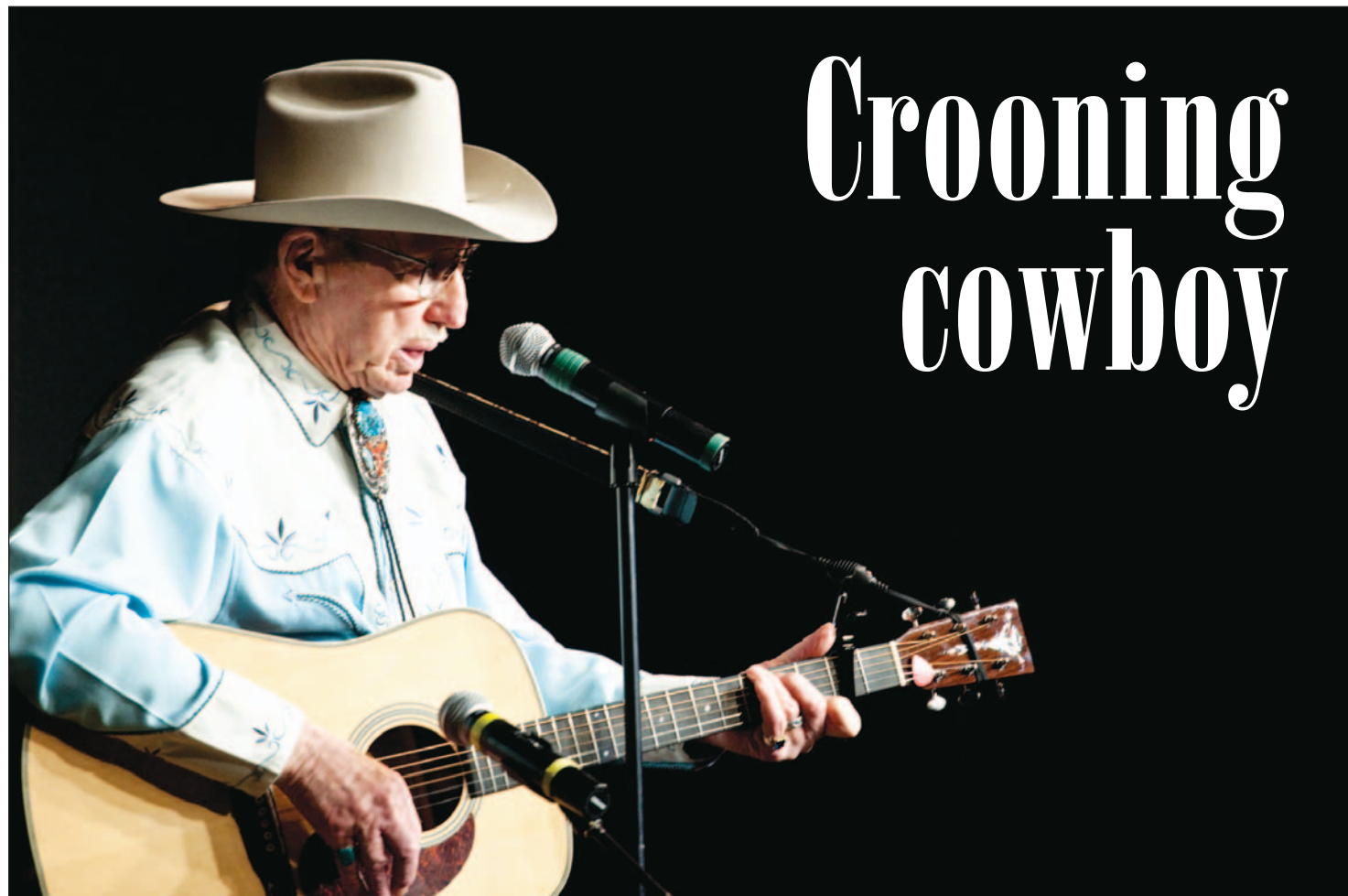
But Rounds said what happened is not that simple. At Tuesday's school board meeting, Rounds produced a chart that broke down the state funding formula to the district over the past seven years, during which the district grew from a base count of 22,770 students to more than 26,000 students by next school year.

Several years ago, however, Social Security numbers of students were compromised by a vendor that collected data for the district and converted it to the program used to collect data by the state's Public Education Department (PED) for funding, Rounds said. The district acquired a "patch program" for giving data to PED, he said, but in the process lost some data for special education ancillary services, which include such things as speech and physical therapy. Meanwhile, the portion of the school funding formula for services to special education students kept declining even as student enrollment grew, Rounds said.

The district doesn't seek funding from the state with data it is uncertain of, Rounds said, but kept providing the special education services even though the district wasn't getting fully reimbursed by state.

Then, in the 2011 fiscal year, the formula's total count for ancillary services

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Crooning cowboy

James Carlile plays some classic country jams during the 33rd annual Doña Ana County Senior Games Dance and Talent Show at the Court Youth Center on Saturday, April 16. See page A29 for more photos from the dance and talent show.

Triple homicide suspect charged

Officials declare year-old case solved

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

Doña Ana County law enforcement officials announced Wednesday, April 20, that a man has been charged with a triple homicide that took place a little over a year ago.

Eugene "Gino" Ferri, 48, now faces three charges of first-degree murder for the April 14, 2010, slaying of Gilles and Helga Delisle and Peter Weith, a business associate, who were found inside

the couple's home at 2617 Mesilla Hills Drive.

The execution-styled shooting of the three in the head – Gilles Delisle was shot several times – shocked the community. Ferri, who was in civil dispute over money with the Delisles, was identified early on as "a person of interest."

District Attorney Amy Orlando said Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department investigators had to shift through many leads

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Soldiers return from Afghanistan

Families greet 2nd Engineers

By **Todd G. Dickson**
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As the sun rose Tuesday, April 19, over White Sands Missile Range, spouses, children and other family members waited anxiously for the return of 190 soldiers with the 2nd Engineer Battalion after a year's separation during their deployment to Afghanistan.

Four-year-old Zoe Cervantez sleeping in a blanket on the floor was a contrast to her mother, Deb, who was keeping constant track

by text messages her of husband's progress to the battalion's station on the range. Soon she and her daughter would be back in the arms of Sgt. Paul Cervantez.

For the couple, it was their third deployment. Deb Cervantez said the year went by faster than she expected as she took care of her daughter and kept active through her work with Army Community Services.

Though anxious to see her husband again, the couple had met through serving in the Army,

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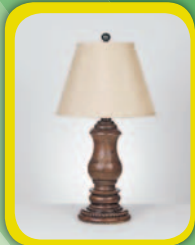


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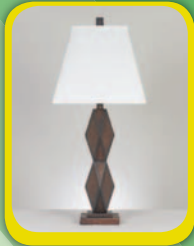
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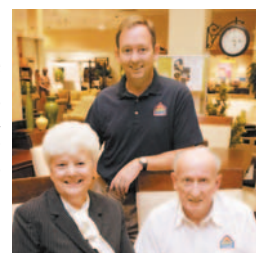
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Enjoying activities at the Munson Senior Center celebration

Photos by Todd Dickson

Cat O'Rourke grinds an amethyst crystal into a fine jewel-like point Saturday, April 16, at the Munson Senior Center during its celebration of earning national accreditation, the first senior center in New Mexico to earn national accreditation for the quality of its programs.

Consuelo Cortez works on a clay pot.



Ginny Tyson, Sarah Cutler, Eileen Schwartz and Virginia Berger play mah jongg, a Chinese puzzle game.



Evelyn Smith carves wood next to her sculpture and painting of on display at the center.

\$1.5 million goal set for pink fund 'Tough Enough' to grow cancer research account

Bulletin Staff Report

A \$1.5 million fund is being created by the New Mexico State University Foundation to support cancer research thanks to hugely successful local campaigns.

The NMSU Foundation will create an endowed fund through Cowboys for Cancer Research in coordination with the Aggies are Tough Enough to Wear Pink campaign, starting with \$275,000.

Last year's NMSU Aggies are Tough Enough to Wear Pink campaign raised more than \$530,000 in total cash and in-kind pledges. The effort was highlighted during the Oct. 9, 2010, football game against the University of New Mexico.

Since linking the cancer research and awareness effort to a football game, NMSU Aggies are Tough Enough to Wear Pink has become the most successful Tough Enough to Wear Pink campaign.

Similarly, the local community fundraising to fund cancer research began with the Cowboys for Cancer Research roping event, which awards research grants to UNM and NMSU medical research on cancer.

Though UNM and NMSU may be rivals on the playing field, the fundraising has supported important collaborations with NMSU and UNM Cancer Center researchers.

The new NMSU Foundation endowment was announced at a press conference Thursday, April 21, at the Stan Fulton Center, where officials were expected to announce next fall's NMSU Aggies are Tough Enough to Wear Pink game.

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Opinions



From the publisher

BY DAVID MCCOLLUM

The Easter story

Christ's resurrection gives all people hope that, through our faith, 'good' can triumph

This weekend, many Christian churches across our city, our nation and throughout the world will be filled as congregations celebrate Holy Week and Easter, the most important holiday of the spiritual calendar.

The powerful Easter story commences as Jesus is betrayed by his friend Judas. Jesus is immediately arrested and placed on trial before a judge who was ordered by fearful government leaders to ensure that the "King of the Jews" would be found guilty.

Following the directed guilty verdict, Jesus was subjected to the most brutal and horrific treatment one can imagine, including public humiliation, mocking, torture, crucifixion and subsequent death while nailed to a wooden cross, among two common thieves, on a hillside near Jerusalem.

His broken body was laid to rest in a nearby tomb.

Jesus' death was mourned by friends and followers who could not believe that their Savior and healer was no longer living among them. How empty their lives must have felt.

Three days later, Christ's body had disappeared from the tomb and was feared to have been stolen. However, a short time later, he reappeared among his disciples and friends with his wounds still fresh. He proclaimed that the prophecies had been fulfilled, and that he had died for all the sins of man. After 40 days, Jesus ascended into heaven, giving hope of salvation for all believers.

What a joyful experience for those who were present at this miraculous event. Now, more than 2,000 years later, what a wonderful legacy we have received – the opportunity for a new beginning and the promise of eternal life.

The Easter story has been told many times, in many ways, from passionate sermons to solemn sunrise services to dramatizations, movies and music. Jesus' innocence, followed by extreme brutality, concluding with the understanding that all our sins can be forgiven, provides a powerful emotional narrative that reminds us of our need for fidelity to our faith and to our fellow men and women.

In America, we have the opportunity to enjoy religious freedom, a privilege that is denied in many places throughout the world. As Christians throughout our great nation gather this weekend with friends and family to enjoy the celebration of Christ's resurrection and our traditional Easter feasts, we should all give thanks that we live in an incredible country where we are safe from much of man's inhumanity to fellowmen.

Our country is not perfect, but there is no other place I would prefer to live. According to a recent ABC News poll, 83 percent of Americans identify themselves as Christians. Only 4 percent say they follow a non-Christian religion and 13 percent profess no religion. I am proud that the United States of America is an exceptionally tolerant country that provides non-Christian individuals and organizations the opportunity and freedom to express their spirituality without fear of government interference.

As Christians, Jaki and I pray for all Las Cruces to have a safe and blessed Easter weekend. May the spirit of Christ be with every American. God bless America.

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Letters to the Editor

Stiffing the old folks

Michael Swickard's doomsday column (Las Cruces Bulletin, April 8) needs a grain of salt. Over the past 25 years, the Social Security fund has accumulated a surplus of about \$3 trillion (and draws about \$100 billion annually in interest), while the rest of the government has accumulated \$12 trillion in more debt. The conclusion Swickard draws is that Social Security is a Ponzi scheme and is therefore responsible for the disastrous condition of our national finances.

During the same 25 years, we have spent tens of trillions of dollars on tax loopholes for companies that sent our jobs to Asian slave plantations and for bailouts of banks and corporations that were looted by their management.

So therefore, the answer to all our problems is to let the government continue the stupidity, but be allowed to stiff old folks out of their pensions. The fact is, if Swickard is accurate, then no government checks will be acceptable, not just Social Security checks.

A fellow named Thomas Holt did an excellent study, around 1980, on our previous bouts with financial stupidity. His conclusion was that, due to our dependence on debt (rather than currency) created out of thin air, the financial markets will collapse, when the money supply expands too fast, and push us toward deflation.

It is possible we are headed for another financial market collapse and another shove towards a deflationary depression. That is the

opposite of what Swickard predicts. So why the constant drumbeat about Social Security? Because the pirates running this country want to steal the surplus and spend it on more corporate socialism and warfare. They are trying to con us into giving our consent to being robbed.

Charles Clements

Seniors and recycling

In response to Charlotte Lipson's letter (Bulletin, April 8) on recycling. It would appear that Lipson is predicating her response to the recycling on her private use of plastic, glass, aluminum, etc. Many seniors do not buy products that are packaged in plastic every week, nor do they throw aluminum away in the garbage.

I buy in bulk so the amount of plastic is minimal each month, as is paper. I do receive junk mail, as does everyone, but that also is a minimal amount of paper and very rarely do I throw glass away, since I live alone and do not acquire much trash at all.

For me or many other elderly people to be charged the same fee as the younger generation is ludicrous, since it would take me well over a month to acquire enough recyclable material to warrant putting it on the curb.

If the city wants to serve the public fairly and as a whole, bins in strategic locations are the way to go for a city as small as we are, or recycling with no charge as a lot of cities do, with the city reaping the benefits of the sale of the recyclables.

Doyle Pruitt

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School numbers suspect?

Gov. Martinez seeks audit of school districts

Jay Miller

Inside the Capitol



What is Gov. Susana Martinez's problem with the film industry? It received the only tax or fee increase during the recent legislative session. Martinez promised no increases and held to it except in the case of Hollywood.

Martinez not only signed the cap on the state tax rebate the industry can receive, she championed it. We aren't sure New Mexico receives full value for its tax rebate, but we do know that the industry is a proven job producer and that other states and countries offer bigger inducements. Reportedly, Utah and Canada already have been in contact with companies planning to shoot in New Mexico.

So what's the problem? Was Martinez permanently traumatized from seeing "Bambi" alone in a burning forest as a child? Did former Gov. Bill Richardson leave too big a footprint on the industry? My guess is that Martinez is worried the industry is gaming the system by turning in bigger expense vouchers than they should be.

Martinez has mentioned that complaint before. The only instance she can cite is several years old, and the law already has been changed to prevent a similar occurrence. But as a career district attorney, maybe she is inherently distrustful of everyone.

A similar cloud of distrust hangs over the public schools' reporting of students. More money is allocated to those students with learning disabilities. Schools also receive additional money for teachers who have increased their higher education credits. Increases in those two areas appear to be responsible for more units each district will receive, thereby decreasing the unit value.

School superintendents contend that they should have been informed of this discrepancy long ago because it more than doubles the amount of cuts they will have to make to their budgets. Martinez and her education secretary Hanna Skandera contend that superintendents are gaming the system by declaring that

teachers have more training than they really do and that in some cases all students with Spanish surnames are non-English speakers.

Superintendents at a recent meeting with Martinez and Skandera were incensed at the accusations. They accused the two of fostering an atmosphere of disdain and conspiracy.

Martinez comes from a background of prosecuting less than honest people. She seems to be on her guard and suspicious. Leaders need to have a certain degree of that to avoid being scammed, but they also need to learn to work with others to solve problems. Politics is said to be the art of compromise. That's difficult when one is always on the attack.

One school superintendent at the meeting, Cheryl Wilson of Socorro, gave the only explanation she could think of for the abnormal increase in teacher training units. She is quoted as saying that in talking with her teachers about receiving no salary increases and being required to pay for part of the district's retirement contribution, she suggested they accelerate their college coursework as a way to move up on the salary schedule.

Martinez and Skandera say they will audit the special education and teacher training figures from every district. Superintendents say none of the figures are fudged and the better path is to work together to resolve the situation.

The governor insists that it still won't be necessary to make any cuts at the classroom level. From reports I am receiving, those cuts already have begun. Actually, the governor has no control over where cuts are made. That is decided by local school authorities.

At the meeting with superintendents, Martinez offered several times to help school districts build their budgets. Her feeling is that too much money is being put into administration. It appears some of the administrative costs to which the governor is referring are normally thought of as support services, such as librarians, counselors and nurses.

It really will take everyone's effort. Some school business officials now predict the shortfall now will be increased from 1.5 percent to almost 4 percent.

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Spiking threatens budget

Public sector retirement based on deceit

Michael Swickard

In My Opinion



Because of spiking, New Mexico public school teachers risk their retirements. Spiking only happens in the public sector. The core problem is, public sector retirement plans allow participants to pay into the retirement plans, but what retirees receive is not closely connected to what they paid in.

Spiking is working for most of the professional life at a lower wage and then working five years at a higher wage and having the retirement account pay as if the contributions were always at the higher level.

The crisis caused by spiking is that the money teachers and the state of New Mexico set aside for retirements is significantly less than it needs to be. For many years, no one has done more than say, "Looks like a problem."

I understand the reluctance because as soon as I started talking about it on my radio talk show, some people wanted to shoot (metaphorically, I hope) the messenger. I got several cases of the stink eye from people who thought I should not wise up the citizens.

If teachers remain teachers throughout their career, and then go to their happy place of retirement there is no real problem. Well, still a small problem because again what they pay in is not directly connected with what is paid out, which always goes against economic principle. But it is close enough. Private retirement plans pay out entirely based on how much money is put in. But this is not the same in the public sector.

The people who set up the New Mexico Public School teacher retirement instead went against every economic principle of good practice. The formula looks at years of service plus age to equal 75 and computes the payout based on the high five years of paying into the system. It is not based on how much money is put into the account. So, if a teacher pays into retirement for 20 years while making on average \$40,000 a

year and then works for five years as an administrator at \$80,000 a year the entire retirement is based on the high salary even though the retirement system did not collect the sufficient resources to sustain this deal.

Most public school administrators first had a number of lower paid years in the classroom. So the retirement account of that administrator is always short of dollars that someone else has to make up.

While I am troubled by this practice, I do not especially have any angst with educators who game the system this way because those are the rules. But are we going to honor this deceit? Are we as a society to continue taking from lower wage teachers to pay high salary administrator retirements? I hope not.

Where were our financial watchdogs in New Mexico? Why is it that the New Mexico Legislature wrote the rules this way? Was everyone then and now asleep at the wheel?

There has been an effort to try to get the classroom teachers to contribute more to the fund to make it a bit more viable, but no one is really addressing the problem of spiking the fund with people who should not be getting so much money at retirement. Is there any inclination to address this problem and reduce the retirements of those who did not fully fund their own retirements? No, there is gutless behavior by the Legislature.

Here is the point: As long as the system allows the administrators to make more and more money for their short time in administration and pay them uncalled for amounts of retirement funds compared to the classroom teachers this fund will always be problematic. Likewise, the other New Mexico government workers confront this same syndrome in their retirement.

So how does this affect my own retirement now that I am lurching toward geezdom? Not in the least. What I will get in the end zone will be exactly what I put in my retirement fund. Why does that work for me and not public education in New Mexico?

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Letter to the Editor

Bixby's 'Point of no return' ignores climate history

I agree with many concerns of Kevin Bixby's letter (Bulletin, April 15). I strongly disagree with several statements that are factually incorrect. He stated, "climate scientists say we have about eight years remaining to reverse carbon emissions or risk crossing a point of no return."

Today, Earth's atmosphere is about 390 parts per million (ppm) – less than .04 percent. About 535 million years ago, carbon dioxide in Earth's atmosphere was about 7,000 ppm, about 18 times higher than today, yet we are living proof there was no tipping point then, and not very likely that a tipping point will be reached in eight years, or ever.

Since 1880, Earth's atmospheric carbon dioxide increase has been from about 280 ppm to the aforementioned 390 ppm. Bixby's statement just doesn't reflect reality.

Bixby stated that, "The world is facing a perfect storm of food shortages due to climate change." Consult with any knowledgeable botanist or biologist and you learn that plant life thrives on increased atmospheric carbon dioxide as demonstrated at the University of Arizona in recent carbon dioxide/plant growth studies.

Kevin, you do not do the environmentalists any favors with such statements. Such "over the top" statements only cause environmental groups loss of credibility.

Robert K. Murray

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Letter to the Editor

Maybe global warming is actually a good thing

Kevin Bixby states (Bulletin, April 15) "carbon emissions" cause "devastating consequences," which is climate alarmist rubbish of the highest order.

Earth is at a historic low point in temperatures and carbon dioxide. Robert A. Berner has presented evidence that 40 million years ago there were three times current carbon dioxide levels, and 180 million years ago there were eight times current carbon dioxide levels.

Increased carbon dioxide produces more food for the world's people, not less. Increased atmospheric carbon dioxide enhances plant

growth. Increasing carbon dioxide to 600 parts per million increases rice biomass 141 percent.

We are in an overall glacial period, but at current we are in the Holocene "interglacial." Temperature measurements have been done in the U.S. only since the War of 1812, an extremely short record.

"Proxy" temperature estimates from the GISP2 Greenland Ice cores reveal that during the Holocene, the past 10,000 years, temperatures vary plus or minus 2 degrees Celsius and never "flat line," so half the time temperature increases, half it decreases.

Climate always changes.

Robert Endlich

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

The battle of Rudy Creek

Ron said it was just one of those days. In fact, it was the day before the regular auction in Fort Pierre, S.D. He had sorted off a truckload of cows he needed to get rid of. They were in a rain-soaked pasture down by the road that had no corral.

No sweat, he and his son hauled a set of portable panels and ramp to a wire fence by the road and assembled a loading pen.

It took considerable cowboy skills to ease the bunch into the strange set up. The neighbor across the road had a pasture full of range hogs and farrowing facilities. Two sows heard the ruckus on the highway and came to check it out.

These 400 pound, curious beasts arrived, spooking the cows who turned and stampeded back to the other side of the pasture.

It took until noon to re-gather the renegade cattle, pen them and load them in the truck. Our cowboys climbed aboard and things went smoothly until they topped the rise that sloped down to Rudy Creek Bridge.

An hour earlier a reservation farmer who was pulling a 40-foot single-wide mobile home headed south on Highway 63, had high-centered on the Rudy Creek Bridge.

The hapless mover was laying planks in front of the axles to drag it over. Ron topped the rise, saw the blocked bridge and stomped on the brakes. He managed to

reduce his speed to 20 mph before he drove the nose of his truck all the way in to the built-in shower and bath combination. Ten tons of beef loaded in the back of a charging diesel behemoth packs quite a punch.

It was 4:30 p.m. before the wreck was untangled and they could proceed. The radiator survived but the compressor and headlights were broken – no lights, no brakes.

As the dusk began to descend they were drawn between driving faster to save daylight, or driving slower so they could stop.

Ron crested another hillock and – "Lord, have mercy!" – saw two cowboys pushing a small bunch of cows down the road.

Ron laid on the horn.

The runaway truck sailed through a flurry of cows that scattered to both sides. Over the bar ditches and through the fences they flew. Ron could actually hear the screaming and curses over the engine and the blaring horn.

At the sale the next day Ron told his story many times. And with each telling he became a better driver, a good Samaritan, a tour guide, a historian and eventually he absolved himself of any responsibility for the damages done.

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On Tuesday, April 19, officials from the New Mexico Public Education Department (PED) interviewed Las Cruces Public Schools officials in a daylong audit of the district's data regarding special education services and enrollment. From the PED were Kit Ayala, Sandra Schwarz and Charles Trujillo and standing is Glenda Rodriguez, LCPS director of special education.



Audit

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experienced "a precipitous drop" of about 1,300 funding forum units from the previous year, Rounds said. The district then wrote a new "patch program" that more correctly counted the data for funding the services, he said.

Rounds said if the funding in question is compared to enrollment growth, the new patch program succeeded in correcting the problem.

"If you look at the seven-year trend line, you'll see that it's fixed," he said.

Rounds said he has seen statements in news reports accusing him of cooking the books or "gaming the system."

Based on the analysis, "I contend that's not correct," Rounds said. "If you look at the drop and the return, that's the real story."

Rounds said district officials have been cooperative with the auditing team sent by PED, and at this point, the auditors don't see a "great anomaly" in the records to discredit the need for the \$9 million in question.

"As I said in the official statement, the data is the data," he said

Rounds apologized to the public and local lawmakers for being too focused on the major funding issues to not have

preempted the special education funding questions.

Meanwhile, Rounds continues to work on the budget implications from a state funding snafu that reduced the funding formula unit value by 3.4 percent, 2 percent more than what lawmakers and Martinez thought they were approving in the new budget.

To make up for the funding loss, LCPS middle and high schools are changing their scheduling, with high schools seeing the most drastic change with teachers having four classes a day instead of three.

Board member Maria Flores said she disapproved of the scheduling mainly because there wasn't more input from teachers before Rounds made the decision to make the change. Flores said "unilateral changes to their work life" has hurt the morale of teachers.

Rounds said he had to act quickly for the high schools to prepare for the next school year and vowed to have greater teacher involvement in reaching a more permanent change.

The school board also reviewed the proposed calendar for the coming school year, which eliminates a professional development day that precedes each semester.

Rounds said he is holding up further work on the budget until the audit is done, because Skandera has threatened to penalize the district by \$9 million if the special education funding is found to be unwarranted. Rounds said he questioned whether PED has that authority to make such a cut.

NMSU professor wins award for border research

Bejarano seeks out human stories behind border issues

Based on her ongoing advocacy work and academic excellence, Cynthia Bejarano, New Mexico State University associate professor of criminal justice, was awarded with the Critical Educators in Social Justice (CESJ)



BEJARANO

Special Interest Group's 2011 Community Advocacy Award at the American Education Research Association's 2011 Special Interest Group Business Meeting held April 9 in New Orleans.

Bejarano received the Donald C. Roush Excellence in Teaching Award in 2008 and the Stan Fulton Endowed Chair in Arts and Sciences in the summer of 2010. Her publications and research interests focus on border violence, immigration issues and gender violence at the U.S.-Mexico border.

"I am elated to have received this award," Bejarano said. "I would like to share this recognition with the brave families and activists that re-

side in the borderlands, and their tenacity and strength to live with dignity in the shadows and on the frontline of our U.S. and Mexican border communities."

Bejarano is the author of the book "Que Onda? Urban

Youth Cultures and Border Identity," and the co-editor of an interdisciplinary anthology with Rosa-Linda Fregoso titled "Terrorizing Women: Femicide in the Americas."

"I grew up in this area and immigration, gender violence and border violence are all pervasive issues that penetrate everyday life in the Borderlands," she said. "Current border violence issues leave an indelible mark on families on both sides of the border. Murders of community members are astronomical; I am amazed that there is warfare, military abuses and bloodshed only 50 miles from Las Cruces and there is little being done to curb that violence in the regional borderlands."

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

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

A registered voter and a Las Cruces utilities customer for at least one year. Also, applicants cannot be an elected official, have been appointed to public office, be a current City employee, be a contractor or consultant or have a contractual relationship with the City for the benefit of the Las Cruces Utilities.

APPLICANTS SHOULD HAVE SIGNIFICANT TECHNICAL EXPERTISE IN ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING FIELDS: Banking and finance, business, economics, engineering, related utility management, or any other skills or experience that may be of value to the rate making process.

People interested in applying for the RAC should call the city clerk's office at (575) 541-2115. People who are hearing impaired can call (575) 541-2182.

www.las-cruces.org

Input welcomed Corbett renovations planned

Over the past several months, the consulting firm of Brailsford & Dunlavey has conducted numerous on-campus surveys and focus groups with New Mexico State University students, faculty and staff to identify areas of improvement for the Corbett Center Student Union and to propose ideas to utilize the 22,410-square-foot space where the bookstore and third floor offices currently reside.

Options will be presented at two public viewings from 3 to 5 p.m. Monday, April 25, in Corbett Center's auditorium and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, in the second floor lobby. Monday's presentation will be webcast live at <http://bit.ly/gYOxHz>.

For more information, contact Kate Fahrback at 646-4430 or auxservices@nmsu.edu.



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You may pay online with a credit or debit card, or an electronic check at www.donaanacounty.org/tax/. There is a nominal fee for this service.

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Mayfield FFA team finds success

Sponsoring teachers get creative in motivating students

It is the end of FFA judging season once again, and the Mayfield High School FFA chapter did more than just show up to the competition.

Over the last two months there have been multiple invitational competitions across the state, at which three of the Mayfield judging teams – the Land team, Wildlife team, and Agricultural Mechanics team – excelled.

At the Eastern New Mexico invitational in Portales, the Agricultural Mechanics team placed first, the Wildlife team placed second and the Land team placed fifth.

At the district competition, the Agricultural Mechanics team placed fourth, Wildlife team placed third and the Land team placed second.

These contests were intense preparation for the State FFA Career Development Events Judging; but to up the stakes a bit at the state competition, the Ag teachers made some

bets with the team members.

David Langley, the Ag Mech and Land coach, made a bet that if the Agricultural Mechanics team placed in the top three at state, he would shave his head, and if the Land team placed in top five, he would get a blue Mohawk.

Kim O'Byrne, the wildlife coach, bet that if the wildlife team placed top three she would dye her hair pink. Unfortunately, not all the bets were won by the students, but Mayfield still did wonderfully at state as the Agricultural Mechanics team consisting of Tiffany Mims, Tyler Gardner, Justin Mims, and Cutter Hill-Mora placed second; the Wildlife team consisting of Savannah Graves, Tyler Gardner, Holly Franzoy and Andrew Sameniego placed seventh; and the Land team consisting of Dylan Doak, Donald Peters, Breanna Dinwiddie and Savannah Simonaro placed ninth. Also placing were Tyler



The Mayfield High School Agricultural Mechanics team placed second at the state level. From left to right are Tiffany Mims, Cutter Hill-Mora, Justin Mims, Tyler Gardner and teacher David Langley.

Gardner, who placed fourth individual high in Agricultural Mechanics; Donald Peters, who placed seventh high individual in the Land contest; and Savannah Graves who placed ninth

high individual in the wildlife contest. Langley is currently bald, and looking forward to another amazing performance in next year's judging season.

Smits receives Fulbright fellowship

Associate math professor will work in Lisbon, Portugal

Robert Smits, a New Mexico State University associate professor in the department of mathematical sciences, hadn't planned on applying for a Fulbright fellowship. However, after encouragement from a research colleague from Nancy, France, he is packing his bags for Lisbon, Portugal, to conduct research May 1-July 31 as a Fulbright Scholar.

Smits will be conducting research on numerical approaches to spectral gaps and nonlinear analogues at the Institute of Interdisciplinary Investigations at the University of Lisbon. Working with other researchers, Smits will explore insulation and how fast heat escapes closed spaces.

"In prior research, I've looked at the theoretical side of this subject," Smits said. "Through the research I'll be doing on the trip, I'm hoping to learn a lot about numerical predictions and finding techniques to make these predictions."

Smits has spent time overseas for both teaching and research. In 2008 and 2009, he was a visiting research professor at the University of Rome in Italy. He has spoken at conferences in Germany and conducted research at the Institut Elie Cartan in Nancy.

It was in France that Smits worked alongside professor Antoine Henrot, the professor who would refer Smits to Pedro Freitas, a mathematics professor from the University of Lisbon who was looking for an American professor in mathematics to help conduct research. It was then that Smits decided to apply for a Fulbright Fellowship.

"It's difficult to find American mathematics professors who focus on physics; it was really by chance this worked out," Smits said. "Part of the Fulbright I'm most looking forward to is the cultural immersion. I don't really know anything about Portugal so I'm pretty excited to learn about the language, country and culture."

Smits hopes to continue his research when he returns to New Mexico and is looking into collaborating with colleagues on research projects as well as the possibility of including graduate students in continuing research.

The Fulbright Program operates in 155 countries worldwide and is the flagship international educational exchange program sponsored by the U.S. government. It is designed to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries. Recipients of Fulbright grants are selected on the basis of academic or professional achievement, as well as demonstrated leadership potential in their fields.

“ I’m most looking forward to is the cultural immersion. ”

ROBERT SMITS, NMSU associate professor



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From orbit to the sea bottom

Scott Carpenter was an unconventional astronaut



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

Buddy had spent the day working construction and then had a late-night date. A "patrolman later calculated" Buddy was driving 80 mph when he "turned around, flipped over and landed upside down at the bottom of a culvert," he wrote in his 2002 memoir "For Spacious Skies."

He was thrown from the vehicle, knocked unconscious, and suffered from plummeting blood pressure, a broken and mangled left foot, sliced right knee and upper leg, collapsed lung, internal bleeding, cracked ribs, facial lacerations and a scalp that "hung, inside out, off the back of his head." In the cold mountain air at 6,000-foot altitude, on Sept. 13, 1946 – Friday the 13th – Buddy clawed his way up the steep slope to the road, where he "flipped the bloody (scalp) flap into place atop his head, like a hood, just in time to see (a) car speed past him in the darkness."

Buddy hollered, but when the car didn't stop he fell to the road and begged God for help. A woman asleep in the passenger seat "awakened with a start," insisted she'd heard "a man calling for help" and that her husband turn around. As they rushed Buddy to the hospital, he apologized for bleeding on the backseat.

Sixteen years later, NASA launched Malcolm Scott "Buddy" Carpenter as the second American to orbit Earth.

Born May 1, 1925, in Boulder, Colo., Carpenter earned an aeronautical engineering degree and Navy commission in 1949 and flew during the Korean War before becoming a test pilot.

NASA chose him as one of 110 astronaut candidates. "For Spacious Skies" quoted one who described him as having "the lowest body fat, the best treadmill test, cycled forever, held his breather (sic) longer." ... This on a pack a day of unfiltered Camel cigarettes since 1943, when he joined the Navy.

The memoir attributed his "unaccountably rude health" to a youth spent outdoors and laborious jobs such as "delivering ice" and "lumber jacking at an elevation of 10,000 feet."

On April 9, 1959, NASA named Carpenter one of the seven Mercury astronauts. He got the word and walked off his ship, to the great fury of his skipper, five minutes before it sailed on a two-year tour, according to "For Spacious Skies." Life magazine, in a Sept. 14, 1959, profile of the astronauts, reported Carpenter was packing to head for NASA when his landlord brought by new tenants.

"Are you one of the spacemen?" Carpenter said one asked. "Yes," he replied. She responded, "Well, you're a nut."

Life assigned Loudon Wainwright to write the first feature

on Carpenter, who during the interview promptly departed NASA's carefully crafted "Boy Scout script."

Carpenter told of selling "his two-hundred-dollar boyhood clarinet for (his) roadster. ... But it needed fancy new taillights – anyone could see that. So the teenaged, roadster-owning demigod who believed the whole Earth his and all the car parts therein, walked into a Western Auto Parts store, furtively pocketed the taillights, and walked out without paying for them."

When Carpenter's wife read the galleys, she "screamed."

NASA assigned Carpenter to communications and navigation, he said in a 1999 oral history. He was also John Glenn's backup for the United States' first orbital flight on Feb. 20, 1962. At the launch, over the radio, Carpenter uttered the now-famous "Godspeed, John Glenn."

"It was a salute to him, but there was a feeling, I think, in me at the time that it could be viewed as a plea to whatever higher power to, you know, make this flight a success. And I would suggest that nobody can tell me that that plea didn't work," Carpenter said.

On May 24, 1962, Carpenter piloted Aurora 7 through three orbits.

"For the first time in the history of manned space flight, (an astronaut) ate solid food," the San Jose News reported that day.

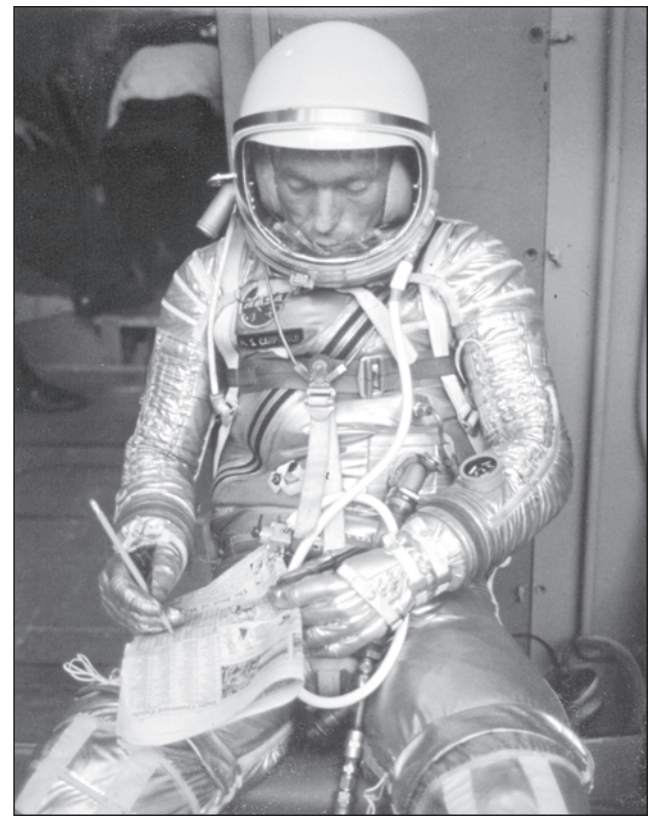
Not until re-entry did problems surface, said "For Spacious Skies," one of them "over expenditure of fuel," which was "traced to a spacecraft system malfunction that went undiagnosed until after the flight."

"Men From Earth" (Bantam/1989), said part of the problem was that Carpenter "wasted considerable fuel trying to perform routine attitude maneuvers"; and that he "accidentally switched on a thruster backup system, doubling the ... fuel consumption." The result was that "by the third and final orbit, Carpenter was dangerously low on thruster fuel." He shut down systems and "tumbled slowly around Earth for more than an hour."

In his oral history, Carpenter cited "mismanagement of my fuel system," and retrorockets "not pointed in the right direction." The retrofire sequence determined reentry angles and splashdown location. "Men From Earth" stated that as he "slid into the upper fringes of the atmosphere ... Carpenter's thruster fuel tanks were empty."

Similar problems had occurred in previous missions. The San Jose News reported "depletion" of fuel "forced termination after two orbits of the (November 1961) flight of Enos, the chimpanzee." In addition, Glenn "also experienced difficulty with his controls."

"There were problems in all of those flights," Carpenter said. "I had one that's most famous for overshooting (splash-down) by 250 miles. I had the record for overshooting the target for a long time until some cosmonauts came along some years later and missed theirs by 1,500 miles."



NASA

Information for this NASA photograph states that Scott Carpenter "works (a) crossword puzzle while resting during prelaunch activities."

"For Spacious Skies" said once he had splashed down, he exited through Aurora's nose, a four-minute task – he was the only astronaut to leave a capsule thusly – and settled in his life raft for an hour wait.

Carpenter never flew again. On a leave of absence, he went underwater for 30 days, in 1965, with the Navy's SEALAB II. (A broken arm kept him off SEALAB I.)

"These Navy and civilian divers put their lives on the line for the benefit of new science and for, at that time, national security just as surely as the heroic spacemen do, but nobody cares a whit about these divers," Carpenter said.

Back at NASA, he helped design the Apollo Lunar Landing Module, and trained astronauts underwater, in a pool that simulates space, for zero-G space walks. In 1967, Carpenter was director of Aquanaut Operations for SEALAB III. He retired from the Navy in 1969, entered private industry, and wrote two novels.

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Audubon trip

The Mesilla Valley Audubon Society will take a field trip to Percha Dam State Park at 6:45 a.m. Saturday, April 23. Anyone interested is asked to meet at Lowe's Home Improvement, 3200 N. Main St., in the parking lot closest to the Border Patrol Station. Percha is a superlative birding spot. There is a \$5 per vehicle entry fee at the park, or a state parks annual pass is also valid. The trip can be either full or half day.

For more information, call Mark Pendleton at 635-8711 or email mpndleton@q.com or call or Wayne Treers at 528-8696 or email way1mike@yahoo.com.

Lap swimming at Frenger Pool

The City of Las Cruces has announced the lap swim time schedule for Frenger Swimming Pool, 800 Parkview Drive. Lap swim times are from 6 to 10 a.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Regular lap swimmers will need to purchase a punch card for swimming fees from the Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave. Drop-in swimmers will need to pay the exact fee by cash. All participants need to bring approved swim wear.

For more information, call the Regional Aquatic Center at 541-2782. The TTY number is 541-2661.

County offices closed Friday

Most Doña Ana County offices will be closed Friday, April 22, to allow employees to observe the 2011 spring holiday, which was approved in January by the Doña Ana County Commission. Emergency services and law enforcement in the field will not be affected, but the administrative offices of the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department will be closed.

Meetings focus on public safety

District 4 Doña Ana County Commissioner Scott Krahl and District 5 Las Cruces

City Councillor Gill Sorg are teaming up to facilitate four community meetings focused on public safety and reducing neighborhood crime.

Deputy Michelle Ugalde of the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department and Jose Rodriguez of the Las Cruces Police Department will be on hand at each of the meetings to offer specific recommendations to those in attendance.

The meeting will be from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the following dates and locations:

- Monday, April 25, Sunrise Elementary School Library, 5300 Holman Road.
- Monday, May 2, at the Porter Road Recreation Center, 5589 Porter Road.
- Monday, May 9, in the gymnasium of Mesilla Valley Hospital, 3751 Del Rey Blvd.
- Monday, May 23, at the Moongate Fire Station, 6900 Moongate Road.

For more information, call 525-5801.

Camera club has workshop

The Doña Ana Camera Club will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, for a workshop session at the Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. The workshop will address various photography issues brought by members and guests. There is no agenda at workshop sessions.

Club President Ron Wolfe and other club members will be available to field questions about specific cameras, composition, color, digital photo manipulation and other topics of interest to attendees.

For more information, call Will Keener at 532-1919 or visit www.dacameraclub.org.

Women's center hosts event

Nationally recognized entertainer and educator Jesús "Chuy" Negrete will perform at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 28, at the Women's Intercultural Center, 303 Lincoln St. in Anthony, N.M.

Negrete will be celebrating the Mexican and Mexican-American experience through storytelling, poetic songs, cor-

ridos (running verse ballads) and slides as he traces the history of the Mexican-Latino experiences from pre-Columbian times to the present.

Prior to his performance at the Women's Intercultural Center, he will be performing for the students at Gadsden High School.

The performance is sponsored by the Gadsden High School Chicana/Chicano Student Union and the Women's Intercultural Center. Admission is \$2 per person.

To purchase tickets in advance or for event information, call the Women's Intercultural Center at 882-5556.

Science Café is slated April 28

Sigma Xi's Science Café will examine "The Linear Algebra Behind Search Engines," at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, April 28, at Las Cruces Museum of Natural History at Mesilla Valley Mall, 700 S. Telshor Blvd.

David Finston, professor of mathematics at New Mexico State University, will discuss the mathematics used in accessing the Internet.

Sigma Xi's Science Café is presented by the Scientific Research Society, in cooperation with the Las Cruces Museum of Natural History. The Café discussions are free.

Recent research is presented to advance greater public understanding and use of available science. Students and all those seeking greater knowledge of current science are encouraged to be at the Science Café.

Archaeological society has state meeting

The Archaeological Society of New Mexico annual meeting will be held at the Ramada Palms de Las Cruces, 201 E. University Ave., from April 29-May 1. The meeting is hosted by the Doña Ana Archaeological Society. The meeting will consist of a reception, technical papers, a banquet, a Bandler Lecture by Christine S. Van Pool and field trips Sunday, May 1. Cost varies by the functions attended.

For more information, visit newmexico-archaeology.org or call 524-9497 or 532-9554.

Monte Vista fifth-graders show skills

The fifth-graders at Monte Vista Elementary School, 4675 Peachtree Hills Road, have spent all year working and learning with the Asombro Institute for Science Education. At Monte Vista Desert Day from 9 a.m. to noon Friday, April 29, the fifth-graders will show off all they have learned to other students and parents.

The fifth-graders will be running hands-on science activities, arts and crafts and physical activity stations at the event. All of the stations at Desert Day will be focused around what the students have learned about the desert habitat.

Visitors can expect to learn about desert plants, animals and the climate.

Come and join us at our first-ever Monte Vista Desert Day.

For more information, call the school at 527-9490.

Clean up in Doña Ana Mountains

Working in conjunction with the Cruces Crawlers four-wheel-drive club, Keep America Beautiful and Doña Ana County will provide equipment and supplies for a clean-up in the Doña Ana Mountains Saturday, April 30. Volunteers are needed.

Ben Hutchison and Sean Privette, the event organizers, approached Doña Ana County about providing roll-off containers, gloves, bags and other supplies for the daylong event. Joe Padilla of the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department oversees the county's Keep America Beautiful grant and was able to offer the county's assistance.

"The Doña Ana Mountains have been neglected and are in need of help and attention," Privette said. "We do not understand how or why the residents of Las Cruces

and the surrounding areas have dumped their trash and debris in the Doña Ana Mountains, but they have. It's time to clean it up."

Privette said free lunches and cold drinks will be provided to all volunteers who sign up in advance to participate in the clean-up initiative.

Volunteers are asked to convene at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 30, on County Road D-054, near the Doña Ana community solid-waste convenience station.

To reach the clean-up site, take Interstate-25 to the Doña Ana exit, go east to County Road D-054 and proceed. Signs will point the way to the gathering area.

For more information or to volunteer, call 644-6948.

To coordinate a community clean-up in your neighborhood, call the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department Codes Office's Keep America Beautiful/Graffiti Abatement Team at 525-8801.

NMSU Golf Academy offers lessons for all

The New Mexico State University Golf Academy's Get Golf Ready in Five Days program will offer various sessions meeting from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesday and Thursdays and will last for two and a half weeks.

This program is a wonderful opportunity anyone young or old to learn the game of golf in a fun and safe environment or build upon existing skills. Whether new to the game or just looking to refine their skills Get Golf Ready in Five Days can benefit any golfer.

The five lessons featured in the program will provide basic skills instruction as well as information regarding the background of the game's rules, etiquette and values. Significant on-course learning opportunities will also be a part of the series. Overall, participants will gain insight into techniques regarding chipping, putting, full swing, half swing and bunker play as well as the fundamental guidelines regarding the use and maintenance of golf equipment, keeping score and navigating the course, among others.

For more information about Get Golf Ready or other programs, call Jason White, PGA head golf professional, at 646-3219.

Natural history museum closed Sunday, April 24

The City of Las Cruces Museum of Natural History will be closed on Sunday, April 24. The museum, which

is located inside Mesilla Valley Mall, will open for regular hours on Monday, April 25.

For more information, contact the Museum of Natural History at 522-3120. The TTY number is 541-2182.

Co-op market lists events in early May

The Mountain View Market has announced its schedule of events through May 8.

- 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 1: Member yard sale in the parking lot. Attendance is free. Vendor spaces area available for \$5. For more information, call Sarah at 523-0436.
- 6 to 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 2: The Great Conversation with Randy Harris. This is free community dialogue series addressing matters that affect all. Everyone is invited to join. Free events in the Community Room
- 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 3: Better Living Book Club with Siddeeq Shabazz. This month, the book club is discussing "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People," by Stephen Covey. For more information, call Shabazz at 510-459-2671. A free event in the Community Room
- 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 4: Healthy Living Through Honeybees with Felipe and Molly Romero. Attendees will learn about the benefits of honeybee products on human health, including propolis, bee pollen, honey and more at this free event in the Community Room
- 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 5: Reducing Test-taking Anxiety with Emotional Freedom Technique with Drs. Rossanna and George Massey. Free event in the Community Room.
- 11 a.m. to noon Sunday, May 8: Kids' Crafts - Fingerprinting with Annie and Bunny. A free event in Community Room. Parents are required to attend with their children, and snacks will be provided.

For more information, call Mo Valko at 523-0436.

Women veterans meet Tuesday

Women veterans meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Golden Corral Family Steakhouse, 601 S. Telshor Blvd. The social group is open to active and prior military women of all services, eras and ranks who wish to share stories and receive veteran-related information.

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In the news

Martinez named Woman of the Year by Hispanic Business

New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez is Hispanic Business' Woman of the Year for 2011.

Hispanic Business, a national magazine based in California, recognized the historic significance of Martinez being elected as the first Hispanic woman governor in the nation.

Martinez was Doña Ana County's longtime district attorney before being elected as governor last November.

The Hispanic Business article starts off with her freezing cold outdoor inauguration in the Santa Fe Plaza on New Year's Day.

The article weaves in her personal story as a bright girl from El Paso with the challenges facing her as governor, especially starting the job with state officials trying to avoid a \$500 million deficit.

While many interviewed in the article are complementary of Martinez, it also quotes criticism of her first days in office, primarily from Democrats. "Martinez brushed aside such criticism," writes the article's author David Roybal.

Martinez was interviewed for the article and is quoted extensively.



MARTINEZ

County, Ga.; assistant county administrator for Escambia County, Fla.; and general manager for East Yolo Community Services District, West Sacramento, Calif..

- **Martin Pinon of La Quinta, Calif.**, holds a bachelor's degree in political science and a law degree. He is experienced as assistant city manager for the City of Barstow, Calif.; Director of human resources and risk management for the City of El Centro, Calif.; and director of human resources for the City of Palm Desert, Calif.

An interview panel assisted City Manager Robert Garza in screening and interviewing the finalists. Panel members include Ben Woods, senior vice president and chief of staff for New Mexico State University; Sue Padilla, assistant county manager; Jorge Garcia, city utilities director; Travis Brown, city Fire Chief; and Andre Moquin, director of human resources.

Local Extension Service officials reviewing budget reductions

The Cooperative Extension service is reviewing federal budget reductions and trying to determine how the cuts would affect state programs, said Lowell Catlett, dean of New Mexico State University College of Agriculture and Consumer and Environmental Sciences.

"Basically with the budget cuts, we'll get \$1.2 million less than we had last year. That'll affect programs and people," Catlett said. "Now we're trying to figure out how to deal with those shortfalls."

When the proposed cuts were reported in February, NMSU Cooperative Extension Service Director Jon Boren said 80 percent of the budget is spent on personnel, such as county horticulture and livestock agents, 4-H agents and home economists who work directly with people in the community.

Doña Ana County has more than 400 4-H Club members in 14 clubs who participate in educational, research and community programs.

Karim Martinez, of the county extension office, said the funding reductions could have a far-reaching effect on extension programs, nationally and locally.

The federal funds serve as seed money, Boren added. For each federal dollar, the state matches it with \$6.55 and the county matches it with \$1.17.

Military academy applications now being accepted by Pearce

Congressman Steve Pearce announced this week the opening of the application process for the service academies. These include the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo.; the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.; the Military Academy in

West Point, N.Y.; and the Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, N.Y.. Students applying to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn., do not need a Congressional nomination.

Interested students must submit their completed applications to Pearce's office no later than Friday, Oct. 21. In November, Pearce will hold board academy reviews. Pearce will then submit his nominations to the academies.

The application process is open to all interested high school juniors and seniors in New Mexico's Second Congressional District.

Students are encouraged to research the specific academies on their respective websites for further information on the nomination and selection process. Detailed information and a downloadable application are available at pearce.house.gov.

Questions may be directed to Barbara Romero, Pearce's deputy district director, at 835-8979.



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Trinity Site visits to include fees

An entrance fee will be charged for future Trinity Site Open Houses conducted by White Sands Missile Range.

The prices will be \$25 for a passenger vehicle, \$100 for a bus and \$10 for motorcycles.

Trinity Site, where the world's first atomic bomb was tested on July 16, 1945, is open to the public the first Saturday of April and the first Saturday of October each year. The next open house will be Saturday, Oct. 1.

At the site, visitors can take a quarter-mile walk to ground zero, where a small obelisk marks the exact spot where the bomb was exploded. Historical photos are mounted on the fence surrounding the area. Once at the site, visitors can also ride a missile range shuttle bus two miles to the Schmidt/McDonald ranch house. The ranch house is where the scientists assembled the plutonium core of the bomb.

A WSMR press release said the purpose of the newly-instituted fee is to cover the costs of opening the remote site to include maintenance, the shuttle bus service, security and portable restroom facilities.

For more information contact the White Sands Missile Range Public Affairs Office at 678-1134 or WSMRPAO@conus.army.mil.

Assistant city manager candidates interviewed

A national search for candidates to fill the position of assistant city manager/chief operating officer for the City of Las Cruces has been narrowed down to three finalists from a field of 58 applicants.

The finalists are:

- **Brian Denmark**, who holds a bachelor's degree in geography with an emphasis in urban planning and master's degree in business administration. He has long worked for the City of Las Cruces in positions including director of community development, director of facilities and interim assistant city manager/chief operating officer.
- **Walter Munchheimer of Eureka, Calif.**, holds dual bachelor's degrees in chemistry and public administration and has completed course work for a master's degree. He is experienced as director of financial management for Palm Beach County, Fla.; deputy county manager for Fulton



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The Capital Improvement Advisory Committee serves in an advisory capacity in accordance with the Las Cruces Development Impact Fee Ordinance and shall:

- Advise and assist the city in adopting land use assumptions, which include a description of the service area and projection of changes and land uses, densities, intensities and population in the service area over at least a five-year period;
- Review the capital improvements plan that identifies capital improvements or facility expansion for which impact fees may be assessed, and file written comments;
- Monitor and evaluate implementation of the capital improvements plan;
- File annual reports with respect to the progress of the capital improvements plan and report to the city through its city manager any perceived inequities in implementing the plan or imposing impact fees;
- Advise the city of the need to update or revise the land use assumptions, capital improvements plan and impact fees; and
- Advise the city regarding growth management strategies.

Applications can be picked up at the City Clerk's Office inside City Hall at 700 N. Main Street. For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 541-2115.

The TTY number is (575) 541-2182.

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Taking the challenge at the Bataan Memorial Death March

Photos by Las Cruces Public Schools

Along with members of the military and the public, ROTC units from Las Cruces Public Schools and New Mexico State University participated in this year's Bataan Memorial Death March held March 27 at White Sands Missile Range. A five-member team from the Las Cruces High School Army Junior ROTC program finished in third place among 17 JROTC programs participating in the march. Participating were LCHS Army instructor Sgt. Maj. Velton Locklear Jr., along with cadets CSM James Franco, Major Jesus Garcia, SSG Alejardo Gonzales and SGM Luis Ruiz. NMSU's Army ROTC was the event's official sponsor, starting it 22 years ago. The memorial march included a marathon-length 26.2-mile trail and a shorter 15.2-mile honorary trail. More than 6,300 participated in the march. The event commemorates the veterans of the original Bataan Death March, which took place in the jungle terrain of the Bataan Peninsula in the Philippines during World War II.



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Mayfield High School JROTC's team finished 13th. Team members on the march were Cadet Lt. Col. Jacob Makens (commander), Cadet Lt. Col. Marcos Diaz, Cadet Staff Sgt. Ethan Campbell, Cadet Airman 1st Class Justin Krebs and Cadet Airman Basic Luis Flores.

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Restoring trails at Aguirre Springs

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Tom Phillips, a Supervisory Recreation & Cultural Resources Specialist for the Bureau of Land Management, inspects one of the trails undergoing renovation.



Dawn Scheckman works on a section of the trail.



Project leader Peter Gernsheimer supervises Scheckman's work.



Nathan Grover, a member of the Student Conservation Association, was among the volunteers working Wednesday, April 13, at Aguirre Spring National Recreation Area to restore trails in the Organ Mountains.

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Arrest

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and complicated evidence to build a case against Ferri.

Pivotal to breaking the case was the cooperation of a witness, who met Ferri before the crime and dropped him off at the residence, Orlando said. The witness also told investigators Ferri was driving the couple's White Nissan Pathfinder that was later abandoned, according to Orlando.

The witness told police Ferri went into the bathroom at La Llorona Park and returned with his clothes changed and absent of a bag he carried into the bathroom, Orlando said. Police recently found a semi-automatic handgun in the bathroom's septic tank matching the type of weapon used in the homicide, she said.

Direct links of Ferri to the gun through tests and tracing of the gun's origin are still being sought, Orlando said.

"We believe we have found the weapon (used in the crime)," the district attorney said.

Ferri was a local contractor who owned several properties. As his business dealings unraveled, Ferri filed for bankruptcy and his financial troubles included the Delisles suing him for money they loaned him, according to investigators. The three were expected at 3rd Judicial District Court the morning of the homicides for a court-ordered auction of property belonging to Ferri, according to news reports.

Officials at the press conference repeatedly stated that residents in the community did not need to be afraid.

"This was a very specific act targeted at specific people," said Sgt. Joe Reynod.

Orlando said the investigators had to confirm every aspect of the witness' story before she would file charges. Collaborating evidence was found through sources that included phone records and business surveillance tapes.

Ferri is being held at the Doña Ana County Detention Center. He had been arrested earlier this month on separate charges while trying to cross state lines.



Pvt. Larry Cloyes, holds his 5-month-old son, Trystin, as mom, Kassie watches during the arrival ceremony for soldiers from the 2nd Engineer Battalion at White Sands Missile Range earlier Sunday, April 17. About 150 soldiers returned home in the early morning hours following their year-long deployment in Afghanistan. The advanced party from the battalion arrived at WSMR more than a week ago and a second group of 190 soldiers arrived home Tuesday, April 19.

Photo for the Bulletin by Adriana Salas

Lt. Col. Christopher Benson, commander of the 2nd Engineer Battalion, addresses and thanks his troops for completing a successful mission after just arriving at WSMR early Sunday morning. The soldiers arrived at WSMR a little after 2 a.m. Family and friends had arrived hours earlier in anticipation of seeing their soldiers for the first time since their deployment.

Photo for the Bulletin by Adriana Salas



Justin Davis holds his sons, Aaron, 5, and Hayden, 2.

Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson



Soldiers

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so the wait that morning was a typical "hurry up and wait" experience, she said.

Irwin McBride, 17, also kept busy the past year as he waited for the return of his father, Jackson McBride, by racking up volunteer hours on youth activities and through the Army's Hire Program, which gave him work experiences at different jobs.

This was the second group of battalion soldiers to return during the week from Afghanistan. The first group of 150 arrived over the weekend. Kellie Benson, wife of Lt. Col. Chris Benson, said the Army has developed a good system of support services for the families of soldiers to help through the long separation.

That support doesn't stop with the return of the soldiers, said Patsy Gomez, program manager with Army Community Services. She said the first few days of the soldiers' return will be filled with training to help them adjust to their life back home.

"They've been apart for a year," Gomez said. "Everybody changes over time."

In their absence, spouses have had to take care of the family, sometimes taking on roles handled by the soldiers before he or she was deployed, she said.

"Now, they have to re-establish those roles," Gomez said.

And, of course, the soldiers have had to endure the hardships and terrors of war, including the loss of two of their own to enemy attacks. On Feb. 8, 32-year-old Spec. Nathan Carse of Harrod, Ohio, was killed when insurgents attacked his patrol unit with an improvised explosive device. Last October, 27-year-old Sgt. Brian Pedro of Rosamond, Calif., died when insurgents attacked with small-arms fire and rocket-propelled grenades.

Gomez said the training includes offering whatever counseling may be needed to help the soldiers and their families readjust and reunite.

But those concerns would be addressed later. That morning, once the bay doors opened and the soldiers marched inside, it was about embraces and tears.

"It just feels awesome – it's fantastic to be back," said Pfc. Justin Davis holding his two sons, Aaron 5, and Hayden, 2. "It's been a very long year."



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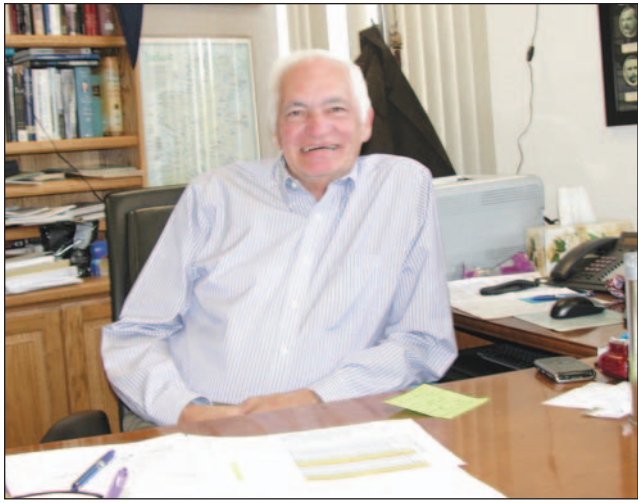
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Engaging and thoughtful futurist Lowell Catlett will be the guest speaker for the Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces breakfast at 7 a.m. Wednesday, April 27, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum.

Catlett to share thoughts in talk

Boys & Girls Club benefits from yearly breakfast event

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

Lowell Catlett, an in-demand futurist speaker and dean of New Mexico State University's College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, will be the guest speaker at the annual breakfast for the Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces.

Catlett said his talk will examine what really drives people throughout their lives.

"Everybody needs something to get up for in the morning," he said, "and at the end of the day you need some kind of reaffirmation that you've done something."

Be it through community service, involvement in a church, etc., people want to leave this world better than they found it, Catlett said. People want to have a sense of legacy – that they leave something

behind. Catlett said that legacy desire is especially strong for people of his generation – the baby boomers.

More universal, even, is a human trait to want to love someone or something else, Catlett said. That can often be stronger than even the need to be loved.

He said he will talk about these themes in connection to why people should support the Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces.

Ken Hoeksema, who is on the club's board, said the breakfast is another way to regularly reach out to the community. This will become even more critical as the club prepares for a capital fundraising campaign.

The breakfast starts at 7 a.m. Wednesday, April 27, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

Gymkhana results released

Horseman's Association sets next event for May 21-22

By **Marvin Tessneer**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Kaysha Nakamae set the pace for high-point scoring in the April Las Cruces Horseman's Association gymkhana by winning five first places for 50 points in the 18-39 Division. Her first places were barrels, 18.56 seconds; poles, 23.26; flags, 9.18; straight-8 and goat-tying, 11.68.

Peyton McKinley also had a good day in the arena with four firsts for 40 points, including barrels, 18.22 seconds; poles, 22.01; flags, 9.73; and goat-tying, 12.62.

Brandy McKinley also rode a good gymkhana in the 40-and-

older division to take three first places and lead with 48 points. Her winning times were, barrels, 17.76 seconds; goat-tying, 16.12, and break-away roping, 5.40.

Other high-point riders were:

- Riley Silva, 7-9, 45 points, two first places – flags, 10.68 seconds; and goat-tying, 14.19.
- Jordan Morris, 13-17, 38 points, three firsts – barrels, 17.57 seconds; flags, 9.12; and steer-dobbing with a floured mop, 2.64.

The April gymkhana drew 79 riders. The next LCHA gymkhana will be held Saturday and Sunday, May 21-22, at the New Mexico State Fairgrounds.



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Border Foods assists food bank

Food to be distributed at Butterfield Community Center on April 28

Thursday, April 21, marked an important day for many struggling families in the Deming community, the arrival of Roadrunner Food Bank's Mobile Food Pantry. Thanks to the sponsorship of Border Foods, hundreds of families received food at 4065 J St. SE in Deming. The Mobile Food Pantry truck was expected to bring 200 households about 10,000 pounds of food.

Border Foods sponsored the distribution specifically to help seasonal employees who are currently out of work.

Jay Rex of Border Foods said, "Border Foods is reaching out to our seasonal employees to help them with food. Many of them work part

of the year for us and it results in them being out of work the other part of the year. We know they are struggling, and we want to be sure they can help feed their families when no work is available. We appreciate their dedicated employment to us, and this is one way we can help them through a difficult time."

This is the second visit the Mobile Food Pantry has made to the Deming community, and Border Foods anticipates sponsoring two or three more drops until its seasonal works can come back to work.

Art Fine, director of programs at Roadrunner Food Bank said, "Now that our second

branch in Las Cruces is operational, we can bring programs such as Mobile Food Pantry to communities in southwestern New Mexico. It is one way that any group, person, business or civic organization can help hungry people in their community. This partnership with Border Foods is also unique, as they are the first business to host a Mobile Food Pantry distribution."

Mobile Food Pantry distributions are already scheduled in Grant County, and the first drop in Doña Ana County will take place Thursday, April 28, at the Butterfield Community Center, 9350 Berry Patch Lane. The Friends on the East Mesa is sponsoring the Las Cruces distribution.

Last year, the Mobile Food Pantry distributed more than 3 million pounds of food in communities across the state and helped more than 162,000 people.

Those interested in hosting a Mobile Food Pantry distribution should call Alissa Wolfe at 505-349-8937.

Roadrunner Food Bank is New Mexico's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to ending hunger in New Mexico. Last year, Roadrunner Food Bank distributed more than 22 million pounds of food through its own programs, a statewide network of nearly 600 partner agencies, and four smaller regional food banks. In New Mexico, Roadrunner Food Bank is the only member of Feeding America. Roadrunner Food Bank and our affiliated agencies serve nearly 40,000 children and adults every single week. New Mexico continues to be ranked as one of the hungriest states in the nation.



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Helping out the Child Crisis Center

Photos by Todd Dickson

Donna Richmond, executive director of La Piñon Sexual Assault Recovery Services and Doña Ana County District Attorney Amy Orlando check out the stuffed animal "tree" Thursday, April 14, at the county Government Center. Members of the district's attorney's office donated the stuffed animals to the new Child Crisis Center to give children staying there some comfort.



On Friday, April 15, Richmond was joined by New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez (center right), her husband Chuck Franco (left) and Children Youth and Families Department Secretary Yolanda Berumen-Deines (center left) at the Child Crisis Center for a tour of the facility made possible through a combination of donations and state funds.

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Lending a hand at Jardín de los Niños

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Briana Vigil of the Delta Zeta sorority helps clean out moss from the courtyard pond Friday, April 15, at Jardín de los Niños, the daycare shelter for homeless and near-homeless children at the Mesilla Valley Community of Hope. Members of New Mexico State University sororities and fraternities engaged in a number of community service projects around the city as part of Greek Week.



Stephanie Jaramillo and Kaitlin Brockett plant flowers by the pond.

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Eggs aplenty at the Plaza Easter egg hunt

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First-grader Eunique Valenzuela fills her basket with eggs during the Mesilla Elementary Easter egg hunt on the Mesilla Plaza Wednesday, April 20.



Kindergartner Madison Figueroa poses with the Easter Bunny.

Mesilla Elementary School students check out their eggs after the hunt.

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Beemer back in the swing



Jim Hilley
Bulletin in the Zone

The whole state of Texas may be burning down, but I found the action at the Valero Texas Open to be more interesting this past weekend.

No, I'm not that into golf, but former Las Cruces High Bulldog and New Mexico State Aggie Rich Beem is once again making some noise on the PGA Tour.

After having to sit out the season last year with back problems, Beem is back on the tour with a major medical exemption this year. Going into the April 14-17 tournament, the former Aggie was struggling to regain his form, and had failed to make the cut in six tournament attempts.

If you don't make the cut, you don't make any money.

Now, I'm pretty sure that Beem isn't down to eating ramen noodles and mac and cheese, but the Beemer was definitely in need of a spark.

Then, lo and behold, on the wind-blasted AT&T Oaks Course in San Antonio, Texas, Beem kept finding his way out of trouble and inched toward the top of the leaderboard. When the cut was made after Friday's round, Beem was in a seven-way tie for first place.

Did I say wind blasted? The tournament will be remembered for two things – Kevin Na shot an absolutely atrocious 16 on the par-4 ninth hole in the opening round – they're calling it a "duo-decuple bogey" – and due to a blasting north wind, Friday's average round of 72.289 was the highest on tour since the 2008 British Open.

The Beemer did not win the tournament, but he did finish in a tie for 15th place, earning him a check for \$90,055.

With Charlie Blanchard's weekly golf column on page A23 discussing the problem of pre-tournament jitters, it made me wonder how in the heck tour players manage to get over the jitters when big money is at stake.

If Beem had finished one stroke higher, he would have earned another \$36,000 in prize money. One spot lower on the leaderboard and he would have taken home \$37,000 less. That's a lot of money riding on the tap of a little white ball on someone's oversized lawn.

I know something like that would give me the jitters.

Not to mention the heebie jeebies, the yips, facial tics, wobbly knees, indigestion and an urgent need to find a bucket.

At any rate, it is definitely good to see Beem getting back in the swing of things. It's also good to have Blanchard back writing his column again after his injuries. Best of luck to both of them.

No rest for the weary

Aggies hitting each other – not the snooze button

By **Jimmy Currier**
 For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Spring practice for the New Mexico State football team continues as the Aggies held a two-and-one-half-hour morning workout Tuesday, April 19, at Aggie Memorial Stadium. It was the ninth of 14 spring practices for the Aggies,

who are now less than 10 days away from finishing the spring season.

The Aggies were in full pads on a sunny, warm morning with just a little wind. The players didn't waste any time getting physical. About 15 minutes after practice started, coach DeWayne Walker lined the players up for some intense hitting drills.

Two offensive linemen blocked two defensive linemen and a running back tried to get through the linebacker.

"Today, I saw a little lull so we made it competition Tuesday," Walker said. "I thought we'd start them out with a little competitive hitting drill to get them fired up and I'm happy to see them carry it all the way through practice."

Junior line-backer B.J. Adolpho isn't shy about his affinity for hitting people.

"The coaches yelling at me gets me going," he said. "That's when I start getting upset and pumped up. I start taking my anger out on someone else, and I enjoy that. It makes me more happy."

Opposing teams can attest to how much Adolpho likes to hit as he finished 15th last season in the Western Athletic Conference with an average of 6.4 tackles a game.

In addition to hitting, the Aggies worked on individual and position drills, tackling, blocking, red zone strategy, running set plays and a little scrimmaging.

Following practice, Walker said he liked how the team has improved since practice started on April 2.

"I think this football team has more of a sense of urgency and that's one thing we're going to continue to preach," he said. "The guys

got to believe and got to compete. These are things they have to continue to buy into and I think they have."

As for the offense and the job new offensive coordinator Doug Martin is doing, Walker is impressed.

"I love our tempo," he said. "I think coach Martin is doing a good job finding who our playmakers

are and getting the ball to our playmakers. I see a lot of potential in our offense."

While a starting quarterback is yet to be named, sophomore Andrew Manley has been taking a lot of reps with the starters. Manley started four games and played in five last season, throwing for 604 yards.

"Manley has been running with the first team for the most

part and he brings a spark to that position that we haven't had since we've been here," Walker said.

Manley and senior Matt Christian looked poised in practice and were spotted working on their mechanics, footwork and throws with Martin, who has a track record of turning out successful quarterbacks.

As for the other side of the ball, Walker said the defense must be aggressive.

"We need more of a solid
 See **Aggies** on page A22



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Niki Rhynes

Running back Robert Clay carries the ball after a hand-off from Quarterback Andrew Manley during spring practice Tuesday, April 19, at Aggie Memorial Stadium.

“Manley ... brings a spark to that position we haven't had since we've been here.”

DEWAYNE WALKER,
 NMSU football coach

Oñate's Walker dashes to the front

Senior sprinter among New Mexico's best

By **Craig Massey**
 Las Cruces Bulletin

When Oñate High School sprinter Kendra Walker steps on to the track and positions herself in the starting blocks, everything outside of her lane ceases to exist.

"I look up, look at the finish line and close out the other lanes," she said. "I just see mine. I don't look at the other runners. I just race for time."

Time for Walker is 11.99 seconds. That's her best time in the 100 meters this spring, and it ranks as the top mark in the state in Class 5A this year. She's also ranked No. 2 in the 200 meters, with a best time of 25.14.

Walker, a senior, comes from a family of athletes. Her father, New Mexico State University head football coach DeWayne Walker, played

college and professional football, and her mother, Zan, ran track in high school. Kendra is the youngest of their three children, following Keshia and Kevan. Kevan is a wide receiver on the Southern Illinois football team.

Moving from Los Angeles to Las Cruces two years ago when her father was hired at NMSU wasn't easy, Walker admitted, but joining the track team helped smooth the transition.

"We moved every two or three years, but I was not excited," she said. "Once track started, I was fine. Sports makes everything better for me."

She played soccer and ran track as a junior at Oñate, but decided to focus on track only as a senior. Walker finished fourth in the 100 at the state meet last year and failed to qualify for the finals in the 200.

See **Walker** on page A22



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Oñate High School's Kendra Walker is ranked No. 1 in the state in Class 5A in the 100-meter dash.



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Aggie athletes collect some recognition



Jack Nixon
Jack's Corner

The spring accolades continue for NM State teams. The league-leading Aggie softball team is back at home this weekend for a three-game series versus Louisiana Tech. A single game Friday and a double dip Saturday are on tap at the NM State Softball complex.

A difference I have noticed in this year's squad is that they have been able to win in a variety of ways. There are many paths to the top of the mountain and coach Kathy Rodolph has a deep enough bench to be able to vary her lineup without much of a drop off in results.

For two weeks in a row, Tiare Jennings has been named Verizon Wireless Hitter of the Week, most recently for leading NMSU to a sweep of Nevada. In that series, Jennings went 9-for-12 with a double, four home runs and 11 RBI. She posted a .750 batting average, hit two home runs in game one of the series and hit one homer in each of the double-header games Saturday.

Jennings has now hit a home run in seven of her last nine games. With her four homers last week, she moved into second place all-time at New Mexico State with 39 career round trippers.

The honors weren't only for

Aggies who hit a softball; Tyler Forney of the NM State Baseball team was named the WAC Verizon Wireless Hitter of the Week.

Forney is a junior who hit .600 during the four-game series and struck out only once against a San Jose State pitching staff that has the most strikeouts in the WAC.

Forney was perfect at the plate in the final game of the series, going 4-for-4 with three RBI, no strikeouts and two runs scored.

Overall on the week, Forney tallied six runs, five RBI, one double and a walk. He registered a .957 fielding percentage.

Brilliant work by women's golf: Specifically Paul Brilliant and Jackie Booth's guidance that placed the Aggies in a second place finish and earned the coaching pair Coach of the Year honors. Senior Pang Chanachai and freshman Demi Mak were chosen all conference; Mak was also tabbed freshman of the year. Brilliant appears to have the table set for more titles down the road.

Praise from Caesar: Men's golf coach Scott Lieberwirth told me that Tim Madigan's championship at the Western Intercollegiate was the "most significant victory, ever" in Aggie golf history. Madigan was the only golfer of the 92 competing who was below or at par for all of the rounds in a field with a dozen nationally ranked squads. Lieberwirth is one who can teach as well as play, having earned all conference honors as an Aggie when NM State was in the Big West.

A long way from home

NMSU and other mid-size American universities draw on overseas talent



Ivan Fernandez
Head Women's Tennis Coach

As the spring semester comes to an end, the Women's Aggies Tennis spring season has been in full swing. In the last four months, we have played more than 18 team matches – nine of them at home – leading to the season ending WAC Championships in Boise, Idaho.

Since becoming the women's head coach at New Mexico State University, the most frequent question I get is, "How do you get so many international student athletes to come to NMSU?" Which is usually followed by, "Why don't you have more American student athletes on your tennis team?"

The signing of international student athletes is not a phenomenon that is only taking place on the NMSU tennis teams. In the WAC, there are more than 146 tennis student athletes and almost 60 percent are international.

International student athletes are represented in almost every collegiate sport. Here at NMSU, there are close to 500 student athletes and almost 10 percent are international. New Mexico State University Athletics sports have international student athletes representing more than 15 countries, including Brazil, France, Canada, Senegal, the Philippines, India, Germany, England, Croatia, Thailand, Malaysia, Mexico, Venezuela, Colombia, Hong Kong and the Netherlands.

So, why are there so many international student athletes on the

NMSU tennis teams?

Although I actively try to recruit top American tennis players, the truth of the matter is that many of them prefer to go to larger, well-known universities, sometimes even if it means never having the opportunity to actually compete in a collegiate tennis match. This leads many collegiate tennis coaches, myself included, at mid-sized universities to look for qualified student athletes outside of the U.S. in order to be competitive with the larger universities that can recruit the top American players.

Also, most foreign countries do not offer collegiate athletics in their universities, so many of the top athletes from these countries want to come to the U.S. where they can continue to play the sport they love at a competitive level while also continuing their education. Education is very important to these student athletes.

Currently, the NM State women's team GPA is more than a 3.5, and graduation is a top priority. The women's tennis team has been named an ITA All-American Academic Team in seven of the last eight years and several student athletes have received individual Academic All-American Scholar Athlete awards.

These international student athletes are some of the top tennis players in their respective countries. They feel honored and truly appreciate the opportunity to come to NMSU. Collegiate Tennis is extremely accessible and very fan friendly.

The NMSU men's and women's tennis teams are winding up the spring season at home with WAC Conference Matches April 22-24, at the NMSU Tennis Center.

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In Aggie Athletics

Friday, April 22

Women's Tennis

Hawai'i
Las Cruces
1 p.m.

Men's Tennis

Boise State
Las Cruces
1:30 p.m.

Track and Field

Texas Tech Twilight
Lubbock, Texas
5 p.m.

Softball

Louisiana Tech
Las Cruces
6 p.m.

Baseball

Nevada
Reno, Nev.
7 p.m.

Saturday, April 23

Softball

Louisiana Tech
Las Cruces
2 and 4 p.m.

Baseball

Nevada
Reno, Nev.
2 and 6 p.m.

Sunday, April 24

Men's Tennis

Nevada
Las Cruces
9 a.m.

Monday, April 25

Baseball

Nevada
Reno, Nev.
7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 27

Softball

Loyola Marymount
Los Angeles
2 p.m.

Thursday, April 28

Baseball

Seattle
Seattle
7 p.m.

Aggie student-athlete spotlight



Tim Madigan
Senior
Men's Golf

New Mexico State senior Tim Madigan left as the medalist at the 65th annual Western Intercollegiate men's golf tournament at the challenging par 70, 6,615-yard Pasatiempo

Golf Course. He carded a three-round score of 3-under par, 207 with an even par, 70 in the final round. This is the second tournament win for Madigan this season.



Luis Ramirez
Sophomore
Men's Tennis

Sophomore Luis Ramirez won both singles matches he played this weekend. Ramirez defeated Danilo Casanova of Hawai'i 6-4, 3-6, 6-4, Friday, April 15, in the No. 5 match and

defeated Nick Papac of Fresno State 6-1, 6-4, Sunday, April 17 in the No. 5 match. Ramirez teamed with Orlando Superlano in doubles to defeat Casanova and Daniel Llenas (Hawai'i) 8-3.



Tiare Jennings
Junior
Outfield

Tiare Jennings reached base nine times against Nevada in 12 at-bats with five extra-base hits, including four home runs. She also drew two walks. As a result, she batted in 11 runs on the

weekend. Jennings hit .750 on the weekend, with a .786 on-base percentage and an amazing 1.833 slugging percentage. Jennings is second on the team with 13 home runs on the season.



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Soccer scrimmage at the Aggie Memorial Stadium

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Yolanda McMillion controls the ball for the New Mexico State soccer team during a scrimmage against Eastern New Mexico Saturday, April 16, at Aggie Memorial Stadium. The Aggie team will start its third season in August.



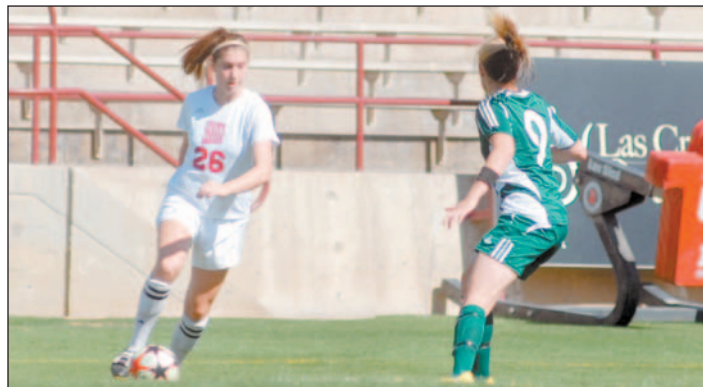
Courtney Irwin



Elise Nordin battles for possession of the ball.



Kristen Powers



Mickey Giles dribbles up the field against an Eastern New Mexico defender.

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Walker

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Walker said her family and coaches played large roles in her improvement as a sprinter since last spring. She embraced a training regimen that helped her build strength and endurance and competed in Junior Olympic competitions in other states last summer.

"That helped a lot," she said of the summer meets. "And I got help and asked more questions and paid more attention."

Oñate, under coach David Nuñez, has a history of producing top sprinters, and the coach said Walker compares with the best the school has had.

"We had LaNell Scarbrough, Darnisha Jones

and Andrea Lee, and Kendra ranks right there as one of the top four sprinters we've had," said Nuñez, who has been a track coach at the school for 20 years.

The coach said Walker has all the characteristics of a good sprinter.

"Stride frequency and stride length are important, and when you have those two together with strength, you have someone who is fast," he said. "It's also important to have good sprint mechanics and form."

Nuñez said Walker's strengths as an athlete go beyond the physical talent, and that will help her at the next level. She hopes to run track in college and could end up at NMSU.

"She's a very driven athlete," he said. "She's always looking for ways to improve. She's always asking questions. She's real coachable and a pleasure to have around. She has a good work ethic."

Aggies

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defense and the defensive line is playing the best since I have been here," he said. "It starts up front."

Junior running back Robert Clay is looking to improve upon last year's season when he played in 11 games and rushed for 226 yards, including a 108-yard performance against Louisiana Tech.

"You have to make sacrifices to be successful," the criminal justice major said. "Every day you have to progress. If you stay the same, you're getting worse."

Clay and the rest of his teammates wake up early every Tuesday and Thursday to hit the practice field. While most college students are sleeping or just getting to bed in some cases, the Aggies are getting taped in the locker room at 6 a.m. and hitting the field at 6:30 a.m.

"It takes a little getting used to, but we all just want to get better," Clay said.

Clay says he tries to be in bed by 10 p.m., but at times he doesn't get to bed

until midnight.

"We're still college students, and I had a 10-page paper last week so I didn't get to bed until late," he said. "Not only classes, but we have to study our plays, too. The coaches expect you to know everything."

Clay, like most 20 year olds, has a high energy level and he says he doesn't require much sleep. Also like most other college students, Clay enjoys his coffee in the morning.

As for breakfast, he usually grabs a Nutri-grain bar and juice on the truck ride to practice and then a big burrito after practice.

It's not just Clay and the young guys getting up before the crack of dawn, but the coaches are often up earlier.

Walker said he is in his office ready to work no later than 6 a.m.

"This is what I do, man," he said. "I've been doing it for a long time and I've been blessed to do something I love. It's pretty easy for me to get pumped up every morning."

While the real test isn't until Sept. 3 when the Ohio Bobcats come to Las Cruces, Walker and his coaching staff will get a good gauge of the football team at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 30, during the annual Crimson-White Spring Game at Aggie Memorial Stadium.

Aggies handle UNM Lobos NMSU hosts La Tech Friday and Saturday

The New Mexico State softball team shut out New Mexico 6-0 to extend its winning streak to six games at Lobo Field Tuesday, April 19.

The surging Aggies (33-12, 11-1 WAC) opened with a pair of runs early in the second inning and then added four more in the top of the sixth to clinch its third straight win over UNM in Albuquerque.

Junior Tiare Jennings ripped a home run for the fifth straight game as the Aggies spread nine hits over seven innings. NMSU

right-hander Celisha Walker earned her fifth win of the season in the circle.

The Aggie win helped NMSU split the rivalry series this year as each team won on the opponent's field. UNM (17-18, 3-2 Mountain West) won 3-2 in Las Cruces on April 4.

Freshman Celisha Walker started in the circle for the Aggies against New Mexico's Kari Gutierrez.

The Aggie offense started the scoring in the top of the first. Senior Kandis Jones hit a one-out single to begin the rally. Junior Tiare Jennings drew a walk to put two runners on base. Next up, senior Hoku Nohara was intentionally walked to load the bases for senior Ashley Maroda.

Maroda came through with an RBI single that got past the Lobo shortstop to score Jones and give the Aggies a 1-0 edge. Two batters later sophomore Teresa Conrad walked to push Jennings across and put NMSU ahead 2-0 going into the bottom of the first.

Walker got out of a jam in the bottom of the frame after a 7-5-3-4-2 double play to end the inning.

Over the next three innings, Walker and Gutierrez stifled

the opposing offenses while allowing just one hit apiece.

Junior Sydney Williard came on after UNM singled to open the bottom of the fifth. Williard and the defense retired the next three batters in order to move onto the sixth ahead 2-0.

Jennings extended her home-run streak to five consecutive games and made it 10 home runs over the last 10 contests with a solo blast to right center field bleachers to make it 3-0 Aggies.

The Aggies kept the offensive numbers rolling against Gutierrez. Nohara reached on an error and sophomore Sha-lease Javillo came in to pinch run at first. Maroda got on after a fielder's choice. A throwing error advance Javillo to third. A single by senior Vanessa Valles allowed Javillo to score unearned to put NMSU up 4-0.

Conrad hit an RBI single to score Maroda and yield a 5-0 lead. Two batters later, freshman Valerie Swedberg hit a deep sacrifice fly to center to score Kristi Covarrubia, who pinch ran for Valles.

NMSU returns home to host Louisiana Tech for a three-game series beginning at 6 p.m. Friday, April 22, at the New Mexico State Softball Complex. The Aggies and Lady Techsters complete the series at the complex at 2 p.m. Saturday with a doubleheader.



JENNINGS

H I G H S C H O O L Sports Schedule

Las Cruces High School		
Tuesday, April 26	Tennis (coed)..... Mayfield High School.....	3 p.m.
	Baseball..... at Alamogordo High School.....	5 p.m., 7 p.m.
	Softball..... Gadsden High School.....	7 p.m.
Thursday, April 28	Golf (coed)..... at LCPS/Socorro Golf Tournament.....	9 a.m.
Friday, April 29	Track (coed)..... at Mirmanian Track Meet.....	3 p.m.
Mayfield High School		
Tuesday, April 26	Tennis (coed)..... at Las Cruces High School.....	3 p.m.
	Softball..... Oñate High School.....	7 p.m.
Thursday, April 28	Golf (coed)..... at LCPS/Socorro Golf Tournament.....	9 a.m.
Friday, April 29	Track (coed)..... Mirmanian Track Meet.....	3 p.m.
Oñate High School		
Tuesday, April 26	Baseball..... Gadsden High School.....	5 p.m., 7 p.m.
	Softball..... at Mayfield High School.....	7 p.m.
Thursday, April 28	Golf (coed)..... at LCPS/Socorro Golf Tournament.....	9 a.m.
Friday, April 29	Track (coed)..... at Mirmanian Track Meet.....	3 p.m.
Mesilla Valley Christian Schools		
Saturday, April 23	Tennis..... at Silver City Tourney.....	9 a.m.
Tuesday, April 26	Softball..... at Lordsburg.....	3 p.m., 5 p.m.



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Varayini Pankayatselvan is a 17-year-old senior at Las Cruces High School. She plays No. 1 doubles and No. 1 singles on the women's tennis team. Pankayatselvan's record is four wins, one loss in mixed doubles, 13 wins, three losses in singles and six wins, three losses in doubles. She has high hopes for the girls' team at district and the state tournament.

Pankayatselvan has a very positive attitude, is energetic and always willing to help no matter the situation or what is asked of her. She is a dedicated student with a 4.0 GPA. Her interests outside of sports and school are volunteer work, her dogs Scrappy and Cloie, traveling, picture puzzles and music.

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"Wow," you think, "my golf game is peaking at the right time, with the first tournament of the year tomorrow morning."

Getting plenty of sleep the night before, you wake up feeling refreshed and really looking forward to getting out of the golf course and proving yourself. Arriving at the golf course early, you're brimming with anticipation. Even the weather is perfect. Warming up, things go well as you rifle shot after shot in the general direction you're aiming. The swing is good and the shots are solid, and you are feeling confident.

Except for one thing. You sense a nagging nervous tension as you make the stroll to the first tee, feeling a bit uneasy. You think, "It's critical to stay relaxed," but the tightness in your muscles is starting to grip you more and more. The next thought as it's your turn to play your first tee shot of the tournament is, "Now this is for real, better not mess it up."

It's your first mistake – the dreaded negative-swing thought, which instantly sends a shooting message of panic to your reflexes that you don't even notice because you're too preoccupied with looking good.

Even the tour pros experience some pre-tournament jitters as they start their quest for victory (and golf immortality) on the first tee. Jack Nicklaus once admitted that if he wasn't a little nervous starting a competition, it wouldn't feel normal to him. Nicklaus always contended that a really good opening drive – the first shot of the round – gives a strong sense of confidence and a feeling of being in control for the rest of the day.

It all starts with solid preparation and an attitude that you trust your swing. Slightly edgy is normal; too tense and anxious is a recipe to play your worst. Here's how to get over that.

Most golfers hit decent warm-up shots on the range, but they don't pick precise targets and don't visualize and execute the very shots they're certain to require during the process of their on-course play. For example, you know you'll be hitting a 3 wood on the tough par-5 second hole. On the practice tee, take out your 3 wood, visualize the ball flight and the landing area and go ahead and hit the shot like you were already there. On the practice putting green before the round, don't get caught up in the 15 and 20 footer chest-pounders. Find a flat three footer and make at least 10 in a row. That routine will give you the confidence you need as you head into the round "that really counts."

As you approach your opening tee shot and begin your tournament play, be sure to focus only – I mean only – on your established pre-shot routine. At this year's Masters, several contenders remarked in their post-round interview how nervous they were on the first tee, as

they felt the pressure-cooker of appearing on that big stage. A few let it get to them and they made six or seven on that first hole.

It's important to hide in the cocoon of your pre-shot routine, while erasing all other considerations, including visual uneasiness and negative self-talk. The main purpose of a pre-shot routine is to normalize the feeling of what you are doing, thereby eliminating any interference. That's why you see tour players stop and re-start their routine once they're distracted.

If you haven't settled on a rehearsed, automatic pre-shot routine, then spend the next couple of weeks on the practice range setting up to the ball in a certain way and establishing one.

It should take about 10 to 14 seconds, once you are ready to go. Waggle once, take a deep breath and swing like you mean it. Any more than that and you risk too many negative swing thoughts.

In a report called "The 10 Deadly Mistakes Athletes Make With Their Pregame Attitude" sport psychologist Dr. Patrick Cohn talks about the pregame jitters.

"Pregame jitters are a natural part of sports," he observes, "but pregame performance anxiety will cause most athletes to tense up and not perform to their ability."

He advises golfers to use their mental preparation as a time to get control and manage emotions and thoughts about an upcoming competition.

According to Cohn – who works with tour players on several of the tours – the number one mistake competitors make is placing strict expectations on the performance to follow.

"You set yourself up for a success or failure proposition," he said.

If you don't achieve your (anticipated) expectations, you tend to question your ability that day, leading to a drop in overall confidence on the next outing.

"In my case I teach players to look at their on-course play as a process, with full attention paid to how you are playing in terms of focus, concentration, being in the present and staying relaxed. Don't worry about the outcome – results will take care of themselves providing you go through the process of playing to your potential," he said.

Most amateur and recreational golfers go into tournament competition lacking confidence. Some players tend to brag and talk big, but mostly that is a defense for feelings of inferiority as far as their golf ability is concerned. Golfers who lack solid trust in their playing ability leave their confidence to chance, and when it comes to pressure, the performance tends to be lacking.

Even if you start a round of golf by making an awful score on a couple of holes, you must "stay the course" and maintain your confidence. Otherwise you're lost for the entire day.

In his work with tour players, Cohn has found that a lot of damage is done mentally by players worrying too much about results or outcomes before they happen. It's quite common for average club golfers to go to the first tee having a final score in their mind before they ever hit the first shot. By hole seven, after making a triple bogey, they angrily mutter "Well, this round's over."

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

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ATHLETE of the WEEK

Demi Mak

Freshman, Women's Golf

Demi Mak earned first team All-WAC honors and was named 2011 WAC Freshman of the Year as she helped the Aggies to a second-place finish at the 2011 WAC Championships this past week. Mak is the second Aggie to win WAC Freshman of the Year as Suteera (Pang) Chanachai earned the accolade in 2008. Mak, along with Chanachai, earned 2011 first team All-WAC honors. Mak tied for fourth with a 221 and finished the tournament with 36 pars and six birdies.

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Sports Briefs

Ags sweep WNMU

The New Mexico State University women's tennis team swept Western New Mexico University in dominating fashion Tuesday, April 19, as the team approaches the final match of the regular season.

The Aggies are now 11-7 overall on the season. A win against Western Athletic Conference opponent Hawai'i this Friday would surpass last season's total win mark.



SYLVAIN

NMSU held WNMU to winning just one game between all three doubles matches on the day. Junior Manon Sylvain and sophomore Jodie Williams defeated Emily Lampman and Nikolina Vukadin 8-1 in the No. 1 match, and junior Natalia Salum and freshman Annemieke Witte defeated Davia Aragon and Dena Irvin 8-0 in the No. 2 match. The No. 3 match was ruled a victory in favor of NMSU by default since WNMU was short on players.

Singles play by the Aggies was just as dominant as doubles, with only one set by the entire NMSU squad reaching a 6-2 mark.

Sylvain led off the lineup with a strong performance, defeating Vukadin 6-0, 6-1, in the No. 1 match. Sophomore Ginet Pinero followed up in the No. 2 match with a 6-0, 6-1, victory over Doris Berberic.

Salum defeated Lampman 6-2,

6-1, in the No. 3 match for in comparison the most closely fought match of the day.

Witte put on the most dominating performance of the day by sweeping Dena Irvin 6-0, 6-0, in the No. 4 match. Fellow freshman Ros-Polly Nguyen defeated Aragon 6-0, 6-1, in the No. 5 match. Williams, penciled in at the No. 6 spot, won by default due to the lack of WNMU players.

NMSU will take on Hawai'i at 1 p.m. Friday, April 22, at the NMSU Tennis Center. The match against Hawai'i will also be Senior Day for senior Isabela Kulaif, who has been with the Aggies since 2008.

PAL boxers win

The Las Cruces Police Athletic League (PAL) boxing team took home several wins during the U.S. Men's & Women's Open, combined with the New Mexico State Junior Olympics, this past weekend in Albuquerque.

Seven of the team's fighters won the state tournament in their respective age/weight group. Winners advance to compete in regional tournament and winners from there will advance to the national men's, women's or junior Olympic tournament later this summer.

Las Cruces winners were: Amy Salinas, 10 years old, 65 pounds; Joel Marcias, 14 years old, 125 pounds; Edmund Guzman, 15 years old, 114 pounds; Edwin Acosta, 16 years old, 132 pounds; Destiny Quintero, 17 years old, 152 pounds; Ayanna Vasquez, 16 years old, 114 pounds; and Timothy Meeks, men's, 165 pounds.

First runners-up (all from Las Cruces PAL): Jessica Cenicerros, 15 years old, 119 pounds; and Jose Salinas, men's, 141 pounds.

The National Police Athletic League exists to prevent juvenile crime and violence by providing civic, athletic, recreational and educational opportunities and resources to its PAL chapters.

Jennings awarded

For the second consecutive week, New Mexico State softball junior outfielder Tiare Jennings earned Hitter of the Week honors from the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) for her performance during a sweep at Nevada April 15-16, the league office announced Monday, April 18.

The honor is the second of the year for Jennings and third career accolade from the WAC. Prior to last week's recognition, Jennings' first honor was during her freshman season.

A junior from Turlock, Calif., Jennings went 9-for-12 at the plate last week with 11 RBI. She hit four home runs and a double over three games while drawing two walks. With the four homers, Jennings moved into sole possession of second, behind teammate Nohara, on the NMSU all-time home run list with 39.

Jennings hit .750 with a .786 on-base percentage and an 1.833 slugging percentage last week to outshine the other league nominees.

She hit two home runs in game one of the series on Friday, April 15. Jennings then belted a home run in each of the doubleheader games Saturday.

NMSU tops SJSU

The New Mexico State baseball team (27-9, 5-3 WAC) took the home series with San Jose State (23-14, 3-5 WAC) after coming back from a 7-1 deficit to win 20-8, Sunday, April 17, at Presley Askew Field.

NMSU was down 7-1 heading into the bottom of the third when the Aggies started its comeback posting three runs in the third before the Aggie offense erupted for a 15-run fourth. The first five batters reached base safely and scored, while 11 of 12 batters scored before two outs were made. There were nine batters who reached base safely with either a walk or by being hit by a pitch, while sophomore designated hitter Zac Fisher tallied a grand slam and senior Ryan Aguayo tallied a three-run homer.

Junior middle infielder Ty Forney led the Aggies again going 4-of-4 at the dish with two runs scored and three RBI, while Aguayo was 4-of-5, crossing the plate four times and marking five RBI. Fisher also finished the day with five RBI and scored twice.

Relief pitcher Riley Beville took his record to 2-1 on the year after picking up the win.

NMSU heads to Reno, Nev. to take on the Wolf Pack in a four-game series starting at 7 p.m. Friday, April 22.

Spring football game April 30

The New Mexico State Spring Football Game, sponsored by Wells Fargo, will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 30, at Aggie Memorial Stadium. The event is free to the public and each

fan in attendance will receive a free copy of the 2011 football poster.

The Wells Fargo Spring Football Game is the final spring practice for the Aggies before they resume a regular practice schedule in the fall. Fans are encouraged to come to the game earlier, as kids can play in the jump castles one hour prior to the event.

After the scrimmage, players and coaches will be available on the field for autographs on the recently released 2011 NMSU football poster.

Madigan gets nod

New Mexico State's Tim Madigan has been named the Verizon Western Athletic Conference Golfer of the Week for April 11-17.

Madigan, a senior from Rio Rancho, N.M., won his second tournament of the season after capturing the title at the 65th annual Western Intercollegiate held in Santa Cruz, Calif., over the weekend. Madigan carded a 3-under-par 207 (69-68-70) and was the only player of the 92 in the field to record par or better in all three rounds at the par 70, 6,615-yard Pasatiempo Golf Course. It is the second time in his career that Madigan has won a WAC golfer of the week or month award.

The Aggies will be back in action on May 2-4 at the 2011 WAC Golf Championship.



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Looking Back

This week in the history of the Mesilla Valley

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100 years ago

1911

Mesilla Valley farmers were planting a large amount of wheat. In 1910, within five miles of Las Cruces, there were between 700 and 800 acres, but in 1911, between 1,500 and 1,800 acres were planted in the area.

Eighteen miles of the Camino Real between Anthony, N.M., and Las Cruces was graded and ready for gravel. Territorial Engineer C.D. Miller was expected to visit Las Cruces and inspect the work.

"Half of Las Cruces" left for Mesilla Park to attend Field Day at the Agricultural College.

Residents of the northern part of the city were making plans to extend Main Street to the north. An adobe building that then crossed the north end of the street was to be removed and the street was to extend several more blocks, opening up valuable land for development.

75 years ago

1936

George Frenger was elected mayor of Las Cruces at a special meeting of the members of the new, non-partisan town board. Frenger was also the president of the Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce and had been active

in civic affairs in Las Cruces for many years.

White Sands Play Day was going to be May 2. The program was to include entertainment for adults and children, including a "fat man race, a balloon race and a greased-pole climb." Everyone was advised to bring their picnic baskets. Gov. Clyde Tingley was expected to address the event at lunch time.

The Ag Ball was April 25 with the following rules in place: No person shall wear a necktie for the day; no person shall wear suspenders; and any coed or faculty member seen wearing rouge, face powder or lipstick "will be promptly kissed by any member of the School of Agriculture."

50 years ago

1961

The New Mexico State University baseball team pounded out 24 hits, including seven doubles and four triples, as they downed Fort Bliss in a doubleheader 6-2 and 10-4. In the first game, Aggie Gary Ward went the distance, holding the Falcons to two runs on six hits.

The NMSU golf team traveled to Tucson, Ariz., to meet the University of Arizona. On the trip were coach Tim Moulton and players Larry Beem, Tommy Blanco, Bill Williams, Charley Johnson and Gary Stretz.

The Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra was to conclude its season with a performance of Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 3 in C minor. The guest artist was to be Lorraine Merrill of El Paso. Sharing the podium would be Musical Director Oscar Butler, recently named to replace William Cramer.



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This photograph shows the interior of the old Saint Genevieve's Catholic Church in Las Cruces prior to 1907. The statue of Saint Genevieve, located high on the altar, was imported from Paris by rail and oxcart prior to 1881.

25 years ago

1986

Mayor David Steinborn officially inaugurated the Las Cruces Area Transportation bus system. The ceremony attracted protesters from a group of advocates for the disabled who were unhappy with the lack of wheelchair lifts on the buses.

The NMSU Spring Bash included an air band contest for university students.

Keith Colson, NMSU athletics director since 1975, announced his retirement in July. Colson was hired as assistant athletic director in 1968, when Lou Henson was the director. He was a letterman in basketball for the Aggies in 1954-56. Colson was also the first head basketball coach for Mayfield High School from 1965-68.

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Networking at the New Mexico Press Women Conference

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At the New Mexico Press Women state conference, author Anne Hillerman makes a point about writing relationships as fellow panelist and writer Sherri Burr listens during a workshop Saturday, April 9, at the Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces.



Writer and photographer R. Thomas Berner answers a question posed by panel moderator Todd Dickson.

The conference's filmmaking panel included Las Cruces Film Liaison Bill McCamey, New Mexico State University Creative Media Institute Head Phil Lewis, Doña Ana Community College Creative Media Technology instructor Mark Vasconcellos and moderator Daniella De Luca.



CrimeStoppers

Most wanted list



Police target worst area offenders

Las Cruces Crime Stoppers is releasing its latest most wanted list with the hopes of locating the offenders. The most wanted list in no particular order, includes:

- 1. Armando Orta**
46, DOB 12/3/64, 6 feet tall, 150 pounds. Offense: criminal sexual contact of a minor in February 2008.
- 2. Aswaldo Haro Rodriguez**
39, DOB 2/12/72, 6 feet 2-inches tall, 220 pounds. Offense: criminal sexual contact of a minor in November 2010.
- 3. Carlos Garcia Chairez**
30, DOB 3/13/81, 6 feet tall, 253 pounds. Offense: kidnapping and aggravated battery in April 2009.
- 4. Hector R. Castillo**
37, DOB 3/9/74, 5 feet tall, 120 pounds. Offense: child abuse, battery in May 2005.
- 5. Ismael Chavira Zambrano**
39, DOB 4/6/72, 5 feet 8 inches tall, 165 pounds. Offense: aggravated assault, false imprisonment, bribery in June 2010.
- 6. Justin Antwon Hernandez**
17, DOB 1/26/94, 5 feet 9 inches tall, 126 pounds. Offense: aggravated battery in February 2011.
- 7. Oswaldo Jorge Olivas Corral**
32, DOB 8/16/78, 5 feet 8 inches tall, 150 pounds. Offense: murder, armed robbery, aggravated burglary in December 2008.
- 8. Qutaiba Yahia Mahmoud**
AKA Qutaiba Said or Mahmoud Yahi
40, DOB 1/1/71, 6-feet-2-inches, 200 pounds. Offense: custodial interference in August 2007.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the apprehension of any of these suspects. If you have any information on the whereabouts of any of these suspects, you are asked to call Las Cruces Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477) or send a tip via text message to LCTIPS (528477). The Crime Stoppers number and text messaging services are operational 24 hours a day and you do not have to give your name to collect a reward.



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Monday April 25, 6:30-8 p.m.
Sunrise Elementary Library, 5300 Holman Rd.

Monday May 2, 6:30-8 p.m.
East Mesa Recreation Center, 5589 Porter Rd.

Monday May 9, 6:30-8 p.m.
Mesilla Valley Hospital, 3751 Del Rey Blvd.

Monday May 23, 6:30-8 p.m.
Moon Gate Fire Station, 6900 Moongate Rd.

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— PUBLIC HEARING —

BUDGET HEARING

The City of Las Cruces will have a public hearing regarding a five year Infrastructure Capital Improvement Program (ICIP) and fiscal year 2011-2012 Municipal Budget. ICIP is the five-year plan for the City's capital improvement projects. The municipal budget is a detailed plan for City spending for the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012. Copies are available for public inspection at Branigan Library and the City Clerk's Office or online at www.las-cruces.org.

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For more information, contact the City of Las Cruces Management and Budget Office at 541-2300. The TTY number is 541-2182.

People needing special accommodations should contact the city 48 hours in advance at (575)541-2300/v or (575)541-2182/TTY.

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— PUBLIC NOTICE —

Comments Sought For Redistricting Plans

The City of Las Cruces is seeking public comment from city residents on plans for redistricting. Under city charter, the City of Las Cruces is required to undergo redistricting every 10 years. The consulting firm, Research & Polling, Inc. has submitted five distinct plans to be considered for adoption by city council. Plans can be viewed inside the lobby of city hall, 700 N. Main Street or on the City's webpage at www.las-cruces.org.

Residents may submit comments by Wednesday, April 27th to the City Clerk at estherm@las-cruces.org or in writing to: City Clerk's office, P.O. Box 20000, Las Cruces, NM 88004. City council will hold a follow up work session to discuss the public's input and comments on May 9th.

For more information contact the City Clerk's office at 541-2115.

The TTY number is 541-2178.

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Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson

Congressman Steve Pearce listens to a question from Lori English at his town hall meeting Saturday, April 16.

Pearce calls for greater change

Budget imbalance requires major 'structural' reforms

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

Efforts by Congress to curb the budget deficit have not been significant enough to make any real difference, U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce told constituents during a town hall meeting Saturday, April 16, at Cineport 10.

The New Mexico Republican started off the report session by explaining his vote against the compromise bill passed to avoid a government shutdown.

Pearce said the compromise didn't begin to make major "structural change" to the federal government, which he said has grown too large.

For example, Pearce said there are now 150 Forest Service personnel overseeing the Lincoln National Forest when only one handled it 25 years ago.

Pearce said the compromise was said to have \$38 billion in cuts, but would only reduce government spending by \$350 million, which he said illustrates that government leadership is unwilling to reverse the growth in federal bureaucracy.

"We cannot just sand money down a little bit from every agency," Pearce said.

The math of the federal deficit is alarming, Pearce said. As he's done at previous town halls, Pearce showed an illustration of how the federal government is spending \$3.5 trillion while only getting \$2.2 trillion in revenue. Until that "very serious imbalance" is corrected, Pearce said the \$15 trillion deficit will continue to grow and eventually cripple the economy.

"The greatest threat we face is not an external threat from terrorism, it's the internal threat from the debt," he said.

Though Pearce agrees budget cuts alone won't bring the government back in balance, he isn't for raising taxes. Revenues do need to be increased,

but through economic growth, he said.

Pearce criticized President Obama's call once again to eliminate the Bush-era tax cuts for the wealthy. Taxes kill jobs, he said, no matter who has to pay them.

"Our taxes are not too low," Pearce said. "Our spending is too high."

Pearce cited the example of New Zealand, which did make drastic cuts to its government and experienced economic growth. He noted steps being taken at New Mexico State University, such as selling off unneeded vehicles, as the kind of savings and efficiencies that should be carried out at the federal level. He also called for cuts in pay to all federal employees making more than \$150,000 a year.

He defended profits made by large corporations, such as Exxon, saying the company puts its profits into new oil well drilling, which creates jobs.

Pearce defended the House budget developed by Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan, which calls for major changes to Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security. Pearce said the proposals wouldn't make changes to these entitlement programs for anyone already 55 and older.

Pearce said there is at least \$150 billion lost each year to Medicare and Medicaid fraud.

While supportive of wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, Pearce said he was opposed to U.S. involvement in the Libyan revolt and said the military could reduce its presence in other parts of the world.

Pearce's talk was mostly to a conservative audience, though there were a couple of voices who expressed divergent opinions. At the end, Pearce urged the attendees to make their views heard by others.

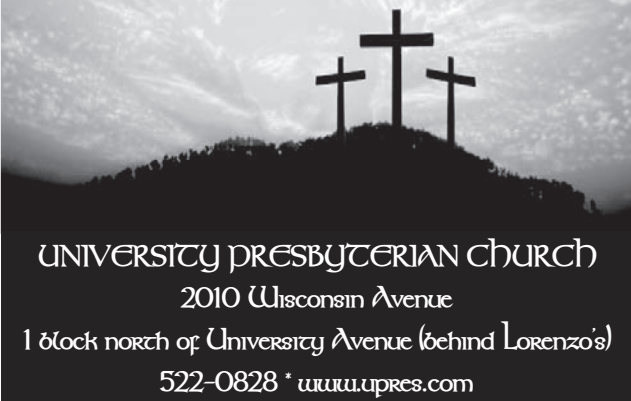
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On stage at the Senior talent show

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Phillip Djang knocks the socks off the audience during his stand-up comedy routine.

James Carlile plays classic country.



Dee Kristian plays the accordion at the show.



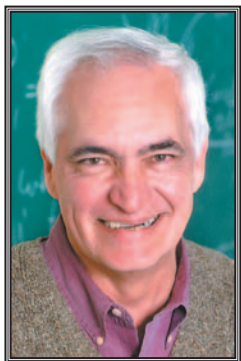
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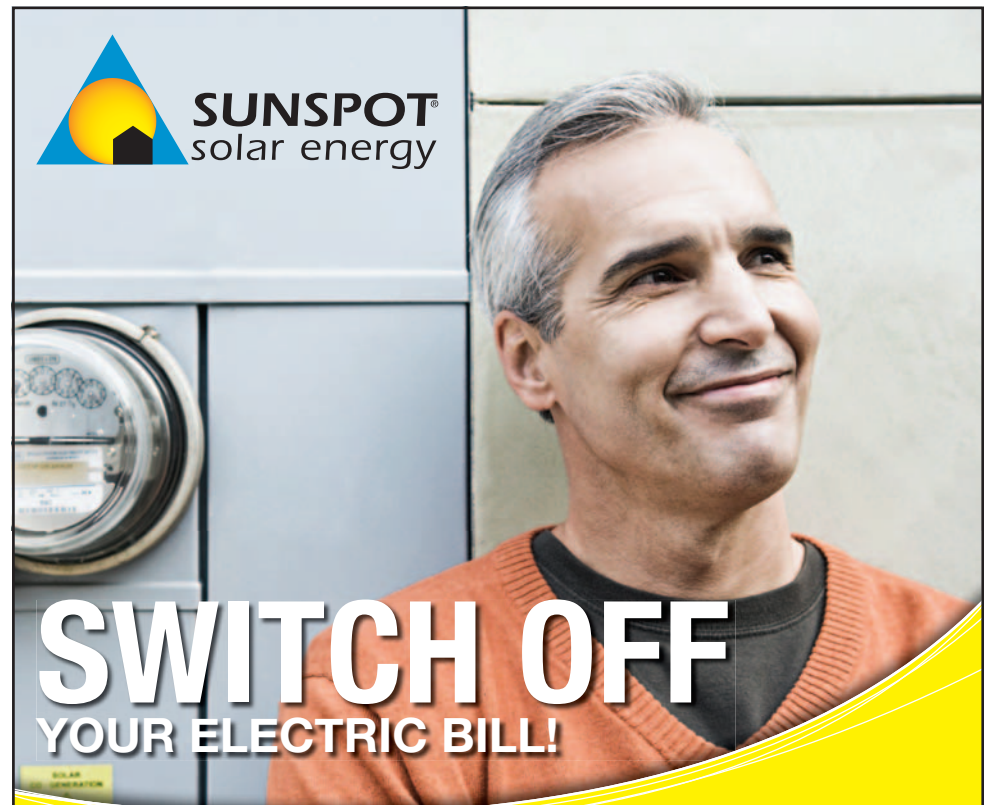
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Recycling at the Earth Day festival

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David Riviello walks the line at the Las Cruces Earth Day festival Saturday, April 16, at Young Park.



Compacted recyclables were at the festival to show the recycling process.

Shannon Hudson looks pleased with her new T-shirt.



Ami Galindo, 11, works on a painting during the festival.

Norma Chairez shows off her new plant.



Keeping it pretty



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Niki Rhynes

Girl Scout troop leader Cathy Hernandez puts the finishing touches on a mural painted in the drain channel just north of Chestnut Avenue and west of Campo Street Saturday, April 16. Volunteers picked up litter and painted murals throughout Las Cruces for the Keep Las Cruces Beautiful program during the Great American Cleanup.

Neighbors We've Lost

DEATH NOTICES

SENGUPTA

Renuka Sengupta, 89, wife of late Anando Gopal Sengupta, passed away on Thursday, April 14, 2011 at La Posada, Mesilla Valley Hospice. She will be cremated in a private ceremony. The family thanks the Hospice staff and all the caregivers and friends.

Arrangements are with La Paz - Graham's Funeral Home 575-526-6891.

DUPUY

Edward J. Dupuy was born July 5, 1917 and passed away April 14, 2011.

Visitation Tuesday, April 19, 2011 from 4 - 7 PM at La Paz - Graham's Funeral Home. Memorial service Wednesday, April 20, 2011 at 10 AM with military honors in the chapel.

The family request that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary in Ed's name. Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of La Paz - Graham's Funeral Home, 555 W. Amador, 575-526-6891. Log on to sign the guest book www.lapaz-grahams.com

EUBANKS

Deanna Eubanks, born on August 16, 1938, passed on to our Lord on Monday, April 11, 2011. She is survived by children, Jodie and Jimmy, grandchildren Jason and Nicole Eubanks. She was preceded in death by her parents and husband, Shelton, to whom she was married for 53 years.

A memorial service will take place at 10 a.m. on Sat, April 23, 2011 at the Mausoleum at Hillcrest Memorial Cemetery in Las Cruces. At her request, cremation has taken place. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to any of the following: Mesilla Valley Hospice, American Diabetes Association, The Arthritis Foundation.

Funeral arrangements with La Paz - Graham's Funeral Home, 555 W. Amador, LC, NM 88005 575-526-6891. To sign the guest book log on to www.lapaz-grahams.com.

TILLET

Rob Roy Tillett passed away on April 18, 2011. Rob was born February 22, 1931 in Lovell, Wyoming to Besse and William Tillett. He is survived by Geri, his wife of 54 years, his daughter Robin, and four grandchildren: Cassandra, Trevor and Rachel Dixon, and Clay's daughter Rebecca London. He was predeceased by his father, and mother, his brothers, Royce and Lloyd, and his son, Clay. A memorial service will be held at 4:00 PM on Friday, April 22 at

La Paz - Graham's Funeral Home Chapel, 555 West Amador, Las Cruces. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Chihuahuan Desert Wildlife Rescue would be appreciated. To sign the guest book log on to www.lapaz-grahams.com

LENT

Florence Marie Lent "Flo" passed away in Las Cruces, New Mexico on April 18, 2011 at La Posada Mesilla Valley Hospice. Flo is survived by her son, Mickey Lent (Sharon) of New York; son, David Lent (Jane) of Las Cruces; grandson, Jay Dee Lent of Las Cruces; sister, Dottie (Russ) Jones of New York and dear friends, Savanna Serna and Danielle Davis; numerous nieces and nephews; estranged grandsons, Scott, Craig and great grandson, Sammy. Flo was preceded in death by her parents, stepmother, and twin sister, Hattie. There will be a private memorial service held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of La Paz - Graham's Funeral Home, 575-526-6891.

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Samantha Roberts
Business Editor

Twenty-five years ago, former New Mexico Gov. Toney Anaya sent the first Las Cruces email from New Mexico State University to Santa Fe.

Do you think Anaya, or anyone at that time, would have guessed the Internet would have advanced this far? Do you think they expected to access the World Wide Web at the touch of a button in the palm of their hand? Or the device to be wireless?

Anaya said his campaign platform was based on transitioning the state from an oil-and-gas and farming-and-tourism economy to a technology-based economy that paved the way for new innovations in the Southwest.

In the 1970s, the East Coast was accepting a new concept – sending an electronic message through thin air.

Created by the U.S. Department of Defense, Advanced Research Projects Agency Network (ARPANET) emerged as the first larger network of computers. Shortly, ARPANET would lead to the development of the Internet and emails.

A few influential people, such as Richard Watson and Ray Tomlinson, were also integral in the creation of emails because of their desire to connect computers. Watson thought of a way to deliver messages and files to printers at remote sites, and Tomlinson was working in a group at BBN Technologies that developed an experimental file transfer program called CPYNET, a program that could write and read files on a remote computer.

From these ideas, the first email was born. Although the U.S. began the electronic messages in the early '70s, Las Cruces was playing catch up into the mid-1980s.

"I still remember sitting in front of the computer and typing the various codes and passwords," Anaya said. "It was so complex someone had to help me. So for me, the big moment was pushing the (send) button.

"Little did I anticipate how far we would come. Today a third- or fourth-grader could (send an email)."

Since then, Internet and email have grown in the U.S., especially in the last eight to nine years. Speeds are amazingly

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Quality work, valuable people

Zia to run utility company in the Mesilla Valley

By **Samantha Roberts**
Las Cruces Bulletin

There are some new faces in town, and they are shaking up gas distribution in a good way.

Zia Natural Gas Company, which bought out the Rio Grande Natural Gas Association, also purchased the old Doaks Transportation building, 3700 W. Picacho Ave., about four months ago, and workers are renovating the building to make it more customer friendly.

"We have completely renovated and gutted the entire lobby to make everything easier for customers," said Angel Shaw, district public relations and advertising manager for Zia. "We have created new offices and are staffed with all the necessary equipment and staff."

Zia is a "natural gas distribution and transmission utility" that serves more than 24,000 customers in New Mexico. Owned by a company that started in Wyoming, Shaw said Zia is excited about the expansion to southern New Mexico.

"This is our first building in Las Cruces, but not our first system in New Mexico," she said. "We are well established in Wyoming and New Mexico. To put it into perspective, we are the second largest natural gas utility company in the state and have been in New Mexico for more than 20 years."

Once Rio Grande announced that it was looking to sell, Shaw said Zia made an offer and purchased the company, adding that the transaction was simple.

After making the move to the Mesilla Valley, the crew was tasked with finding a building,



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Samantha Roberts

Still under renovation, Zia Natural Gas Company, 3700 W. Picacho Ave., offers gas distribution as well as natural gas logs, gas lamps, patio heaters and built-in barbecue units to customers. The building is expected to be completed in late May to early June, but is already open to customers.

and Shaw said they were immediately drawn to the old trucking company's facility because of the extra outdoor space.

"We loved the location because of the yard," she said. "We have a lot of equipment and vehicles, so we needed that extra room."

With exception of District Manager Ron Reynolds, who was an in-house transfer, Zia has hired locally – about 20 employees – and Reynolds said, "The acquired professional staff

of people have a significant amount of experience in gas utilities and are capable of providing the highest quality of service. We are very excited to be in Las Cruces, and are currently offering free hookups."

Echoing Reynolds excitement is Dave Hamilton, president of Natural Gas Processing Company, a parent company to Zia.

"We are pleased to be here and serve as a

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Teaching jobs get more competitive



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Todd Dickson

Teresa Godman, who is graduating New Mexico State University in May with a teaching degree, is interviewed by Picacho Middle School Principal Tom Bulger at the Education Job Fair sponsored by NMSU Career Services Monday, April 18, at Corbett Center Student Union.

It's a 'buyer's market' for hiring school districts

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

Joshua Peña, who will be graduating from New Mexico State University in May, came out of the first morning of the two-day Education job fair Monday, April 18, feeling confident, though he also admits to being nervous about the job market.

With public school districts everywhere, dealing with tight budgets, there are less jobs for new teachers like Peña, who is one of about 250 students who have completed a teaching program at NMSU, according to College of Education Dean Michael Morehead.

"Our students are very aware that it is a much more competitive job market," Morehead said.

That's why it helps for the graduates to be able to teach in multiple subjects, he said, with demand remaining for certain specialties, especially science and math. Graduates also must be willing to take a job wherever they can find it, he said. Gone, for now, are the days that a graduate could pick and choose where he or she would live and teach.

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Zia

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gas provider for the county," Hamilton said. "We have some great people and are offering a lot to our customers."

Specific customer service programs include guides and applications for new services in a downloadable format that outlines procedures and rules that apply to service, billing procedures, how to read your meter and discontinuing of service; EFT bank draft pre-authorized payment plans; and an energy-averaging plan. More information on the services can be found at www.zngc.com.

"Las Cruces can expect Zia to make safety a huge concern," said Shaw, adding that line testing and inspections are currently under way. "We excel in customer service and that helps to make our company successful. Our boss believes that when someone takes the time to call, they should speak to a real person on the other end of the phone, not a phone bank. Although technology has allowed more automated services, customer service is our mantra."

Shaw also said if a customer visits Zia during normal business hours, there will be



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Samantha Roberts

In addition to lobby renovations, four clerks counters were built for customer convenience. Instead of going to the city, former Rio Grande customers can pay their bill online or at the Zia office.

a clerk to greet them and find answers to their questions.

"The clerks who work in the front know what they are doing; we will always have someone there to talk to," Shaw said.



REYNOLDS

As Doña Ana County is booming, so is Zia, and Shaw said coming to Las Cruces was openly accepted.

"We thought Las Cruces would be a great addition to our growing Zia family," she said. "We are excited to build a business here and contribute to the local job market. Zia will continue to grow, creating more jobs because we are an economical

development stream.

"We have made a significant investment in the community. The chambers have said they are excited to have us here and we plan on contributing through fundraisers, scholarships and donations."

When walking by Zia, the building looks completed on the outside, but contractors are still working on inside finishing touches. Shaw said she hopes to wrap everything up by late May to early June.

"We had a soft opening April 1, and anticipate a grand opening in the coming months," she said.

Overall, Zia has made one message clear: They deliver "high-quality work from high-quality people."

Teachers

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Five years ago, Morehead said, graduates would have two to four job offers to choose from. Today, if they get one job offer, that will have to be good enough to get started, he said.

"It's used to be a seller's market," Morehead said. "Now, it's very much a buyer's market."

Peña said he believes he's made a good impression and is a teacher prospect who will stand out from the others. As a Hispanic male going into elementary education, Peña said he is a bit of a rarity. Peña said he also brings a strong focus on technology, a passionate desire for teaching and he is willing to take a job anywhere, even if it takes the Albuquerque native overseas.

"The world is so big," he said. "There is no reason I can't go anywhere."

But, if the fair is a reflection of the current job market, opportunities in the teaching profession in the United States are limited. Steve Salway, director of NMSU's Career Services that puts on the annual job fair, said there are fewer districts and school systems at this year's fair. Normally, he said, there will be at least 70 potential employers at the fair, which schedules face-to-face interviews with the graduates. This year, only 25 registered, he said.

Jim Nesbitt, director of Human Resources for Las Cruces Public Schools, agreed. Nesbitt said he's been to past job fairs at NMSU that had more than 100 employers, requiring the full use of Corbett Center's main ballrooms. On Monday, however, only half the main ballroom was needed for the fair, he noted.

Nesbitt said although district officials were interviewing the graduates, it is currently unclear how many – if any – teaching jobs will be available. Reduced state funding – compounded by state calculation snafu – recently forced

LCPS Superintendent Stan Rounds to say that layoffs are not out of the picture as the district seeks to cut more than 200 positions to balance its books.

Nesbitt said more than 60 teachers have decided to retire from the district, but he won't know if he needs to hire anyone until next month at the earliest.

Peña and fellow graduate Kymbre Hayes said they both know they may have to wait to get a job offer and be ready as soon as it's offered. Hayes said in her interviews she is stressing her classroom organization skills to assure potential employers she'll be ready to teach when they are ready to hire.

Not all New Mexico school districts are facing the same difficulties as LCPS. There were enough retirees at the Deming school district for that table to promote its more than 15 teaching positions available.

On the first day of the job fair, Hayes said she had interviewed with school systems in New Mexico, such as Carlsbad and Hobbs, and out of state, including Omaha, Kansas and North Carolina. Though originally from Lovington, N.M., Hayes said she'll go wherever that first job takes her.

"I feel pretty confident that I'm going to get a job," she said. "I've always wanted to teach and I'm passionate about working with children."

That passion may not be enough, Morehead said. There are no signs that government budgets are going to open up, he said, and it will probably take years for the market to become more predictable.

That unpredictability is reducing the number of students pursuing careers in education, Morehead said. The number of applicants for the elementary education sequence has dropped 50 percent, he said.

Along with the economy, the governmental focus on stricter accountability also is scaring way students, Morehead said.

Email

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quick, and the industry has exploded as a commercial use, Anaya said.

Although advances in technology can be frustrating at times, especially as a consumer, Anaya said the strides are positive.

"We have to keep moving forward," he

said. "It's not happening too fast, as long as we take advantage of the resources that are available. No state can fully take advantage of this, but the more we do, the better off we can be as a state, including economic development."

Technology is complicated and interesting, but luckily, at least with the Internet and emails, we can pinpoint and document this first in Las Cruces.

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By the Numbers



Building Las Cruces



Tractor Supply Company

Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Samantha Roberts

Work has begun on a new Tractor Supply Company at the corner of Picacho Avenue and Valley Drive. Store manager Don Van Tol hopes to hold a soft opening Oct. 1, but said it could be sooner. For more information, visit www.tractorsupply.com.

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April 15	Thomas Branigan Memorial	200 E. Picacho Ave.	528-4000
April 8	Rodriguez Construction	680 S. Solano Drive	526-8097
April 1	NMSU Center for the Arts	1000 E. University Ave.	646-4549
March 25	Amador Mercado	430 N. Main St.	524-8061
March 18	Lohman Heights	Foothills Road and Roadrunner Parkway	650-5888

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Source: www.census.gov

Gas update

For the week of April 18

Average retail gasoline prices in New Mexico have risen **1.9 cents** per gallon in the past week, averaging **\$3.67** per gallon. This compares with the national average that has increased **3.7 cents** per gallon in the last week to **\$3.80** per gallon.

Including the change in gas prices in New Mexico during the past week, prices Monday, April 18, were **90.8 cents** per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are **27 cents** per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has increased **27.4 cents** per gallon during the last month and stands **93.5 cents** per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

1. Sam's Club	2711 N. Telshor Blvd.	\$3.54
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3. Bradley's	1260 El Paseo Road	\$3.57
4. Bradley's	960 El Paseo Road	\$3.57
5. Chucky's	5995 Bataan Memorial West	\$3.59

All data was collected Monday, April 18
Source: www.newmexicogasprices.com.

Airfare watch

FROM EL PASO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT	LOWEST AVERAGE ONE-WAY FARE	AVERAGE MILES	AVERAGE PASSENGERS
Albuquerque	\$82.98 (Southwest Airlines)	233	141
Atlanta	\$241.61 (Delta Airlines)	1282	106
Austin	\$115.37 (Southwest Airlines)	528	299
Chicago	\$185.98 (Southwest Airlines)	1237	218
Dallas/Fort Worth	\$109.20 (Southwest Airlines)	562	766
Denver	\$138.63 (Frontier Airlines)	563	95
Houston	\$132.27 (Southwest Airlines)	677	356
Las Vegas	\$117.05 (Southwest Airlines)	584	364
Los Angeles	\$148.16 (America West Airlines)	714	238
Phoenix	\$73.78 (Southwest Airlines)	347	456
San Antonio	\$115.55 (Southwest Airlines)	496	300
San Diego	\$143.63 (America West Airlines)	636	138

Source: FareWatch

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82.45 per U.S. dollar

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Market Snapshot

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Could the Civil War have been avoided?

Buying slaves from the South and setting them free would have cost less



Chris Erickson
State of the Economy

Last week was the 150th anniversary of the start of the American Civil War, which brings up the question, could the war have been avoided?

In fact, the United States is the only country in the world that required a civil war to end slavery. In other places, such as the United Kingdom, Continental Europe, Brazil, and elsewhere, while emancipation generated controversy, it was accomplished without bloodshed. Besides the United States, only in Haiti, where the slaves overthrew the French colonial government via revolution, was emancipation associated with violence.

The Washington Post recently asked a panel of historians about avoiding the Civil War. Their answers, while varying somewhat, came down to "no," that is, unless the South surrendered on the issue of slavery, something that wasn't going to happen, at least not in 1861.

Economists take a different tact. We look at the cost and ask, "Could the funds spent have been put to a different use that would have prevented the war?" The American Civil War was incredibly expensive. For the first time, two industrial powers faced off with each other using modern weaponry. In dollar terms, economists Claudia Goldin and Frank Lewis estimate the war to have cost about \$6.7 billion in 1860 dollars – about \$80 billion today. This figure includes spending by the Union and Confederate governments, by state governments and includes the value of lost lives – 630,000 individuals, mostly young men.

As it turns out, the cost of the war would have been enough to purchase and set free all the slaves in the South, pay the former slaves their back wages from during their time of servitude and give each slave family 40 acres to farm. That is, the cost of the war could have been used to free the slaves without the war. If the Civil War was just about slavery, it could have been avoided had the North used what was spent on the war to compensate the South to set the slaves free.

If this is so, then why did we fight the Civil War? Why didn't the North just pay the South to end slavery without a shot? If the North could have compensated the South for the loss of slaves without the death and destruction of our bloodiest war, why didn't they?

The answer, of course, is that the Civil War was not just about slavery; it was about regionalism. It was about the decline of the agrarian lifestyle of the South and the rise of industrialism in the North. It was about the desire of white slaveholders to continue a lifestyle only made possible by slavery, and the desire of the North to centralize government control to promote national markets for the benefit of northern industrialists. In this sense, the economists are wrong and the historians are right – you can't just look at dollars and cents to understand a conflict.

Anyone who expects war to make a profit is on a fool's errand, including the neo-cons who argued that Iraq oil would pay for the Iraq War.

Modern wars, if they are about anything rational, are about ideals, such as freedom and democracy. Unfortunately, modern wars are rarely about anything rational, and have characterized too much of the history of the last century.

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New Mexico counties publish lower prices

February reports come in 60 percent lower

Gary Sandler's
Real Estate Connection



Each month, real estate associations from around the state provide local area sales data to the Realtors Association of New Mexico (RANM). In its latest update, RANM reported that median sales prices declined more than 60 percent of the 28 counties that provided sales information in February. The median price is where half sold for more than and half sold for less than.

The numbers were substantially the same in the seven counties that make up the greater southern New Mexico area. Four of the counties – Doña Ana, Otero, Lincoln and Hidalgo – reported price declines during the February time periods. On a more positive side, Grant, Luna and Sierra counties reported increases in the median prices of homes sold in their respective areas.

Overall, this February's statewide median price of \$165,000 was 4.4 percent lower than the \$168,000 median price reported in February 2010.

What does the future hold for New Mexico home sales?

"The signs are there for a real housing recovery," said M. Steven Anaya, RANM executive vice president. "Sales numbers should continue to rise as lower prices in many areas of the state prove to be just too good to pass up for potential homebuyers."

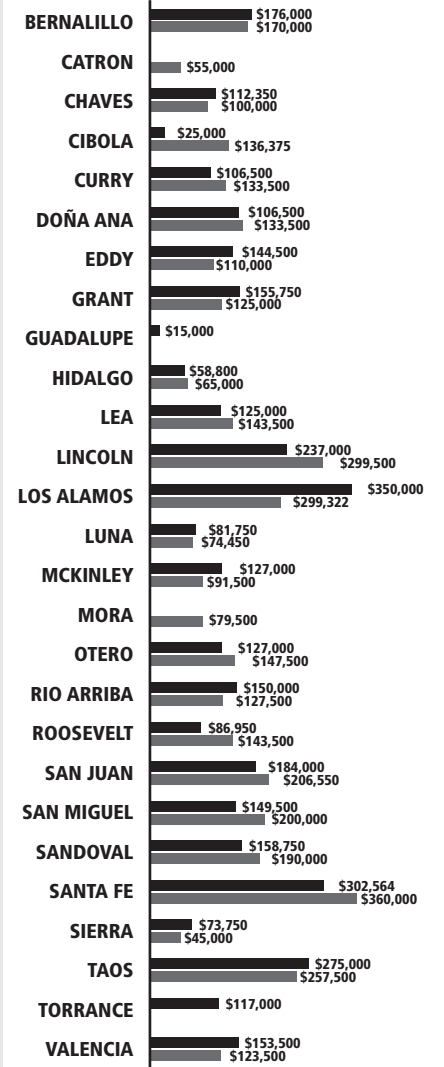
Anaya also observed the real key to New Mexico's housing recovery lies in the job market. Commenting on the New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions recent prediction that "2011 appears to be the turning point where we start to add jobs again in significant numbers," Anaya said our recovery "in both terms of sales and prices is expected to follow as New Mexico job markets improve."

So there you have it. You will know our New Mexico housing market is in full recovery mode when your unemployed friends and family members nail down the jobs they've been waiting so long to find. See you at closing.

Gary Sandler is the president of Gary Sandler Inc., Realtors in Las Cruces and the host of Gary Sandler's Real Estate Connection, broadcast from

Median Prices

February 2010 versus February 2011



Top 2011
Bottom 2010

4 to 6 p.m. each Monday on KSNM-AM 570. Sandler is a member of the Board of Directors of the Downtown Las Cruces Partnership, and is the 2007 and 2010 recipient of the New Mexico Broadcasters Association's Talk Show Host of the Year award. Questions or comments may be directed to Sandler at 525-2400 or by emailing gary@

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City of Las Cruces Building Permit Report April 8-15

Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico

Permit #	Permittee	Owner	Project	Address	Value	Permit
20111833	Curry Hurd Construction LLC	Dove Crossing LLC	Res/New	4017 Spotted Dove Drive	\$166,870	\$2,304
20111819	Everhart Properties Inc.	Medical Realty LLC	Comm/Add	675 Avenida De Mesilla	\$789,000	\$2,420
20111837	Daryl E. Neher II	Gerald M. Smith	Res/New	1717 Kismet Place	\$196,800	\$3,395
20111853	Pioneer Roofing & Specialties Inc.	William L. and Angela T. Smith	Reroof	1070 Jasmine Drive	\$13,606	\$108
20111865	Sunwest Homes Inc.	Sunwest Homes Inc.	Res/New	4028 Monte Luna Court	\$129,150	\$1,689
20111855	Summit Development	Summit Building & Development LLC	Res/New	7406 Sierra Luz Drive	\$197,866	\$3,866
20111830	Mata Construction	Annamma P. Philip and Pawan K. Jain	Reroof	530 Monte Vista Ave.	\$3,000	\$45
20111829	Pat Alexander Enterprises Inc.	New Mexico State University	Comm/Alt	1719 E. University Ave.	\$25,000	\$175
20111800	C Renteria Construction	Jose J. Ramirez	Reroof	1008 Lees Drive	\$200	\$30
20111779	JC Roofing Inc.	Malcolm B. and Kimberly L. Miller	Reroof	428 Fir Ave.	\$2,300	\$41
20111856	Summit Development	Summit Building & Development LLC	Res/New	6532 Chukar Court	\$197,866	\$1,806
20111891	Desert View Homes	Desert View Homes LLC	Res/New	2933 San Elizario Court	\$142,516	\$243
20111870	DRH Southwest Construction Inc.	DR Horton Inc.	Res/New	4401 Ojo Caliente Circle	\$224,434	\$383
20111884	Ridgetop Construction	Mountain View Christian Church	Reroof	241 Three Crosses Ave.	\$11,130	\$93
20111867	Milagro Maintenance & Repair LLC	Donald G. Peterson ET UX	Reroof	2035 Martha Drive	\$5,995	\$63
20111887	Hakes Brothers Construction LLC	Ornithes Inc.	Res/New	7549 Sierra de Oro Place	\$169,740	\$2,309
20111883	Luis and Carlota Renteria	Luis and Carlota Renteria	Res/Add	1130 Poplar Ave.	\$15,000	\$116
20111897	Veloz Homes Inc.	Camino Real Builders Inc.	Res/New	4311 Great Sandy Drive	\$149,158	\$2,274
20111871	DRH Southwest Construction Inc.	DRH Energy Inc.	Res/New	2512 Monticello Drive	\$224,434	\$383
20111889	Isaiah Blancas Construction	Johnny C. and Beatrice Tarango	Reroof	1019 Española St.	\$7,324	\$71
20111188	Noah Construction Company Inc.	Nancy Gomez	Reroof	1006 Utah Court	\$3,300	\$47
20111921	Wagner Homes Inc.	Oak Mountain Properties LLC	New/Comm	1001 Parkhill Drive	\$250,000	\$884
20111919	C & O Roofing	J.M. Heck and Patricia A. Davis	Reroof	1109 McFie Ave.	\$2,362	\$42
20111914	Steven and Shacoy Parra	Steven and Shacoy Parra	Res/Add	1225 Skyway Drive	\$760	\$33
20111931	Michael J. and Teresa D. Carr	Michael J. and Teresa D. Carr	Reroof	491 Butler St.	\$3,900	\$51
20111937	Progreen Superior Coating & Roofing Inc.	Brian L. and Watana Hamilton	Reroof	4826 Emerald St.	\$7,700	\$73
20111932	Fort Selden Builders	Joseph L. and Eileen K. Van Wie Trustees	Reroof	3080 Chippewa Summit	\$15,200	\$117
20111966	Vica One Inc.	Tierra Del Sol Housing Corporation	Res/New	1725 Ava Ave.	\$138,170	\$2,005
20111976	Flair Homes Inc.	D W Development LLC	Res/New	1664 Neleigh Loop	\$145,386	\$4,026
20111977	Flair Homes Inc.	Flair Homes Inc.	Res/New	5515 Kalahari Lane	\$138,088	\$236
20111978	Isaiah Blancas Construction	Hector Senior and Mary Vega	Reroof	118 Ethel Ave.	\$9,085	\$81
20111929	Top Notch Exteriors	David J. and Alexis Black	Reroof	989 Jasmine Drive	\$5,000	\$57
20111963	Hakes Brothers Construction LLC	Ornithes Inc.	Res/New	7541 Sierra De Oro Place	\$156,620	\$2,286
20111962	Maria J. Franco	Maria J. Franco	Res/Add	2020 Wyoming Ave.	\$25,000	\$175
20111970	Heritage Construction	Robert Herrera	Reroof	1309 Foster Ave.	\$2,000	\$46
20111989	Progreen Superior Coating & Roofing Inc.	Mark J. Estrada	Reroof	2335 Desert Drive	\$6,900	\$68
20111990	Progreen Superior Coating & Roofing Inc.	R. Santiago Parra Et Ux	Reroof	2712 Sim Ave.	\$10,700	\$91
20111845	Catwalk Enterprises LLC	Timothy S. and Karen R. George	Reroof	1125 Calle Del Sol	\$5,600	\$61
20111838	Gregorio Esparaza	Loretta Gallegos and Maria S. Sutton	Res/New	724 Sombreo Court	\$214,922	\$4,145
20111832	Curry Hurd Construction LLC	Dove Crossing LLC	Res/New	4013 Spotted Dove Drive	\$158,014	\$2,221
20111968	Sweetwater Homes LLC	Curtis S. and Delores N. Martin	Res/New	7430 Sierra Luz Drive	\$180,236	\$3,836

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Doña Ana County Building Permit Report April 8-15

Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico

Permit #	Contractor	Owner	Project	Address	Permit
36466	Optimum Roofing	John H. Carter	Reroof	2591 Sunland Ave.	\$110
36467	Self	Victor Rodriguez	Res/Add	641 Luna Azul	\$300
36468	Approved Roofing	Michael J. Wilson	Reroof	1460 Via Norte	\$140
36469	Professional Contractor	Walter Jackson	Reroof	127 Torrey Pines Drive	\$120
36470	CD General Construction Inc.	Richard Marquez	Reroof	3204 Opitz	\$80
36471	Noah Construction Co.	Reyes Valtierra	Reroof	116 S. Sauceda Ave.	\$70
36472	Metal Building Specialization	Aldershot of New Mexico	New/Comm	4884 S. Main St.	\$4,445
36474	Self	Kathleene Foster	Res/Add	629 Paloma Blanca	\$720
36478	Summit Development	Thelma Campos and Brent Kittelson	Res/New	161 Calle Del Plano	\$1,686
36479	Hiett Construction	Alton Hays	Res/Add	765 Koogel Road	\$370
36480	Mata Construction	David Hernandez	Reroof	5330 No. 1 Del Rey Blvd.	\$48
36481	Self	Luis and Maria Corrales	Res/Add	1890 Rocca Seca Road	\$450
36482	Self	Don Fahrenkrog	Res/Add	4990 Eider Lane	\$180
36484	Self	Jose Rosales	Res/New	122 Calle Bambu	\$502
36486	Fox Builders Inc.	Tierra Del Sol Housing	Reroof	360 Bienes St. Unit 2	\$281
36487	Fox Builders Inc.	Tierra Del Sol Housing	Reroof	360 Bienes St. Unit 1	\$281
36488	Fox Builders Inc.	Tierra Del Sol Housing	Reroof	360 Bienes St. Unit 3	\$281
36489	Fox Builders Inc.	Tierra Del Sol Housing	Reroof	360 Bienes St. Unit 4	\$281
36490	Fox Builders Inc.	Tierra Del Sol Housing	Reroof	360 Bienes St. Unit 5	\$281
36491	Fox Builders Inc.	Tierra Del Sol Housing	Reroof	360 Bienes St. Unit 6	\$281
36492	Fox Builders Inc.	Tierra Del Sol Housing	Reroof	360 Bienes St. Unit 7	\$281
36493	Fox Builders Inc.	Tierra Del Sol Housing	Reroof	360 Bienes St. Unit 8	\$281
36494	Fox Builders Inc.	Tierra Del Sol Housing	Reroof	360 Bienes St. Unit 9	\$281
36495	Fox Builders Inc.	Tierra Del Sol Housing	Reroof	360 Bienes St. Unit 10	\$281
36496	Fox Builders Inc.	Tierra Del Sol Housing	Reroof	360 Bienes St. Unit 11	\$281

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Las Cruces nonprofits assist youths

Collaboration brings science and art to middle school students

Courtesy of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico

What do you get when you bring four organizations committed to youth and one organization committed to the community together as partners? The Gen M Summer Science and Art Institute.

The Gen M Summer Science and Art Institute, a two week hands-on exploration of the integration of art and science for sixth to eighth grade students, is a collaboration of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico (CFSNM), Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwestern New Mexico, Asombro Institute for Science Education and Court Youth Center.

"The needs in our community are so great, and no single nonprofit can do it all," said Stephanie Bestelmeyer, executive director of Asombro Institute for Science Education. "By joining forces, we are creating opportunities that none of us could do on our own. The Gen M Summer Science and Art Institute is a great example of creating something truly innovative by tapping into the expertise of multiple partners. I'm excited about this project, and I know it will be a fun, educational experience for middle school youth."

The project is funded by the CF-SNM through a grant secured from the Walmart Foundation.

During the two-week session, held from 8:30 a.m. to noon June 6-10, students will explore science and art, utilizing the expertise from the participating organizations.

"There is a real need for more

after school and summer programs for middle school youth in our community," Bestelmeyer said of the decision to focus on a summer project specific to middle school youth. "The Asombro Institute for Science Education is glad that we can provide our expertise in providing fun, hands-on science activities for the project."

The Asombro Institute for Science Education is dedicated to increasing scientific literacy by fostering an understanding of the Chihuahuan Desert. The organization currently serves more than 14,000 students – kindergarten through 12th grade – and 2,500 adults in New Mexico and west Texas with inquiry-based science education programs each year.

The Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces is an activity club for boys and girls between the ages of 6 to 18, which operates after school programs during the school year and all-day programs during the summer.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwestern New Mexico is a youth service organization working with children ranging in age from 5 to 17 years (littles) by using adult mentors (bigs) to create and nurture friendships between adults and children.

Court Youth Center offers a wide range of after school, weekend and summer programs in arts production, arts integration, arts as business, public arts and arts in education.

During the Gen M Summer Science and Art Institute, the morning session will be held at Court Youth Center, and an afternoon session will be held at the Boys and Girls Club.

COMMUNITY
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Of Southern New Mexico



Details

Gen M Summer Science and Art Institute

When

Monday through Friday,
June 6-10

Where

Court Youth Center
(morning session)
402 W. Court Ave.

Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces
(afternoon session)

330 W. Las Cruces Ave.

Call

Court Youth Center
541-0145

Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces
649-3558

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

Another first in Las Cruces

Buy Local Small Business Fair to take place April 26

Bulletin Staff Report

A meeting was held in December 2010 with the idea to create a business fair that catered to small companies with low advertising budgets. The ideas of committee members, including Beth Morgan and George Pintar, will be a reality at the Buy Local Small Business Fair from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, at the Las Cruces Event Center, 522 E. Idaho Ave.

"The idea behind the fair is to get additional exposure to micro businesses," said Morgan, adding that businesses who applied were asked to have 10 or fewer employees. "A lot of the companies have a very small budget for advertising, and this is a fun way for the community to get to know them."

Thirty vendors will participate in the fair, and Morgan said there is already a waiting list for the next one, which is anticipated to happen in the fall.

"We would love to make the event an annual thing," Morgan said, "or maybe more than once a year. We will assess how this one goes and determine the fate of future events."

Though the Las Cruces Convention Center has dominated recent, larger events, Shaw said the Las Cruces Event Center was a perfect fit for this smaller fair.

"The Las Cruces Event Center is the perfect location for this event because it was easily available (through Pintar) and not fully utilized," she said. "The vendors are pretty excited, and we are very pleased about how things are going."

With an assortment of businesses partaking in the fair, Morgan said there will be something for everyone to enjoy.

"There is a wide variety of businesses, such as a jewelry store, a video company and a solar energy business," she said, adding that other activities, such as vendor door prizes, entertainment by Yolanda Martinez and gifts, will also be held throughout the evening.

In addition to small business exposure, the fair also encourages the community to shop local.

"Buying local literally fuels our economy," Morgan said.

To win prizes at the event, patrons have to walk in and talk with five fair vendors about their services for a chance to win one of more than 30 door prizes provided. Drawings for prizes will take place every few minutes during the fair from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

The fair is endorsed by the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, the Las Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce and the Hispano Chamber of Commerce.

"We're looking forward to letting the public know who we are and to show them what we can do," Pintar said. "Most everyone knows that small businesses are the lifeblood of the nation's economy, and those who patronize small local businesses are giving their community's economy a shot in the arm."

The Las Cruces Bulletin is the event's title sponsor. Additional sponsors include Buzztown, Carlos Parra, Creative Invitations and Balloons, Full Circle Heritage Services, Las Cruces Business Network, Nancy Simmons, Success Inc., Surefire Promotional Products, The Ad TV and World Voice Over.

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Details

Buy Local Small Business Fair

When

6:30 to 9 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26

Cost

Free

Where

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522 E. Idaho Ave.

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Profile

Details

Tilahun Adera: NMSU dean overcomes adversity

Adera passes on perseverance, wisdom to his children

By **Samantha Roberts**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Inspirational, empowering and tenacious are three words that describe Tilahun Adera, and three words he has lived by.

Adera, who was born in Ethiopia, is no stranger to overcoming adversity. His mother did not know how to read or write, and his father had the education of a fourth-grader, but that did not stop them from setting the bar very high for their children.

"My parents understood the value of education," he said. "They had two rules for us children. No. 1, all of my brothers and sisters had to sit around for one hour every night and do our homework. There was no talking, just homework."

Although Adera said he was not the most studious pupil, the lack of alternatives during the hour forced Adera to focus on his homework, which he said paved the way for his education.

"The second rule in our house was everyone had to be home by sunset," Adera said. "There were a few exceptions, like going to buy sugar or oil. I felt like I was not being treated well because I was refused these 'privileges.' Looking back now, I see the kids who were out late got into trouble."

"Those two principles helped me focus on my education. I know friends with a good mind who never made it through their schooling because of a lack of family support."

Even though Adera's family was encouraging, getting an education in Ethiopia was a privilege that very few students were able to earn.

"At the time, there was only one university (Addis Ababa University) for students from all 14 provinces to go to," he said. "All of the bright kids applied, but only a few were accepted. Some went into the military and some went into teacher training or vocational training. There were about 3,000 spots for about 50,000 to 80,000 students."

To enter the university, potential students first had to pass a national exam. Adera said the fear of not



Las Cruces Bulletin photos by Samantha Roberts

Tilahun Adera, dean of the College of Health and Social Services at New Mexico State University, is working to create additional advanced degrees in the school and market the college as a resource to the community.

passing the exam kept him from trying, so he decided to join the military.

"When I joined, I was so scared to tell my father because he always said, 'You are going to the university,'" Adera said.

Wanting the most for all of his children, his father also decided that Adera would be a professor.

"My dad was talking to a friend at our house and asked him, 'What is better than being a doctor?' The friend replied, 'A professor.' My father could not even say the word professor. He kept stumbling over it, but pointed at me and said, 'You are

going to be a mufessor,'" Adera said.

After avoiding air force recruitment, Adera was still struggling with his lack of self-confidence to pass the national exam and said he tried to explain the odds to his father many times.

"I told my dad that only two kids per year passed the exam and were accepted into the university from our village," Adera said. "My dad responded with, 'If only two kids are accepted, then next year, you are going to be one of them.'"

Adera admits that the high standards his dad set were encouraging, and he now uses the

same parenting techniques on his own kids.

"If you set a bar high, children will try and reach it," said Adera, whose daughters have recently graduated from Yale and James Madison University. "Although the expectations may seem daunting, almost all kids will reach for those aspirations."

After taking and passing the national exam, Adera was accepted into Addis Ababa University and said to this day, he cannot grasp the fact that he has a university education.

"I was just proud to be on the campus," Adera said. "Wow, I could not have done that without the help of my parents."

After graduating with a degree in pharmacy, Adera said he was faced with a difficult decision – to stay in Ethiopia, a country that was being destroyed by a communist government, or leave his family and flee to safety.

"The military was brutal," Adera said. "They were killing people with an education because they were the threats. People were killed and jailed that I knew, and when one friend that was close to me was killed, I thought I was next."

Looking for an opportunity to leave, Adera fled to the Netherlands through the International Pharmacy Federation.

"The organization did not have the funds, but I told them I would pay my way," Adera said.

Later, as an international student, Adera earned a master's degree and Ph.D. in environmental health from Oregon State University.

Since he enjoyed the college atmosphere, he began his career as a professor, fulfilling his father's dream.

Adera started as an assistant professor at OSU, but quickly rose through the ranks as he transferred to other universities, including schools in Maryland and Virginia.

In July 2009, Adera was hired by New Mexico State University as dean of the College of Health and Social Services

"Las Cruces reminds me of the place I grew up," Adera said. "The open skies and bright sunshine are nothing like Oregon. I grew up with

Tilahun Adera

Dean of College of Health and Social Services

Organization

New Mexico State University

Family

- Wife Almaz
- Daughters Saalem and Hannah

Education

- Pharmacy school, Addis Ababa University
- Master's degree in environmental health, Oregon State University
- Doctorate in environmental health, Oregon State University

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sun. People here are wonderful and friendly."

As dean, Adera said he hopes to see a strong health and social services program come out of NMSU that focuses on advanced degrees.

"Each program has the opportunity to grow," he said. "The public health programs have a bachelor's and master's degree, but we want to expand specializations and establish a doctorate program. We also want to increase research."

"The opportunities in southwest New Mexico are huge. We could impact the entire region with additional research – decrease obesity, decrease teen pregnancy, decrease diabetes. These are major areas of concern. We also need to increase immunization rates in southwest New Mexico."

Adera said a benefit the community may not know about the College of Health and Social Services is that the college is a resource to the community.

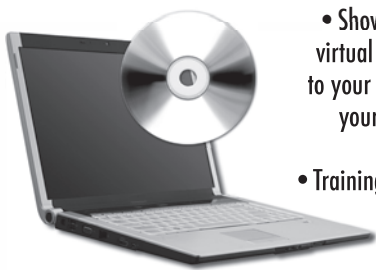
"(Colleges) are vital to community development," he said. "We are experts, the faculty, and we want to be a part of the community to help find solutions to problems. We are a resource."

While reaching out through his role at NMSU, Adera is also active in the community and with his family.

"I am blessed beyond dreams," he said. "I am thankful I have been able to achieve so much, and still cannot grasp that first degree."

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On the Agenda

Economic Update Forum

The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with New Mexico State University's College of Business, will host the first Economic Update Forum of 2011 from 1 to 3 p.m. Friday, April 22, at the KRWG-TV studio in Milton Hall on the NMSU campus. The event is free and open to the public. The chamber encourages all members to attend this presentation about the challenges and opportunities facing the Mesilla Valley, the state and the nation. The forum will also be shown on KRWG-TV channel 22 the following week. For more information on upcoming educational opportunities from the chamber, call 524-1968.

Date: Friday, April 22
Time: 1 to 3 p.m.
Location: Milton Hall
 NMSU campus
Contact: 524-1968

Safe Haven fundraiser

Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary will host a fun evening of wine tasting from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 28, at Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. The evening will consist of wine tasting, complimentary hors d'oeuvres, live music on the patio by East Mesa, a silent auction and raffle drawings every 15 minutes. The event, titled "Wineing for the Animals," is a benefit for the dogs and cats at the Safe Haven Sanctuary who are awaiting forever homes. Safe Haven is a "no kill" facility and, being a 501(c)3 corporation, all donations are tax deductible.

Tickets can be purchased at the Safe Haven Thrift Store, 840 El Paseo Road, or at Amaro Winery. A donation of \$25 per individual or \$45 per couple will be accepted. For more information, call 522-1044.

Date: Thursday, April 28
Time: 5 to 9 p.m.
Location: Amaro Winery
 402 S. Melendres St.
Contact: 522-1044

Business After Hours

Chamber members, join the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce for Business After Hours from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 28, at Lorenzo's de Mesilla, 1750 Calle de Mercado. The event includes free food and drinks and a chance to network with other chamber members. For directions or more information, call the chamber at 524-1968.

Date: Thursday, April 28
Time: 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Location: Lorenzo's de Mesilla
 1750 Calle de Mercado
Contact: 524-1968

Business on the Border

PSL's Technical Analysis and Applications Center (TAAC) will be the focus of the May Business on the Border luncheon, held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, at Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces, 705 S. Telshor Blvd. The meeting will begin with a hot entrée buffet followed by a brief update by MVEDA staff. TAAC has been involved in the testing of various Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) platforms and has produced a certification road-map that is serving as a framework for UAS certification.

The luncheon is \$20 and open to the public. For more information, call 525-2852.

Date: Tuesday, May 3
Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Location: Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces
 705 S. Telshor Blvd.
Contact: 525-2852

Snippin' for success

Masterminds de Las Cruces
When: 1:15 p.m. Friday, April 22
Location: 3217 El Camino Real

Professional Footwear Repair
When: 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 26
Location: 301 N. Solano Drive

Bradfute Enterprises
When: 3 p.m. Friday, April 29
Location: 121 Wyatt Drive,
 Southwest Plaza

Students celebrate with Aggie basketball players

Join the Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces and more than 150 area middle school students, parents, instructors and staff in celebrating the accomplishments of Mesilla Valley youth Wednesday, May 4, at the Corbett Center Student Union on the New Mexico State University campus. For more information, call Education Committee Chair Jesus Lozoya at 650-5594.

Date: Wednesday, May 4
Time: 6 to 8 p.m.
Location: Corbett Center Student Union
 NMSU campus
Contact: 650-5594

Anniversary celebration

The Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces will celebrate the 25th anniversary of RTD Hardware from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 30 at RTD Hardware, 4501 N. Valley Drive. Door prizes will be drawn every hour beginning at 8 a.m. and a complimentary lunch will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for all Hispano chamber members. A \$1,000 shopping spree will also be given away at 4 p.m. and participants can register at the store. For more information, call 525-2446.

Date: Saturday, April 30
Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Location: RTD Hardware
 4501 N. Valley Drive
Contact: 525-2446

Hispano chamber banquet May 6

Gov. Susana Martinez will be the keynote speaker during the Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces 19th Annual Banquet set for Friday, May 6, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave.

The theme for the 2011 banquet is "Somos Unidos," or "We are United," in the spirit of collaboration that continues to grow among economic development organizations in the community. The main program begins at 7 p.m. with dinner, the Governor's keynote speech and the annual awards ceremony.

Tickets are \$75 for individuals. Call 532-9255 for table prices and sponsorship opportunities. More information, visit www.hispanobanquet.com.

Date: Friday, May 6
Time: 7 p.m.
Location: Las Cruces Convention Center
 680 E. University Ave.
Contact: 532-9255

Briefs

May 10 property tax payment approaching

Doña Ana County Treasurer David Gutierrez said property owners have until Tuesday, May 10, to pay their second-half property taxes before state-mandated interest and penalties begin to accumulate. More than 36,600 second-half tax bills have been mailed out.

In an effort to make the payment process as convenient as possible, Gutierrez said he has implemented a number of ways for property owners to remit payment, such as mailing payments to the treasurer's office using the self-addressed envelope provided with the tax notice; taking a check or money order to any of the 10 Wells Fargo Bank branches; paying in person at the treasurer's office, 845 N. Motel Blvd., from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday; using the drop box inside the Doña Ana County Government Center; or paying online with a credit card, debit card or electronic check at www.donaanacounty.org/tax. Property owners who have not paid their taxes in full and have not yet received second-half bills should immediately call the treasurer's office at 647-7433.

Farm & Ranch receives donation

The New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum has received the donation of a significant collection of artifacts related to the state's dairy industry. Wendy Zens of the Zens Dairy in Willard, N.M., donated her large collection of dairy items to the museum. Zens had been collecting the artifacts for more than 20 years. The items date as far back as the 1890s, but most are from the 1920s through the 1950s. Among the objects are more than 500 milk bottles, in all sizes and shapes, from New Mexico's dairies. The dairies represented in the collection are from all over the state and have the individual dairy logos on them.

The hundreds of items will be displayed in a future exhibit, with the date yet to be determined. The museum brings to life 3,000 years of farming and ranching in New Mexico. It is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors and \$2 for children 5 to 17. Museum members, military veterans and children 4 and under are admitted free. For more information, call 522-4100.

City to collaborate on early literacy project

Thomas Branigan Memorial Library will be a participant in the developing Doña Ana County Children's Reading Foundation project. The project, advanced through the office of state Sen. Steve Fischmann and School Board Member Maria Flores, will foster literacy among children from birth through third grade. The coalition of local community organizations that already engage in the promotion of literacy in one form or another will partner to promote the mission.

The foundation is working to establish 501(c)3 status as a public-private partnership, funded through grants and private donations. Initially, the foundation will pursue two major avenues of work. The first is forming the coalition to spread the message "The most important 20 minutes of your day – read to a child." The second is to support and fund the "Ready for Kindergarten" program throughout the county that teaches parents best practices to work with their pre-school children in increments of five to 10 minutes to ready them for success throughout their lifetime. Nationally, the vision of The Children's Reading Foundation is that every child learns to read early and well, thereby reaching his or her full potential in school and life. The three-fold mission of The Children's Reading Foundation is to:

- Encourage and educate families about their important role in raising a reader.

- Support schools in assuring that students read on grade level by the end of the third grade.
- Facilitate community involvement in helping young readers be successful.

There will be opportunities for individuals to contribute time, money and talent in support of this effort to increase success for the children of Doña Ana County in their reading life. For more information about the initiative and the participation of Branigan Library, call Lynette Schurdevin at 528-4009.

County seeks proposals for health services

Doña Ana County has released two Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for Access to Maternal Child Health Education Services and Access to Parenting and Child Abuse Prevention Education.

Completed sealed proposals must be received no later than 2 p.m. Friday, April 22, at the Office of the Doña Ana County Purchasing Department, Room 2-147, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Specifications are available for inspection at the Doña Ana County Purchasing Department or can be obtained from the Doña Ana County website at www.donaanacounty.org/finance/bids/.

Any proposal received after 2 p.m. April 22 will be returned unopened. For more information, contact Doña Ana County Purchasing Manager Donald E. Bullard at 525-5927 or at donb@donaanacounty.org.

Call for vendors

The Southern New Mexico Pride Planning Committee, which consists of representatives from the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender community and its allies, are currently looking for vendors for the 2011 Southern New Mexico Pride Festival. The outdoor event celebrates and embraces the diversity within the City of Las Cruces and will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 18 at Pioneer Women's Park. The committee invites interested vendors, groups and other nonprofit organizations to be one of the many vendors already registered to set up a table or booth providing information about their organization or with merchandise to sell. Booths are \$5 to \$20 and reservations must be submitted by June 14. Donors and sponsors are exempt from booth fees. For more information, visit www.southernnmpride.org.

County seeks to fill seats on Valuation Protest Board

Doña Ana County is accepting applications for positions on the county's Valuation Protest Board. The two-year appointment requires a commitment of several full workdays each year for protest hearings. The New Mexico State Department of Taxation and Revenue will reimburse each board member at the rate of \$80 per day and 40-cents per mile for round-trip transportation on scheduled hearing dates to the Doña Ana County Government Center.

Applicants may not hold elected office or be public-sector employees while serving on the Valuation Protest Board. All applicants must be registered voters in Doña Ana County. To be considered, send a letter of interest and a résumé to the Valuation Protest Board Nomination Committee, Mark Krohn, Doña Ana County Assessor's Office, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, NM 88007. Applicants with substantial knowledge of the Doña Ana County real estate market and appraisal methodology are preferred. Deadline for receipt of applications is 5 p.m. Monday, May 2. The committee's nominees will be submitted to the Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners for approval at a subsequent meeting. The commissioners may also appoint alternate members. For more information, call the Doña Ana County Assessor's Office at 647-7400.

NMSU expands algae research

The installation of a 4,000-liter photobioreactor joins efforts already conducted

New Mexico State University is significantly expanding its capacity to accomplish critical algal biofuel research with the recent installation of a new photobioreactor system from Solix BioSystems at the university's Fabian Garcia Research Center in Las Cruces. The system promises to accelerate the university's emergence as a leader in this important research area.

"Energy security and sustainability are global challenges," said Vimal Chaitanya, vice president for research at NMSU. "With the demand for energy in developing nations projected to far outweigh that in the industrialized nations, it is critical to develop clean-energy options. Otherwise, developing countries will have no choice but to implement 'business-as-usual' approaches to energy production, with serious negative impacts on the global environment.

"We are happy to be engaged in developing approaches that will not only grow the local economy in New Mexico, but will maintain U.S. leadership in the global environment and energy security while reducing U.S. dependence on foreign oil."

Funds to purchase the system came from a recent \$2.3 million U.S. Air Force grant. Long-range operational costs will be covered by a \$49 million Department of Energy grant that established the National Alliance for Advanced Biofuels and Bioproducts consortium.

The Solix BioSystems Lumian AGS4000 is an algae cultivation system with a 4,000-liter production capacity that allows faster and denser production of algae than open "raceway" systems. In the new photobioreactor, algae culture will grow in enclosed panels



New Mexico State University photo

Engineers from Solix BioSystems set up New Mexico State University's new Lumian AGS4000 algae cultivation system. The new 4,000-liter photobioreactor joins other algae research equipment at the Fabian Garcia Research Center in Las Cruces.

suspended in an open 61-by-11-foot water-filled basin. Control of various factors, such as temperature, carbon dioxide content and nutrient supply, is very precise and the panels are designed to optimize solar exposure. The result is a system that can accelerate the rate of carbon dioxide absorption, and therefore the rate of algae growth, up to 10 times the rate of raceways and can produce up to three times the density of algae per liter of water.

"The NMSU team plans to experiment with algae cultivation using the high-performance AGS4000 to produce improved algal 'seed' culture for cultivation 'scale-up' in less expensive raceway systems," said Peter Lammers, NMSU research professor and technical director of the university's Algal

Bioenergy Program. "Optimizing those steps will allow us to develop cultivation practices for both improved control of 'weedy' algae and maximizing oil content."

Solix engineers, working with NMSU researchers and facilities personnel, completed the initial setup of the complex system April 8. Lammers said the system should be fully operational sometime in May.

In the context of NMSU's multifaceted algal research agenda, the photobioreactor has a dual purpose, Lammers said. Not only will it help answer major research questions about how best to raise algae in the southern New Mexico climate, it will assume an expanding role as a production facility.

The standardized algal biomass it generates will be used for research on algal oil extraction and fuel conversion technologies, as well as the development of algal co-products such as high-protein animal or fish meal and

fish-oil replacements.

"The economics of algae-derived fuel will be very difficult without generating revenue from every portion of the algae biomass," Lammers said.

Among the researchers in four NMSU colleges whose work will be supported by the new system are Wiebke J. Boeing, Shanna Ivey, Tanner Schaub and Adrian Unc in the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences; Meghan Starbuck in the College of Business; Wayne Van Voorhies in the College of Arts and Sciences; and Shuguang Deng and Nirmala Khandan in the College of Engineering.

“ We are happy to be engaged in developing approaches. ”

VIMAL CHAITANYA,
vice president for research at NMSU

The Lumian AGS4000 will help researchers answer many critical questions, including: What varieties of saltwater algae thrive in southern New Mexico? What combination of factors will optimize their lipid content? Can industrial carbon dioxide and brackish water be used in their cultivation? Can municipal and/or agricultural waste be used as nutrients? What is the best way to extract the lipid content of the algae and refine it into fuel? How can the production process be engineered to make it economically viable? Can the non-lipid biomass be used to feed livestock? Can water from the Solix system be used to irrigate certain plants?

For more information about NMSU's role in the National Alliance for Advanced Biofuels and Bioproducts, visit research.nmsu.edu/naabb.

People on the move

DACC students take eight gold medals

Several Doña Ana Community College students placed in the 2011 SkillsUSA New Mexico State Conference. Eight gold medals were awarded to the group, who received 13 total medals. Students awarded include: Flor Ogas, first place bulletin board; Ana Palacios, first place bulletin board; George Guerra, first place team works plumbing; Richard Gomez, second place cabinetry; Daniel Corona, first place team works masonry; Sam Narvaez, first place team works residential wiring; Andrew Torrez, first place team works carpentry; Manuel Mata, first place architectural drafting; Sam Narvaez, first place job interview; Edgar Ortiz, third place prepared speech; Kenneth Wilson, second place electronics technology; Kami Holguin, third place electronics technology; and Luis Romero, second place technical related math.

Las Cruces Convention & Visitors Bureau director announces retirement

Ken Mompellier, executive director of the Las Cruces Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) is retiring. Mompellier's original plan was to serve in that capacity for a 10-year period. Mompellier said he was convinced to stay



MOMPELLIER

on board a little longer to see through the opening of the Las Cruces Convention Center. He took over the CVB in 1997 and came to the city with almost 30 years of experience in the tourism and hospitality industry. Much has been accomplished during his tenure at the CVB. He has done a great deal to sell the community in the tourism arena to ensure that Las Cruces is looked upon as a viable destination when people think of a great place to visit. The CVB said it is thankful to have sufficient advanced notice to plan and put in place a solid transition plan to take advantage of the expertise that will be lost. An interim director will be appointed prior to his departure to take charge of the operations until a final appointment is made. Mompellier last day of employment with the City of Las Cruces will be Friday, May 27.

Send us your People on the Move briefs

Local organizations and businesses are encouraged to send news and a photo to business@lascrucesbulletin.com.

Jacobson visits Las Cruces



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Niki Rhynes

New Tourism Secretary of New Mexico Monique Jacobson attended the New Mexico Governor's Conference of Tourism, Tuesday, April 12, at the Las Cruces Convention Center. The conference offered presentations by others in the tourism field as well as opportunities to meet the new secretary.

In Good Company: Amador Auto Body

When it's more than just a new paint job

Amador Auto Body strives for perfection

By **Samantha Roberts**
Las Cruces Bulletin

"I'm on round two in Las Cruces, and things are great," said Quail White, owner of Amador Auto Body, an automobile body repairing and painting shop located at 2125 W. Amador Ave.

Growing up in rural Wisconsin with a dozen siblings, White said there wasn't enough room for everyone on the farm, so he turned to fixing automobiles.

"I never really knew what I wanted to do," White said, "but I knew I liked working on cars."

White began to pursue his career and enrolled in a technical school.

After graduating with a two-year degree that focused on automobiles and business, White said he had the tools to develop a career, which would also lead him across the United States.

"I have lived all over the country," said White, adding some of the states he has called home include Wisconsin, Arizona, Minnesota and other parts of New Mexico. "Although I am from Wisconsin, I did not like the Minnesota winters. I was on my way to Arizona, when my wife and I stopped in Las Cruces. I turned to her, pointed at Wallace Collision Center and said, 'I am going to manage that place.'"

With a startled response, White said his wife K.C. simply asked, "That place?"

"You do not want to compete with me for a job," said White, who began working at Wallace Collision Center and was promoted to manager in less than six months.

After his time in Las Cruces – his "first go around" – White was recruited by Ford Motor Company to manage a store in Albuquerque.

"I moved to Albuquerque, but sniffed around at other opportunities because I really wanted to own my own business," he said, adding that he had his eyes on a failing body repair shop on Amador Avenue.

Then, one lucky afternoon, White said he got a call from a friend that wanted to make an investment. With no hesitation, White moved back to Las Cruces and is now the "owner and operator and janitor or whatever other job was needed" at Amador Auto Body.

With just two employees, White said he began building his business and strives to run Amador Auto Body at full capacity.

"Our mission is to be the premier auto collision center in southern New Mexico," White said. "We say to give our clients everything and a little more – on time, quality service."

Following his customer service mantra, White said his clients have been loyal and deserve the high-quality work.

"Las Cruces has served me well, and many of my old clients are coming here to Amador Auto Body," he said. "We just try to treat our customers the way we want to be treated."

White has been in the industry for more than 38 years, and said his love of the business has kept him going.

"My son, who is a junior in high school, told me he was getting tired of going to class," White said. "I explained to him that he only had one more year and told him to treat school like it was his job because that is essentially what it is. He told me, 'Dad, that's not fair because you love your job. It is like a competition and you love competition.' He is right, this is a competition, and I want to be the best in town."

The awards and rankings from insurance companies show that White is well on his way

Details

Amador Auto Body LLC

Address
2125 W. Amador Ave.

Call
525-2125

Hours
7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Samantha Roberts

Quail White, owner of Amador Auto Body, 2125 W. Amador Ave., is committed to providing quality repairs and superior customer service, and the awards back it up.

to being one of the best.

"Allstate has reported Amador Auto Body with 100 percent customer satisfaction and 99 percent estimate accuracy," said White, adding that they are also leading Progressive standards and have been recognized by Nationwide Insurance. "Everyone hopes for a good, quality repair, and we stand behind everything we do. We don't forget our customers."

Staying busy in a rough economy can be difficult for some, but White said he has kept a positive attitude and is looking at the future instead of the past.

"We can't be fear mongers," he said. "We are Americans, and we will make it through. We've seen the bottom and the only way to go is up. I just roll up my sleeves and do it."

Q&A

Talking with owner Quail White

What inspired you to go into business?

This is something I have wanted for a long time, and it was just the right timing.

What is unique about your business?

In addition to basic bodywork, Amador Auto Body specializes in heavy collision repairs.

Where do you see the business in five years?

In the future, we hope to be "at capacity" – filling our auto shop with the most amount of cars that can be fixed while

retaining the highest quality of service. We also hope to be leading the market in Las Cruces.

What is your business philosophy?

At Amador Auto Body, we like to say, "Give the customer exactly what they want, and a little bit more."

What is the best part of your job?

I like the competition aspect, and I love what I do. But mostly, I like seeing satisfied and happy customers.

How do you keep your competitive edge?

As technology is changing, we are always continuing to recruit and market the business. We also keep up with training.

What is the best business decision you've made so far?

Following my instincts – just doing what I know is right and continuing with my processes.

What do you look for in an employee?

Anyone who works here must be willing to work hard and learn.

How are you marketing the store?

Our strategy is through customer referrals and insurance companies.

What adjustments or improvements have you made so far?

Recently, we have purchased new equipment and offered additional training for our employees.

What advice would you give to others starting a business?

Never quit. Sometimes you need to take a chance trust yourself.

What items do you carry, in brief, and their price ranges?

Each job varies, but our overall services include body shop work and collision repair.

What is your opinion of the Las Cruces business climate?

We are strong and will continue to grow, as long as we stay positive.

What obstacles do you face or have you overcome?

You can be your own obstacle. To overcome this, you must work hard and trust your instincts.

What is the most important thing about your business that you wish people knew?

Amador Auto Body is the best in town, and people are learning this.

What best prepared you for entrepreneurship?

Growing up on a farm, we were taught a lot about work ethics. These values my parents instilled in me have been a big help.



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'Bienvenidos' to the Hispano chamber mixer

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Hispano chamber Membership Committee Chair Tony Martinez presents the chamber's proclamation of goodwill to Elke Wunderlich of TopView Leadership.



Charles Maciel of Just Chillin' Nutrition and Janet Acosta Clifton of Los Amigos Ambassadors enjoy an evening of networking during the Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces New Member Bienvenido held Thursday, April 14, at the Morrison Supply Co. showroom.



Darryl Gerber of Go SmallBiz and Rebecca Cram of AVANCE

Los Amigos Chair Eldelisa Nava, Hispano chamber Vice President Santiago Soto and Women's Intercultural Center Director Mary Carter enjoy the chamber's first New Member Bienvenido, which is held each quarter to celebrate new members of the Hispano chamber.



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-2010-02424

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

v.

**THE UNKNOWN HEIRS,
DEVISEES, OR LEGATEES
OF RICARDA SAAVEDRA,
DECEASED; ALFRED
SAAVEDRA; DOÑA ANA
SAVINGS AND LOAN
ASSOCIATION; FIRST
NATIONAL BANK OF DOÑA
ANA COUNTY; UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA
BY AND THROUGH
THE SECRETARY OF
HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT;
OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE
NAMES ARE UNKNOWN,
IF ANY; THE UNKNOWN
SURVIVING SPOUSE OF
RICARDA SAAVEDRA, IF
ANY, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on April 28, 2011 at 1:00 PM, outside the front entrance of the De Baca County Courthouse, 248 E Ave C, Fort Sumner 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 1 in Block numbered B of Edgewood North Subdivision Number One, Las Cruces, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Edgewood North Subdivision Number One, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on April 18, 1966 in Plat Book 9, Folio 95.

ALSO KNOWN AS:

Lot 1, Block B, Edgewood North Subdivision, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on Plat No. 666, thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County, on April 18, 1966, and recorded in Book 9, Page 95, Plat Records, Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

The address of the real property is 1005 Jasmine Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on February 18, 2011 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and where-in Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$153,349.61 plus interest from February 22, 2011 to the date of sale at the rate of 1.3% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to

a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

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Cause No. CV-2010-1738
Judge Jerald A. Valentine

**FIRST LIGHT FEDERAL
CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,**

v.

RENE OROZCO, Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Special Master will, on December 7, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., in front of the main door of the Third Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico, New Mexico, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash at the time of the sale all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant in and to the following described real estate located in the above-named County and State:

Lot 28 Block C, HIGH DESERT SUBDIVISION PHASES 1A AND 1B, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on October 14, 2005, in Book 21 Pages 373-375 of Plat Records

The address of the real estate is 3718 Piedras Negras Dr., Las Cruces, New Mexico. The sale will be made pursuant to the Amended Default Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure, Order of Sale and Appointment of Special Master entered into on October 22, 2010, in the above-entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by Plaintiff and where Plaintiff was granted judgment and has a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$161,665.53 (plus interest from February 16, 2010 to the date of sale), plus additional costs and attorney's fees necessary to protect the real estate, together with costs of sale

including a reasonable Special Master's fee. Plaintiff has the right to submit its respective bids verbally or in writing. Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its respective judgments to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the sale may be postponed and re-scheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

Notice is further given that the real property and improvements will be sold subject to any and all patent 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, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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, this sale will be null and void. The successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and Plaintiff 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 any rights of redemption provided by applicable law.

DATED at Las Cruces, New Mexico, on March 29, 2011.

D. Lyle Wood, Special Master
P.O. Box 578
Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-0578
(575) 541-6655

Submitted by:
THE DARDEN LAW FIRM,
P.A.
P.O. BOX 578
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(575) 541-6655
(575) 524-2059 (FAX)

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-200803129

**LITTON LOAN SERVICING,
L.P., Plaintiff,**

vs.

**ROBERT E. CADENA, aka
ROBERT EUGENE CADENA,
aka ROBERT CADENA, and if
married, JANE DOE CADENA
(true name unknown),
his spouse; MARCOS O.
CADENA, aka MARCOS
ORLANDO CADENA;
TAXATION AND REVENUE
DEPARTMENT OF THE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO;
and JOHN DOE and JANE
DOE, (true names unknown),
tenants, Defendants.**

**FIRST AMENDED NOTICE
OF SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that on May 4, 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 2652 Calle Primera, Mesilla, and is situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

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. Surveys as U.S.R.S. Tract 11A-129B and also as part of Lot 3 and 4, Block B, of the Southwest Addition to the Town of Mesilla as filed on March 17, 1939, in Plat Book 9, Page 76, in Doña Ana County Records and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a concrete monument found on the west side of Calle Primera of the northeast corner of this tract; whence a concrete monument found for the northeast corner of U.S.R.S. Tract 11A-128B and also identical to the northeast corner of Lot 1, Block B of the Southwest Addition to the Town of Mesilla as filed March 17, 1939 in Plat Record 9, Page 76 in the Doña Ana County Records bears N. 29 deg. 37' 00" W., a distance of 199.32 feet;

THENCE from the place of beginning along the west side of Calle Primera S. 29 deg. 37' 00" E., 54.83 feet to an iron rod set for the southeast corner of this tract;

THENCE leaving said street S. 52 deg. 59' 28" W., 130.85 feet to a concrete monument found for the southwest corner of this tract;

THENCE following along a wire fence line N. 37 deg. 14' 23" W., 49.25 feet to a nail set in a cross tie for the northwest corner of tract;

THENCE continuing along a wire fence N. 50 deg. 51' 57" E., 138.20 feet to the place 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 May 13, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. Subsequent to the entry of the judgment, the Debtor made payments pursuant to a Forbearance Plan and partially satisfied Plaintiff's judgment. The amount now due on the judgment is \$90,309.76, plus interest thereon at the rate of 7.500% per annum from April 1, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$630.94. 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. Defendant Taxation and Revenue Department of the State of New Mexico shall have a nine-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 # 10531
Dates 4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-10-2673

**SECRETARY OF VETERANS
AFFAIRS, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**BEN U. EDWARDS;
ELIZABETH A. EDWARDS;
LYNV FUNDING, LLC;
and NEW MEXICO
EDUCATIONAL
ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 11, 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 1905 N. Alameda Blvd., Las Cruces, and is situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 11, BLOCK F, HIGHLAND PLACE, LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON DECEMBER 11, 1953, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 7 AT PAGE 49 OF THE PLAT RECORDS.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 11, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$106,782.64 and the same bears interest at 6.50% per annum from January 15, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$2,224.89. 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 nine month right of redemption.

Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2010-01728

**GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**BRANDON M. WEAVER,
and if married, JANE DOE
WEAVER (true name
unknown), his spouse; and
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,
INC., AS NOMINEE,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 4, 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 4733 Camino Dos Vidas, Las Cruces, and is situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 7, Block L, DOS SUENOS ESTATES, 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. 4079 on 12/23/2004 in Book 21 Page(s) 84-89 of Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 23, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$184,766.16 and the same bears

interest at 7.250% per annum from March 1, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$2,385.51. 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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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-2147

**THE BANK OF NEW YORK
MELLON fka The Bank of
New York, as Trustee, for
CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed
Certificates, Series 2007-12,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**SANTOS GARCIA, JR.; and if
married, JANE DOE GARCIA
(true name unknown), his
spouse; MARIA GARCIA;
TAXATION AND REVENUE
DEPARTMENT OF THE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO;
and UNIFUND CCR
PARTNERS, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 4, 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 5745 Santa Gertrudis Drive, Las Cruces, and is situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 9B, Block B, CATTLE LAND ESTATES REPLAT NO. 1, in Doña Ana County, New Mexico as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk

of said County on June 29, 1983, in Book 13, Page 197 of Plat Records.

and all improvements, including, but not limited to, the manufactured home permanently attached thereto and made a part thereof.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 23, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$67,083.87 and the same bears interest at 10.50% per annum from March 2, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,235.08. 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. Defendant Taxation and Revenue Department of the State of New Mexico shall have a nine-month right of redemption.

Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-3045

**CITIMORTGAGE, INC.,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**CECIL A. BRADLEY and,
if married, JANE DOE
BRADLEY, (True Name
Unknown), his spouse,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 11, 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

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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 3321 Chimney Rock Road, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 45, of Foothills Subdivision, located in the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico as shown on plat thereof recorded on March 2, 1993 in Plat Book 17, at page 279-281, 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 March 23, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$248,272.18 and the same bears interest at 7.375% per annum from March 16, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$2,859.39. 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.

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

No. D-307-CV-2010-03053

**BAC HOME LOANS
SERVICING LP, fka
Countrywide Home Loans
Servicing LP, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**RICHARD W. LAZARO;
CORINE B. LAZARO;
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,
INC.; UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA (IRS); and
TAXATION AND REVENUE**

**DEPARTMENT OF THE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 11, 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 3660 Snow Road, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

A Tract of Land situate Southwest of Mesilla, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 1, T.24S., R.1E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys as U.S.R.S. Tract 12-33A1B and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a point on the South side of a farm road for the Northeast corner of the tract herein described; whence the Northwest corner of Section 1, T.24S., R.1E., bears N.5E42°28'W., a distance of 2476.93 feet and also whence the Northeast corner of Snow Ranch, U.S.R.S. Tract 12-33A1A bears N.3E00°20'W., a distance of 3186.68 feet;

THENCE from the point of beginning and along a wood fence S.33E45°39'E., 308.36 feet to the Southeast corner of this tract;

THENCE S.56E23°W., 210.88 feet to a concrete monument found for the Southwest corner of this tract;

THENCE N.33E18°W., 300.42 feet to a concrete monument found at the South side of a farm road for the Northwest corner of this tract;

THENCE along the South line of a farm road N.54E12°E., 208.60 feet to the place of beginning containing 1.4651 acre of land more or less. All together with a road easement for the right to use as means of ingress and egress to and from the above described tract of land, the existing farm road is located immediately North of and adjacent to the above described 1.4651 acre tract, said road connects to State Road 372 bearing N.55E03°06'E., 1607.16 feet from the Northeast corner of the above described 1.4651 acre tract.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 25, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$1,016,701.58 and the same bears interest at 7.250% per annum from March 1, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$14,540.23. The Plaintiff and the Crossclaimant United States of America (IRS) have the right to bid at such sale and submit their bids verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The Crossclaimant United States of America (IRS) may apply all or any part of its judgment in lieu of cash after first paying the judgment of the Plaintiff.

Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

No. D-307-CV-2010-03053

**BAC HOME LOANS
SERVICING LP, fka
Countrywide Home Loans
Servicing LP, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**RICHARD W. LAZARO;
CORINE B. LAZARO;
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,
INC.; UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA (IRS); and
TAXATION AND REVENUE**

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. Defendant United States of America (IRS) shall have a 120-day right of redemption.

Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COURT**

Case No.: CV-2010-1979
Judge James T. Martin

**LORENZO ARREOLA,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**CARLOS ORTIZ, ANTONIA
VALLES, AND THE
UNKNOWN HEIRS OF
JESUS VALLES, DECEASED,
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS
OF NORA W. GREEN AND
UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS TO
THE PROPERTY LOCATED
AT 4218 MCNUTT ROAD,
SUNLAND PARK, NEW
MEXICO, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF CIVIL ACTION
PENDING**

To: Any Unknown Heir of Jesus Valles (Deceased); Any Unknown Heir of Nora W. Wilson (Deceased); and Any Unknown Persons who may claim a lien interest or title adverse to the Plaintiff.

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff, Lorenzo Arreola, has filed a Complaint in the above entitled and numbered cause in the office of the Clerk of the Third Judicial District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, seeking to quiet title to real property located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and described as follows:

A 1.37 Acre Parcel situate within section 8, township 29 South, Range 4 East, New Mexico Principal Meridian, City of Sunland Park, Doña Ana County, New Mexico and more fully described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at a found Brass Cap in concrete on the northwest

corner of the southwest ¼ of Section 9, Township 29 South, Range 4 East, New Mexico Principal Meridian, thence S00° 02' 00"W, a distance of 1299.39 feet to a point, thence S 89° 56' 00"W, a distance of 2979.25 feet to a set 5/8" rebar with yellow cap No. 5948 and TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING of the parcel herein described;

THENCE, S 89° 56' 00"W, a distance of 178.03 feet to a set 4/8" rebar with yellow cap No. 5948 and southwest corner of the parcel herein described;

THENCE, N 00° 04' 00"W, a distance of 232.56 feet to a set 5/8" rebar with yellow cap (No. 5948) at a point on the south boundary of the Rio Grande Canalization Project property;

THENCE, along the south boundary of the Rio Grande Canalization Project property the following four courses, N 47° 57'00"E, a distance of 15.67 feet to a set 5/8" rebar with yellow cap No. 5948;

THENCE, N 46° 24' 00"E, a distance of 76.85 feet to a set 5/8" rebar with yellow cap No. 5948;

THENCE, N 30° 27'00"E, a distance of 149.38 feet to a found 5/8" rebar in concrete and most northerly corner of the parcel herein described;

THENCE, S 83° 46'00"E, a distance of 33.50 feet to a found 5/8" rebar in concrete;

THENCE, leaving the south boundary of the Rio Grande Canalization Project property, S 00°12'00"E, a distance of 420.99 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING of the parcel herein described, and containing 59, 464 square feet or 1.37 acres, more or less.

The object of the action is to quiet title in Plaintiff and eject any persons in wrongful possession. If a response to this notice is not filed, a default judgment may be entered against you.

The Plaintiff's attorney is Bradley A. Springer of HOLT BABINGTON MYNATT MARTINEZ P.C., P.O. Box 2699, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, this 31st day of March, 2011.
District Court Clerk

By: Mary Apodaca
Deputy

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

No. CV-2010-3020

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

vs.

**SAUL RODRIGUEZ,
MARIA L. RODRIGUEZ,
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,
INC. as nominee for Express
Capital Lending, and
BENEFICIAL NEW MEXICO,
INC., Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF SALE ON
FORECLOSURE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, hav-

ing appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 4312 Camino Dos Vidas, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 76 IN BLOCK K 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 sale is to begin at 1:45 p.m. on May 13, 2011, outside the front entrance to the Doña Ana County Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted Bank of Oklahoma, N.A.

Bank of Oklahoma, N.A. was awarded a Judgment on March 29, 2011, in the principal sum of \$140,911.58, plus outstanding interest due on the Note through March 9, 2011, in the amount of \$7,519.76 and accruing thereafter at the rate of \$29.92 per diem, plus late charges of \$605.58, plus escrow advances of \$786.71, plus fee and cost advances of \$1,758.36, plus attorney's fees in the amount of \$900.00 and costs in the amount of \$743.46, with interest on the above-listed amounts, attorney's fees and costs at the rate of 7.750% per annum from date of the entry of the Judgment until paid. The sale is subject to rights and easements of record, to unpaid property taxes and assessments, and to the one (1) month right of redemption in favor of the Defendants as specified in the Judgment filed herein.

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

/s/ Faisal Sukhyani,
Special Master
c/o Leverick and Musselman,
L.L.C.
5120 San Francisco Road NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico
87109
(505) 858-3303

Pub # 10558
Dates 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29,
2011

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

No. CV-2010-2910
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

**CITIZENS BANK OF LAS
CRUCES, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**HECTOR ELOY PACHECO
and VERONICA PACHECO,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

A notice is hereby given that the undersigned Special Master will, on Wednesday, May 11, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. at the north main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Street, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant in and to the following-described property, situate in Doña Ana County, at 706 S. Almendra, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, to-wit:

LOT 7 AND 8, BLOCK 18, GRANDVIEW SUBDIVISION, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF SAID COUNTY ON JUNE 3 1908, IN BOOK 3 PAGE 45 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on March 9, 2011, in the above-titled and numbered cause, a suit to foreclose a mortgage lien held by Plaintiff by which Plaintiffs have a security interest on the above-described real estate in the sum of \$184,792.76 (including interest to the date of sale), together with costs of sale including a reasonable Special Master's fee. Plaintiff has the right to submit its judgment by way of bid verbally or in writing. Plaintiff may apply all or any part of their judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and re-scheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT the real property and improvements will be sold subject to any and all patent reservation, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the evaluation of the property by a County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any. Notice is further given that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to any rights of redemption provided by applicable law.

DATED at Las Cruces, New Mexico, on April 1, 2011.

/s/ Stephen Hosford
Special Master
25 Sugar Sand Rd.
Arrey, NM 87930
Las Cruces, NM 88005
(575) 644-6068

RESPECTFULLY
SUBMITTED,
MARTIN, LUTZ, ROGGOW,
& EUBANKS, P.C.

By /s/ David P. Lutz
P O Drawer 1837
Las Cruces, NM 88004
575-526-2449
575-526-0946
Attorney for Plaintiff

Pub # 10559
Dates 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29,
2011

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

No CV-2010-2910
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

**CITIZENS BANK OF LAS
CRUCES, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**HECTOR ELOY PACHECO
and VERONICA PACHECO,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

A notice is hereby given that the undersigned Special Master will, on Wednesday, May 11, 2011, at 10:15 a.m. at the north main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Street, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant in and to the following-described property, situate in Doña Ana County, at the corner of Lopez Rd. and Doña Ana Rd., to-wit:

A tract of land situate North of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 26, T22S., 1E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys, being part of U.S.R.S. Tract 5-47B, and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a 5/8" iron rod found for the Southwest corner of the tract herein described; being identical to the Southeast corner of Lot 18, Mountain View Acres filed February 12, 1968, in Book 10, Page 24, Doña Ana County records;

Thence from the point of beginning and along the East line of Mountain View Acres, N.22°17'00" W., 343.04 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found for an angle point of this tract;

Thence N. 21°39' 34"W., 192.20 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found on the South line of Lopez Road for the Northwest corner of this tract;

Thence along the South line of Lopez Road, N.62°39'06" E, 273.64 feet to an angle iron found at the intersection with the West line of New Mexico State Highway 28 for the Northeast corner of this tract;

Thence along the West line of New Mexico State Highway 28, S.22°23'04" E., 538.75 feet to an iron rod found for the Southeast corner of this tract;

Thence leaving the West line of New Mexico State Highway 28, S.63°26'05" W., 276.39 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3.387 acres of land, more or less.

The sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on March 9, 2011, in the above-titled and numbered cause, a suit to foreclose a mortgage lien held by Plaintiff by which Plaintiffs have a security interest on the above-described real estate in the sum of \$184,792.76 (including interest to the date of sale), together with costs of sale including a reasonable Special Master's fee. Plaintiff has the right to submit its judgment by way of bid verbally or in writing. Plaintiff may apply all or any part of their judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and re-scheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements will be sold subject to any and all patent reservation, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the evaluation of the property by a County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any. Notice is further given that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to any rights of redemption provided by applicable law.

DATED at Las Cruces, New Mexico, on April 1, 2011.

THAT the real property and improvements will be sold subject to any and all patent reservation, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the evaluation of the property by a County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any. Notice is further given that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to any rights of redemption provided by applicable law.

DATED at Las Cruces, New Mexico, on April 1, 2011.

/s/ Stephen Hosford
Special Master
25 Sugar Sand Rd.
Arrey, NM 87930
Las Cruces, NM 88005
(575) 644-6068

RESPECTFULLY
SUBMITTED,
MARTIN, LUTZ, ROGGOW,
& EUBANKS, P.C.
By /s/ David P. Lutz
P O Drawer 1837
Las Cruces, NM 88004
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Attorney for Plaintiff

Pub # 10560
Dates 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29,
2011

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

No. CV-2010-3223

**BAC HOME LOANS
SERVICING LP fka
Countrywide Home Loans
Servicing LP, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**NATALIA BENAVIDEZ, and if
married, JOHN DOE A, (true
name unknown), her spouse,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 11, 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 5710 Vanegas Drive, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 6 in Block 1 of Ranchos De Doña Ana, Phase Two, located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat thereof filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on March 11, 1992 and recorded in Book 17 at Pages 148, Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March

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31, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$154,655.57 and the same bears interest at 5.375% per annum from April 1, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$933.76. 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.
PO Drawer 16169
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
575-642-5567

Pub # 10561
Dates 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29,
2011

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

No. CV-2010-2977
Judge James T. Martin, Jr.

**AMERICAN GENERAL
FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**DAVID WOODWARD,
Defendant.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY
OF SUIT**

**TO DEFENDANT DAVID
WOODWARD**

You are hereby notified that American General Financial Services, Inc., the above-named Plaintiff, has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled court and cause, the general object thereof being to collect upon a debt related to the alleged default on a Promissory Note by you executed in favor of Plaintiff American General Financial Services, Inc. on June 4, 2010. Unless you enter your appearance in this cause within thirty (30) days of the date of the last publication of this Notice, judgment by default will be entered against you.

RESPECTFULLY
SUBMITTED BY:
MARTIN, LUTZ, ROGGOW,

& EUBANKS, P.C.
By /s/ David P. Lutz
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Las Cruces, NM 88004-1837
(575) 526-2449
(575) 526-0946 (FAX)
Attorneys for Plaintiff

Pub # 10569
Dates 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 2011

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

Case No.
D-307-CV-2010-02804

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

v.

**ROBERT PAUL GREEN;
BONITA H. GREEN;
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,
INC. (SOLELY AS NOMINEE
FOR LENDER AND
LENDER'S SUCCESSORS
AND ASSIGNS); OTERO
FEDERAL CREDIT UNION,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on May 4, 2011 at 11:00 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Lot numbered 17 in Block numbered 4 of Country Club Park Subdivision, Plat No. 10, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Country Club Park Subdivision, Plat No. 10, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on December 18, 1972 in Plat Book 11, Folio 30.

The address of the real property is 2390 Fairbanks Dr., Las Cruces, NM, 88001. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on March 7, 2011 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$146,464.88 plus interest from February 9, 2011 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.375% 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 mort-

gagee 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

10-2980 FC01

Pub # 10570
Dates 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29,
2011

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

Case No.
D-307-CV-201002839

**WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,
Plaintiff,**

v.

**WILLIAM H. ALLEN; LUISA
C. ALLEN; OCCUPANTS,
WHOSE TRUE NAMES
ARE UNKNOWN, IF ANY,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on May 4, 2011 at 11:00 AM, Front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM., sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

A tract of land situate Northwest of Hatch, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 8, T.19S., R.3W., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys, being part of U.S.R.S. Tract F-56B and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at an iron rod set for the Southeast corner of the tract herein described; Whence the North ¼ corner of Section 8, T.19S., R.3W., bears the following three courses and distances: S.85°41'00" E., 693.97 feet; Thence N. 00°00'00" W., 716.70 feet; Thence N. 11°10'00" E., 268.26 feet;

Thence from the point of beginning and along the North line of the Hatch canal, N.85°41'00" W., 260.03 feet to an iron rod found for the Southwest corner of this tract;

Thence N. 00°00'01" W., 168.01 feet to an iron rod found for the Northwest corner of this tract;

Thence S. 85°41'00" E., 260.03 feet to an iron rod set for the Northeast corner of this tract;

Thence S. 00°00'01" E., 168.01 feet to the point of beginning, containing 1.000 acre of land, more or less. Subject to any easements and restrictions of

record.

Altogether with the following 12 foot wide road and utility easement being 6 feet to either side of the following described centerline for the use of ingress and egress to subject property.

Beginning at a point which bears S.00°00'01"E., 6.02 feet from the Southeast corner of the above described 1.00 acre tract for the most Westerly point of this centerline:

Thence from the point of beginning, S.85°41'00"E., 195.93 feet to a point;

Thence N.44°44'00"E., 74.22 feet to a point;

Thence N.54°37'50"E., 67.60 feet to a point;

Thence N.85°59'43"E., 65.94 feet to a point;

Thence S.89°01'00"E., 71.59 feet to a point;

Thence N.89°26'09"E., 86.54 feet to a point;

Thence N.87°11'31"E., 165.61 feet to a point on the centerline of Doña Ana County Road E-040, for the end of this easement;

Information in the preparation of this description derives from Warranty Deed filed April 11, 1977, in Deed Book 242, Page 24, Doña Ana County records. A plat was prepared under Job #97-0729. Field Notes by Moy Surveying, Inc., License No. 5939.

The address of the real property is 416 Castenada Road, Hatch, NM 87937. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on March 4, 2011 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$267,963.79 plus interest from February 10, 2011 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
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10-2700 FC01

Pub # 10571
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2011

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

Case No.
D-307-CV-2010-02424

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

v.

**THE UNKNOWN HEIRS,
DEVISEES, OR LEGATEES
OF RICARDA SAAVEDRA,
DECEASED; ALFRED
SAAVEDRA; DOÑA ANA
SAVINGS AND LOAN
ASSOCIATION; FIRST
NATIONAL BANK OF DOÑA
ANA COUNTY; UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA
BY AND THROUGH
THE SECRETARY OF
HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT;
OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE
NAMES ARE UNKNOWN,
IF ANY; THE UNKNOWN
SURVIVING SPOUSE OF
RICARDA SAAVEDRA, IF
ANY, Defendants.**

SECOND NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on May 4, 2011 at 11:00 AM, outside the 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 1 in Block numbered B of Edgewood North Subdivision Number One, Las Cruces, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Edgewood North Subdivision Number One, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on April 18, 1966 in Plat Book 9, Folio 95.

ALSO KNOWN AS:

Lot 1, Block B, Edgewood North Subdivision, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on Plat No. 666, thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County, on April 18, 1966, and recorded in Book 9, Page 95, Plat Records, Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

The address of the real property is 1005 Jasmine Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on February 18, 2011 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-

described real estate in the sum of \$153,349.61 plus interest from February 22, 2011 to the date of sale at the rate of 1.3% 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.

Dated: , 2011.

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Special Master
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10-2062 FC01

Pub # 10572
Dates 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29,
2011

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

JQ-2010-17
Judge Macias

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ex rel. CHILDREN,
YOUTH AND FAMILIES
DEPARTMENT**

**In the Matters of A. B., L.D.,
Y.D.-V., F. D., J. D.-V., J. B.,
and J. B., Children, And
Concerning Fernanda Diaz-
Vasquez, Andres Blanco, Juan
Munceral, Ignacio Ortiz, and
Martin Ortiz, Respondents.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF
ACTION**

**TO: Juan Munceral,
Respondent.**

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

L.O.D. 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

Date: March 29, 2011

Pub # 10573
Dates 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 2011

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

No. #CV-2010-251
JUDGE JERALD A.
VALENTINE

**The Bank of New York
Mellon, as Trustee for CIT
Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-1,
by Vericrest Financial, Inc. as
attorney in fact, Petitioner,**

v.

(1) Richard J. Eckert III
(2) Marlys Reuland
(3) Unknowns: All Unknown Occupants &/or Tenants Of the Subject Real Estate
(4) 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 Respondent.

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:
MAY 20, 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:
4641 Mesita St.

Las Cruces, NM 88012

Legal Description:
LOT 31 IN BLOCK D OF PARKHILL ESTATES, UNIT#1, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID PARKHILL ESTATES, UNIT#1, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON 5/18/2006 IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 623-624.

The date of the Court Order is March 18, 2011, pursuant to which an Order of Sale was issued on March 18, 2011. The referenced Court Order entered judgment for Plaintiff for \$192,416.89 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 \$43.61 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 the 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 29th day of March, 2011, by Philip M. Kleinsmith at Colorado Springs, Colorado. My commission expires: 12-7-2014.

(SEAL)
/s/ M. Joy Quigley
Notary Public
State of Colorado
My commission Expires
12-07-2014

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

No. CV-2010-2644

**BAC HOME LOANS
SERVICING, LP, FKA
COUNTRYWIDE HOME
LOANS SERVICING, LP,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**JORGE ANTONIO
CARRILLO; and PAULINA
BURCIAGA, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 18, 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 6522 Rhea Place, Las Cruces, and is situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 37, Block E, INSPIRATION HEIGHTS, PHASE 1, in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said

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County on April 25, 2007, in Book 22 Page(s) 202-203 of Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 29, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$222,246.33 and the same bears interest at 5.625% per annum from January 15, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$4,247.04. 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-2010-2412

**BAC HOME LOANS
SERVICING, LP, FKA
COUNTRYWIDE HOME
LOANS SERVICING, LP,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**ROBERT J. BLAIR, and if
married, JANE DOE BLAIR
(true name unknown), his
spouse; and TAXATION AND
REVENUE DEPARTMENT
OF THE STATE OF NEW
MEXICO, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 18, 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 7110 Fox Trail, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

A 1.03 acre tract of land being situate in Section 33, Township 21 South, Range 3 East, N.M.P.M., approximately 12 miles northeast of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a found iron rod for the southeast corner of the tract herein described, **WHENCE** the west 1/4 corner of the aforementioned Section 33 bears S 78 degrees 28 minutes 09 seconds W, 1356.06 feet;

THENCE from the point of beginning N 89 degrees 52 minutes 04 seconds W, 174.40 feet to the southwest corner of the tract herein described, marked by a found iron rod;

THENCE N 00 degrees 10 minutes 15 seconds E, 257.83 feet to the northwest corner of the tract herein described, marked by a found iron rod;

THENCE S 89 degrees 55 minutes 36 seconds E, 174.29 feet to the northeast corner of the tract herein described, marked by a found iron rod;

THENCE S 00 degrees 08 minutes 46 seconds W, 258.01 feet along the centerline of a 30 foot road and utility easement (known as Fox Road) to the place and point of beginning, containing 1.03 acres of land, more or less, and subject to easements of record and such as may exist on the ground.

Including, but not limited to, the manufactured home attached thereto with HUD Tag Numbers of TEX401331 and TEX401332 1986 Sunrizon Homes, Vehicle Identification No. 502-03945A/B.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on April 4, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$68,361.36 and the same bears interest at 5.750% per annum from January 1, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,486.16. 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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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

No. CV-2010-2588

**BAC HOME LOANS
SERVICING LP, fka
Countrywide Home Loans
Servicing LP, Plaintiff,**

**MARCOS PORRAS;
ARIZONA TILE, LLC;
and UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA (IRS), Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 18, 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 3553 Evy Lane, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 7, Block C, NORTHPOINTE SUBDIVISION NO. 5, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on April 18, 2006, in Book 21 Page(s) 589-590 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 April 4, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$216,687.33 and the same bears interest at 4.500% per annum from April 1, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,282.32. The Plaintiff and the Crossclaimant United States of America (IRS) have the right to bid at such sale and submit their bids verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The Crossclaimant United States of America (IRS) may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash after first paying the judgment of the Plaintiff. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and

unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption. Defendant United States of America (IRS) shall have a 120-day right of redemption.

Pamela A. Carmody, Special Master
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
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Pub # 10579
Dates 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 2011

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

No. CV-2010-1653

**FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**MARIA A. GARZA and, if
married, JOHN DOE A, (True
Name Unknown), her spouse;
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,
INC., as nominee, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 18, 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 40 Cielo Dorado, Anthony, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 3, Block 9, CIELO DORADO ESTATES, 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. 1027 on 01/22/1980 in Book 13 Page(s) 15-24 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 April 4, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$335,713.19 and the same bears interest at 6.500% per annum from March 16, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$3,826.22. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and

rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

Pamela A. Carmody, Special Master
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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

No. CV-2011-00332

**BOKE, NA dba BANK OF
OKLAHOMA, N.A., Plaintiff,**

vs.

**MARGO D. SPEER, if living;
if deceased, THE ESTATE OF
MARGO D. SPEER, Deceased;
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS,
DEWISEES OR LEGATEES OF
MARGO D. SPEER, Deceased;
and if married, JOHN DOE
A (true name unknown), her
spouse; and NEW MEXICO
MORTGAGE FINANCE
AUTHORITY, Defendant(s).**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF
ACTION**

Defendants Margo D. Speer, if living; if deceased, The Estate of Margo D. Speer, Deceased, and the Unknown Heirs, Devises or Legatees of Margo D. Speer, Deceased, are hereby notified that Plaintiff has filed a civil suit against Defendants Margo D. Speer, if living; if deceased, The Estate of Margo D. Speer, Deceased, and the Unknown Heirs, Devises or Legatees of Margo D. Speer, Deceased, in the above-entitled cause of action, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 5213 Geronimo Trail, in the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

Lot numbered 22 in Block numbered 2 of Mesa La Jolla Subdivision Unit No. 2, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Mesa La Jolla Subdivision Unit No. 2, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on November 23, 1988 in Plat Book 15, Folio 372-373;

and all improvements, including, but not limited to, the manufactured home perma-

nently attached thereto, title to which has been deactivated in the records of the Motor Vehicle Department of the State of New Mexico.

Defendants Margo D. Speer, if living; if deceased, The Estate of Margo D. Speer, Deceased, and the Unknown Heirs, Devises or Legatees of Margo D. Speer, Deceased, 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 Defendants Margo D. Speer, if living; if deceased, The Estate of Margo D. Speer, Deceased, and the Unknown Heirs, Devises or Legatees of Margo D. Speer, Deceased, fail to file a timely Answer or Motion, a default judgment may be entered against Defendants Margo D. Speer, if living; if deceased, The Estate of Margo D. Speer, Deceased, and the Unknown Heirs, Devises or Legatees of Margo D. Speer, Deceased, for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Attorneys for the Plaintiff:
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FAX: 254-4722/4706

March 29, 2011
By Karen H. Bradley
Attorney for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable MANUEL I. ARRIETA, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 4th day of April, 2011.

JAMES H. DEMPSEY
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT
COURT

By Nancy Heavner
(SEAL)
Deputy

Pub # 10581
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NOTICE is hereby given that on March 21, 2011, Beverly Gutierrez, 1415 Georgianna Ct., Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-12685 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-12712, owned by Monica Lopez and located within the SE1/4 NE1/4 NW1/4 of projected Section 35, Township 22 South, Range 01 East, NMPM and using existing well LRG-12685 located on land owned by the applicant within the SW1/4 NE1/4 of said Section 35 at approximately X=1,467,410 Y=492,621 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83), for the combined diversion of shallow groundwater and surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District in that amount required for beneficial irrigation of 6.44 acres of land owned by the applicant located within Pt. SE1/4 NW1/4 and Pt. SW1/4 NE1/4 of said Section 35. LRG-12712 is located approximately 1,700 feet west southwest of the intersection of Loomis Rd. and Doña Ana Rd at the physical address of 683 Loomis Rd. Well LRG-12685 is located approximately

800 ft. north of the intersection of Amarantha Ct. and San Ysidro Rd., north of Las Cruces, NM. Well LRG-12712 will be retained for other water rights.

Any person, firm or corporation, or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE PROBATE COURT
DOÑA ANA COUNTY**

No. 11-0077

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF ANDREW LOUIS
WALL, DECEASED.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ANNA ELIZABETH WALL has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455 E. Missouri, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Probate Court of Dam County, New Mexico, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Room 1-200, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

DATED: 04/07/2011.

ANNA ELIZABETH WALL
3107 Maryfield Lane
Pearland, Texas 77581

Prepared by:
ALAN D. GLUTH
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Dates 4/15, 4/22, 2011

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

CV-2011-314
JUDGE MARTIN

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
PETITION OF ALBINA L.
CEBALLOS FOR CHANGE
OF NAME.**

AMENDED NOTICE OF

**PETITION TO CHANGE
NAME**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ALBINA L. CEBALLOS, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from ALBINA L. CEBALLOS to ALBINA L. YANEZ, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge, on the 26th day of April 2011, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., at the Third Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

DATED: March 30, 2011
/s/ Mary E. Apodaca
Deputy Clerk

ALBINA L. CEBALLOS
1908 Calle de Suenos
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Pub # 10584
Dates 4/15, 4/22, 2011

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

Case No.
D-307-CV-200903206

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

vs.

**NICHOLAS D. BRAINARD
AKA NICHOLAS D.
BRAINARD, JR.; COLLEEN R.
BRAINARD AKA COLLEEN
R. DUGLE BRAINARD;
COMMUNITY FIRST
NATIONAL BANK; UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA BY
AND THROUGH THE
INTERNAL REVENUE
SERVICE; THE STATE
OF NEW MEXICO
DEPARTMENT OF
TAXATION & REVENUE;
THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE
OF NICHOLAS D.
BRAINARD AKA NICHOLAS
D. BRAINARD, JR., IF ANY,
Defendants.**

SECOND NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on May 11, 2011 at 10:00 AM, front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

LOT 1, BLOCK B, RANCHO LOMAS 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 28, 2003, IN BOOK 20 PAGES 298-299 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The address of the real property is 2492 Los Alamos Court, Las Cruces, NM 88011. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on July 9, 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 \$325,432.54

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plus interest from May 15, 2010 to the date of sale at the rate of 5.875% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the 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.

Pamela Carmody
Special Master
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Las Cruces, NM 88001
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-201001313

**HSBC BANK USA,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
AS TRUSTEE FOR WFASC
HOME EQUITY ASSET-
BACKED CERTIFICATES,
SERIES 2007-1, Plaintiff,**

v.

**JOSE A. HERNANDEZ;
ARACELY G. SILVA;
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,
INC. (SOLELY AS NOMINEE
FOR LENDER AND
LENDER'S SUCCESSORS
AND ASSIGNS); UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA BY
AND THROUGH THE
INTERNAL REVENUE
SERVICE; CAPITAL
ONE BANK (USA) N.A.,
Defendants.**

SECOND NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on May 11, 2011 at 10:00 AM, front entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following

described real estate located in said County and State:

Lot 4, Block 5, VISTA DEL RIO SUBDIVISION, PHASE II, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on January 13, 1993, in Book 17 Page(s) 267-268 of Plat Records.

The address of the real property is 1022 La Plata Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88007. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on September 10, 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 \$155,390.58 plus interest from July 8, 2010 to the date of sale at the rate of 5.125% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

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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2011

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2010-1811

**BAC HOME LOANS
SERVICING, LP fka
Countrywide Home Loans
Servicing LP, Plaintiff,**
vs.

**STEPHANIE BLACKWOOD,
and if married, JOHN DOE
A (true name unknown), her
spouse; and TAXATION AND**

REVENUE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 18, 2011, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 220 Cactus Patch Way, which may also be known as 230 Cactus Patch Way, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Being 2.4 acres of land, more or less, in Section 24, Township 21 South, Range 1 West, N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys, being part of U.S.R.S. Tract 1-9A152, located South of the Baca Lateral and West of the Seldon drain and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a 5/8 inch rebar found for the Northeast corner of the tract herein described, a point on the South line of the Baca Lateral and 50 feet from the centerline and on the West right of way line of the Seldon drain, whence the Northeast corner of Section 24, Township 21 South, Range 1 West, N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys bears N. 30 degrees 31 minutes 26 seconds East a distance of 2666.16 feet;

THENCE South 03 degrees 48 minutes 00 seconds East along said West right of way of Seldon drain a distance of 300.69 feet to an iron rod for the Southeast corner of this tract;

THENCE South 89 degrees 30 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 321.67 feet to an iron rod for the Southwest corner of this tract;

THENCE North 08 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 333.19 feet to an iron rod for the Northwest corner of this tract on the Southerly line of said Baca Lateral;

THENCE North 88 degrees 42 minutes 15 seconds East along said Southerly line of Baca Lateral a distance of 172.42 feet to an angle point;

THENCE South 01 degrees 17 minutes 45 seconds West a distance of 35.00 feet to another angle point;

THENCE North 88 degrees 42 minutes 15 seconds East still along said Southerly line of Baca Lateral a distance of 176.50 feet to the point of beginning.

SUBJECT to a 10 foot irrigation ditch easement parallel and immediately adjacent to the West boundary of the above described tract and a 20 foot road and utility easement parallel and immediately adjacent to the Easterly boundary of the above described tract,

and all improvements, including, but not limited to, the manufactured home attached thereto and more particularly described as a 2003 Oakwood doublewide, VIN OB1PO669A/B, HUD Tag #s ARZ265232 and ARZ265233.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above

Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on April 7, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$78,478.89 and the same bears interest at 5.500% per annum from April 1, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$567.63. 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. Defendant Taxation and Revenue Department of the State of New Mexico shall have a nine-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 # 10587
Dates 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6,
2011

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

PB 2006-132
Judge Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GUSSIE M. BRADY

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON
PETITION BY PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE FOR
ORDER OF COMPLETE
SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE**

**THE STATE OF NEW
MEXICO TO:**

**LEROY MCKNIGHT, IRMA
E. CLARK, THE ESTATE
OF LILLIE MAE FIELDS,
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS
OF GUSSIE M. BRADY,
deceased, AND ALL
UNKNOWN PERSONS
WHO HAVE OR CLAIM
ANY INTEREST IN THE
ESTATE OF GUSSIE M.
BRADY, deceased, OR
IN THE MATTERS BEING
LITIGATED IN THE
HEARING OF WHICH
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN;**

GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that LEROY MCKNIGHT, Personal Representative of the Estate of GUSSIE M. BRADY, deceased, has filed in the above-entitled Court in the above-entitled and numbered matter a PETITION BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE praying for a formal Order of said Court which adjudges an instrument in writing dated March 22, 1994, First Codicil to decedent's Will dated October 11, 1996, and the Second Codicil to decedent's Will dated January 11, 1999, to be the valid Last Will and Testament and Codicils thereto of said decedent; adjudges LEROY MCKNIGHT, IRMA E. CLARK and the ESTATE OF LILLIE MAE FIELDS to be said decedent's sole heirs-at-law, sole devisees under decedent's Will and Codicils and the owners of decedent's entire estate in the shares stated in the Will and Codicils; approves and confirms the distribution of decedent's entire estate to the above-named persons in the shares stated in the Will and Codicils; approves and confirms all of the acts and doings of LEROY MCKNIGHT as the Personal Representative of decedent's estate and adjudges the estate fully settled, administered and closed and discharges LEROY MCKNIGHT from further duties and liabilities as Personal Representative of the estate and from further claims or demands of any person interested in the estate, and makes all other Orders necessary in the premises.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that said Court has set the 19th day of May, 2011, at the hour of 1:30 p.m., at the Courtroom of said Court in the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 West Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, as the day, time and place for hearing on said Petition. Any person wishing to object to the granting of said Petition must file objections with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court at the same address and appear at said hearing and be heard. The attorney for the Personal Representative is MELISSA J. REEVES, P.C., and her office address is 200 W. Las Cruces Ave., Ste. A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

MELISSA J. REEVES, P.C.

/s/ Melissa J. Reeves
200 W. Las Cruces Ave., Ste. A
Las Cruces, NM 88005-1803
575-522-5009 575-522-5031
FAX
Attorney for Personal
Representative

Pub # 10588
Dates 4/15, 4/22, 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on April 6, 2011, Juan and Armida Padilla, 2814 Snow Rd, Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-4144-POD 2 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by abandoning the use of old well LRG-4144 located on land owned by the applicant within the NE1/4 SE1/4 of projected Section 35, T23S, R01E, NMPM and drilling proposed replacement well LRG-4144-POD 2 to an approximate depth of 130 feet and fitted with 4-inch casing also located on property owned by the applicant within the NE1/4 SE1/4 of said projected Section 35 at approximately X = 1,468,717 Y = 459,637 ft. (N.M.S.P., Central, NAD83) for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater claimed for domestic use and related landscape irrigation on 1.0 acre of land owned by the applicant and located within the NE1/4 SE1/4 of said projected Section 35. Old well LRG-4144 and proposed replacement well LRG-4144 POD 2 are located at the applicant's residence at 2814 Snow Rd. Old well LRG-4144 will be properly plugged.

plemental to existing well LRG-3322, located on land owned by the applicant within the SE1/4 SW1/4 SE1/4 of said Section 04 for the continued diversion of that amount of shallow groundwater required, for beneficial use, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 23.97 acres of land and 51.03 acres of land irrigated with groundwater only in that amount of shallow groundwater required for beneficial use for a total of 75 irrigated acres located within Pt. SE1/4 of said Section 04, Pt. NE1/4 of Section 9, Pt. NW1/4 of Section 10, Township 22 South, Range 01 East. In addition, Existing well LRG-3322 is located approximately 900 ft. northeast of the intersection of Plymouth Rock Rd. and Doña Ana Rd. Proposed well LRG-3322-POD3 is located approximately 1,300 feet north of said intersection, northwest of Doña Ana, NM.

Any person, firm or corporation, or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing 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 # 10591
Dates 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 2011

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Pub # 10592
Dates 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 2011

Notice is hereby given, Pursuant to the New Mexico Self Storage Lien Act (48-11-1 to 48-11-9 NMSA 1978). Storage Group, LLC dba Solano Self Storage located at 750 S. Solano Las Cruces, NM 88001, will be selling the following unit(s) to satisfy the owner's lien and any accumulating fees. Sale is to be held at 2411 W. Picacho Las Cruces, NM 88005 at 10:00 AM on April 30, 2011. **CASH ONLY.**

Unit 11: Jeffery Hofer, 433 Organ Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88001, Amt. Owed: \$2,315.54; Contents: Couch, 2 Complete Bed Sets, Plastic Chairs, 2 Night Stands, 3 Dressers, 5 Plastic Totes, Misc. Boxes, Swords, Dolly, Bowling Bag, Office Chair, Ladder, Cooler, Trashcan.

Unit 27: James Kirby Read C/O Ross A. Asher, 615 E. Schuster Bldg. 6, El Paso, TX 79902, Amt. Owed: \$995.54; Contents: Misc Boxes, Headboard, Misc. Items. Unit 35: Benjamin Tapia, 101 Las Flores Circle, La Mesa, NM 88044, Amt. Owed: \$905.54; Contents: Commercial Fridge, Dryer, Misc. Dryer Parts, 4 washers, Misc. Washer Parts, Misc. Items, Fridge, Fan, Radio.

Unit 50: Zelma Fernandez, 1873 Webster Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88001, Amt. Owed: \$785.54; Contents: Misc Boxes, 2 Box Springs, 2 Mattresses, 2 Bed Frames, Plastic Tote, Misc. Items, Weight Bench, Chest, Headboard, Footboard, Wooden Storage Shelves.

Unit 51: Jeffery Hofer, 433 E. Organ Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88001, Amt. Owed: \$1,174.54; Contents: Nissan Pathfinder, Trashcan, 3 Tool Boxes, Plastic Tote, Misc. Items, Misc. Boxes.

Unit 53: Silvia Coronado, P.O. Box 1815, Mesilla Park, NM 88047, Amt. Owed: \$1,620.54; Contents: Painting, Couch Chair, Couch, Misc. Items, Misc. Apparel, 2 Baby Mattresses.

Unit 56: Zelma Fernandez, 1873 Webster Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88001, Amt. Owed: \$785.54; Contents: 27 Plastic Totes, Misc. Boxes, Stationary Bike, 2 Trunks, Suitcase, Bike, 2 Foot Stools, Footboard, Basketball Backboard W/ Rim, Metal

Storage Shelves, Wood Storage Shelves, Vacuum.

Unit 73: Information Unknown; Contents: 10 Plastic Totes, Headboard, Footboard, @ Glass Display Cases, 2 Metal File Cabinets, Misc. Boxes, Plastic Records File, Chair, Kitchen Table, Wood Chair, 2 Seats for Cars, Tire, 2 Truck Inside Door Panels, Truck Tailgate, Coat Rack.

Pub # 10593
Dates 4/15, 4/22, 2011

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

No. D-307-CV-2008-00872

**AURORA LOAN SERVICES
LLC, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**DANIEL RANGEL and
BELMA RANGEL, husband
and wife; THE CIT GROUP/
CONSUMER FINANCE,
INC; DEPARTMENT OF
TREASURY-INTERNAL
REVENUE SERVICE;
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 707 Lauren St., Sunland Park, NM 87124, and more particularly described as follows:

Lot 2, Block 2, Mason Farms Subdivision Unit 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. 4040 on October 26, 2004 in Book 21 Page(s) 18-21 of Plat Records.

The sale is to begin at 1:45 p.m. on May 13, 2011, on the front steps of the Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Los Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted Aurora Loan Services LLC.

Aurora Loan Services LLC was awarded a Judgment on April 21, 2010, in the principal sum of \$148,789.24, plus outstanding interest on the balance through April 5, 2010, in the amount of \$22,591.45, plus late charges of \$1,065.50, plus recoverable/escrow balance in the amount of \$6,666.67, plus other fees of \$9.00, minus a suspense balance of \$356.05, plus attorneys fees in the sum of \$800.00 and costs through April 5, 2010 in the sum of \$947.13, with interest on the Judgment including late charges, property preservation fees, escrow advances, attorney's fees and costs of this suit at the rate of 7.79875% per annum from date of the entry of the Judgment until paid.

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

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unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Aurora Loan Services LLC 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 (1) month right of redemption.

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

By:
Faisal Sukhyani, Special Master
2222 Park West NW
Albuquerque, NM 87120
(505) 228-8484

Pub # 10595
Dates 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 2011

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

No. CV-2010-3259

**BAC HOME LOANS
SERVICING, LP, FKA
COUNTRYWIDE HOME
LOANS SERVICING, LP,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**SANDRA GAYTAN; and
FRANCISCO TERRAZAS,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 25, 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 6535 Phoenix St., Las Cruces, and is situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 7, Block A, INSPIRATION HEIGHTS, PHASE 1, in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on April 25, 2007, in Book 22 Page(s) 202-203 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 April 4, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$181,797.80 and the same bears interest at 6.625% per annum from March 16, 2011, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$2,342.83. 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.
PO Drawer 16169
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
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Pub # 10596
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 2011

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

No. CV-10-1958
Judge: Martin

**FIRST SAVINGS BANK,
a Banking Corporation,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**ROBERT A. REDDISH,
HELEN E. REDDISH, and
HR & B INVESTMENTS,
LLC, PHILIP J. MONTOYA,
Chapter 7 Trustee in the
Bankruptcy Proceeding
of Robert A. Reddish,
MANHEIM AUTOMOTIVE
FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.,
a Delaware Corporation;
CORONADO RIDGE
NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSOCIATION, INC., a
New Mexico Non-Profit
Corporation, AUTOMOTIVE
FINANCE CORPORATION;
ALBUQUERQUE AUTO
AUCTION, For Itself and
as an Agent; and DEALERS
SERVICES CORPORATION,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of a judgment and decree of foreclosure of a real estate mortgage issued out of the District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, on or about the 31st day of March, 2011 in the above-entitled cause, in which judgment the Plaintiff, First Savings Bank was awarded a judgment against the Defendants, Robert A. Reddish and Helen E. Reddish (as to Count I), in the principal amount of \$329,657.02, as of February 22, 2011, together with interest accrued to February 22, 2011 in the amount of \$17,874.73,

interest accruing after February 22, 2011 at the rate of 6.75% per annum, for a per diem of \$61.01 per day. Additionally, Plaintiff First Savings Bank was awarded a judgment against the Defendants Robert A. Reddish, Helen E. Reddish, and HR&B Investments, LLC (as to Count II), in the principal sum of \$913,158.46, as of February 22, 2011, together with accrued interest to February 22, 2011 in the amount of \$59,926.02, as well as interest accruing after February 22, 2011 at the rate of 8.75% per annum, for per diem interest of \$221.95 per day, together with all costs of this action in the amount of \$879.95 and attorneys fees in the amount of \$8,794.26, as set forth in said judgment, and by which decree I am, among other things, commanded to sell the land and improvements thereon described in the real estate mortgages, which real estate is more particularly described in the judgment in said cause and as hereinafter described.

The subject matter of the above action is a suit brought by the Plaintiff upon promissory notes from the Defendants Robert A. Reddish and Helen E. Reddish (as to Count I) and Robert A. Reddish, Helen E. Reddish and HR&B Investments, LLC (as to Count II), and for foreclosure of the mortgages and security interest given to secure said notes.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of May, 2011, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., at the front entrance of the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, I will, in obedience to said judgment and decree of foreclosure, sell first, the following-described real estate, to-wit:

Lot 92, Coronado Ridge, Phase 3, located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as 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 October 19, 2004 and recorded in Book 21 at Pages 13-16 of the plat records. The common street address of the property is 8152 Constitution Road, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

AND NEXT

Lot 1, Club West Subdivision No.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 October 4, 1994 in Book 18, Pages 131-132 of the plat records, and having a common street address of 855 S. Valley Drive, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, as well as all equipment, furniture and fixtures located therein.

Together with the hereditaments and appurtenances belonging to said real estate in any way pertaining to said premises, to satisfy the Plaintiff's judgment in the amount of \$347,531.75 (as to Count I); \$973,084.48 (as to Count II), together with interest thereon after February 22, 2011 to date of sale in the amount of \$24,051.60, attorneys fees and costs of \$9,674.21, and all costs of said sale.

Said sale shall be to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds; provided, however, that the Plaintiff First Savings Bank shall be entitled to bid all or any part of its judgment. Said sale shall also be without warranty

as to title, possession or quiet possession.

DATED this 15th day of April, 2011.

/s/
JOSEPH HOLMES,
Special Master

Pub # 10597
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 2011

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
IN THE PROBATE COURT**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF RICHARD
LESTER, Deceased.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative in care of Joseph M. Holmes, P.A., P.O. Box 366, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-0366, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

Dated: March 25, 2011

/s/ Tessie O. Lester
Personal Representative of the
Estate of Richard Lester,
Deceased

PREPARED & SUBMITTED
BY:
JOSEPH M. HOLMES, P.A.
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 366
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0366
(575) 524-0833
(575) 526-0960 (fax)
/s/ Joseph M. Holmes
Attorney for the Estate

Pub # 10598
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 2011

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

PB-2011-34
Judge James T. Martin

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF JOSEPHINE M.
FRANCO, DECEASED.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned

Personal Representative, in care of the Law Office of Jill V. Johnson Vigil, P.O. Box 16244, Las Cruces, NM 88004, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Suite A, Las Cruces, NM 88005.

Dated this 5th day of April, 2011.

/s/ Lawrence F. Franco
Personal Representative of the
Estate of Josephine M. Franco,

Deceased

PREPARED & SUBMITTED
BY:
LAW OFFICE OF JILL V.
JOHNSON VIGIL
/s/ Jill V. Johnson Vigil
P.O. Box 16244
Las Cruces, NM 88004
575.527.5405
575.527.1899 Fax
Attorney for Estate

Pub # 10599
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 2011

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE PROBATE COURT
DOÑA ANA COUNTY**

No. 11-0034

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF Ruthanna T.
Kennon, DECEASED.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 845 N. Motel Blvd. Rm 1-200, Las Cruces, NM 88007.

Dated: April 13, 2011

/s/ L.E. Kennon
Signature of personal representative

Gene (L.E.) Kennon
2050 Corley Dr.
Las Cruces, NM 88001
575-522-1163

Pub # 10600
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 2011

Pub # 10601
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 2011

Pub # 10602
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 1, 2011, Antonio H. and Genevieve Rubio, 311 W. San Miguel St., La Mesa, NM 88004, filed application numbered LRG-7341-POD 3 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by abandoning the use of old well LRG-7341 located on land owned by Frank W. Gorman, Jr. et al. within the SW1/4 SW1/4 NE1/4 of Section 23, T25S, R02E, NMPM and drilling proposed replacement well LRG-7341-POD 3 to an approximate depth of 100 feet and fitted with 4-inch casing located on property owned by the applicant within the SW1/4 SE1/4 NW1/4 of said Section 23 at approximately X = 1,497,289 Y = 407,425 ft. (N.M.S.P., Central, NAD83) for the continued diversion of that quantity of shallow groundwater required for beneficial use, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 1.9 acres of land owned by the applicant and located within Pt. W1/2 of said Section 23, also described as Tracts 78A TR4, 79A1 TR2 LT 1 and 2 as shown on Map 20A of the USRS/EBID. Proposed new well LRG-7341-POD 3 will be located at the applicant's residence at 311 W. San Miguel St. in La Mesa. Old well LRG-7341 will be retained for other rights.

Any person, firm or corporation, or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub # 10601
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 2011

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

No. D-307-CV-201100345

**WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,
Plaintiff,**

v.

**THE UNKNOWN HEIRS,
DEVISEES, OR LEGATEES OF
CONSEPCION A. MEDINA,
DECEASED; UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA
BY AND THROUGH
THE SECRETARY OF
HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT; THE
UNKNOWN SURVIVING
SPOUSE OF CONSEPCION
A. MEDINA, IF ANY,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant The Unknown Heirs, Devisees, or Legatees of Concepcion A. Medina, Deceased.

GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 1009 Nevada Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88001, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

DESCRIPTION OF A 0.149
ACRE TRACT

A tract of land situate in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, being the West 65 feet of Lots 12, 13, 14, & 15, Block 34, Grandview Subdivision, filed June 3, 1908, in Plat Book 3, Page 45, Doña Ana County records and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a ½" iron rod found on the North line of Nevada Avenue and the East line of a 16 foot wide alley for the Southwest corner of the tract herein described, being identical to the Southwest

corner of Lot 15, Block 34, Grandview Subdivision, filed June 3, 1908, in Plat Book 3, Page 45, Doña Ana County records;

Thence from the point of beginning and leaving the North line of Nevada Avenue and along the East line of said 16 foot wide alley, N. 14°00'00" W., 100.00 feet to a cross set for the Northwest corner of this tract being identical to the Northwest corner of Lot 12, Block 34, of said Grandview Subdivision;

Thence leaving the East line of said 16 foot wide alley, N. 76°00'00" E., 65.00 feet to a shiner found for the Northeast corner of this tract;

Thence S. 14°00'00" E., 100.00 feet to a ½" iron rod found on the North line of Nevada Avenue for the Southeast corner of this tract;

Thence along the North line of Nevada Avenue, S. 76°00'00" E., 65.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.149 acre of land, more or less. Subject to any easements and restrictions of record.

Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before 20 days after the last publication date, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted,
CASTLE STAWIARSKI, LLC
By: Steven J Lucero
Elizabeth Mason
Keya Koul
Steven J. Lucero
20 First Plaza NW, Suite 602
Albuquerque, NM 87102
Attorney for Plaintiff
(800) 286-0013;
(505) 848-9500

WITNESS the Honorable
MANUEL ARRIETA,
DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, of
the Third Judicial District of
New Mexico Judicial District
Court, Doña Ana County, New
Mexico, this 12th day of April,
2011.

James H. Dempsey
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT
COURT

By: Nancy A. Heavner
Deputy

11-0213 FC01

Pub # 10602
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 2011

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

No. PB-2011-35

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF DAVID B.
PADILLA, Deceased.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative, in care of the Bates Law Firm, PO Box 305, Las Cruces, NM 88004-0305, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Suite A,

Pub # 10604
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 8, 2011, Santiago Lerma, P.O. Box 1975, Mesilla Park, NM 88047 filed application numbered LRG-1506-POD4 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water

Las Cruces, NM 88005.

DATED: April 14, 2011.

/s/ Teresa Zullo
Personal Representative of
the Estate of David B. Padilla,
Deceased

PREPARED & SUBMITTED
BY:
BATES LAW FIRM
PO Box 305
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0305
(575) 524-8585
(575) 524-1895 (Fax)
/s/ Lloyd O. Bates Jr.
Attorney for the Estate

Pub # 10603
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 2011

LEGAL NOTICES

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Basin in Doña Ana County by abandoning use of well LRG-1506 located where X=1470946feet, Y=447219feet NMSP Coordinate System, Central Zone, NAD83, and by continuing the diversion of amount of water to be determined by the courts supplemental to the surface rights on record with the Elephant Butte Irrigation District (EBID) from a replacement well drilled to a depth of 100 feet and fitted with 4 inch casing and located where X=1496158feet, Y=427950feet NMSP Coordinate System Central Zone NAD83 on land owned by the applicant and the replacement well will not be drilled within 50 feet of a well of other ownership for the continued irrigation of 1.58acre(s) all of which is located within part SW1/4 of Section 35, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, NMPM located on map LRS-5 of the Lower Rio Grande Basin Hydrographic Survey adjudicated Subfile No. LRS-280050091. Proposed change location of well LRG-1506-POD3 can be found at 374 Stallion Road, Mesilla Park, NM 88047. The old well will be retained by other water right owners.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524 6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3.

Pub # 10605
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 2011

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

The City Council of The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Adoption of The Following Ordinances at a Regular City Council Meeting Held on April 18, 2011:

1. Council Bill No. 11-032; Ordinance No. 2612: An Ordinance Approving a Zone Change from HC (Holding-Conditional) to M-3C (Heavy Industrial-Conditional) and to Deviate 100% From the Parking Requirement for an 11-Foot On-Site Driving Aisle. Submitted by The City of Las Cruces, Property Owner. (Z2823)

2. Council Bill No. 11-033; Ordinance No. 2613: An Ordinance Approving a Zone Change >From R-1A/C-2 (Single-Family Medium Density/Commercial Medium Intensity) to C-2C (Commercial Medium Intensity-Conditional) for 0.68 + Acres of Land Located at 3350 Oak Street. The Zone Change Request Includes Two Variances: (1) A Numerical Reduction of 10-Feet to the Minimum Required 10-Foot Opaque Bufferyard; and (2) A Numerical Reduction of 5 Parking Stalls to the Minimum Required 32 Parking Stalls. Submitted by ASA Architects on Behalf of the Las Cruces Housing Authority, Property Owner. (Z2825)

Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk. Witness My Hand and Seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 19th day of April, 2011.

Esther Martinez, CMC
City Clerk

Pub # 10606
Dates 4/22, 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:
BID I0101936-P HOT MIX ASPHALT & ASPHALTIC PRODUCTS

Bid Opening Date:
05/03/2011

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 # 10607
Dates 4/22, 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:
I0102397-F Hospital Beds for NMSU Carlsbad

Bid Opening Date:
05/10/2011

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 # 10608
Dates 4/22, 2011

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Cause No. CV-2010-1736
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

FIRST LIGHT FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,

v.

RUSSELL WOOD AND VICTORIA ANN WOOD, husband and wife, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Special Master will, on May 24, 2011, at 10:00 a.m., in front of the main door of the Third Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico, New Mexico, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash at the time of the sale all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant in and to the following described real estate located in the above-named County and State:

Lot 1, Block 26, LAS COLINAS PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, PHASE VI-B, 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 14, 2000, in Book 19 Page(s) 393-395 of Plat Records

The address of the real estate is 5213 Cats Eye Road, Las Cruces, New Mexico. The sale will be made pursuant to the Default Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure, Order of Sale and Appointment of Special Master entered into April 12, 2011, in the above-entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by Plaintiff and where Plaintiff was granted judgment and has a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$143,551.32 plus interest from February 16, 2010 to the date of sale, plus additional costs and attorney's fees necessary to protect the real estate, together with costs of sale including a reasonable Special Master's fee. Plaintiff has the right to submit its respective bids verbally or in writing. Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its respective judgments to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

Notice is further given that the real property and improvements will be sold subject to any and all patent 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 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, this sale will be null and void. The successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and Plaintiff 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 any rights of redemption provided by applicable law.

DATED at Las Cruces, New Mexico, on April 20, 2011.

D. Lyle Wood, Special Master
P.O. Box 578
Las Cruces,
New Mexico 88004-0578
(575) 526-3336

Submitted by:
THE DARDEN LAW FIRM, P.A.
P.O. BOX 578
LAS CRUCES, NM 88004-0578
(575) 541-6655
(575) 524-2059 (FAX)

Pub # 10610
Dates 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 2011

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

No. D-307-CV-200900513

CITY NATIONAL BANK, a California Commercial Bank, Plaintiff,

v.

AMY KUO, AHN V. NGUYEN and CATHERINE NGUYEN, Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court has appointed me Special Master in this matter with the power to sell the following described real property in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico:

A tract of land situate within the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 12, T.23.S, R.1E, and Section 7, T.23S, R.2E, N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys, being part of U.S.R.S. Tracts 9B-58 (Old 9-27B1A1B) and U.S.R.S. Tract 9B-59 (Old No. 9-27B1A1A), and 9B-60 and being more particularly described as follows to wit:

Beginning at a ½" iron rod found at a ½" iron rod set at the intersection of the North line of Madrid Avenue with the West line of Las Cruces Lateral for the Southeast corner of the tract herein described; whence the southeast corner of U.S.R.S. Tract 9B-59 bears S.39°50'00"E., 6.61 feet;

Thence from the point of beginning and along the North line of Madrid Avenue, the following three courses and distances: S.71°22'14"W., 108.13 feet to a point of curvature;

Thence around the arc of a curve to the right having a radius of 973.50 feet, through a central angle of 2°02'02", with an arc length of 34.56 feet and whose long chord bears S.72°23'16"W., 34.55 feet to the point of tangency;

Thence S.73°24'16"W., 111.52 feet to a ½" iron rod set for the Southwest corner of this tract;

Thence leaving the North line of Madrid Street, N.16°12'19"W., 80.34 feet to a ½" iron rod found for a corner of this tract;

Thence S.73°31'08"W., 6.09 feet to a ½" iron rod found;

Thence N.15°39'00" W., 10.93 feet to a ½" iron rod found;

Thence N.72°59'23"E., 5.92 feet to a ½" iron rod found;

Thence partially along a chain-link fence, N.16°14'43"W., 114.48 feet to a ½" iron rod found;

Thence partially along a chain-link fence, N.73°10'29"E., 24.23 feet to a ½" iron rod found;

Thence partially along a chain-link fence, N.15°50'51"W., 69.44 feet to a ½" iron rod found;

Thence S.73°15'06"W., 90.13 feet to a ½" iron rod found;

Thence N.16°08'25"W., 52.18 feet to a ½" iron rod found for the Northwest corner of this tract;

Thence N.74°03'26"W., 86.43 feet to a shiner found;

Thence N.13°24'11"W., 107.28 feet to a ½" iron rod found on the West line of Las Cruces Lateral for the Northeast corner of this tract;

Thence along the Westerly line of Las Cruces Lateral the following three courses and distances: S.46°21'11"E., 182.00 feet to a ½" iron rod found;

Thence S.45°10'26"E., 181.51 feet to a ½" iron rod found;

Thence S.39°50'00"E., 121.42 feet to the point of beginning, containing 1.443 acres of land, more or less. Subject to any easements and restriction of record.

The street address of this property is 202 W. Madrid, Las Cruces, New Mexico (hereafter "Subject Property").

The Default Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure (hereafter "Judgment") was entered on March 7, 2011.

The sale is to begin at 11:00 a.m. on May 24, 2011, in front of the main door of the Third Judicial District Court, located at 201 W. Picacho, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico. The property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash, free and clear of all liens of the parties hereto and all persons claiming under and through the parties or any persons claiming an interest by an instrument filed for record after the date of Plaintiff's filing of the Notice of Lis Pendens in the records of Doña Ana County, New Mexico. Every bid made shall be deemed an irrevocable offer until the sale has been completed, and the sale is completed when confirmed by the court. In the event the purchaser fails to pay the purchase price at sale, or make satisfactory arrangements with the Special Master for such payment, the Special Master may accept the next highest bid or proceed with the sale of the Property to the highest bidder. The Special Master may postpone or continue the sale by public declaration at the time and place originally scheduled for such sale. No other notice of the postponed or continued sale need be given.

The purchaser of the Subject Property will take it subject to any unpaid property taxes, municipal charges, assessments, or liens not identified and foreclosed in this action. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at the sale all of its judgment amount or any portion thereof. The proceeds of the sale shall first be applied to pay the expenses of the sale, including special master's fee, then for any costs incurred for the maintenance and protection of the property, then to satisfy the Judgment in favor of Plaintiff, City National Bank.

As of March 7, 2011, the sum necessary to satisfy the judgment is as follows:

- The remaining principal balance \$576,136.91
 - Accrued interest as of November 1, 2010 \$214,050.87
 - Interest from November 2, 2010 to January 17, 2011 \$22,181.70
 - Appraisal and Inspection Fees \$6,234.69
 - Late fees \$12,197.77
 - Escrow Advances \$21,072.24
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- TOTAL \$849,602.66

Interest shall continue to accrue at the rate of \$288.07 per day thereafter until the judgment is satisfied. In addition, reasonable attorneys' fees and any additional costs of collection and suit (to include the cost of publication of this notice, recording fees, and special master fees) may be awarded by the Court and satisfied from the proceeds of the sale. Any additional proceeds remaining after the satisfaction of the above will be held in trust by the Special Master, paid into the Court Registry by the Special Master, or applied as determined by the Court.

John A. Darden, III, Esq.
The Darden Law Firm, PA
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Description	Number	Pre-Bid/Pre-Proposal Meeting	Opening
Architectural & Engineering Services	RFP 11-12-303	Non-mandatory April 27, 2011 / 1:30 p.m. 700 N. Main, Room 3138, Las Cruces	May 13, 2011 / 4:00 p.m.
Las Cruces Flood Control Dam Comprehensive Maintenance	RFP 10-11-487	None	May 24, 2011 / 4:00 p.m.

Please use this link to access all City of Las Cruces solicitations: <http://www.govbids.com/scripts/nm1/public/OpenBids/viewopentitles1.asp?agency=1757&AgencyName=City+of+Las+Cruces>

Sealed bids/proposals will be received by the City of Las Cruces Purchasing Department, at 700 N. Main, 3rd Floor, Room 3134.

Copies of bid documents and additional information/clarifications regarding solicitations may be obtained by contacting the City Purchasing Department by mail at P.O. Box 20000, Las Cruces, NM 88004; by phone at (575)-541-2525; by fax at (575)-541-2515, by email at bidclerk@las-cruces.org; or physical address at City Hall, 700 N. Main St, Room 3134, Las Cruces, NM 88001.

Pub # 10609
Dates 4/22, 2011

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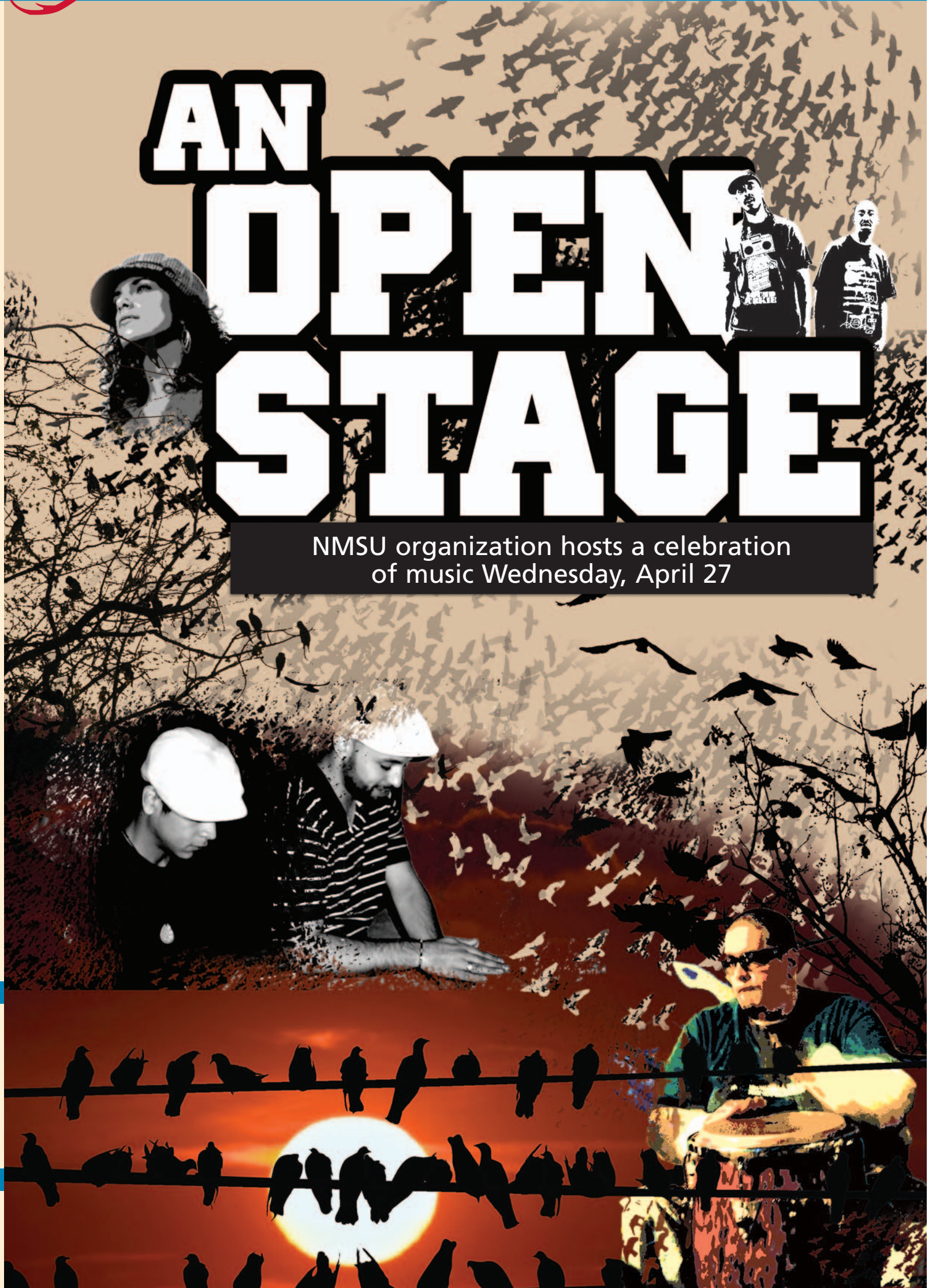
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All the world's an open stage

NMSU hosts a mix of local, international musical acts

By **David Edwards**
Las Cruces Bulletin

A small, dedicated group of New Mexico State University students known as Soul Verse has been working diligently to ready this year's Open Stage event Wednesday, April 27.

Open Stage is a "celebration of diversity within the arts and music" at the Corbett Center Outdoor Stage on the NMSU campus. The free show features local bands as well as three "imported" headline acts.

Soul Verse has been presenting Open Stage since April 2008, and it is an extension of the organization's open mic events known as Open Room.

"Open Room usually takes place in the Corbett Center auditorium," said Soul Verse member Chris Acosta. "But due to the remodeling, we haven't been able to have one this spring. We are actually having our first Open Room of the semester the night before (Tuesday, April 26) at the Aggie Underground across from Taos Cafeteria from 7 to 9 p.m."

According to William Welsh, Soul Verse president, the Open Rooms are "a mix of music, poetry, comedy, rants. People come and do readings and monologues. The community has been getting behind it and there's a lot of music, too."

Soul Verse is funded through the student senate of the Associated Students of NMSU and the Open Stage performers are paid through those funds.

"A lot of students who don't normally go to other NMSU events come to Open Stage," Welsh said. "The university sometimes has a problem getting students to do anything, but we can get students to come just because of the

atmosphere – it's free and the fact that it's different styles of music."

While two of this year's headliners would be considered hip-hop artists, Céu from São Paulo, Brazil, exhibits a wide variety of musical influences from Billie Holiday to Erykah Badu.

"We want to try to change the perception that this is just a hip-hop event," Acosta said. "We have a real variety of music at our events."

“ We can get students to come just because of the atmosphere ... ”

WILLIAM WELSH,
Soul Verse president

Several local bands are also on the bill and are examples of this musical diversity. Blaze the Nation is an extremely popular reggae band. Varsity Jukebox Junkies is a hip-hop group of which Welsh is a member. The third local band is Pan Ranchero that plays Latino rock.

The headlining acts come from far-flung origins.

Alkem is a hip-hop and rumba collective from Puerto Rico who performed at last year's Open Stage.

Oddisee from Washington, D.C., and Trek Life from Los Angeles are also returnees from

2010. The acclaimed underground hip-hop artists have toured Europe extensively and have participated in numerous festivals across the country such as SXSW in Austin, Texas. Last year, the song "So Supreme," written and performed by Trek Life and produced by Oddisee, was featured during ESPN Sportscenter highlights of the NBA and Stanley Cup Finals.

"Alkem, Oddisee and Trek Life have performed here before and they love the area and New Mexico," Welsh said. "They couldn't wait to come back."

Rising international artist Céu performs music with a wide variety of influences – from jazz and R&B to hip-hop and electronic with some Afro-beat, samba and bossa nova thrown in. Her self-titled 2007 album was the first international release on the Starbucks Hear Music Debut series, while her second album, 2009's "Vagarosa," debuted at No. 2 on the Billboard World Music charts.

This is Céu's first appearance at Open Stage.

Welsh is an agriculture major who is also a musician, DJ and visual artist. Acosta is a government major who got involved with Soul Verse because he is a writer and poet.

Open Room is open to anyone, not just NMSU students.

"Our group was founded on the basis of wanting to have fun and have open mics for everybody," Welsh said. "So that anybody could express themselves, not just somebody who majors in writing. Anyone who likes to write."

"We like to think of ourselves as the group that takes all the misfits. The misfits of poetry and music."

"It's like in 'Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer,'" Acosta added. "The Island of Misfit Toys."

This collective of dedicated "misfits" has worked hard to organize this event and they really want as many people as possible to take advantage of this diversion right before finals week or take a break from their jobs.

"We just want people to go out there and enjoy themselves and the music," Welsh said. "To me these guys (Alkem, Oddisee and Trek

Details

Open Stage 2011

When

Wednesday, April 27

4:30 to 5:10 p.m. – Pan Ranchero (rock en Español)

5:25 to 5:50 p.m. – Varsity Jukebox Junkies (hip-hop)

6:05 to 6:45 p.m. – Blaze the Nation 7 to 7:45 p.m. – Alkem

8 to 9 p.m. – Oddisee and Trek Life 9:30 to 10:30 p.m. – Céu

Where

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Featured artists: *Lucero, Bonar, Pineda*

Close encounters of the angel kind

Local artists tell true story of finding faith

By **David Edwards**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Ray Lucero never thought of himself as a writer.

He liked to tell stories and people seemed to enjoy them. But he found himself taking a leave from a stressful job and due to something extraordinary that happened to his photographer wife Sue Bonar, he felt compelled to tell a personal story – one that he dedicates to “all who struggle to find their own path.”

It seems there were a number of signposts directing Lucero, Bonar and Bonar’s photography studio partner and photo-shooting buddy Alia Pinedo.

A work-related accident sidelined Bonar for a period, leaving her with a concussion and severely restricted physically. She was never one to think about or give much credence to faith and spirituality. Bonar and Pinedo had been friends since taking a photography class at New Mexico State, but eventually Pinedo moved to Arizona with her two children to attend graduate school. The experience wasn’t a pleasant one, and she had what she described as a “mini nervous breakdown.”

After deciding to return to Las Cruces and with Bonar rehabilitated, the two again began going on photography expeditions together, eventually preparing for a big exhibition to be held in Bonar’s backyard.

It was during this show that a patron pointed out an image of Jesus in a photograph called “Flight,” on which the two had collaborated. A hand holding the body of a dead baby bird seems to show a profile of Christ holding a book with a light shining down upon him. Another photo of the sun during a rare Las Cruces snow storm had another image of Jesus – one that a small boy pointed out to them. The two photographers were stunned at how obvious the image was and how they hadn’t noticed before.

Another unusual phenomenon was the unexplained scent of roses that occasionally permeated the Lucero and Bonar home. But the most life-altering occurrence involved a chance trip on the Internet to the Tulane University website.

“A small ad on the site said something like ‘rediscovered Tiffany angels’ or something like that,” Bonar said. “I clicked on it just out of curiosity, but what I saw there just took my breath away. I felt for whatever reason I had to go and see them – and, of course, photograph them.”

The stained glass windows depicting seven angels described in the book of Revelation had been installed in an Ohio church around 1900. The church was demolished about 1964 to make way for a road. The windows – fortunately not destroyed and kept together as a group – went to a sister church in Pennsylvania. That church was torn down before the windows could be installed, and they ended up being stored in a barn until a new pastor uncrated them in 2001.

Bonar was able to get to the exhibit three days before it closed and even got permission to photograph them – not something that is usually done. But the pieces for her journey fell almost miraculously together. Her first experience with the windows in person left her in tears.

“Seeing them and the scriptures underneath each one,” she said, “seemed to answer all these questions.”

Bonar has created large images –

3-foot-by-11-foot – depicting the windows (the originals are 2-foot-by-8-foot) in order to try to give viewers the same feeling that she had upon seeing them for the first time. It has become her mission to give that experience to those who can’t see the windows for themselves.

Bonar’s photos and those of Pinedo have now become guided and given direction by these spiritual events, but not in a contrived or overt way.

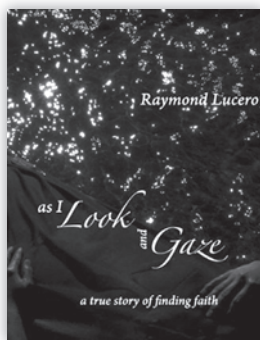
“We are now open to the possibility that the answers aren’t where you think they might be and there’s a lot of different ways of looking at things,” Pinedo said. “If we don’t close ourselves off, the answers can be right there. We’re definitely not trying to preach anything though.”

“I think I have answers to my own questions,” Bonar said. “But I wouldn’t

say I have answers to anybody else’s questions.”

Lucero has a new direction as well – his writing. In addition to telling the story of the events surrounding the angels, he has six more books in the works. One of his early stories concerned his acquisition of a cat named Guy – which he found in a gunny sack in a ditch. He has another about his experience with a bug called “The Smallest Thank You.” He also wants to tell the story about the trials and tribulations of one of their dogs, Panda. A fictional animal story is about a donkey called “Christmas Bags” and there is a humorous look at his work experiences titled “The Technician’s Nightmare.”

His writing has been a source of comfort, peace and satisfaction as well as gives him something to do and express his spiritual side. And he hopes that others will garner some of those benefits from his work.



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Fetch!	
LC Museum of Natural History	
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TV Turn Off Day	
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SUN. APRIL 24	230 P.M.
No Strings Theatre Co: The Spitfire Grill	
Black Box Theatre	
TUE. APRIL 26	10:30 A.M.
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Branigan Library	
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- 6 **S&M**
Rihanna featuring Britney Spears
- 7 **On the Floor**
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- 8 **Down On Me**
Jeremih featuring 50 Cent
- 9 **Till the World Ends**
Britney Spears
- 10 **Look At Me Now**
Chris Brown featuring Lil Wayne and Busta Rhymes

Top 5 albums

- 1 **21**
Adele
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- 3 **The Fall**
Gorillaz
- 4 **Sigh No More**
Mumford & Sons
- 5 **21**
Adele

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Featured group: *Mesilla Valley Jazz & Blues Society*

Sharing a passion

Jazz and blues society promotes local musicians

By **Natisha Hales**
Las Cruces Bulletin

From big band-style swing to Latin, Afro-Cuban and Brazilian varieties, the sounds of American-born jazz and blues are a passion members of the Mesilla Valley Jazz & Blues Society want to share with the rest of the community.

Now wrapping up its fifth year of existence, the society started with the idea that jazz and blues needed to be promoted more throughout the community, said founding member James Helder, who now serves as the society's president.

"There was not a great support in the community, but now, since we started, you'll find jazz in restaurants at (St. Clair's Winery & Bistro), De La Vega's, Meson (de Mesilla), Lorenzo's (de Mesilla)," Helder said. "I like to think the society had something to do with that, and people have noticed the talent we have in Las Cruces."

Local talent often performs at meetings of the society, which are held the third Sunday of each month at First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road.

"We take care of business during the board meetings," Helder said. "At these meetings we feature the music."

It's the music that has lured the current 125 members of the society to each meeting. And the music is what has become a lifelong passion for Helder, who grew up around the music, since his father was a jazz pianist. At the age of 13, he started his own collection.

"I'd come home each day, and I would just listen, listen, listen," he said.

Influenced by the sounds of musicians such as Lee Konitz, Dave Brubeck and Paul Desmond, Helder studied music at the University of Arizona and played the saxophone. While he lived in Germany, it was Konitz who greatly influenced his passion.

"I got to talk to him, and I went to every concert in a reachable area," he said.

Helder served as chairman of theory and composition as well as director of jazz studies for Pepperdine University. When he returned

to New Mexico to be closer to his parents, who lived in Deming, he became orchestra director for Las Cruces Public Schools.

When he returned to the area, he said he realized the need to promote jazz and blues as well as local artists.

"We're trying to encourage young performers and seasoned performers," Helder said.

No matter the level of skill, each performer is working to meet the same goal, he said.

"As a jazz musician, you are never finished. The art of jazz is the art of improvisation," he said. "It demands skills. People like B.B. King, they're the people we're trying to reach. That's the pinnacle, but you're satisfied if you make an improvement."

Not only does the Mesilla Valley Jazz & Blues Society help artists strive to reach their goals, they also help organize events in the community to promote music outside of their organization.

The organization co-sponsors the Mesilla Jazz Happening, held the first weekend in October on the Mesilla Plaza, and the first-ever Jam Session Las Cruces held earlier this year.

"The Jam Session was amazing," Helder said. "The last show just lifted everybody off their seats. I don't think anyone walked out of here on their feet. They just floated out of there."

The society also has established a

Details

Mesilla Valley Jazz & Blues Society

When
6:30 p.m. third Sunday of each month

Where
First Christian Church
1809 El Paseo Road

Cost
\$5-\$8

Contact
373-2188

scholarship fund designed to support developing young musicians who are active performing jazz and blues and want to study music further.

To join the society, dues are \$25 for individuals and \$30 for families. Concerts are open to all members of the community. Admission is \$8 for nonmembers and \$5 for members.

"That's the way we can support our artists," Helder said. "It's out way of giving back to the musicians who give us the wonderful music."

Call to Artists

LAST CHANCE

WEST SIDE STORY

El Paso Opera is seeking dancers who sing for its upcoming production of "West Side Story." The organization needs spirited performers who appear to be age 16 to 35, of any race or sex and want the opportunity to work with a top New York City choreographer to audition from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 22 and 23, at the Champion Studio, 12410 Montwood in El Paso.

Rehearsal and performance dates will be Sept. 19-Oct. 9. The production will be staged at the Plaza Theatre

in Downtown El Paso. Those auditioning are asked to bring a headshot and bio, as well as appropriate footwear. Street shoes will not be allowed in the audition space. Cast members will be paid and contracts will be issued; performers must have their schedules available. For more information, call the opera at 915-581-5534 or email info@EPOpera.org.

CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION

The deadline for the Congressional Art Competition has been extended to Monday, April 25.

Congressman Steve Pearce invites high school students from New Mexico's Second

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ONGOING

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The Mesilla Valley Film Society will be conducting its second short film contest. This contest will have two subjects to use for filmmakers – they must either interview a Mesilla Valley Film Society volunteer to find out why he or she volunteers or make a

film that trumpets the benefits of membership to the Mesilla Valley Film Society.

Films must be less than three minutes long with acceptable content for all audiences and show at least one visit by you to the theater. The deadline for films is 7 p.m. Saturday, April 30, and films must be submitted on standard DVD. For more information, call 524-8287.

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Presbyterian Healthcare and Distinctive Art Source would like to invite participants in a call to artists for the new Rio Rancho Medical Center in Rio Rancho, N.M., opening fall 2011. Artwork selected by Presbyterian Healthcare art committee will be purchased and installed prior to opening for permanent display in the new Rio Rancho Medical Center. For more information, call Jen Lundeen at 703-956-1946.

'CRITTERS' JURIED SHOW

Artists are requested to submit for the fifth annual juried all media exhibition to be held Sept. 28-Oct. 1 at the Tombaugh Gallery of the Unitarian Universalist Church, 2000 S. Solano Drive.

Artists are asked to create

critters, real or imaginary, incorporating found objects. Part of the gallery commission will be donated to the Spay and Neuter Action Program.

The show is open to regional artists 18 years old or older living within a 250-mile radius of Las Cruces. Work must have been completed within the last two years, must be for sale and not have been exhibited in any show or gallery in Las Cruces.

Accepted media are original paintings in any medium, graphics, pastels, fiber arts, photography, computer assisted art (no giclées of work in another medium), collage, mixed media, sculpture, clay, glass and jewelry. There is a \$20 submission fee for up to two submissions per person.

For a full prospectus and entry form send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: "Critters," Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces, 2000 S. Solano, Las Cruces, NM 88001 or visit www.uuchurchlc.org and download a form. The deadline for completed entries is Friday, July 15.

Winners will be awarded cash prizes of \$100, \$50 and \$25. There will also be a certificate given for the people's choice award to be chosen by ballot. For more information, call 522-7281.

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LAST CHANCE

LAS CRUCES MUSEUM OF ART showcases the artistic talents of Las Cruces high school seniors during the annual "All-City High School Seniors' Exhibition."

Running through Saturday, April 23, the show includes artwork by students graduating from Alma d'arte Charter, Las Cruces, Mayfield, Oñate and San Andres high schools and was judged by local artists Janice Cook and Jeannie Rundell.

The museum is located at 491 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 541-2137.

ONGOING

NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY ART GALLERY announces "The Cheated Eye," the 2011 Master of Fine Arts show. Works are in a wide variety of media by graduate students in the NMSU studio art program. The exhibition showcases artwork from Brad Adams, Bethany Carlson, Kyle Coffin, James C.

Gamble, Rebecca Muñoz and Natalia Rodriguez.

The gallery is located at 1390 E. University Ave. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 646-2545.

NEW MEXICO FARM & RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM features "Bonnie Mandoe: Gifts of the Rio Grande" in the museum's Arts Corridor. Admission to the reception is free. The exhibit will be on display through July 31.

The museum is located at 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens and \$2 for children 5 to 17. Call 522-4100.

NOPALITO'S GALERÍA shows "Wind Effects" through Saturday, May 7. The gallery is located at 326 S. Mesquite St. Hours are 1 to 3 p.m. Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday. Call 524-0003.

LOS ARTESANOS GALERÍA displays "Earthscapes: Painting in Oil," an exhibit of oil paintings by

two award-winning Mesilla Valley artists. The many faces of Mother Nature are captured in the beautiful and diverse paintings of Alice Terry and Mark Ploss. The exhibit runs throughout the month of April.

Los Artesanos Galería is located in the Old Tortilla Factory at 1910 Calle de Parian. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Call 526-1144.

LE RENDEZ-VOUS CAFÉ displays "Song Interrupted" by June M. Decker and "Sing in Spring," paintings by the Ten O'Clock Club, through April. The café is located at 2701 W. Picacho Ave. Hours are 7 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Call 527-0098.

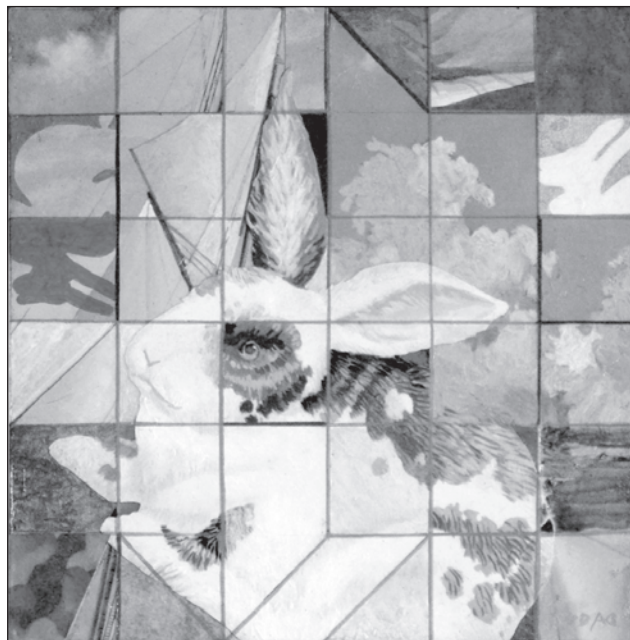
MAIN STREET GALLERY hosts a four-month exhibit headlined by Fred Chilton. Chilton is the recipient of numerous awards, including four from "Watercolor Magic." Also displaying works at the gallery are Linda Gendall, Marie Siegrist, Mel Clarkston, Kelley Hestir and Tomi LaPierre. The gallery is located at 311 N. Main St. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Call 647-0508.

UNSETTLED GALLERY features "Shelter from the Storm," the work of Las Cruces artist Raul Dorn. Unsettled Gallery is located at 905 N. Mesquite St. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday or by appointment. Call 635-2285.

QUILLIN STUDIO AND GALLERY presents the photographs of Jay Foster Savage during April. Savage is a local photographer who has always been fascinated with the Organ Mountains. The gallery is located at 317 N. Main St. Call 312-1064.

MVS STUDIOS features "Bijou" during April. The exhibit consists of a display of intimately sized artwork by five local woman artists and members of the Praxis Collective, Tauna Cole, Jenni Higginbotham, Jacklyn St. Aubyn, Isadora Stowe and Jean Wilkey. The gallery is located at 535 N. Main St. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Call 635-5015.

RIO GRANDE THEATRE GALLERIES invite the public to take a walk down memory lane during April, when the Doña Ana Arts Council will rededicate the North Gallery of the Rio Grande Theatre in honor of the families who donated the building to the organization – the Clutes and Muggenburgs. In honor of this dedication, both galleries will feature historical imagery illustrating Downtown Las Cruces and the Rio Grande Theatre over the years, along with memorabilia from the



"Rabbit Sails the Blue Skies" by Roy van der Aa is part of the "Time/Space Squared" exhibit at the Tombaugh Gallery, 2000 S. Solano Drive.

theater's long and illustrious reign Downtown. The Rio Grande Theatre galleries are located in the lobby of the historic Rio Grande Theatre at 211 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 523-6403.

THE BRANIGAN CULTURAL CENTER displays "Knock on Wood," which gives new life to the Chinese pistache trees that formerly lined the Downtown Mall and were removed as part of the second phase of Main Street construction. Artist Flo Hosa Dougherty worked with the City of Las Cruces to obtain the wood and distributed it for the purpose of art.

Also at the center is the Las Cruces Arts Association's "49th Members Show," featuring media ranging from drawing to photography to painting. Since its inception, individual members have formed other local arts organizations; their work has been displayed in local and regional exhibitions, as well in galleries throughout the state and the Southwest.

Gordon Taylor's "Enchanted" is also on display at the Branigan. Taylor, who lives in Columbus, N.M., exhibits 19 digitally enhanced photographs of the New Mexico landscape.

The Branigan Cultural Center is located at 501 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 541-2154.

TOMBAUGH GALLERY shows "Time/Space Squared," featuring steel sculptor John Northcutt and multimedia collage artist Roy van der Aa. Both artists work with minimal geometric images in a fashion that invites viewer participation. The gallery is located at 2000 S. Solano Drive in the Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday through Friday. Call 522-7281.

MESILLA VALLEY FINE ARTS GALLERY features local artists Sally Quillin and Ruth Ann Sugarman during the month of April. The gallery is located 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.

NOPALITO'S GALERÍA hosts "Wind Effects," an exhibit of the Las Cruces Art Association, through May 7. The gallery is located at 326 S. Mesquite St. Hours are 1 to 3 p.m. Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday. Email nopalitosgaleria@hotmail.com.

NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY BRANSON HALL LIBRARY showcases an exhibit celebrating the centenary and works of Cuban author José Lezama Lima (1910-76), as well as other writers affiliated with the Grupo Origenes, including Cintio Vitier and Eliseo Diego. The free public exhibit, located in the lobby of Branson Library, runs through Sunday, May 15.

The library is located on Frenger Mall on the NMSU campus. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, noon to 6 p.m. Saturday and noon to 10 p.m. Sunday. Call 646-6931.

LAS CRUCES PUBLIC SCHOOLS' annual High School Art Show, which includes works of art by students Las Cruces, Mayfield, Oñate and San Andres high schools, continues through Friday, April 29. The gallery is located in the lobby of the LCPS Administration Building in the Loretto Towne Centre, 505 S. Main St., Suite 249. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Email mreynold@lcps.k12.nm.us.

PRESTON CONTEMPORARY ART CENTER hosts its second exhibition for 2011. Featured are works by Kevin Box, metal sculpture; Craig Dongoski, drawing; Fran Hardy, painting; and Suzanne Kane, ceramic sculpture. The works will be exhibited through Saturday, June 25. The gallery is at 1755 Avenida de Mercado. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and by appointment. Call 523-8713.

DOÑA ANA COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER

is hosting a new student art show with more than 50 pieces of original student artwork from the Las Cruces Public Schools installed in the first-floor corridors. The exhibit includes paintings, etchings and drawings. The artists range from elementary students to high schoolers. The Doña Ana County Government Center is located at 845 N. Motel Blvd. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

LAS CRUCES MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY will host "Disease Detectives" through Sunday, June 5. "Disease Detectives" is an interactive exhibit that explores infectious diseases. Visitors can study three cases of illnesses represented by mannequins. They can learn how to examine each patient by taking temperatures, listening to hearts, lungs and other internal organs, and assessing symptoms in order to determine what's making them sick. Then, visitors can analyze test results and try to trace the origins of the microbes at the root of their patients' illnesses.

The Las Cruces Museum of Natural History is next to JC Penney inside Mesilla Valley Mall. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call 522-3120.

UNIVERSITY MUSEUM hosts "Masked Traditions of Venetian Carnival." This exhibit explores the vibrantly colorful tradition of "il Carnevale di Venezia" through display of costumes, masks and photographs. A major part of the festival of carnival has traditionally been masquerade, which provides a way for ordinary people to adopt an extraordinary personality or character. Many of the masks in this exhibit were commissioned from Venetian mascherari (mask-makers) by costume designer Shawn Dudley Reeves for use on popular soap operas, such as "The Guiding Light" and "As the World Turns." The museum is at 1280 E. University Ave. Hours are noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 646-5161.

THE CUTTER GALLERY hosts "The Bridge to Tir na nog" by Rosemary McLoughlin. The exhibit is a tribute to her brother Bill, who has recently died of cancer. Tir na nog is the land of eternal youth and her show is a reminder of her brother's wonderful spirit. McLoughlin is well known for her whimsical paintings with cats, family and friends flying around her work in a dream like way. Settings for her work are both magical and based on real life with references from Brooklyn, Europe and Mesilla predominant in her work. The gallery is at 2640 El Paseo Road. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Call 541-0658.

Coming Soon

Works of Meredith Loring

Opens Sunday, May 1
Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery
2470-A Calle de Guadalupe
Call 522-2933

Works of Mildred Grossman

Opens Thursday, May 5
Mesquite Art Gallery
340 N. Mesquite St.
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Works of Diane LeMarbe and Shirley Baker-Little

Opens Friday, May 6
Rio Grande Theatre galleries
211 N. Main St.
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NMWS-SC Spring Members' Show

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Branigan Cultural Center
501 N. Main St.
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Cinco de Mayo, a Celebration of Culture

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Nopalito's Galería
326 S. Mesquite St.
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Members' Show

Opens Sunday, May 8
Tombaugh Gallery
2000 S. Solano Drive
Call 522-7281

International Photography Exhibition and May 2011 Exhibition

Opens Friday, May 13
Preston Contemporary Art Center
1755 Calle de Mercado
Call 523-8713

EventsCalendar

FRI. 4/22

10 a.m. Friday Morning Storytime with Pancake Pig, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Free. Call 522-4499.

SAT. 4/23

8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market, Downtown Mall, along Main Street. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh produce, unique fine art and much more. Free. Email fcmarket@las-cruces.org.

10:30 a.m. Storytellers of Las Cruces, COAS Bookstores, 317 N. Main St. and 1101 S. Solano Drive. Dorothy Ormes will be the storytellers at the Downtown location, and Jean Gilbert will be the storyteller at the Solano COAS store. COAS will give coupons for free books to all children who attend. Free. Call 526-8377.

11:30 a.m. to noon, Magic Carpet StoryTime, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Free. Call 541-2154.

1 p.m. Alameda-Depot Historic District walking tour, St. Genevieve's Church monument, Downtown Main Street. Cost \$10-\$15. Call 528-9112.

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.

6:30 to 9:30 p.m. La Cella Bella cello quartet, St. Clair Winery & Bistro, 1800 Avenida de Mesilla. No cover.

7 to 9 p.m. Social Dancers of Las Cruces, Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Dance to the music of the Neal McCowan Band. Cost \$6. Call 522-5637.

7 to 10 p.m. Live classic country music by The Spur Ride Band, Cattleman's Steakhouse, 3375 Bataan Memorial West. Cost \$5. Call 649-6175.

SUN. 4/24

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday Growers Market, Mountain View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road. Featuring local vendors. Free. Call 523-0436.

MON. 4/25

10 a.m. Yarn Junkies meeting, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Meet to exchange knitting ideas. Free. Call 522-4499.

1:30 p.m. Bingo, Las Cruces Event Center, 522 E. Idaho Ave. Doors open one hour before the games begin, with early-bird sessions beginning before the regular games start. There is a snack bar available. Cost \$10. Call 680-6515.

6 to 7:30 p.m. "The Great Conversation" with Randy Harris, Mountain View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road, Suite M. Free. Call 523-0436.

TUE. 4/26

10 to 11 a.m. Storybook Cooks with Amber Gonzales, Mountain View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road, Suite M. Kids ages 3 to 5 develop social skills, literacy appreciation, imagination and practice healthy eating habits. Cost \$70-\$85 for six-week series. Call 505-550-5319.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. "Buy Local" small business fair, Las Cruces Event Center, 522 E. Idaho Ave. Thirty vendors that have 10 or fewer employees will showcase their products and services. Free. Call 680-6515.

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 p.m. Doña Ana Camera Club workshop session, Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. The club will address various photography issues brought by members and guests of the club. Free. Call 532-1919.

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.

WED. 4/27

4 p.m. Lecture on Zapatista movement in Chiapas, Mexico, Nason House, 1200 E. University Ave. Free. Call 646-6814.

THU. 4/28

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10 a.m. Nook Day Class, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Nook owners can learn about features and ask questions about their electronic readers. Free. Call 522-4499.

6 p.m. "The Promise: The Making of Darkness on the Edge of Town" screening, Cineport 10, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Proceeds of the film will benefit First Step Center and feature cocktails, appetizers, raffles and karaoke. Cost \$15.

6 to 7:30 p.m. Emotional Freedom Technique presentation, Mountain View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road, Suite M. Free. Call 523-0436.

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.

7 p.m. "Annie," New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Mesilla Valley Christian Schools students will present the Broadway musical. Cost \$10. Call 621-2681.

8 p.m. Metales M5 concert, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Part of the NMSU Cultural Series. Cost \$10-\$15. Call 646-1420.

FRI. 4/29

10 a.m. Springtime Storytime, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Free. Call 522-4499.

6 to 9 p.m. "Day of Dance," Court Youth Center, 402 W. Court Ave. Students and professional teachers will perform a variety of styles. Cost \$5-\$10. Call 523-0664.

7 p.m. NOOK class, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Learn features and ask questions about the electronic reader. Free. Call 522-4499.

Art in Las Cruces



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by Samantha Roberts
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7:30 p.m. NMSU Choirs concert, Atkinson Recital Hall, New Mexico State University campus. The choir will present "The Mass in C Minor" by Mozart. Cost \$5-\$20. Call 646-2067.

8 p.m. "S.P.A.R.," Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. Las Montañas Charter High School Theater Club will present the

one-act play. Cost \$4-\$6. Call 523-1223.

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AtTheMovies

Fountain hosts Oscar-nominated shorts

Topics range from dark tales to light comedies

Review by **Jeff Berg**
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

This year's compilation of Oscar-nominated short films includes five live-action pieces and five animated pieces. Although the documentary shorts were available this year for the first time, they will not be screened at the Fountain Theatre.

All in all, I was disappointed in some of these pieces, too many of which, again, relied heavily on violence or dark themes. Several others were old themes reworked for the umpteenth time – but nonetheless, on with the show.

Live action

"The Confession" – From the United Kingdom, this dark tale is one that tells the story of two young school boys whose childhood pranks get out of hand. It starts very light, but ends up deadly (pun intended) serious, but has too many loose ends.

"God of Love" – A U.S. production with light comedy injected, wherein a nerdy-looking guy discovers a set of "magic darts," which, when thrown at the right one, allows that person to fall in love with whomever is nearest to them at the moment, but only for six hours. It won the Oscar, but shouldn't have.

"The Crush" – In this short from Ireland, a schoolboy, whose 10-year life plan includes marrying his teacher, takes on her abusive beau, whom he feels is not fit for her. Gives the term "hot for teacher" a whole new meaning. It's dark, but not bad.

"Na Wewe" – No, not the search for a rest area on the Interstate, but rather a powerful tale of a roadblock in an unnamed African country where a car full of people of different ethnic backgrounds and tribal affiliations must convince the local militia that they are of the "right" ethnic origin. Shot in black and white, this is a superbly done piece with a potent message from a brace of Belgian filmmakers.

"Wish 143" – Another from the U.K., this dark comedy is about a dying young man who contacts the Make-A-Wish Foundation to request his unique wish – to lose his virginity before he passes on. Not as easy as it may sound, of course.



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Animated

"Let's Pollute!" – This scathing U.S. production satirizes our "lifestyle" of over-consumption, lack of conscious thought and rampant stupidity. My favorite of the bunch.

"Day and Night" – The short features two Al Capp-type creations that intermingle happily on the screen for several minutes. This U.S. production is forgettable and boring.

"The Gruffalo" – In this "nothing new here" short film, a little mouse wanders through the forest, encountering any variety of critters who want to have him for lunch. Each time, he talks his way off the dinner table by spinning an ever-increasing false yarn about a "gruffalo," a beast that will surely avenge his death. Does he know for sure if a gruffalo exists? You can probably guess this yourself as you watch this cute, fairy tale-style U.K.-Germany production.

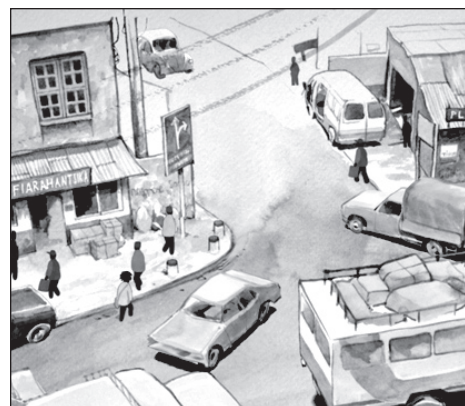
"The Lost Thing" – Certainly one of the better films, this work from filmmakers in the U.K. and Australia follows the adventure of a man who tries to return

a "lost thing" to where it belongs. No one quite knows what "it" is, in this world of other things that exist in a wonderful imagination, but the "lost thing" is loving and naïve, as is the man who helps it on its journey. It's an Oscar winner.

"Madagascar: A Journey Diary" – In this lushly illustrated French piece, made by a video-game designer, we travel with him as he travels the length and width of Madagascar. Presented in a sort of scrap book style with little dialogue but marvelous visuals and regional music, this is by far the best short film of the entire screening.

You won't leave the theater unentertained, but I couldn't help wondering about what was in the academy's "reject" pile. I wish they'd ask me to be a judge sometimes. Do note – this presentation will run nearly three hours, and there will be a brief intermission between film sets. Most are OK for all ages, although several have very dark content that only adults should enjoy.

Jeff Berg, jeffberg@lascrucesbulletin.com, is short on common sense. Please send me some of yours!



The illustrated French piece **"Madagascar: A Journey Diary"** takes the audience around the African island through the eyes of a video-game maker.

Can a terminally ill boy get his wish of losing his virginity fulfilled by the Make-A-Wish Foundation? Find out in **"Wish 143."**

Earth Day observed

Film society hosts special screenings

The CineMatinee for Saturday, April 23, is an Earth Day double feature sponsored by Mountain View Market, Wild Birds Unlimited, Southwest Environmental Center and the Mesilla Valley Audubon Society.

"The Legend of Pale Male" (2010, 85 minutes, not rated) takes place in the early '90s, when a red-tailed hawk, a common sight in New Mexico but a rare one in New York, builds a nest on the ledge of a building on Fifth Avenue in Manhattan. While hawks were hardly common in New York City, the bird became a frequent sight in Central Park, and a man from Belgium, who had recently arrived in the city, became fascinated with the hawk.

The filmmaker started following the hawk (nicknamed Pale Male for its gender and light coloring) and captured its movements with a video camera as the bird took on a certain celebrity status in New York.

For the better part of two decades, the novice filmmaker documented the hawk's habits as it found a mate and sired dozens of children, but Pale Male became a cause célèbre in 2004 when the tenants of the building where his nest was located declared their intention to remove it, as many New Yorkers stood up in defense of the bird. Filmmaker Frederic Lilien shares the story of one unusual bird and his human benefactors, including Woody Allen and Mary Tyler Moore, in this unique and moving documentary.

"The Legend of Pale Male" will be followed by **"Facing the Storm: The Story of the American Bison"** (2010, 78 minutes, not rated, but sensitive viewers should note that there are graphic scenes of violence to animals). **"Facing the Storm,"** by Emmy award-winning filmmaker Doug Hawes-Davis, is both a historical documentary and a wildlife film about the plight of bison.

"Facing the Storm" may be the most comprehensively concise examination of how and why the U.S. managed to eradicate nearly 30 million animals from the Great Plains in less than 50 years, and what's being done today to ensure the survival of the wild herds. It's a crisp 78-minute film with little wasted space.

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" – notable films that never had a lot of publicity.

The series is designed to show area residents that film is a form of art and education as well as entertainment! At least one film a month for this series has a New Mexico connection, drawing from the vast pool of movies made in the state or perhaps featuring a star/story from New Mexico talent.

Unless otherwise noted, screening time is 1:30 p.m., and admission is \$4 for everyone except film society members who are admitted for \$1. The theater is located one-half block south of the Mesilla Plaza. For more information, call 524-8287 and leave a message.

Theater

'An Inspector Calls' on the right people

Cast, production team put on convincing show

Review by **Natisha Hales**

Las Cruces Bulletin

When it comes to our actions and how others will perceive – or perhaps judge – them, does it make it any better or worse if we do our deeds behind closed doors? If no one ever catches wind of them?

In J.B. Priestley's play, "An Inspector Calls," the playwright asks the audiences these very questions – and of course leaves the audiences to answer those questions themselves – during the American Southwest Theatre Company's performance at New Mexico State University's Hershel Zohn Theatre.

Set in Brumley, England, in spring 1912, the well-to-do Birling family is celebrating the recent engagement of their daughter to the heir of another wealthy family.

Their celebration is soon brought to despair after an inspector calls – Inspector Goole – with news of a woman who died at the infirmary. The woman, Eva Smith, has a direct connection to each party guest, and the inspector is determined to make them admit their actions.

Of course, the family is in social graces in the community, but the deeper they are interrogated, the more secrets come out, until they ultimately are made to feel they have some

reason to feel guilty for her death. Each person admits to doing something considered awful in the public eye, yet each also makes sure to justify their actions or make them seem less harrowing than the others'.

The actors cast in the ASTC production, directed by Michael Wise, truly made the roles their own, even down to the British accents. David Edwards plays Arthur Birling, the patriarch of the family, who makes sure to announce he is a man of stature and has extensive – exhaustive to his children – wisdom for the young ones. The role of Mr. Birling could be potentially awkward, but Edwards was a perfect fit.

Claudia Billings, who has taught with the NMSU Theatre Arts program, showcases her talent as Sybil Birling, who, although she seems like the naive mother who is oblivious to the goings-on in the family, used her influence to protect the family name.

Valerie Cadena, a junior in the NMSU theater program, nails the accent and is absolutely convincing as Sheila Birling, the carefree young woman who, when she discovers the wrongdoings of the family, is distraught.

Austin Dennis, a sophomore theater arts major, is Gerald Croft, Sheila's new fiancé. Despite his young age, he has similar thinking to Mr. and Mrs. Birling and convinces himself

and the others that his actions weren't really all that bad.

The role of Inspector Goole, I can imagine, is what really grabs the audience, and Ken C. Peterson, a veteran actor in ASTC productions, does a fine job. His dark demeanor and biting wit provide much-needed comic relief for this dark tale. Even as the Birlings are bickering over something, the audience is drawn to Inspector Goole's quirkiness as he examines sugar cubes and wine glasses a little too closely. He is unfazed by the Birlings' actions and feels no remorse for them, only for Eva Smith.

Omar Freitekh, a junior majoring in visual effects at NMSU's Creative Media Institute, plays Eric Birling, a typical young man who teases his sister and seems bored with the family antics. When his secrets surface, Eric's care-free attitude has gotten the family into a lot of trouble – a "public scandal" even.

Even with terrific acting, their performances cannot be convincing without the right costumes, set, lighting or sound. The set, the dining room of the Birlings' home, is exactly how I would picture a home in the early 20th century, and the costumes – from the hairstyles and jewels to the tailcoats – are perfect. It is raining the entire time, and the lightning strikes at just the right moment – when someone is about to reveal a juicy detail. Perfectly timed eerie lighting and music just add to the suspense.

When all the components work together, it helps Priestley convey his ultimate reason for having a single set in comfortable surroundings, as mentioned in the playbill.

"... Having carefully put us all in a sensible and conventional sitting-room, I could then begin playing my own particular tricks, edging away from conventional realism ...," he wrote.

It is these tricks that have the audience wondering who really is the inspector and how far would we go to justify our actions and save face?

"An Inspector Calls" runs through Sunday, May 1, at the Hershel Zohn Theatre on the NMSU campus. Tickets are \$10 to \$15. Call 646-4515 for more information.

Playbill

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Give up, it's an addiction

No need for rehab when you get a fix of Cha Chi's

Review by **David Edwards**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Text message from girlfriend dated April 11, 4:52 p.m.: "I am at chacic getting food I am an addict home soon."

I have read enough of her text messages to know that translated from Cindy-speak, "chacic" meant "Cha Chi's." It wasn't hard to figure out. She loves, loves, loves Cha Chi's and I certainly can't blame her. It's a great place to eat or get takeout from (which we do a lot) or – and I didn't know this until just the other day – get delivery. How great is that?

The Brothers Montoya – Lou and Gabe – have created a little Mexican food empire on Locust Street about a block from New Mexico State University. Since October 2003, they have been feeding the addictions of chile junkies – and not just college students and NMSU English teachers, either.

They both grew up in the restaurant business, related by marriage to the Perez family of Dick's Café and Chilito's fame. Gabe Montoya started out washing dishes and eventually moved up to serving and managing both of those well-established local restaurants. Lou Montoya focused his energies on the cooking side of things. That is the established formula even today – Gabe in the front and Lou Montoya in the kitchen.

They took over an already furnished restaurant to start Cha Chi's – one of Gabe Montoya's nicknames that they thought sounded catchy – and then expanded three years later, adding more tables and another kitchen. This also enabled them to expand the menu as well.

"We thought about what we could do



Las Cruces Bulletin photo by David Edwards
Brothers Lou and Gabe Montoya have been feeding Mexican food habits at Cha Chi's since 2003.

to make ourselves stand out from other restaurants," Gabe Montoya said. "So we added steaks and then decided to start doing delivery. That has done very well for us and now one of our kitchens is devoted just to takeout and delivery."

A beer and wine license allowed them to create another distinctive touch – the Monster Margarita. The wine-based drinks are very popular and – I can attest from firsthand experience – powerful. The perfect complement (although a dark Mexican beer ain't bad either) to any of Cha Chi's dishes.

I recently had all this reinforced by a three-day Cha Chi's bender. The first day, lunch buddy Jack and I dined outside on steak fajitas (him) and brisket tacos (me). Jack even ordered and ate before I got there. My soft tacos were great even without the cheese. I really like Cha Chi's salsa as well. Diners are provided with two salsa bowls – one red, one green – both with a different flavor and bite.

The next day, post-interview, I went for the grilled chicken tacos (I know, I've been on a taco roll lately.) but I ordered them as a side. So I got two soft tacos once – again with no queso – and a guacamole salad. I skipped the chips and got a couple of soft corn tortillas. The avocado, lettuce and tomato made for a delicious taco when added to the cilantro and chicken. I don't know why I hadn't thought of it before – it should have been so obvious to a chile freak like me – but I mixed the salsas together "Christmas" style. I'm a genius.

Saturday was a family day with the addition of my dear friend Mike who

was recovering from eye surgery and needed a meal out. He did the brisket tacos – with everything, I might add. Cindy ventured away from her usual green enchilada and red chile meat combination and tried the carne asada tacos. Mom and sis split an order of chicken fajitas and I decided to try the Mexicana steak – with grilled onions, tomatoes and jalapeños, but still held out on the cheese.

We went through lots of salsa, chips and three monster margaritas. The place was busy, but the service was smooth and efficient. The food, as always, was wonderful.

There is going to be another excuse (as if we need one) to stop by Cha Chi's on Cinco de Mayo when they will have lots of food and drink specials.

With Cindy working at NMSU and us living nearby, Cha Chi's is an easy stop on the way home. But I have been reminded plenty recently that it isn't merely convenience that makes it a great place to get takeout. It's a nice place for a sit down meal, too.

They will deliver from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday. One server told me that "even if it's 7:59 we'll take the call." One of the crew members in the play I am currently in had green enchiladas and a gordita delivered right before one of our shows. If the Cha Chi's delivery crew can find their way to the backstage area of the Hershel Zohn Theatre, then I would bet they could find you anywhere.

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Getting down at Look Who's Dancing

Photos by Niki Rhynes and JoAnna Billings

Las Cruces Sun-News features editor Lucas Peerman performed an East Coast swing with Katheryn Baca at the third annual Look Who's Dancing Saturday, April 16, at the Pan American Center. Hosted by the New Mexico State University DanceSport Company and NMSU Dance Program, the event helps offset the costs of DanceSport performances and competitions. Peerman tied for second place in the competition.



Paul Couture, the first gentleman of NMSU President Barbara Couture, danced the foxtrot with Ariel Freilich. Couture tied for second place.

Music Director and afternoon "rock jock" for 99.5 The Rocket Lynz Green dances the cha-cha with Robert Zimmerman to Madonna's "Die Another Day."



Audrey Hartley and Jonathan Neiser dance the tango.



Savonne Griffin of FirstLight Federal Credit Union and cousin Derek Leyva took home first place in this year's Look Who's Dancing competition. They also won the People's Choice Award.

Mesilla Mayor Nora Barraza dances a lively cha-cha with Moises Guerrero.



Army ROTC military science professor Lt. Col. Andrew Taylor and Stephanie Koch do an East Coast swing to Creedence Clearwater Revival's "Bad Moon Rising."



Amanda Cruz, former executive director of the Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces, dances the cha-cha with Leonard Thurman.

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FRIDAY EVENING		APRIL 22, 2011													
		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
PBS	22	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)	World	Wash.	McL'ghlin	Need to Know (N)	Frontline (N) (CC)	Charlie Rose (N)	World	T. Smiley				
CBS	3	News	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	CHAOS (N) (CC)	Girls' Night Out: Women of Country		News	Letterman	Late				
ABC	7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	Shark Tank (CC)	Primetime: What	20/20 (N) (CC)	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live				
FOX	8	14	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	Kitchen Nightmares	Fringe (N) (CC)	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb		
NBC	9	9	News (N)	News (N)	Lopez	Friday Night Lights	Dateline NBC (In Stereo) (CC)		News (N)	Jay Leno	Late				
CW	14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	Smallville "Booster"	Supernatural (N)	The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU	Access			
WGN	15	Funny Home Videos	Chris	Chris	Mother	Mother	WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Scrubs	South Pk	South Pk	Entou	Curb		
ESPN	26	NBA Basketball Boston Celtics at New York Knicks.					NBA Basketball: Lakers at Hornets			SportsCenter (N)	SportsCenter (N)				
ESPN2	27	NASCAR NFL Live	NBA Basketball Orlando Magic at Atlanta Hawks.				Boxing Friday Night Fights. (CC)			Baseball Tonight (N)	NBA				
USA	31	NCIS (CC)	*** "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" (1989) (CC)				"Burn Notice: The Fall of Sam Axe"			CSI: Crime Scene					
TNT	32	Bones (CC)	** "Resident Evil: Apocalypse" (2004)				** "Resident Evil: Extinction" (2007)			** "Resident Evil: Apocalypse" (2004)					
TBS	33	King	King	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	"Journey to the Center of the Earth" (CC)	(:05) *** "Spider-Man" (2002) Tobey Maguire.			Journey					
COM	35	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	Work.	Work.	Futurama	Futurama	"South Park"	
LIFE	39	Pawn	Pawn	Royal Wedding	Royal Wedding	Royal Wedding	Royal Wedding	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Will	Will	Will	
FOOD	40	Iron Chef America	Chopped	Diners	Diners	Food	Best	Easter Unwrapped	Diners	Diners	Food	Best			
HGTV	41	Hunters	House	House	House	Hunters	Hunters	House	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	House	Hunters		
A&E	43	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Breakout Kings	(:01) Criminal Minds	(:01) Criminal Minds	(:01) Criminal Minds				
HIST	44	Modern Marvels	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	Nostradamus Effect	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers				
TLC	45	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Princess Brides	Say Yes	Say Yes	Princess Brides	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes		
DISC	47	Dual Survival (CC)	Dual Survival (CC)	Dual Survival (N)	American Loggers	Dual Survival (N)	American Loggers	Dual Survival (CC)	Dual Survival (CC)	Dual Survival (CC)	American Loggers				
ANPL	50	I'm Alive (CC)	Killer Outbreaks	Killer Outbreaks (N)	The Haunted (N)	Killer Outbreaks (N)	The Haunted (N)	Killer Outbreaks	The Haunted	Killer Outbreaks					
FAM	51	Funny Home Videos	Funny Home Videos	Funny Home Videos	Funny Home Videos	Funny Home Videos	Funny Home Videos	The 700 Club (N)	Whose? Whose?	Take It	3x Faster				
DISN	52	Fish	Deck	Wizards	Phineas	Deck	Deck	Deck	Deck	* "College Road Trip" (2008)	Deck	Sonny	Fish		
NICK	54	Brain	Sponge.	Victo	Big Time	My Wife	My Wife	Lopez	George	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife
AMC	57	"Sudden Impact"	** "The Dead Pool" (1988, Action) (CC)	** "The Dead Pool" (1988, Action) (CC)	** "The Dead Pool" (1988, Action) (CC)	** "The Exorcism of Emily Rose"									
SYFY	59	"Lost City Raiders"	WWE Friday Night SmackDown! (N) (CC)	Sanctuary (N) (CC)	Stargate Universe										
CNN	62	John King, USA (N)	In the Arena (N)	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360 (N) (CC)										
CNBC	63	Walt: The Man	The Celebrity Apprentice (CC)	America's	The Celebrity Apprentice (CC)										
MSNBC	64	Hardball Matthews	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	Lockup Orange	Lockup	Lockup	Lockup	Lockup	Lockup	Lockup	Lockup	Lockup	N.M.	

SATURDAY MORNING		APRIL 23, 2011											
		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30
PBS	22	PBS NewsHour (CC)	Bob Build	Dinosaur	Thomas	Mr Rogers	W'dwright	Best of Joy	Fine Art	Sews	organic	Liv'g	
CBS	3	3	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	The Early Show (N) (In Stereo) (CC)		Busytown	Busytown	Doodlebob	Trollz (E)	Horseland	Horseland	
ABC	7	3	Sports	Reporter	Good Morning El Paso	Good Morning America	Good Morning El Paso	Good Morning El Paso	School	Replacemn	So Raven	So Raven	
FOX	8	14	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Icons	Paid Prog.	House	Pilates	Marketpl	Marketpl	Marketpl
NBC	9	9	Paid Prog.	Faith Ave	Today	The royal wedding. (N) (In Stereo) (CC)	Turbo	Sheldon	Magic Bus	Babar (E)	Willia's	Pearlie	
CW	14	(3:00) Storm Track Weather 24/7	Magi	Magi	Magi	Magi	Sonic X	Sonic X	Yu-Gi-Oh!	Sonic X	Dragon	Dragon	
WGN	15	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	In the Heat of the Night	In the Heat of the Night	Walker, Texas Ranger	Walker, Texas Ranger				
ESPN	26	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (N) (Live) (CC)	SportsCenter (N) (Live) (CC)	NASCAR Racing	NASCAR Racing				
ESPN2	27	NBA	English Premier League Soccer	English Premier League Soccer	English Premier League Soccer	English Premier League Soccer	SportsNation (CC)	E:60	SportsCenter Special	SportsCenter Special			
USA	31	Take It Off!	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	90 Days!	WWE Tough Enough	WWE Tough Enough	WWE Tough Enough	WWE Tough Enough	WWE Tough Enough	"Dukes-Hazzard"		
TNT	32	Law & Order (In Stereo)	Law & Order "Patsy"	Law & Order "C.O.D."	Law & Order "Men of a Certain Age"	Law & Order "Men of a Certain Age"	The Closer (CC)	Law & Order (In Stereo)	Law & Order (In Stereo)	Law & Order (In Stereo)			
TBS	33	Harvey	Harvey	Yes, Dear	(:40) *** "The Family Man" (2000) Nicolas Cage. (CC)	(:10) *** "Michael" (1996) John Travolta.							
COM	35	Paid Prog.	Get Ripped	John Oliver	** "Naked Gun 33 1/3: The Final Insult" (CC)	Scrub	Scrub	Scrub	Scrub	Scrub	Scrub	Scrub	
LIFE	39	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Sexy Face	Paid Prog.	Shark Vac	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Meaningful	Glamour	** "One Fine Day" (1996) Dessert		
FOOD	40	Tyler's Ut.	Grill It!	Day Off	Guy's, Bite	Big Daddy	Mexican	30-Minute	Ingrd. Fix	Paula	Home	Secrets	Dessert
HGTV	41	Outdoor	Curb/Block	Yard	Yard	Holmes on Homes	Income	Prof.	Crashers	Bath	Designed	To Sell	
A&E	43	My Ghost Story (CC)	Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Fix-Yard	Sell House	Flip This House (CC)	Flip This House (CC)	Flip This House (CC)		
HIST	44	God vs. Satan Beliefs about Armageddon. (CC)	The Ten Commandments (CC)	The Ten Commandments (CC)	The Ten Commandments (CC)	The Ten Commandments (CC)	The Exodus Decoded (CC)	The Exodus Decoded (CC)					
TLC	45	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Kill-Germs	Paid Prog.	Home Made Simple	Moving Up (CC)	Moving Up (CC)	Moving Up (CC)	Moving Up (CC)	Moving Up (CC)		
DISC	47	Removal	Take It Off!	Hot Bodies of 2011	Human Planet "Arctic"	Human Planet (CC)	Human Planet (CC)	MythBusters (CC)	MythBusters (CC)	Meth Nation (CC)	Meth Nation (CC)		
ANPL	50	Maneaters "Sharks"	Last American Cowboy	Dogs 101 (CC)	It's Me or the Dog	Pit Boss (CC)	Pit Boss (CC)	Pit Boss (CC)	Pit Boss (CC)	Pit Boss (CC)	Pit Boss (CC)		
FAM	51	Boy World	Boy World	*** "Remember the Titans" (2000) Denzel Washington.	*** "Holes" (2003) Sigourney Weaver, Jon Voight.								
DISN	52	Charlie	Little	Movers	Chugging	Timmy	Barbar	Manny	Agent Oso	Mickey	Never Land	Buttowski	Phineas
NICK	54	Parents	Rugrats	Fanboy	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	T.U.F.F.	T.U.F.F.	T.U.F.F.	T.U.F.F.	Power	SpongeBob
AMC	57	Rifleman	Rifleman	Rifleman	** "Wyatt Earp" (1994, Biography) Kevin Costner, Dennis Quaid. Portrait traces him from boy to lawman. (CC)								
SYFY	59	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Kill-Germs	Million \$	"Warbirds" (2008) Jamie Elle Mann.	"Pterodactyl" (2005, Horror) Coolio. (CC)						
CNN	62	Saturday	Gupta	CNN Saturday Morning	Bottom	Newsroom	Newsroom						
CNBC	63	Acne	Paid Prog.	MathMind	TRIALaser	Thin in 30!	Oreck	Sexy Face	Shark Vac	90 Days!	Paid Prog.	Salad Chef	Paid Prog.
MSNBC	64	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	MSNBC News Live (N)	The Crossbow Incident		

SATURDAY AFTERNOON		APRIL 23, 2011											
		11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30
PBS	22	Hometime	MotorWeek	NMSU	This Old House Hr	Garden	Garden	Cook	Avec Eric	Rachel	Lawrence Welk		
CBS	3	3	PGA Tour Golf	PGA Tour Golf	The Heritage, Third Round. From Hilton Head, S.C. (N)	Medicus	Paid Prog.						
ABC	7	7	Hannah	Suite Life	Hope Is Back! (CC)	Shark Tank (CC)	ESPN Sports Saturday	Sports anthology. (N)	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.			
FOX	8	14	Shirt Off!	Eco Co.	Paid Prog.	Traveler	'70s Show	Base	MLB Baseball Regional Coverage. (N) (In Stereo Live) (CC)				
NBC	9	9	Pets.TV	3 Wide Life	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	NHL Hockey	New York Rangers at Washington Capitals. (N) (CC)	Paid Prog.	Planet TV			
CW	14	Yu-Gi-Oh!	Yu-Gi-Oh!	Into Wild	Wild Amer	Edgemont	Edgemont	Adventures	Adventures	WHAD	Edgemont	Funniest Moments	
WGN	15	Law Order: CI	Law Order: CI	Law Order: CI	Law Order: CI	Law Order: CI	Law Order: CI	Law Order: CI	Law Order: CI	Law Order: CI	The Unit "Two Coins"		
ESPN	26	30 for 30	NASCAR Countdown	NASCAR Racing Nationwide Series: Nashville 300. (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (CC)								
ESPN2	27	Year/Quarterback	Year/Quarterback	QB Camp	QB Camp	College Softball	Alabama at Florida. (N) (Live)	College Baseball					
USA	31	"Dukes-Hazzard"	"Burn Notice: The Fall of Sam Axe" (2011)	*** "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" (1989) Harrison Ford. (CC)									
TNT	32	Law & Order (In Stereo)	Pregame	NBA Basketball Chicago Bulls at Indiana Pacers. (N) (CC)	NBA Basketball: Mavericks at Trail Blazers								
TBS	33	Michael	(:25) ** "Fun With Dick & Jane" (2005) (CC)	Jim	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Seinfeld	Seinfeld		
COM	35	*** "Van Wilder: Freshman Year" (2009) (CC)	** "Accepted" (2006) Justin Long. (CC)										
LIFE	39	(9:30) "One Fine Day"	** "The Lake House" (2006) Keanu Reeves.	** "The Holiday" (2006) Cameron Diaz, Kate Winslet, Jude Law. (CC)									
FOOD	40	Contessa	Giada	Last Cake Standing	Chopped	24 Hour Rest. Battle	Iron Chef America	Challenge					
HGTV	41	Curb/Block	Unsellable	Cash, Cari	Design	Bang, Buck	Secrets	Candice	Sarah	Genevieve	Color Spl.	To Sell	Hunters
A&E	43	Flip This House (CC)	Paranormal State (CC)	Paranormal	Paranormal	Parking	Parking	Parking	Parking	Parking	Parking	Dog	Dog
HIST	44	Angels: Good or Evil (CC)	The Real Face of Jesus? (CC)										
TLC	45	Dateline: Real Life	Dateline: Real Life	Dateline: Real Life	Dateline: Real Life	Dateline: Real Life	Dateline: Real Life	Dateline: Real Life	Dateline: Real Life	Dateline: Real Life	Dateline: Real Life		
DISC	47	Almost, Away	Almost, Away	American Chopper	American Chopper	American Chopper	American Chopper	American Chopper	American Chopper	American Chopper	Desert Car Kings (CC)		
ANPL	50	Cats 101 (CC)	Cats 101 (CC)	Dogs 101 "Puppies"	America's Cutest Dog	Bad Dog! "Houdinis"	Polar Bear: Spy						
FAM	51	** "The Goonies" (1985) Sean Astin, Josh Brolin.	** "Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl" (2003) Jumanji										
DISN	52	Phineas	Fish Hooks	Suite/Deck	Suite/Deck	Wizards	Good Luck	Shake It	** "College Road Trip" (2008)	Good Luck			
NICK	54	iCarly	iCarly	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	T.U.F.F.	T.U.F.F.	T.U.F.F.	T.U.F.F.	iCarly	iCarly
AMC	57	** "Broken Trail" (2006, Western) Robert Duvall, Thomas Haden Church, Greta Scacchi. (CC)	** "Tombstone" (1993) Kurt Russell.										
SYFY	59	"Kaw" (2007) Sean Patrick Flanery, Kristin Booth.	* "Flu Bird Horror" (2008) Clare Carey. (CC)	** "The Cave" (2005) Cole Hauser. (CC)									
CNN	62	Your Money	Newsroom	Newsroom	Newsroom	Newsroom	Newsroom	Newsroom	Newsroom	Situation Room			
CNBC	63	Paid Prog.	Million \$	Bikini Bodies	Paid Prog.	Sexy Face	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	WEN Hair	Paid Prog.	Bikini Bodies	
MSNBC	64	Too Fat to Kill	The Family Secret	A Murderous Career	Vegas Undercover	Vegas Undercover	Vegas Undercover	Vegas Undercover	Vegas Undercover	Lockup: New Mexico			

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	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
PBS 22	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)	News 22	Secrets of the Dead	NOVA (In Stereo)	Saving the Bay (N)	Charlie Rose (N)	World	T. Smiley					
CBS 3	News	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	Survivor-Island	Criminal Minds "JJ"	C.M.: Suspect	News	Letterman	Late				
ABC 7	News (N)	ABC News (N)	Ent	Middle	Better	Family	Cougar	Happy	Family	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live		
FOX 8	14	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	American Idol (Same-day Tape)	Breaking	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb		
NBC 9	9	News (N)	News (N)	Lopez	Royal Wedding	Minute to Win It	Law & Order: SVU	News (N)	Jay Leno	Late				
CW 14	14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	Top Model	Top Model	The Hills	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	MLB Baseball Teams	TBA. (N Subject to Blackout)	(Live) (CC)	Baseball Tonight (N)	SportsCenter (N)	Baseball	NFL Live	SportsCenter (N)	Baseball	NFL Live	SportsCenter (N)		
ESPN2 27	27	Bowling Women's USBC	Queens. (N)	Football	NFL Live	SportsCenter Spe	SportsCenter Spec.	Who's Number 1?	NASCAR	NBA				
USA 31	31	NCIS (CC)	NCIS "Legend"	NCIS "Legend"	NCIS (CC)	NCIS (CC)	NCIS (CC)	Law Order: CI	In Plain Sight (CC)					
TNT 32	32	NBA Basketball First Round: Teams TBA. (N) (CC)			NBA Basketball First Round: Teams TBA. (N) (CC)			Inside the NBA (N)	CSI: NY (CC)					
TBS 33	33	King	King	There	There	Browns	Browns	Payne	Payne	Conan	Lopez Tonight	Conan		
COM 35	35	Daily	Colbert	Chap	Chap	South Pk	South Pk	Work.	Daily	Colbert	South Pk	Work.	Futura	Sunny
LIFE 39	39	Pawn	Pawn	The First 48 (CC)	The First 48 (CC)	Glamour	Glamour	Army Wives (CC)	Chris	Mother	Glamour	Glamour		
FOOD 40	40	Iron Chef America	B. Flay	Flay	Last Cake Standing	Dinner: Impossible	Diners	Diners	Last Cake Standing	Dinner: Impossible				
HGTV 41	41	Hunters	House	Property	Property	Income	Property	House	Hunters	Income	Property	House	Hunters	
A&E 43	43	The First 48 (CC)	Beyond Scared	Beyond Scared	Storage	Storage	Storage	Dog Bounty Hunter	Beyond Scared	Storage	Storage			
HIST 44	44	Modern Marvels	Pawn	Pawn	How the States Got Their Shapes (CC)	Larry the Cable Guy	Pawn	Pawn	States-Shapes					
TLC 45	45	What	What	Prince Harry	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme Royal	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme Royal	Prince Harry			
DISC 47	47	MythBusters (CC)	MythBusters (CC)	MythBusters (N)	MythBusters (CC)	MythBusters (CC)	MythBusters (CC)	MythBusters (CC)	MythBusters (CC)	MythBusters (CC)	MythBusters (CC)	MythBusters (CC)		
ANPL 50	50	Untamed and Uncut	River Monsters	River Monsters	River Monsters	I'm Alive (N)	I'm Alive (In Stereo)	River Monsters	River Monsters					
FAM 51	51	** "Happy Gilmore"	(1996, Comedy)	** "Happy Gilmore"	(1996, Comedy)	The 700 Club (CC)	Whose? Whose?	Paid	Ahh Bra					
DISN 52	52	Fish	Shake It	Good	Fish	Shake It	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	*** "Aladdin" (1992) (CC)	Deck	Wizards	Wizards	
NICK 54	54	Brain	Sponge.	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez
AMC 57	57	* "Death Wish II"	* "Death Wish 3" (1985)	Ed Lauter (CC)	* "Death Wish 3" (1985)	Ed Lauter (CC)	* "Death Wish 3" (1985)	Ed Lauter (CC)	Breaking Bad (CC)	(:01) Stargate SG-1	Breaking Bad (CC)	(:01) Stargate SG-1		
SYFY 59	59	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Fact or Faked	(:01) Ghost Hunters	Fact or Faked	(:01) Stargate SG-1					
CNN 62	62	John King, USA (N)	In the Arena (N)	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360 (N) (CC)	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper	American Greed	American Greed					
CNBC 63	63	The Kudlow Report	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed	Mad Money	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed					
MSNBC 64	64	Hardball Matthews	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show						

THURSDAY EVENING APRIL 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)	News 22	Econ Forum	Globe Trekker	Aviators	NMSU	Charlie Rose (N)	World	T. Smiley				
CBS 3	3	News	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	Big Bang	Rules	CSI: Crime Scene	The Mentalist (N)	News	Letterman	Late		
ABC 7	7	News (N)	ABC News (N)	Ent	20/20 (N) (CC)	Grey's Anatomy (N)	Private Practice (N)	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live				
FOX 8	14	Simpsons	Mother	News	Two Men	American Idol (CC)	Bones (N) (CC)	KFOX News at Nine	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Entou	Curb		
NBC 9	9	News (N)	News (N)	Lopez	Commun	Reiser	The Office (N) (CC)	Parks	30 Rock	News (N)	Jay Leno	Late		
CW 14	14	Chris	Chris	Payne	Chris	The Vampire Diaries	Nikita (N) (CC)	The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU	Access		
WGN 15	15	Funny Home Videos	Chris	Chris	Lead-Off	MLB Baseball	Chicago Cubs at Arizona	Diamondbacks. (N)	News	Entou	Curb			
ESPN 26	26	SportsCenter Spe	2011 NFL Draft From	New York. (N) (Live) (CC)	SportsCenter (N) (Live) (CC)	SportsCenter (N)								
ESPN2 27	27	(4:00) SportsCenter	N. American Poker	N. American Poker	Baseball Tonight	SportsCtr Live	Baseball Tonight	NASCAR	NBA					
USA 31	31	NCIS (CC)	NCIS (CC)	NCIS Tense reunion.	NCIS (CC)	NCIS "Ex-File"	Law Order: CI	In Plain Sight (CC)						
TNT 32	32	Bones (CC)	NBA Basketball First Round: Teams TBA. (N) (CC)			NBA Basketball First Round: Teams TBA. (N) (CC)								
TBS 33	33	King	King	** "Four Brothers" (2005) (CC)	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Conan	Lopez Tonight	Conan					
COM 35	35	Daily	Colbert	Futura	Futura	South Pk	South Pk	Daily	Colbert	John Oliver	Futura	Sunny		
LIFE 39	39	Pawn	Pawn	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Mother	Mother	Chris	Mother	Will	Wives	
FOOD 40	40	Iron Chef America	Iron Chef America	Amusement	24 Hour Rest. Battle	Chopped	Amusement	24 Hour Rest. Battle						
HGTV 41	41	Hunters	House	First Pla.	First Pla.	Selling	Selling	House	Hunters	House	Hunters	Selling	Selling	House
A&E 43	43	The First 48 (CC)	The First 48 (CC)	The First 48 (CC)	Manhun	Manhun	Manhun	Manhun	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48	(:01) The First 48		
HIST 44	44	Mounted	Mounted	Swamp People	Swamp People (N)	Mounted	Mounted	Inspector America	(:01) Swamp People	(:01) Swamp People	(:01) Swamp People	(:01) Swamp People		
TLC 45	45	Extreme Royal	Royal Wedding	Countdown to the Royal Wedding (N)	Royal Wedding	Countdown to the Royal Wedding (N)								
DISC 47	47	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	River Monsters	Nuclear Nightmare	Deadliest Catch	River Monsters	Nuclear Nightmare						
ANPL 50	50	Life (CC)	Fatal Attractions	Confessions	Confessions	Fatal Attractions	Confessions	Confessions						
FAM 51	51	(4:30) ** "Jumanji"	(1995) Bonnie Hunt	** "Beetlejuice" (1988)	Alec Baldwin	The 700 Club (CC)	Whose? Whose?	Paid	Paid					
DISN 52	52	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Fish	Phineas	Wizards	Wizards	"Princess Protection Program"	Deck	Wizards	Wizards	
NICK 54	54	Brain	Sponge.	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez
AMC 57	57	* "Death Wish 3"	* "Death Wish 4: The Crackdown" (CC)	* "Death Wish 4: The Crackdown" (CC)	The Killing (CC)	"She's Having"								
SYFY 59	59	Connor Chronicles	Connor Chronicles	Connor Chronicles	Connor Chronicles	Connor Chronicles	Connor Chronicles	Connor Chronicles	Connor Chronicles	Connor Chronicles	Chrono	Chrono		
CNN 62	62	John King, USA (N)	In the Arena (N)	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper 360 (N) (CC)	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper	American Greed	American Greed					
CNBC 63	63	The Kudlow Report	The Facebook	Supermarkets	Mexico's Drug War	Mad Money	The Facebook	Supermarkets						
MSNBC 64	64	Hardball Matthews	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show (N)	The Last Word	Rachel Maddow	The Ed Show						

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

BEGINNER

4		6	5	7		9		
	9	1	4		3			
3	5					2		
5		2	9		6			
9	6		7		4	3		
	8		6	4			5	
	9				7	1		
		5	9	6	4			
7	3	8	5				2	

CHALLENGER

	2	5				3	7	
			3					
9		2		1				5
2		8		7				4
		6			7			
4		3		5			1	
5		7		2				8
			9					
7	8				2	1		

EXPERT

		7	1		8			2
					6	8	1	
		6	2					
				8		3		1
	4						6	
1		9		7				
					7	2		
		5	1	4				
6			9		5	1		

BEGINNER

9	1	6	3	4	5	2	7	8
7	3	2	9	6	8	5	1	4
5	4	8	2	7	1	6	3	9
3	2	4	1	8	7	9	5	6
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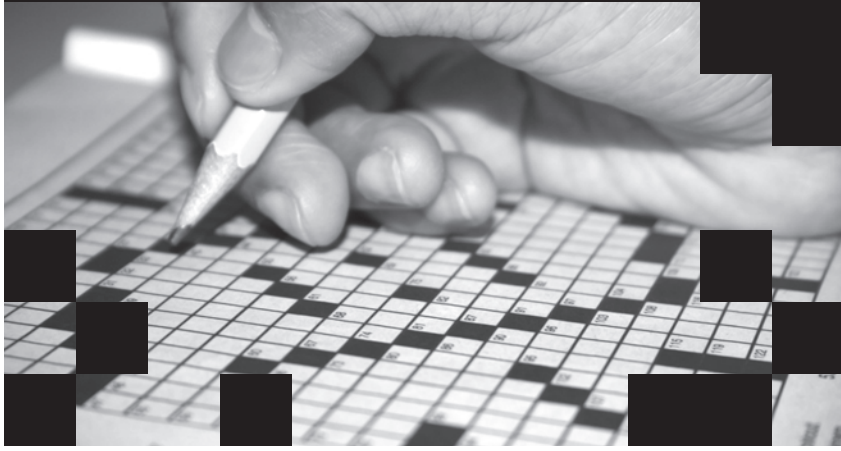
CHALLENGER

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4	3	8	7	1	9	6	5	2
7	2	9	8	5	6	1	3	4
3	4	7	2	9	8	5	6	1
6	8	2	1	3	5	4	9	7
9	5	1	6	4	7	2	8	3

EXPERT

1	5	9	4	3	7	6	2	8
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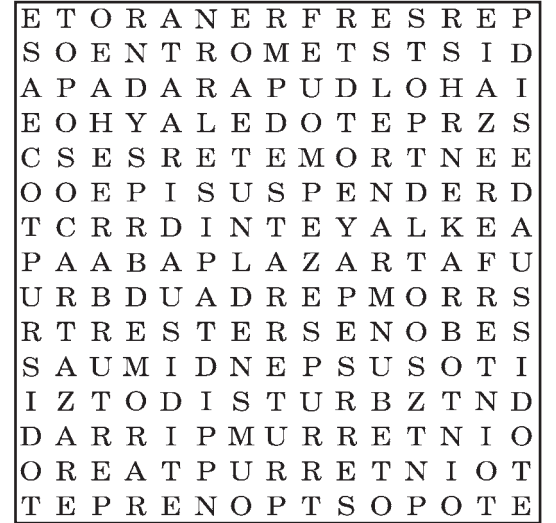
Word Salsa

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

PUT THE BRAKES ON

ENGLISH	SPANISH
HOLDUP	ATRACO
STOP	PARADA
TO BRAKE	FRENAR
TO CEASE	CESAR
TO DELAY	DEMORAR
TO DISRUPT	ROMPER
TO DISSUADE	DISUADIR
TO DISTURB	PERTURBAR
TO INTERFERE	ENTROMETERSE
TO INTERRUPT	INTERRUMPIR
TO POSTPONE	APLAZAR
TO SUSPEND	SUSPENDER

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Crossword Puzzles

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ACROSS

- 1 Relay race segment
- 4 Belle at the ball
- 7 Einstein's obsession
- 9 Game or shirt
- 10 State of utter confusion
- 12 Iphone, perhaps (var.)
- 13 Root vegetable
- 15 Price for services
- 16 Last month (abbr.)
- 18 Dumpster
- 19 Obtained by luck
- 22 Crease
- 24 Leaf of a book
- 25 Housing contract
- 26 Telling a whopper
- 27 Weight measure
- 28 Kojac, e.g.
- 31 Seeing without seeing (abbr.)
- 32 In a crooked position
- 36 Able to pay all debts
- 41 Ribonucleic acid (abbr.)
- 42 Burmese coin
- 43 At any point
- 44 Tel _____
- 46 Record
- 47 Stare at
- 48 Extra
- 49 Swallowed
- 50 Racer Wheldon
- 51 Tree parasite
- 55 Bad weather condition
- 57 French sculptor, Jean
- 60 Shakespeare's printer
- 61 Go in and out of lanes, in traffic
- 63 Drive to action
- 65 Cookie Monster cohort
- 66 Approximately
- 67 Duck down
- 68 Goodbye in Paris
- 69 A drink with jam and bread....
- 70 Hallucinogen
- 71 Tundra feature
- 72 Peccadillo
- 74 "Tomb Raider" star
- 77 Native American tents (var.)
- 81 Modify
- 82 Get ready for a trip
- 83 Ball holder
- 84 Oahu garland

DOWN

- 1 French for lake
- 2 Suffix for do and go
- 3 Indian province which was the opening for "The Bourne Supremacy"
- 4 Spanish for two
- 5 Famous movie street
- 6 Crowd disapproval sound
- 8 Cattle sound
- 9 Apple or blueberry?
- 11 Fight
- 12 Free from vulgarity and rudeness
- 14 Debases
- 15 Disaster
- 17 Popular, cup-shaped flower
- 18 Mexican food staple
- 20 Family
- 21 Stretching exercise procedure
- 22 Invest
- 23 Bucharest money
- 28 Hobo
- 29 Concluding verse
- 30 Landmark stone heap
- 33 Slapping sound
- 34 Environmental treaty
- 35 Keen
- 37 Do nothing (sl.)
- 38 Get around
- 39 Katmandu country
- 40 Way it's going
- 45 Victory sign
- 52 Darling
- 53 More heavenly
- 54 Bamboo eater
- 55 Clairvoyant
- 56 Isinglass
- 57 Tax time
- 58 Break
- 59 Critical acclaim
- 62 Compete
- 64 During
- 71 Suitable
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- 78 Close friend
- 79 Martini addition
- 80 Rack or bum?

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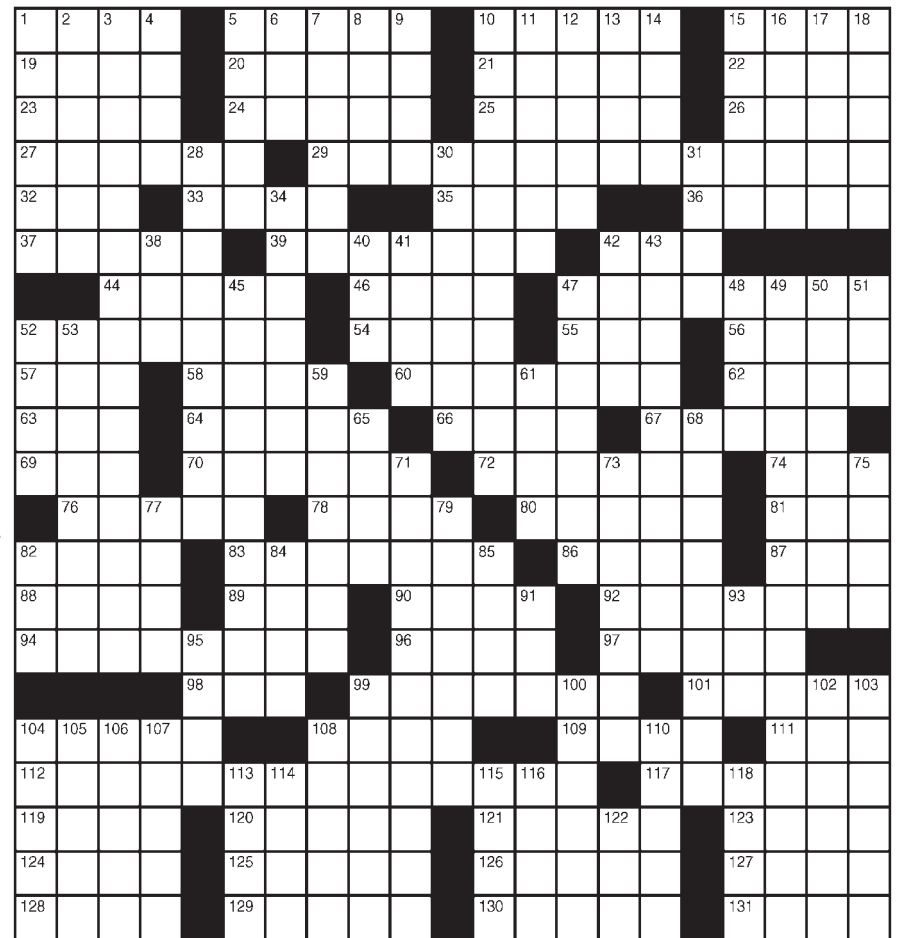
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- 5 Follow
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- 15 Intro to physics?
- 19 Bad to the bone
- 20 Frightening
- 21 Wading bird
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- 23 House opening?
- 24 Sub detector
- 25 "That is to say..."
- 26 Ear part
- 27 Certain vacuum tube
- 29 Everything-must-go tax?
- 32 Age proofs
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- 35 Writer Ferber
- 36 Singer Travis
- 37 Small salmon
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- 42 Rx watchdog
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- 52 Succeeded big
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- 56 Point of a fork
- 57 Chang's twin
- 58 Use a grenade on a fellow soldier
- 60 California county
- 62 "Paper Lion" star
- 63 Integers, briefly
- 64 Rims
- 66 Ollie's chum
- 67 Photo finish
- 69 Reference bk.
- 70 Clasp tightly
- 72 Actor Borgnine
- 74 Big time
- 76 Hindu loincloth
- 78 City near Santa Fe
- 80 Mediterranean country
- 81 Q-U connection
- 82 Southeast Asian country
- 83 Actor/director Tarantino
- 86 Scoria
- 87 Mediocre grade
- 88 Freudian subjects
- 89 Mary of "Where Eagles Dare"
- 90 Sink stopper
- 92 Dining choice

- 94 Early course additive
- 96 Old-time newspaper section
- 97 Son of Eber
- 98 "___ Poetica"
- 99 Lethal stuff
- 101 Jungle vine
- 104 Fable finale
- 108 Crunch of cereals?
- 109 First name in architecture
- 111 VCR button
- 112 Generous endowment tax?
- 117 Cheerful
- 119 Carol of "Taxi"
- 120 Muslim VIP: var.
- 121 Actress Lindsay
- 123 Griddle Graham
- 124 Opera song
- 125 Top position
- 126 Napped leather
- 127 British gun
- 128 Hankerings
- 129 Peevish
- 130 Rich tapestry
- 131 In this place

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- 1 Infected
- 2 Exaggerate
- 3 Non-dropout's tax?
- 4 Sax for Bird
- 5 German industrial city
- 6 Sgt., e.g.
- 7 Safe places
- 8 Mountains of Russia
- 9 Fictional Jane
- 10 Bourgeoisie tax?
- 11 Send back
- 12 "The Faerie Queene" character
- 13 Former airline of Eng.
- 14 Feminine ending
- 15 Back tooth
- 16 Levi's "Christ Stopped at ___"
- 17 Lhasa's land
- 18 1950's Bikini blast
- 28 Alienate
- 30 Antennae



- 31 Dateless
- 34 Depository for goods
- 38 Lyric poem
- 40 Tavern near a tube station
- 41 Pound of poetry
- 42 Locate
- 43 REM tax?
- 45 Whiskey tax?
- 47 Chaperones
- 48 French state
- 49 Tar-reduction tax?
- 50 Submarine
- 51 Where kine dine
- 52 Heredity information carrier
- 53 Tribe of the Five Nations
- 59 Overly polite and refined
- 61 School teacher of the Old West
- 65 Look over
- 68 Riding fast
- 71 In-demand tax?
- 73 Certain conic section
- 75 Egyptian god of the sun
- 77 Peak in Thessaly
- 79 Storing, as grain
- 82 Bandleader Brown of renown
- 84 "Exodus" author
- 85 Loco
- 91 Slime
- 93 Luau garland
- 95 Spanish surrealist painter
- 99 Most ashen
- 100 Of the underworld
- 102 More tidy
- 103 Play start
- 104 Jim of "ABC's Wide World of Sports"
- 105 Busy hub
- 106 Arrested
- 107 Neighborhoods
- 108 Talking truckers
- 110 Mystical characters
- 113 27th President
- 114 Pierre's girlfriend
- 115 Ingrid's "Casablanca" role
- 116 Two squared
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:
From my wife's perspective, there are only two specific and correctable problems: everything I say and everything I do.

AtTheMovies

Homage or unnecessary sequel?

Ghostface is back in some unoriginal ways

Review by **Beth Sitzler**

Las Cruces Bulletin

In 1996, "Scream" debuted, creating a new slasher-film franchise and what some might consider to be a cult favorite for a new generation.

Written by Kevin Williamson and directed by horror-film guru Wes Craven, "Scream" delved into the possibly real story about a town terrorized by a masked killer who especially tormented one poor girl, Sidney Prescott (Neve Campbell).

I was 10 years old when "Scream" played on the silver screen, so of course my parents wouldn't let me see it, but after renting it several years later, I was hooked. Sure the killing was gruesome at times, but the underlying story of betrayal and revenge was captivating.

Plus, it was refreshing to see a movie that didn't take itself so seriously. Poking fun at the genre, and even a few of Craven's classic films, "Scream" explained that there are rules to surviving a horror movie, rules that can even transition into real life.

"Scream" sequels were made in 1997 and 2000, each furthering the twisted story of the Prescott family and the people they hurt so badly, it drove them to kill. Although viewed by some to be unoriginal, "Scream 2" and "Scream 3" continued in the tradition that no



After the "Scream" trilogy made her the it girl of the '90s, Neve Campbell possibly revives her acting career as Sidney Prescott in "Scream 4," now playing in theaters.

one can be trusted and you never know what crazy acts everyday people are capable of.

When I heard that they were adding yet another film to the series, I was excited to see what "Scream 4" had to offer that the other movies didn't already provide. More importantly, who else had a grudge against poor Sidney?

After years of being terrorized, and tired of being viewed as a lifelong victim, Sidney writes a best-selling memoir titled "Out of Darkness," detailing her ability to survive and encouraging others to overcome whatever challenges they face.

Her book tour brings her back to her hometown of Woodsboro, Calif., on the anniversary of those horrific killings that took place (talk about timing). While there, she meets up with repeat-massacre-survivors Dewey Riley (David Arquette), who is now sheriff, and his wife Gale Weathers-Riley (Courteney Cox), who hasn't quite acclimated to her new life in the "quiet" suburban town. Unfortunately, the pleasantries are put



Also original co-stars in the first three "Scream" movies, David Arquette and Courteney Cox as the husband-and-wife duo Sheriff Dewey Riley and Gale Weathers-Riley

on hold when two teenage girls are found grotesquely murdered and several high school girls – including Sidney's cousin Jill Roberts (Emma Roberts) – receive frightful phone calls from the new Ghostface.

Gore and violence ensues, with everyone from students to cops being savagely butchered.

Pushed away by her husband and the love-struck Deputy Judy Hicks (Marley Shelton), Gale teams up with teenage film buffs Charlie (Rory Culkin) and Robbie (Erik Knudsen) and learns the new rules to surviving horror movies. Basically, the old rules don't apply, everyone is a possible target or murderer and expect more bloodshed.

Ultimately, "Scream 4" is an homage to the original movie, with several of the scenes pulled directly from it. There even are some déjà vu-evoking characters, such as Jill's tough and creepy boyfriend Trevor (Nico Tortorella) and sassy friend Kirby (Hayden Panettiere).

While "Scream 4" had a few unexpected twists, including the identity of the killer (well at least I was surprised), I wasn't convinced that it added anything to the franchise. Yes, I jumped several times, but in the end, it didn't seem like the film was necessary. (For those who say none of the sequels were necessary, I would argue that "Scream 3" wrapped everything up nicely by explaining how it all really began.)

I felt "Scream 4" was just an excuse to bring back a fan-favorite killer while also preaching against our society's unhealthy obsession with the Internet and becoming famous for all of the wrong reasons.

On top of the heavy-handed preachiness, the film tried too hard to confuse the audience about the identity of the killer.

In the first "Scream," one of the identifying characteristics of Ghostface was his black combat boots. I remember seeing the same pair on the then-sheriff as he stomps out a cigarette butt and thinking, "Oh no, he's the killer!"

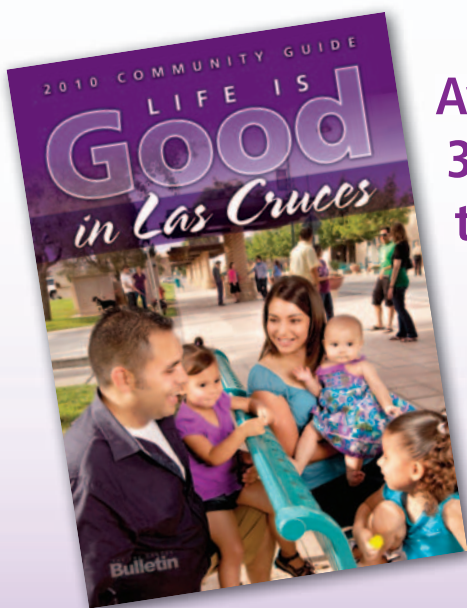
This time around, they bathe certain characters in shadows and have them speak in creepy voices to make the audience wonder if they're the knife-welding crazy. After the third time, it felt overdone.

This cinematic trip down memory lane, however, did have a few bright points, especially when it came to the script. Williamson was able to recreate the quick wit and snicker-inducing dialogue he mastered in the original "Scream."

I also enjoyed Campbell reappraising the role that made her a '90s icon. While Gale continues to be a master biotch and Dewey remains a bumbling good ol' boy, Sidney actually grows into a smart, tough woman who fights Ghostface with high kicks and experience.

"You'll mess up, they always do," are her fateful words to the film's killers, and you can't help but admire her for staying strong and confident after more than a decade of crazy people raining on her parade.

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SCREAM 4

Starring: Neve Campbell, Courteney Cox, David Arquette

Rated: R

Running time: 111 minutes

Director: Wes Craven

Film Review

Save this slasher flick for a DVD night.

Grade
C+



At The Movies

Picking the Flicks



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

Rango

Rating: PG
Plot Overview: A chameleon that aspires to be a swashbuckling hero finds himself in a Western town plagued by bandits.
Starring: Johnny Depp, Isla Fisher
Director: Gore Verbinski



Hop

Rating: PG
Plot Overview: E.B., the Easter Bunny's teenage son, heads to Hollywood, determined to become a drummer in a rock 'n' roll band.
Starring: Russell Brand, James Marsden
Director: Tim Hill



The Lincoln Lawyer

Rating: R
Plot Overview: A lawyer conducts business from the back of his Lincoln town car while representing a high-profile client in Beverly Hills.
Starring: Matthew McConaughey, Ryan Phillippe
Director: Brad Furman



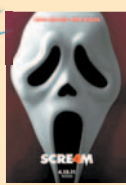
Arthur

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A drunken playboy stands to lose a wealthy inheritance when he falls for a woman his family doesn't like.
Starring: Russell Brand, Helen Mirren, Jennifer Garner
Director: Jason Winer



Scream 4

Rating: R
Plot Overview: Ten years have passed, and Sidney Prescott, who has put herself back together thanks in part to her writing, is visited by the Ghostface Killer.
Starring: Neve Campbell, Courteney Cox
Director: Wes Craven



Your Highness

Rating: R
Plot Overview: When Prince Fabious's bride is kidnapped, he goes on a quest to rescue her, accompanied by his lazy, useless brother Thadeous.
Starring: Danny McBride, James Franco
Director: David Gordon Green



Sucker Punch

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A young girl, institutionalized by her stepfather, retreats into an alternative reality as a coping strategy, and envisions a plan that will help her escape from the facility.
Starring: Emily Browning, Vanessa Hudgens
Director: Zack Snyder



Rio

Rating: PG
Plot Overview: When Blu, a domesticated macaw from small-town Minnesota, meets the fiercely independent Jewel, he takes off on an adventure to Rio de Janeiro with the bird of his dreams.
Starring: Jesse Eisenberg, Anne Hathaway
Director: Carlos Saldanha



Limitless

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A copywriter discovers a top-secret drug that bestows him with super human abilities.
Starring: Bradley Cooper, Robert De Niro
Director: Neil Burger



Insidious

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A family looks to prevent evil spirits from trapping their comatose child in a realm called "The Further."
Starring: Patrick Wilson, Rose Byrne
Director: James Wan



Hanna

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A 16-year-old raised by her father to be the perfect assassin is dispatched on a mission across Europe, tracked by a ruthless intelligence agent and her operatives.
Starring: Saoirse Ronan, Cate Blanchett
Director: Joe Wright



Source Code

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: An action thriller centered on a soldier who wakes up in the body of an unknown man and discovers he's part of a mission to find the bomber of a Chicago commuter train.
Starring: Jake Gyllenhaal, Michelle Monaghan
Director: Duncan Jones



Soul Surfer

Rating: PG
Plot Overview: A teenage surfer girl summons the courage to go back into the ocean after losing an arm in a shark attack.
Starring: AnnaSophia Robb, Dennis Quaid
Director: Sean McNamara



Madea's Big Happy Family

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: Madea jumps into action when her niece, Shirley, receives distressing news about her health.
Starring: Tyler Perry, Loretta Devine
Director: Tyler Perry
OPENING APRIL 22



Water for Elephants

Rating: PG-13
Plot Overview: A veterinary student abandons his studies after his parents are killed and joins a traveling circus as their vet.
Starring: Robert Pattinson, Reese Witherspoon
Director: Francis Lawrence
OPENING APRIL 22



African Cats

Rating: G
Plot Overview: A nature documentary centered on two cat families and how they teach their cubs the ways of the wild.
Starring: Samuel L. Jackson
Director: Alastair Fothergill, Keith Scholey
OPENING APRIL 22



New this week on DVD

Tuesday, April 26

Blood Out

Rating: R
Genre: Action, Crime
Starring: Val Kilmer, Curtis "50 Cent" Jackson
Director: Jason Hewitt

3 Idiots

Rating: PG-13
Genre: Comedy, Drama
Starring: Aamir Khan, Kareen Kapoor
Director: Rajkumar Hirani

Sniper: Reloaded

Rating: R
Genre: Action
Starring: Billy Zane, Chad Michael Collins
Director: Claudio Fah

Sacrifice

Rating: R
Genre: Action
Starring: Cuba Gooding Jr., Christian Slater
Director: Damian Lee

Revenge of the Bridesmaids

Rating: Not rated
Genre: Comedy
Starring: Raven Symone, Joanna Garcia
Director: James Hayman

Top Grossing April 15-17

- 1 **Rio** (Week No. 1) **\$39,226,000**
- 2 **Scream 4** (Week No. 1) **\$19,279,000**
- 3 **Hop** (Week No. 3) **\$11,167,000**
- 4 **Soul Surfer** (Week No. 2) **\$7,400,000**
- 5 **Hanna** (Week No. 2) **\$7,327,000**
- 6 **Arthur (2011)** (Week No. 2) **\$6,940,000**
- 7 **Insidious** (Week No. 3) **\$6,745,000**
- 8 **Source Code** (Week No. 3) **\$6,300,000**
- 9 **The Conspirator** (Week No. 1) **\$3,924,000**
- 10 **Your Highness** (Week No. 2) **\$3,895,000**

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Finding a rhythm at *We Are One, Dance and Drum*

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Niki Rhynes

Director Mei Ling dances to drum beats with students Stephanie Allyson and Pauline Milnor at the fifth annual We are One, Dance and Drum held Saturday, April 16, at the Rio Grande Theatre. Students performed African and Middle Eastern dances and music.



Flutist Ignacio Garcia and drummer Jesus Mendoza keep the beat at the annual We are One, Dance and Drum.



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Stephanie Allyson



Student Nicole Bonde performs with the Sovereigns of Silkiness, which includes members from southern New Mexico and west Texas.



My Little Divas performer Teresa McConnell, 4, looks toward Director Ali Wagner to make sure she is getting her steps right.

It doesn't have to be greasy

Natisha Hales
Adventures in Dieting



Mexican food is by far my favorite type of food. The other day, I was arguing with a friend of mine because I asked him to pick up a bean and cheese burrito for me, but my favorite spot was closed.

He was going to get one somewhere else, but I said, "No, I don't want one from there."

"A bean burrito is a bean burrito, Natisha," he said.

"No, no, it's not," I snapped.

Growing up in the Mesilla Valley, I have developed a taste – and somewhat of an expertise – for Mexican food. I'm not saying I can tell whether it's authentic or not, but I can definitely tell whether it's delicious or not. I have my preferred salsas, enchiladas, green chile sauces and, yes, beans. And you can't try to convince me – or anyone for that matter – that they all taste the same.

I will agree on one thing, however – much of the Mexican food I enjoy is loaded with fat and hundreds of calories, and I believe my love for the cuisine is responsible for my quick weight gain when I moved back to Las Cruces.

I didn't realize how bad Mexican food was until a friend of mine visited from New York and said, "Wait, refried beans? Does that mean they're fried again? Seriously?"

I never thought of it that way, but after that, I started to think twice about my selections.

During the weight loss challenge, I just about gave up Mexican food. I felt like I had to. A burrito bañado just didn't seem to fit in the new eating plan. But after interviewing Mesilla Valley Kitchen owner Kelley Coffeen about her new cookbook, "300 Best Taco Recipes," I realize that I didn't have to. As with everything else, I just had to make better choices.

You don't have to have a "traditional" taco with greasy meat wrapped in a deep fried shell and loaded with extra cheese. It's just as tasty to have a taco with grilled meat stuffed in a steamed corn tortilla and topped with a flavorful, low-fat salsa. It might even be tastier.

Coffeen's cookbook opened up a new world of flavors for me. The variations of Mexican food are so vast that you'll never get bored. If there are at least 300 different taco recipes, what does that mean for salsa, enchiladas or burritos?

I definitely have an appreciation for those who can cook delicious Mexican food, and I have to admit that I have been nervous to try it on my own. (I don't really cook any kind of food.) But with options like these – Kelley's book even has tortilla recipes – I feel like I can try it out. When you cook at home, it's much easier to keep track of the calories you're about to ingest, and it can become a family affair.

The opportunities seem endless.

Do you have a "healthier take" on traditional Mexican dishes? Send your recipes to natisha@lascrucesbulletin.com.

A healthier take on tacos

Local restaurateur provides variations of Mexican staple

By **Natisha Hales**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces chef and restaurateur Kelley Coffeen is stepping outside of the box when it comes to Mexican food.

Her latest cookbook, "300 Best Taco Recipes," not only includes traditional beef, chicken and pork taco recipes, but 60 vegetarian tacos and more than 35 seafood varieties as well.

"I just felt like when it comes to flour and corn tortillas, you can fill them with just about anything," said Coffeen, who also owns Mesilla Valley Kitchen. "You can make them healthier than the taco we know that everyone is used to. I've been writing this book for years in my head."

Her fourth cookbook, "300 Best Recipes" is the largest she has published, and is complete with an introduction to tacos, the history and evolution of tacos and its fillings. The 384-page book also includes sections on salsas and sauces, fresh vegetables, cheese and homemade tortillas – how to make them and how to reheat them. Coffeen also explains the equipment she recommends using in her recipes throughout the

books as well as the reasoning behind the various ingredients and "Top 10 Tips for Perfect Tacos." Because the book is marketed internationally, Coffeen also included measurements in the metric system.

"It really is a complete guide," she said.

What's most important, she said, is the fact that tacos can be quick, affordable and healthy.

"There's the 10-minute taco that involves you picking up a rotisserie chicken from the grocery store, and there are some that involve a little more time. You can feed a family of eight for a dollar a taco," she said. "There's something for every level of expertise."

There's also something for those who prefer a variety of cuisine. "300 Best Taco Recipes" includes original Asian, Mediterranean and Italian recipes in addition to the American varieties of Tex-Mex, Pacific Coast and Southern-style tacos. Cocktails and dessert tacos are also included in the book.

"There are a million kinds of tacos," she said. "It's crazy what you can do."

The key to each recipe, Coffeen See **Tacos** on page D2



Local chef and Mesilla Valley Kitchen owner Kelley Coffeen has recently released "300 Best Taco Recipes," providing a healthier alternative to the traditional Mexican food.

Community collaboration

Initiative works to reduce childhood obesity

By **Natisha Hales**
Las Cruces Bulletin

It's a complex issue that requires cooperation from nearly every facet of the community, but it's one that the entire community is willing to tackle.

With initiatives such as Healthy Kids Las Cruces, childhood obesity has become top of mind among local government officials, educators, health care professionals and families. Only in its third year, the program already has been named one of the top 10 models in the nation for reducing childhood obesity by the HSC Foundation and received the New Mexico Public Health Association 2010 Achievement Award.

The initiative started after a December 2007 meeting of nearly 50 local and state leaders from various settings, said Dawn Sanchez, health promotion program health for the local New Mexico Department of Health office.

"We talked about childhood obesity prevention and how we can create support systems in each setting," she said. "We came up with a goal and five-year vision statements as well as yearly goals. We call it an implementation plan. We're adding on and working on it constantly to keep track of how we're doing."

Within community and regional planning, the five-year vision for Healthy Kids Las Cruces

consists of creating safe, accessible infrastructure that promotes physical activities among children and their families.

Part of that vision is being realized through Prescription Trails, an initiative that was launched in Albuquerque, but has since expanded to include Santa Fe and Las Cruces.

"The initial goal was to target health care providers to write prescriptions for patients to walk," Sanchez said.

The Las Cruces Prescription Trails initiative includes Walking Trails Guide that lists 20 walking trails in the area categorized by neighborhood. The trails are graded on a three-point scale, with grade one being fully accessible to all users and grade three as slightly challenging.

"It really gives a sense of what areas are accessible around town, and we even have bus stop locations marked because transportation shouldn't be a barrier," Sanchez said.

The guide has reached more than its originally intended target audience. Sanchez said real estate agents use the guide for potential homeowners moving to Las Cruces, and it also has become popular with veterinarians who also write "prescriptions" for pets.

"More pets are starting to gain weight as more owners are inactive," Sanchez said. "This is a way to get the whole family out there."

Since children spend much of their time – See **Healthy kids** on page D2



Brenda Prieto, 9, practices her jump rope skills during Ciclovía Las Cruces Sunday, April 17, at Young Park. Healthy Kids Las Cruces promotes the event in their mission to prevent childhood obesity. See more Ciclovía photos on page D5.

Grilled Fajita Steak and Shrimp Tacos

1 pound beef skirt steak
2 tablespoons olive oil, divided
Kosher salt
12 medium shrimp, cooked, peeled, deveined and coarsely chopped
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
1 onion, sliced into 1/4-inch-thick rings
1 red bell pepper, julienned
1 orange bell pepper, julienned
8 (6- to 8-inch) corn or flour tortillas
2 limes, cut into 6 wedges

Preheat greased barbecue grill to medium-high. Brush meat with 1 tablespoon of the oil. Season with salt to taste. Grill for 3 to 4 minutes per side, depending on the thickness of the steak until medium-rare and well browned on the surface. Let stand for 5 minutes. Thinly slice meat across the grain.

In a large skillet, heat remaining 1 tablespoon of oil over medium heat. Add shrimp, onion red and orange bell peppers and salt and pepper to taste. Sauté until peppers are tender-crisp vegetables are slightly charred and shrimp is heated through, 10 to 12 minutes.

To build tacos, divide meat and shrimp mixture equally among tortillas and fold tortillas in half. Serve with lime wedges. Makes 12 tacos.



Artichoke and Spinach Tacos

Artichoke and Spinach Tacos

1 cup spinach leaves, trimmed and torn into bite-size pieces
1 cup chopped romaine lettuce
1 cup chopped, drained, canned artichoke hearts
1/4 cup thinly sliced red onion
1/4 cup chopped, drained, canned water chestnuts
Juice of 1 lemon
Jalapeño Cream Sauce
8 taco shells, warmed
1/2 cup crumbled Cotija cheese

In a bowl, combine spinach, lettuce, artichoke hearts, red onion and water chestnuts. Cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes or for up to 2 hours to allow flavors to blend. Just before serving, toss spinach mixture with lemon juice and Jalapeño

Cream Sauce. To build tacos, divide spinach mixture equally among taco shells. Top with cheese. Fold tortillas in half.

Tip: Rinse and pat dry all vegetables with paper towel before chopping to prevent a soggy texture.

Jalapeño Cream Sauce

3/4 cup mayonnaise
1/2 cup plain yogurt
3 roasted jalapeños
1 tablespoon fresh cilantro, minced
Salt and freshly ground black pepper

In a blender, pulse mayonnaise, yogurt, jalapeños and cilantro until smooth. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Transfer to an airtight container or squeeze bottle. Refrigerate, stirring occasionally, for 1 hour or up to 4 days.

Details

300 Best Taco Recipes

by Kelley Coffeen

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- Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 700 S. Telshor Blvd.
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- La Posta de Mesilla gift shop, 2410 Calle de San Albino

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\$24.95



Tacos

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said, is bringing out the flavor in each dish and maintaining the health aspect.

"Everything is layered with flavor," she said. "You can have a corn tortilla – that's 40 calories – and 2 ounces of chicken – that's 70 calories. From there, you can just add fresh veggies. I use lots of fresh chopped vegetables – jicama, salad mix, onion and tomato – and there are some really great low-fat cheeses."

Since cheese can be heavy in fat, Coffeen also included in her cookbook a basic cream sauce using low-fat plain yogurt, low-fat mayonnaise and fresh lime as an alternative to cheese.

"You can make a great chicken taco with the sauce, and if you steam the tortillas, there's no fat," she said. "Even if you want the crispy texture of the tortilla, you can get that with low-fat cooking spray, and there's still no added fat."

With Coffeen's new book, she has had a chance to share her expertise around the country and is scheduled for interviews on Good Morning Arizona in Phoenix and Martha Stewart Living Radio on Sirius XM.

Coffeen is no stranger to the media. In 1995, she started hosting "Kelley's Kitchen," a weekly cooking segment on KTSM-TV in El Paso. Following her show, she published her first cookbooks, "Fiesta Mexicali" and "Simply 7."

"300 Best Taco Recipes" is available from amazon.com and barnesandnoble.com as well as the local Barnes & Noble Booksellers in Mesilla Valley Mall and, by May 1, the gift shop in La Posta de Mesilla.



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Healthy kids

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and many eat two of their meals – at school, the Healthy Kids Las Cruces initiative includes key input from the educational system.

The program has a goal to encourage students within Las Cruces Public Schools to participate in daily physical activities, become aware of nutrition and its effects on the body and mind and make healthy food choices.

Selecting Conlee Elementary School as its flagship school in April 2008, the group implemented programs such as Cooking with Kids and Recess Before Lunch, and Sanchez said there are noticeable differences.

"We've seen a change in behavior with parents as well as children," she said. "Parents will bring water for parties instead of a 2 liter of coke. They're more conscious."

Sanchez said she's even more impressed with the response from other schools that have implemented these changes themselves.

"(The programs at Conlee) have brought a lot of attention at the other schools," she said. "It's neat to see the other schools do this on their own."

Because resources are limited for Healthy Kids Las Cruces – funding is restricted to the salary of a coordinator position – Sanchez said the key is partnerships and assisting already-established programs, such as Ciclovía Las Cruces, with meeting their goals of preventing childhood obesity.

"We're trying to be creative," she said. "The overall message is that all of us can potentially make healthful choices. When it comes to children, it takes whole communities."

Healthy Happenings



ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS/ DYSFUNCTIONAL FAMILIES SUPPORT GROUP

Adult Children of Alcoholics and Other Dysfunctional Families support group meets at 2 p.m. Sundays at 903 Piñon Ave. This is a 12-step program for men and women who grew up in alcoholic or otherwise dysfunctional homes. They meet in a mutually respectful, safe environment and acknowledge their common experiences.

For more information, visit www.adultchildren.org.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Overeaters Anonymous meets from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesdays at St. James Episcopal Church on the corner of St. James and South Main streets. For more information, call 647-5684.

TOPS MEETING CHAPTER 381

Take Off Pounds Sensibly Chapter 381 is open to new members of all ages at its Thursday morning meetings, which start with a private weigh-in from 10 to 10:30 a.m. Weigh-ins are followed by group discussions of weight loss, dietary help and nutrition. The group meets at Trails West Senior Community, 1450 Avenida de Mesilla, in the Main Room. For more information, call 523-6240.

T'AI CHI CHIH CLASSES

Instructor Rose Alvarez-Diosdado holds T'ai Chi Chih: Joy Thru Movement first-time classes from 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays and classes for beginners from 9 to 10 a.m. Tuesdays in the fourth-floor Women's Resource Room at MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4351 E. Lohman Ave. No registration is required. In addition, T'ai Chi Chih advanced classes are taught from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Tuesdays. Cost is \$2 and free for Senior Circle and Healthy Woman members.

A class for all levels is held from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month at Young Park, 1905 E. Nevada Ave.

For more information, call 526-3016.

YOGA CLASSES BY KAREN NICHOLS

Karen Nichols is offering 90-minute yoga classes for adults and upper teens at 6 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays at My Place, 140-A Wyatt Drive. Donations in excess of space rental benefit Jardín de los Niños. Participants should bring a yoga mat and any props they may need. Classes are suitable for all levels of experience. For more information, email Karen at karen_f_n@yahoo.com

or leave a message at 882-4943.

CARING BRIDGE SUPPORT GROUP

Caring Bridge, an activity support group for adults in recovery from mental illness, meets from 4 to 6 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at the Bridge, 2511 Chaparral St.

The group matches those in need of support with caring volunteers to help build bonds, share experiences and create arts and crafts to sell in a supportive environment. For more information, call Kathy or David at 522-6404 or email bridge@nmsu.edu.

T'AI CHI CHIH, YOGA CLASSES

Clear Mind Zen Temple, 642 S. Alameda Blvd., will offer T'ai Chi Chih classes at 6 p.m. Wednesdays with certified instructor Rose Alvarez-Diosdado.

An introduction to Zen meditation is from 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the temple.

A small donation is asked for each class.

For more information, call Harvey Hilbert at 680-6680.

CITY RECREATION SCHEDULE

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

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

- **Aerobics:** 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
- **Yoga:** 9 to 10 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays
- **Spinning:** 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays
- **Pilates:** 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays
- **Zumba:** 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Mondays and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays

For more information, call 541-2563.

The following class is held at Benavidez Community Center, 1045 McClure Road:

- **Zumba:** 6 to 7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays

For more information, call 541-5185.

The following class is held at Club Fusion Teen Center, 101 E. Union Ave.:

- **Zumba:** 7 to 8 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

For more information, call 541-5181.

All classes are \$2. For more information, call the City of Las Cruces Parks and Recreation Department at 541-2550.

YOGA CLASSES AT UU METHODIST

Olivia Solomon is offering yoga classes for all levels from 9 to 10 a.m. Tuesdays and from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. Thursday, at the University United Methodist Church, 2000 S. Locust St. To sign up, come 15 minutes before class.

Cost is \$3 per session with a \$24 monthly punch card or \$4 for walk-ins.

Participants are asked to bring a yoga mat and any props they will need. For more information, call Solomon at 522-5350 or email wildyoga@yahoo.com.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step, spiritual program for those with a desire to stop eating compulsively. There are no fees. The program meets at 7 p.m. Mondays at Unity of Las Cruces, 125 Wyatt Drive. Enter through the back door. The group also has a big-book meeting at 2 p.m. Fridays at Newman Center, 2615 S. Solano Drive.

GLBTQ CENTER SUPPORT GROUPS

The Las Cruces Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender and Questioning/Queer (GLBTQ) Center, 1210 N. Main St., is open from noon to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The center offers gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender members of the community counseling, support groups and networking activities. For more information, call the center at 635-4902, email info@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. Tuesdays. The group is open to all with a focus on the GLBTQ community.
- A GLBTQ youth support group meets from 7:30 to 9 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. For more information, email Eloy at eacastro@nmsu.edu.
- A support group for parents, guardians, other family and friends caring for or raising a GLBTQ youth meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
- Sexual Compulsives Anonymous meets from 7 to 8 p.m. Mondays. The group is a 12-step program for anyone dealing with sexual compulsion.
- An LBTQ women's group meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. the first and third Thursdays 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 intergenerational group with discussions and activities designed by the

group members. For more information, call Nato at 635-4902.

- Bisexuals' support group meets from 7:30 to 9 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. For more information, email Dawn at dmbates@nmsu.edu.
- Southern New Mexico Trans Support Group meets from 4 to 5:30 p.m. the first and third Saturday of each month. 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.

FAMILY CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

A family caregiver support group meets from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays at Café España in the Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces, 705 S. Telshor Blvd.

Co-facilitators with many years of experience in senior care issues will be on hand.

HIV SUPPORT GROUP

The Las Cruces HIV Support Group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Tuesday at the Las Cruces GLBTQ Center, 1210 N. Main St. The group offers advocacy and support for both those infected with or affected by the HIV virus, and focuses on the rebuilding of community, outreach, education, self advocacy and wellness. For more information, call Seth at 621-0681.

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.ccf.org).

For more information about the Crohn's and Colitis support group, call Jo Tice Bloom at 382-0722.

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.

COMMUNICATION WORKSHOP SET

Psychologist Richard Nicastro will hold a workshop for individuals and couples titled "Communication Essentials for a Healthy Marriage/Relationship," from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 30, at the Relationship Center of New Mexico, 1060 S. Main St. Cost is \$25 for individuals or \$40 for a couple. Space is limited and pre-registration is required.

To register, call Nicastro at 915-2601 or email rich@relationshipcenternm.com.

CO-DEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS

Adult Children of Alcoholics/Co-Dependents Anonymous meets at 10:30 a.m. each Saturday at the Arid Club, 334 W. Griggs Ave. The one-hour meetings are intended to help those who have been raised in an alcoholic or dysfunctional family situations deal with their issues and move on to a healthier, happier life through a 12-step program. For more information, call 647-5684.

DITCH RUNNERS MEET SUNDAY MORNINGS

The Las Cruces Ditch Runners hold group runs every Sunday morning from the Jason Jiron park on Three Crosses Avenue. For more information, runners of all levels may call Lynn at 373-0982, John at 532-8151, or email jleroy@q.com.

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.

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.

LA LECHE LEAGUE

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. Main St. The nighttime meeting is at 6:30 p.m. the first Thursday of each month. The meetings are currently held at the home of leader Renee Beltran.

Contact Renee at 635-6683 or reneeeltran1@comcast.net for directions or any other inquiries specific to this meeting.

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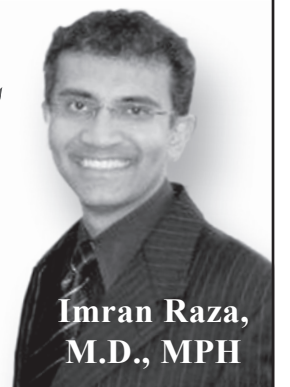
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Getting pumped up at the Desert Hills Jog-a-Thon

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First-grader Berto Zamora, right, gets wide-eyed for the camera with his classmates as they get pumped up during the Desert Hills Elementary Jog-a-Thon pep rally Friday, April 8.

New Mexico State University mascot Pistol Pete keeps and edge on the Sonic tater tot mascot during the mascot race.



The Desert Hills Elementary students welcome the Sonic tater tot mascot to their Jog-a-Thon pep rally.



Part of the Desert Hills Elementary Jog-a-Thon pep rally included a mascot race around the cafeteria.

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Families stay fit at the *Ciclovía Las Cruces*

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Nadine, 10, Angel, 3, and Anthony, 12, play tetherball at during Ciclovía Las Cruces Sunday, April 17, at Young Park. The event is an informal program designed to get kids and families to become more active.



Liah Guerrero, 8, jumps rope.



First-time Ciclovíagoer Jerrick Birner, 10, reaches for a marker while playing in the bungee area.



Bunny rabbit Jonise Cabrera, 6, stopped by the face-painting booth to fix her whiskers.



Danielle Grady, 10, plays a tossing game with her dad Jason.



Eight-year-old Madison Chavez looks on while brother Hunter, 3, approaches croquet in a different manner.

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SERVICES AT EL CAVARIO

El Calvario United Methodist Church, on the corner of Las Cruces Avenue and Campo Street, will hold special services through Easter. Services will be on Good Friday at 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 22. At 11 a.m. Sunday, April 24, the Easter service will include bilingual worship and music will be lead by Marian Smith. Rev. Elmer Armijo, district superintendent, will

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Going back in time at the St. Andrews Jerusalem Marketplace

Photos by Niki Rhynes



Bronti Stalder and Kerrigan Sivils, 15, enjoy bread with honey. Stalder also was involved in putting on plays depicting religious scenes for children participating in the Jerusalem Marketplace, Tuesday, April 19, at St. Andrews Episcopal Church.

Morgan Knight, 9, creates perfume.



Volunteer Amnesty Rogers watches over the bread making.



Alex Delgado, 11, at the loom



Church News

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serve as interim pastor and will preach Easter Sunday. For more information, call 524-1230.

HOLY WEEK AT PEACE LUTHERAN

Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave., will hold Good Friday services at 12:10 and 7:30 p.m. The annual Easter Vigil service, starting in candle light and finishing in a joyous Easter celebration, begins at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 23. Easter Sunday worship service is 9 a.m. with a light brunch following worship and Easter egg hunt for children at 11 a.m. For more information, call 522-7119.

ST. ANTHONY HOLY WEEK

St. Anthony of the Desert, on the corner of Hadley Avenue and Alameda Boulevard, will hold Holy Friday, April 22, services at 9 a.m., 6 and 8 p.m. and Holy Saturday, April 23, is at 4 and 10 p.m. Pascha (Easter) service will be at noon. A divine liturgy on Bright Monday, April 25, will be at 9 a.m. For more information, visit stanthonylc.org.

EASTER ALIVE

First Baptist Church of Las Cruces, which holds "The Living Christmas Tree" every

December, presents its fifth annual "Easter Alive" production at 3 p.m. Friday, April 22, and 6 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at the church, 106 S. Miranda St. The production features 41,000 computer-controlled lights on a 17-foot cross that will be synchronized with the music, including a 35-voice youth choir. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door or in advance during office hours from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call 524-3691.

GOOD FRIDAY AT ST. ANDREWS

St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 518 N. Alameda Blvd., will hold Good Friday service from noon to 1:30 p.m. Friday, April 22, with the Very Rev. Dr. Nicholas Funk. Father Daniel Cave, associate rector at St. Andrews, will present the drama "Centurion," also known as "Building the Cross." This is the first presentation of this drama at St. Andrews and all are invited to attend. For more information, call 526-6333.

SERVICES AT UNITY

Unity of Las Cruces, 125 Wyatt Drive, will host a meditation on Good Friday on the Seven Last Words of Jesus at 6 p.m. Friday, April 22. For more information, call 523-5592 or visit www.unityoflascrucis.org.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Sonoma Springs Church, 3940 Sonoma Springs Ave., will host its fourth annual Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 23. The event is free and adventures for children ages 3 and under, 4 to 6 and 7 to 11. There will be door prizes and a free continental breakfast following the egg hunt. For more information, visit www.sonomasprings.org.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

An Easter sunrise service sponsored by Las Cruces Evangelical Ministerial Fellowship will be held at 6:30 a.m. Sunday, April 24, at Veterans Park, 2651 N. Roadrunner Parkway. Praise and worship will be led by Paul Furth from Heart of the World Vineyard Church. Offerings will benefit the Gospel Rescue Mission. For more information, call 644-6694 or 523-7727.

CALVARY BAPTIST EASTER

Calvary Baptist Church and Pastor Chris McRae invite the community to an Easter service at 10 a.m. Sunday, April 24, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. Child care will be provided for babies through 4 years old.

For more information, call 522-7900.

LENTEN SKETCH

St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 225 Griggs Ave., presents the multi-media worship "The Lenten Sketch" at 7 p.m. Good Friday, April 22. For more information, call 526-6689.

TREASURES OF ST. PAULS

St. Paul's United Methodist Women will sponsor a salad luncheon and silent auction of "Treasures of St. Paul's" from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 27, in the church's Fellowship Hall at 225 Griggs Ave. An assortment of salads will be served with a baked chicken breast. Take-out will be available and walk-ins are welcome. Proceeds will benefit local missions, including the Mesilla Valley Community of Hope, Gospel Rescue Mission and La Casa. Tickets are \$8. For more information, call 526-6689.

COMMUNITY TRAINING

A free faith-based community training will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 30, at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave. Agencies involved include FYI Safehouse and Child Advocacy Center, Child

Crises Center, La Casa, La Piñon, New Mexico State University Family Wellness Program, NMSU WAVE Program, Las Cruces Police Department Victim Assistance Unit, Las Cruces Police Department Drug Endangered Children, Aprendamos and Special Immigration Services for Victims. The training will cover topics such as identifying child abuse and how, when and where to make a report; safety planning in your organization; and bullying.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

The Church Women United of the Mesilla Valley will hold its next celebration at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, April 30, at First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. The theme is "Living Our Faith, Unlocking Action," and the guest speaker will be Rita Lloyd Mills from Ghana. For more information, call 526-9194.

UNITY SPRING POTLUCK

Unity of Las Cruces, 125 Wyatt Drive, will hold a spring potluck after its regular 10:30 a.m. worship service Sunday, May 1. The community is invited to share in food and fellowship. For more information, call 523-5592 or visit www.unityoflascrucis.org.

USED BOOK SALE

Temple Beth-El of Las Cruces, 3380 Sonoma Springs Ave., will hold a used book sale from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday, May 1, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, May 2. There will be used hard and paperback books of all varieties as well as a large selection of first editions. The last hour of the sale on Monday will feature a \$2 bag sale. For more information, call 524-3380.

ANNUAL ART SALE

Holy Family will host its sixth annual Art Sale & Exhibit from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 7, at 702 Parker Road.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES MARKETPLACE

The Catholic Charities Marketplace is partnering with artisans and farmers, locally and abroad, to bring unique, handmade gifts and treasures to the Las Cruces area. Marketplace partners are receiving a fair wage for their work. The Catholic Charities Marketplace is located at 2205 S. Main St., Suite B. It is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. If you're an artisan interested in partnering with the marketplace, contact Monita Chip at 523-7577 or mma@catholiccharitiesdlc.org.



SeniorActivities

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

AQUATICS CLASS

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

AEROBICS CLASS

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

HATHA YOGA

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

BLOOD PRESSURE AND GLUCOSE CLINICS

Blood pressure and glucose clinics by Alpha Nurses are:

- 10 a.m. to noon, Monday, Benavidez Community Center, 1045 McClure Road
- 10 a.m. to noon, Tuesday, Mesilla Park Community Center, 304 W. Bell Ave.
- 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.
- 10 a.m. to noon, Thursday, East Side Center, 310 N. Tornillo St. Donation suggested.

CORE-FLOOR EXERCISE CLASS

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

T'AI CHI CLASSES

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

CHESS

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

CHINA PAINTERS

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

JEWELRY MAKING

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

MAH JONGG

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

BINGO MANIA

Bingo Mania is from 12:30

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

CANASTA

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

HORSESHOES

Horseshoe-pitching practice is held from 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday behind Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. For more information, call Burt Trujillo at 522-4849.

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-up 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 women 50 years of age and older is held at 8:30 a.m. the first Monday of each month at the Munson Center.

STAINED GLASS

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

at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

PINOCHLE

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

WOODCARVING

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

WATERCOLOR PAINTING CLASS

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

DAY TRIPS

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

TRAVEL CLUB

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

- **Albuquerque/Gathering of the Nations:** April 28-30. \$280 double, \$305 single
- **T or C Ladies Spa Experience:** May 23-24, two days/one night. \$190 double, \$234 single
- **Hatch/Shannon Hopper Blacksmith day trip,** Tuesday, May 31. \$30 per person, includes lunch
- **Hubbard Museum of the American West in Ruidoso day trip,** Wednesday, June 8. \$30 per person, includes museum fee
- **Alaska Cruise and Tour:** Sept. 7, 11 days/10 nights. Call for details.
- **Hawaii Cruise:** Nov. 5. Call for details.
- **Branson Show Extravaganza:** Nov. 12-20. \$869 double, \$1,109 single. For more information, call Helen Glover at 528-3166.

WALKING GROUP

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

SWINGING DANCERS

The Swinging Dancers of Munson Center meet at 7 p.m. Saturdays at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Couples, individuals and guests are welcome. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$6. For more information, call 523-1871.

THE THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB

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

MYSTERY TOURS

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

SATURDAY DANCE

The Neal McCowan Band will perform country music and a selection of oldies, rock and a variety of other music at a dance from 7 to 9 p.m., Saturday, April 23, at Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and admission is \$6. The dance is sponsored by the Social Dancers of Las Cruces Ltd. For more information, call Pat Beal at 522-5637 or email bealptrc@lavabit.com.

DAY TRIP TO ALPACA FARM

Going Solo for single seniors ages 50 and over will have a day trip to the Alpaca Farm & Gift Shop at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 23. Anyone interested is asked to meet at Kmart, 1900 Bataan Memorial East. Look for a tan Honda with a red bag sitting on the roof. Participants will car pool and share gas expenses, about 60 miles round-trip. For more information, call Ginni at 522-5225 or Judy at 522-6543.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

The Alzheimer's Association, New Mexico Chapter has the following support group meetings each month:

- Noon each second Thursday of the month, potluck lunch at the Mira Vista Apartments, 2141 N. Solano Drive, in the Community Room. For more information, call Nicky at 647-3868.
- 6 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at the Village at Northrise, 2884 N. Roadrunner Parkway, in the Desert Willow Building. For more information, call Donna at 556-6117.
- 11 a.m. the third Saturday of each month, potluck lunch at Casa de Oro, 1005 Lujan Hill Road. For more information, call Tim at 650-0241.
- The last Friday of each month at Villa del Sol Senior Center, 575 S. Mesquite St., in the Computer Room. For meeting times or more information, call Maria at 915-637-9337 or 589-0821.

Frequently called numbers

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975 S. Mesquite St. 528-3000

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310 N. Tornillo St.....541-2304 or 541-2305

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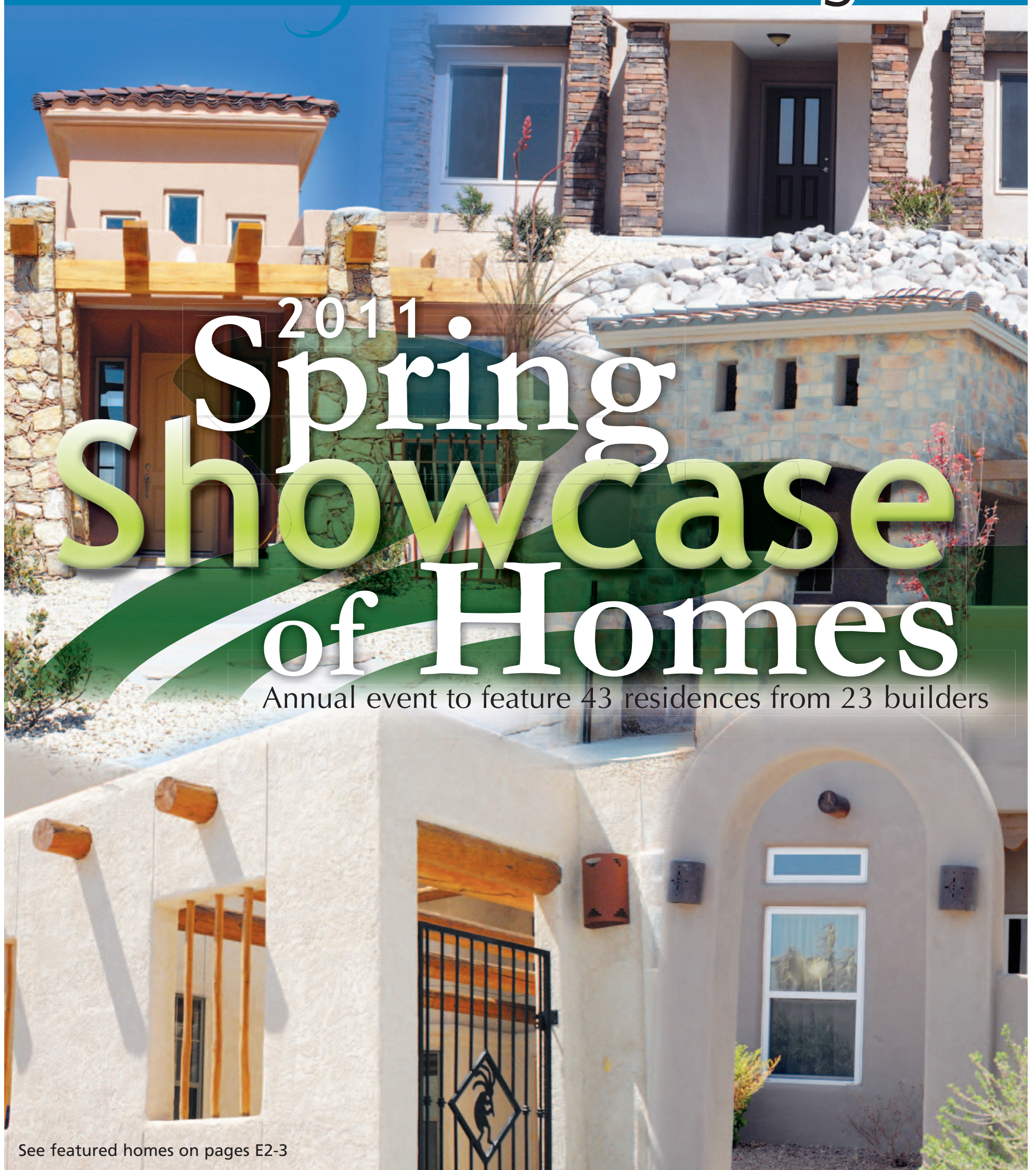
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The home at 4075 Calle Belleza built by GL Green & Associates is in the Spring Showcase of Homes.



Veloz Homes will showcase its creation at 3558 Camino Verde during the 2011 Spring Showcase of Homes.



Built by Thurston Equity Corp., the home at 4122 Santiago Way will also be on the tour.

The home at 7034 Calle Estancias by Picacho Mountain will bring visitors to the Picacho area.



Enchanted Desert Homes will display the home at 4431 Nambe Arc.

The home at 7505 Sierra de Oro is one of three shown by Hakes Brothers.

Excitement surrounds the Spring Showcase of Homes

New entry options allow for more Las Cruces builders

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces and out-of-towners alike will have the chance to get an up-close look at what the Mesilla Valley has to offer in home construction during the Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico 2011 Spring Showcase of Homes held April 29-May 1 and May 6-8.

Over the years, the free event has fluctuated in size, but remained a popular Las Cruces attraction.

"The BIA(-SNM) got pretty aggressive about builders getting their products out there, so we expanded the options," said showcase Chair Jennifer Sandoval. "It's very new and different from past showcases."

While in the past, the spring showcase was strictly open to newly constructed residences only, this year those that are lived in, brand new to five years old, under construction or have been remodeled can be displayed.

Although 22 homes featured during last year's spring showcase, which drew a crowd of about 7,000, this year, visitors can get a first-hand look at 43 residences created by 23 different local builders.

"Essentially, it's a really amazing opportunity to showcase homes to people in the market to buy," said Kathryn Blessington of Helping Hands Event Planning, who helped organize the event. "A lot of builders say showcase provides their business until the next year's showcase. It's a one-time marketing campaign that can last a really long time."

Varying in styles and prices from \$100,000 to \$1 million, Sandoval said this year's large home showcase can be attributed to recent improvements to the housing market.

"Many builders felt that with the economy, it was time to get back out there and show their product," she said.

"As the market picks up, builders want to show what new things they can do," Blessington said.

One such builder was Eddie Binns of Binns Construction, who said that since beginning the business in 1963, he has seen the market cycle and Las Cruces building stay strong.

"I think that the recession has bottomed out and people are starting to look for new homes," he said. "It's the time to put something on the market."

Seeing more activity after two slow years, Binns said he has noticed a change in attitude from local builders as well as those looking for a place to call home.

"People still want to come to the Southwest," he said. "The desire for homeownership isn't dead."

Participating for the first time in years, Binns said the company has six homes in the showcase that range from \$160,000 to \$290,000 in price.

"People are still interested in a competitive



The Tuscan stylings of GL Green & Associates can also be found during the showcase at 4115 Calle Belleza.

price in a quality product that has energy savings and low maintenance," he said.

Focusing on a Southwest style, Binns said the homes include front courtyards, roofed back patios, kiva fireplaces, intricate tile work and 12-foot ceilings.

"People want to incorporate features found in million-dollar homes into a competitively priced home," he said.

Bob Flamm of Enchanted Desert Homes, who has participated in the showcase for about eight years, said he also understands the importance of displaying a product during the event.

"In the past, I'd want to show a home, but it would go under contract and the owners wouldn't want to. This year, I planned ahead," he said, adding that he stated in the contract agreement that the home would be shown during the 2011 event. "It was important enough that I had to make sure it would be on the showcase."

Using the showcase as an opportunity to meet new clients and give his company more visibility, Flamm said he wants to show off what he can do. Displaying two homes, he said participants can expect to see unique ceiling

treatments, faux-finished plaster, carved wood features and outdoor living areas.

"(The home at 4334 Tewa Court) was designed for outdoor living," he said.

One feature Flamm said is new to Las Cruces that he has incorporated into his homes is the fireplace candle insert.

"I think it will show well, and people will talk about it," he said.

“Many builders felt that with the economy, it was time to get back out there and show their product.”

JENNIFER SANDOVAL,
Spring Showcase of Homes chair

Details

Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico 2011 Spring Showcase of Homes

When

April 29-May 1 and May 6-8
4 to 7 p.m. Fridays
10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturdays
Noon to 5 p.m. Sundays

Where

Throughout Las Cruces
Find a map in the April 29 edition of the Las Cruces Bulletin

Cost

Free

Website

www.lascrucesshowcaseofhomes.com

see that process," said Blessington, adding that the builders will be on hand to explain what is in the home and the building techniques they're using.

Visitors will see a wide variety of products from builders who have been in business for generations and from those who are new to the industry, Sandoval said, adding that this is also an opportunity to see what local distributors have to offer.

"Some people plan their trips to the area around the Spring Showcase of Homes," she said. "The thing about Las Cruces homebuilders is that so much of what is done is so custom, and we take great pride in that fact."

Blessington said there is much enthusiasm surrounding this year's showcase from builders and the public.

"It's an extremely exciting showcase because there are so many homes," Sandoval said. "Construction is still being done, and buyers are still out there. Las Cruces is an active market."

The Spring Showcase of Homes will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Fridays, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturdays and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays.

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Energy Star has a great tool for assessing the energy efficiency of your home.

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It's called the Home Energy Yardstick and it's a great place to begin evaluating your home's energy performance.

Then, use the Home Energy Advisor available at energystar.gov to get recommendations for energy-saving home improvements for typical homes in your area.

It's estimated that a homeowner can save up to 20 percent

on heating and cooling costs by sealing and insulating. Sealing and insulating the "envelope" or "shell" of your home – its outer walls, ceiling, windows, doors and floors – is often the most cost effective way to improve energy efficiency and comfort.

You may already be aware of air leaks because you feel drafts around windows and doors. Other areas in the home, such as attics and crawlspaces, may be less easy to find, but definitely need to be addressed in order to seal and insulate your home. Many of these fixes can be done by you as the homeowner, or you may hire a contractor who has special diagnostic tools to assess and fix any problems. You can check with a Home Energy Rater in our area to help you find an Energy Star contractor.

The Energy Star website has a great tool to begin the sealing and insulating process. It is the do-it-yourself guide to sealing and insulating with Energy Star. Fortunately there are a lot of good products on the market for the "do it yourselfer." You can purchase caulks, foams and insulations at most home

improvement stores. Again, the Energy Star DIY site offers step-by-step instruction for sealing common air leaks and adding insulation.

After your sealing project, Energy Star recommends having a heating and cooling technician check that your combustion appliances (gas furnace, water heater and dryer) are venting properly.

Another area that impacts energy efficiency in your home and directly affects your pocketbook is your home heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) system. It represents approximately half of your home's energy use. Properly installed heating and cooling systems use less energy to operate.

If your home is more than 10 years old or you notice your heating and cooling are not working well, you might consider installing a new Energy Star HVAC system. Ask your contractor to make sure your new unit is Energy Star, so you know you are getting the highest energy efficiency from your new system.

There are some practical ways you can keep your current HVAC system running properly. Check your air filter monthly and change it if it looks dirty. A good rule

“If your home is more than 10 years old ... you might consider installing a new Energy Star HVAC system.”



of thumb is to change it every three months. Proper air flow keeps your system working and reduces the buildup of dust and dirt.

Have your HVAC equipment checked yearly to make sure it is performing efficiently and consider installing a programmable thermostat. Use of pre-programmed settings can save on your annual energy costs.

These are just a few of the ways that Energy Star can save you money and energy in your home.

For more information and tips on how to seal and insulate and heating and cooling of your home, visit energystar.gov.

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.

Recycling Briefs



Visitors stop by the Friedman Recycling booth during Earth Day Saturday, April 16, at Young Park

Recycling featured at Young Park Earth Day event

Anyone who attended Earth Day Saturday, April 16, at Young Park had several opportunities to recycle, as blue bins were spread throughout the park and recycling route maps and matching calendars were found at the Friedman Recycling Earth Day booth.

Since your recycling pickup day may not be the same as your regular trash pickup day, Friedman employees worked one-on-one with residents to explain maps of the recycling pickup routes and the pickup schedules calendar. The information can also be found at www.friedman-recycling.com.

Friedman Recycling brought in lines of bright blue bins like the ones that now decorate the streets of Las Cruces, and huge bales of recyclables to surround its booth. The bales were not only displays, they also served as a teaching tool. The person who could accurately guess the weight of a bale of newspapers would win solar lamps. Many were close, but only Jaime Limon, Maribel Salmon and John Starostka correctly answered 1,800 pounds.

A thousand people with a sweet tooth and a wish to learn more about recycling who passed through the Friedman Recycling and the South Central Solid Waste Authority (SCSWA) booths were given a free ice cream sandwich courtesy of Price's Creameries.

SCSWA manages the Friedman Recycling contract, and since Friedman Recycling has launched curbside recycling in Las Cruces, the SCSWA is now focusing on:

- Business recycling
- School recycling at almost 30 schools
- Recycling drop-off at eight county sites
- Recycling drop-off at six sites in the city
- Promoting what's recyclable and what's not accepted

SCSWA is also responsible for managing solid waste and household hazardous waste for Las Cruces and Doña Ana County. If you have any questions about any of these issues, call SCSWA at 528-3800.

Many Earth Day visitors said they were happy that Las Cruces finally has curbside recycling.

"We already have our pickup dates marked on our calendar, and we actually have more recyclables now than trash," said Jan Brown, Las Cruces resident and avid recycler.

"We are so glad we no longer have to go to recycling drop-off sites," said her husband Doug Brown.

Other residents said they have increased the amount of products they recycle so much, that they fill their blue bin and still go to the drop-off sites to dump more recyclables.

Spring is here and so is the wind!

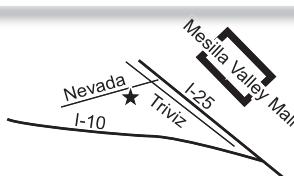
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The Easter bunny's secret weapon

Get your own colorful shells with egg dying kit

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin

With Easter a mere week away, now is the time to collect a few traditional items associated with the holiday. In addition to chocolate bunnies and baskets in varying shades of pastel, you'll need a carton or two of eggs.

A pagan symbol of rebirth, the egg was adopted by early Christians to represent the resurrection of Jesus. It also became associated with the religion because legend stated that Mary Magdalene brought cooked eggs to share with the other women who visited Jesus' tomb.

In addition to serving egg dishes and playing egg-related games, the Easter tradition of decorating them was formed.

The art of egg decorating has been around for centuries. There are many different ways to beautify the shell, from dyeing to carving. While painting the egg is a popular choice, some artists choose to be a little more extensive with their designs by using wax to create intricate details. After the egg has been painted, the wax will prevent that part of the shell from being dyed, leaving an ornate, pearly drawing.

Whether you're looking to embellish your egg with colorful dyes, sparkling glitter or cute stickers, all of your decorating supplies can be found in an Easter egg decorating kit.

What is it?

Not your typical kitchen gadget, the Easter eye-dyeing kit is the perfect arts-and-crafts project to welcome in spring.

Suitable for children ages 3 and older, dyeing eggs can be done by the entire family.

The kits usually consist of colorful dye tablets, a metal egg dipper and various containers for the liquid.

While classically the eye-dyeing kit included five basic colors – yellow, pink, orange, blue and green – the modern variety has everything from tie-dye to glitter paint. All kits come with a wax crayon for decorating, although some will have even more supplies, such as stickers.

How does it work?

Coming with everything you need to create spectacularly colorful Easter eggs, including dye tablets and color-coordinated cups, the kit is easy to use.

After placing each dye tablet in its coinciding cup, decide which dye method you would like to use – water, lemon juice or white vinegar.

The water will create pastel eggs, while the lemon juice will have a bolder color and the white vinegar will be the deepest hue. A general rule of thumb, the more acidic the liquid, the more vibrant the color will be because the dye will have an easier time penetrating the shell.

Add 3 tablespoons of the liquid to the cups and let the tablets fizz. After they have dissolved, add 1/2 cup of water and stir gently.

Place a clean, cool, hard-boiled egg onto the

egg dipper and submerge it in the dye. Leave it in there for as long as you desire. The longer the shell is in the bath, the brighter the color will be.

You can also dip different ends into various colors, creating a rainbow-inspired design.

Because the dye is extremely concentrated, it can stain certain surfaces and fabrics. Be sure to line your workspace with newspaper, a drop cloth or old shower curtain. Also, wear an apron.

When you're done, let the eggs dry on a tray. Pour out the dyes and wash the containers, and any other area, with soap and water.

Where can it be found?

Easter eye-dyeing kits can be found around town at just about any grocery or art-and-crafts store, such as Albertsons, Target and Hobby Lobby. Because dyeing eggs is usually considered a seasonal activity, the kits will most likely only be found in the spring.

How much does it cost?

Depending on the brand and what all is included, an Easter eye-dyeing kit can cost anywhere from \$2 to \$8.

Helpful hint

After the eggs have been dyed and enjoyed, transform them into egg salad, deviled eggs or another dish. This is a good way to use them before they go bad.



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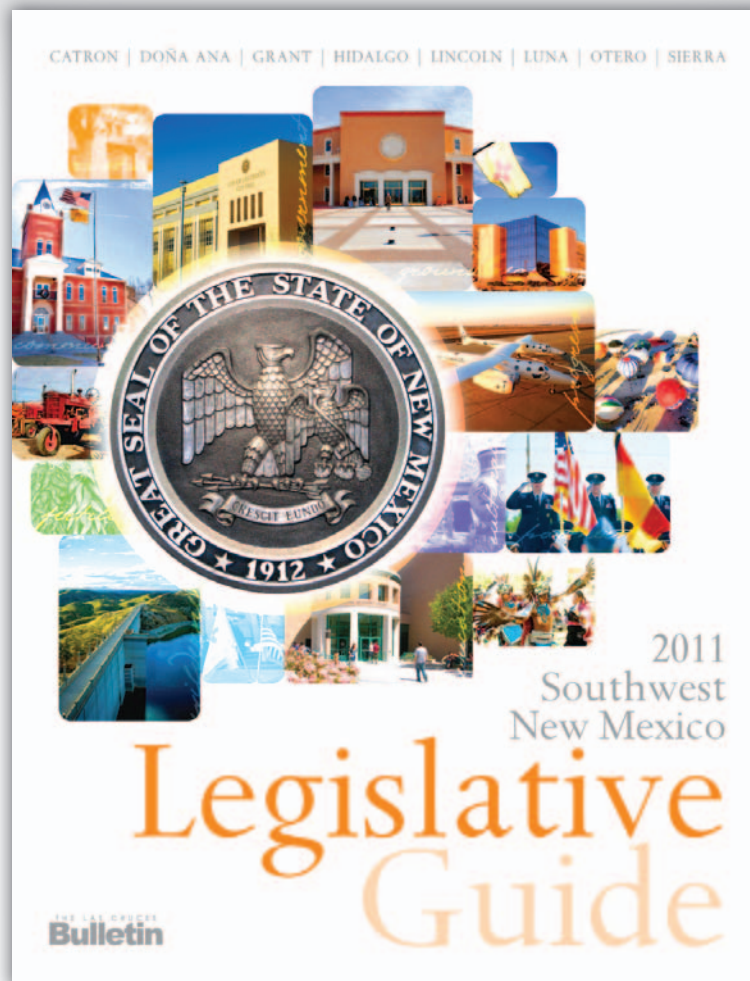
Featured kitchen gadget: Easter egg-dyeing kit

Easy Egg Salad

- 8 eggs
- 1 tablespoon mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons prepared Dijon-style mustard
- 1 teaspoon dried dill weed
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1/2 red onion, minced
- Salt and pepper to taste

Peel and chop cool hard-boiled eggs. In a large bowl, combine the egg, mayonnaise, mustard, dill, paprika, onion and salt and pepper. Mash well with a fork or wooden spoon.

Serve on bread as a sandwich or over crisp lettuce as a salad. (Recipe adapted from allrecipes.com.)



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Spuds rule at the Iron Chef competition

Photos by Niki Rhynes

Team Blane teammate Steve Perez shares a spoonful of shepherd's pie Wednesday, April 13, during New Mexico State University's Iron Chef of Spring 2011 competition held in the Taos Restaurant in NMSU's Corbett Center Student Union.

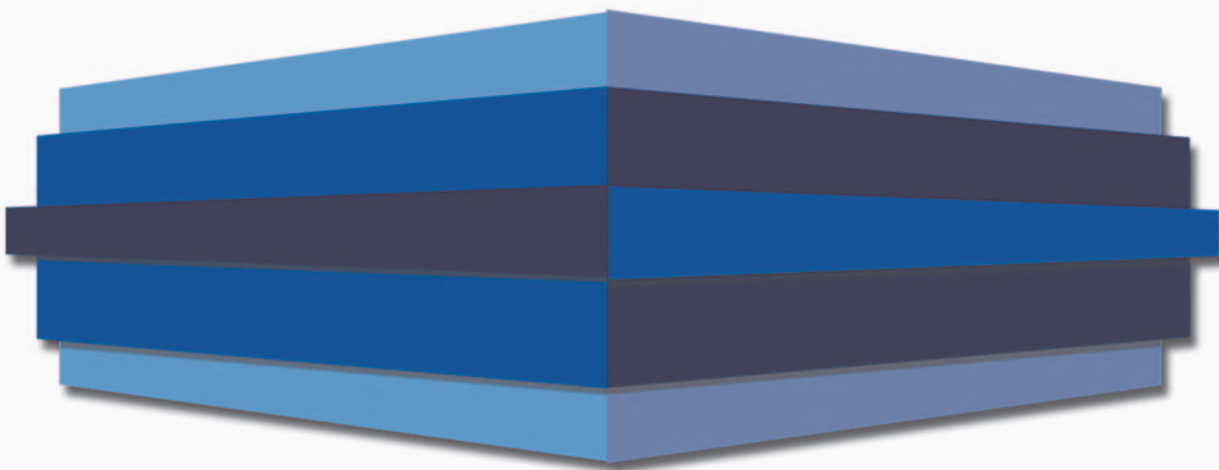


Shayna Ramirez and Melanie Harris of team Couch Potatoes prepare portions of sirloin steak and bacon cheese potato bake along with a strawberry almond spinach salad for judges.



Mary Martinez looks toward her teammates while answering questions about her baked vegetable with potato casserole dish.

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Iron Chef judge Nancy Qualkenbush digs into a potato-inspired dish.



Amanda Valencia hands over a fruity potato dessert.



A-Team members Jozie Arviso, Cecy Castro and Shelby Kuyawa stand in front of the judges to answer questions about the preparation of their potato dishes.



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Featured builder: Robert Hall

Builder has an evolving style

Former educator teaches homeowners building skills

By **Beth Sitzler**
Las Cruces Bulletin

After more than 28 years of teaching for the Las Cruces Public Schools, Robert Hall has brought those skills to the local homebuilding industry.

Working to build an efficient, quality product in different price ranges, Hall said he tries to use his past experiences and knowledge to create dream homes for his clients, some of whom are former students.

"It's really nice to see old students now grown up and in this stage of their lives," he said. "I get to meet them again in the building industry."

Growing up in Springer, N.M., Hall said his mother Helen and father Robert ran a ranch, farm, dairy and raised food for their cattle. It was this rural lifestyle that showed him the importance of completing each task efficiently.

"I got my work ethic from my mom," he said, adding that as a child he was involved with 4-H and FFA and raised his own animals. "She is now 88 years old and is going strong."

Hall ventured to Las Cruces to attend New Mexico State University. In 1978, he said he earned his bachelor's degree in education.

With degree in hand, he went into the public school system, teaching mainly physical education classes. He taught at Doña Ana and East Picacho elementary schools for 15 years, before joining Picacho Middle School, where he stayed for more than 12 years.

While teaching, Hall said he earned his real estate license and worked very closely with a few friends who had careers in building.

"It's kind of how I got interested in building," he said.

Hall said he worked closely with one builder in particular, who ended up moving to Carlsbad.

"He would come back and forth, and when he was gone, I would oversee the job site," he said. "He eventually moved to Washington, and I got into it with building my own homes."

Because citizens don't have to be licensed to build their own homes in New Mexico, Hall said starting in the 1980s he would build a home, move into it, sell it and repeat the process.

"The first home I built, it was pretty interesting," he said. "I had a lot of help because I have several friends in the construction business."



Refined details, such as arches and corbels, can be found in homes built by Robert Hall Homes.



Las Cruces Bulletin photos by Beth Sitzler

Built in a Southwest-style, residences constructed by Robert Hall Homes can be found in the Sonoma Ranch and Ridge at Northrise area.

When he first began building houses, Hall said he worked mostly in the \$100,000 price range.

"It was just a basic plan in the early days," he said. "The very first house I built was brick, because that was the style people liked in certain areas."

Working as a one-man operation, Hall said he would sometimes have to take on the painting and tiling tasks himself. As time progressed, however, he was able to bring more subcontractors on board.

"Some of my subs I've been working with for 20 years," he said. "They've turned into really good friends."

He retired from the school system, but was then asked to teach PE part time at Las Cruces High School for three semesters. After completely retiring from teaching eight years ago, Hall said he decided to get his building license and started Robert Hall Homes.

Keeping up with trends

Being in the industry for almost 20 years, Hall said his building company has a more evolved style than when he first started.

"I like the design part the best," he said, adding that he tries to make each home unique and custom to the lot on which it sits.

"It's nice to be able to offer more in my homes and be more creative."

Although Hall said he has built in a variety of price ranges – from \$100,000 to \$600,000 – he is now focusing on building homes from \$300,000 to \$350,000.

"I like that price range because the homes aren't small and I'm able to put in a lot of extras," he said.

Giving the homes something special, Hall said he incorporates energy-efficient measures with stylish elements, such as detailed tile work, nichos, beams and corbels.

"Right now, I try to make high-desert homes with a Southwest flair," he said. "I like to make what I call 'rustic elegance.'"

Building in the Sonoma Ranch and Ridge at Northrise areas, Hall said he works to keep up with the latest trends by talking to members of the real estate and building industry.

"Probably making sure to stay up with trends and meeting as many needs of the customer as possible is the biggest challenge," he said.

One such trend many homeowners desire is an energy-efficient abode and green building. Currently participating in the Energy Star New Homes Program, Hall said he begins by

selecting lots that not only offer a view of the Organ Mountains, but also have an energy-efficient orientation.

"I design the home to avoid the afternoon sun," he said, adding that the backyard will face either south or east so it can be used more in the hot summer months.

Among the energy-efficient elements in his homes are low-E windows, extra insulation packages, blow-in ceilings, high-efficiency furnaces, insulated garages and garage doors.

"It's a little added expense, but it helps people out, efficiency wise," he said.

Educating homeowners

Focusing on only one or two projects a year, Hall said retirement has allowed him to fully focus on every detail of the home.

"I can be on site all the time," he said. "It's like a painting or a piece of art, I can make changes if something else works better."

"I'm very hands on, that's why I do so few projects a year. It gives the client a more personalized service."

Hall said he also works to make sure the client is as involved in the process as possible.

"We what them to know that we don't get contracts and sent them off to be built by someone else," he said, adding that he is willing to meet with the homeowner as often as they desire.

Because he started in the industry by building his own home, Hall said four years ago he began offering an owner-builder program, during which he will oversee the project and will teach them along the way.

"They're their own contractor, they make the decisions," he said. "That's how I started out."

"This is where my education background comes in."

Also, to take advantage of the latest technology, Hall said he recently began a blog, roberthallhomes.blogspot.com, to show the different stages of the building process through photographs.

"I had this idea to let people see how the houses are developed," he said.

Currently in the framing stage of his newest spec homes, Hall said he plans to keep on developing his product.

"I want to continue to keep building homes that keep up with the latest trends," he said.

Hall said what he enjoys most about being a builder are the creativity and ability to meet new people.

"The best part of building is designing a

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- Three children



Builder Robert Hall spent more than 28 years working as a teacher in the Las Cruces Public Schools district.

home and seeing it finished and meeting or exceeding expectations," he said. "I like to sit at the open houses and talk with people who come through and get their feedback. A lot of people like to go into a home and see things they haven't seen. I like to talk with other builders and vendors to make sure all of my homes are special."

When not on the job site, Hall can be found on the weekends and during holidays in Ruidoso teaching snow skiing.

"It's a hobby of mine. I've been doing it about 18 years now," he said. "It keeps me young."

Get shade this summer

Ash trees well suited to block the sun

Gary Guzman
Gardening Guru



With summer heat just around the corner, you might want to consider planting a shade tree.

We are fortunate enough to live in an area where it is actually cooler in the shade than in the sun because of the lack of humidity. One of the best trees for this region is the ash. There are many varieties available, such as Modesto, raywood, Arizona, berrinda or Bonita, to name a few. The last two mentioned often go overlooked, but are perfect for our harsh climate and poor soil.

The Bonita ash made the quickest recovery after our extremely cold winter blast. This beauty produced bright green leaves just a few weeks after the bitter temperatures, with no winter injury. The berrinda ash was observed to leaf out a week to 10 days after the Bonita ash. Both of these species grow to around 35 feet tall and wide, and have golden leaves in the fall season.

When planting these trees, make sure you plan for future growth. Keep in mind the mature dimensions when locating a final location. You also don't want to block a view upon maturity. Don't forget to allow for root growth, so keep away from side walks, leach lines, septic tanks, etc.

In most instances, it is best to plant on the south or west side of a home, where the cover of the shade will help keep a "hot" wall cool in the summer and let the sun's rays shine during the winter months when leafless. Deep and infrequent watering when young will help produce deeper roots. Use caution when planting trees in a lawn. If you rely only on a sprinkler system for watering, you will run the risk of developing surface roots. A drip system may work best when the tree is newly planted to help encourage deep root growth.

As with almost all shade trees, early and



Ash trees can be planted now to help add shade during the soon-approaching hot summer months.

correct pruning procedures will ensure a low maintenance tree in the long run, so be sure to let the tree develop a central leader. When planting new trees, use root stimulator and compost or peat moss. Do not plant the root ball any deeper than its original soil line, other than to cover any exposed roots. The use of mulch around the base of the tree will help keep the roots from drying out too quickly and will keep weeds at bay. If planting in a lawn, it is best to keep the immediate area around the root ball free from any grass. This action will help any tree or plant grow faster by eliminating competition for nutrients and water from grass roots.

So, if you go outside in the next few days and you can already feel the heat, remember, it is only spring and summer is on its way!

Gary Guzman, owner of Guzman's Color Your World Gardening Centers, can be reached at gary@lascrucesbulletin.com.



A painful sting from a yellow jacket can be avoided if you stay aware and out of their way.

How to avoid a wasp sting

Flying insect won't attack if it is left alone

Steve Svenheim

Local Truly Nolen of America Expert



Refreshing spring is here and summer is on the way. I'm glad to say adios to cabin fever for a while and hello to the great outdoors. But getting back out to sun and fun has a few perils, such as wasp stings, that we need to take steps to avoid.

Wasp stings really aren't that difficult to duck. Wasps, whether they're yellow jackets, paper wasps or even tarantula hawk wasps, won't go out of their way to sting you, according to the University of Arizona. But if you threaten their nest, crush or capture them, you're escalating the risk.

So, my first advice: Don't threaten their nest, crush them or try to capture them. Seems easy enough, but sometimes you might be in a position to cause wasps harm without even realizing it.

For instance, if you're innocently standing somewhere being buzzed by a persistent, angry wasp, it could be that it has a nest nearby. Don't swat at the wasp, or wave your hands, just walk purposefully away until the creature no longer bothers you.

Stings often result from purely accidental situations, and eating outdoors is one of

the frequent causes. Before eating a sandwich or any food, make sure to look at it carefully to make sure a hungry wasp hasn't landed on it. If you bite a wasp, it will very likely sting you.

The warning extends to drinks as well, particularly canned sweet beverages that you can't see into. If you are drinking from a can, make sure to cover it to guard against a wasp that may have crawled in, attracted by the sweetness – particularly in late summer and fall.

My basic advice is to stay aware and out of the way of wasps to avoid the pain of their sting.

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Visiting Mesilla's history at the Symphony Guild Home Tour

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Val Irish and Zelda Megerdichian look over the changes to El Patio Bar in an old picture while participating in the 2011 Guild of the Las Cruces Symphony Association Home Tour in Mesilla Sunday, April 17. Those on the tour were able to hear about the history of favorite visiting places around Mesilla, like how El Patio was once a blacksmith shop, mercantile, law practice and even housed the Mesilla Times newspaper.



Paul G. Gallegos, whose great grandfather rang the church bells of the Basilica of San Albino for 65 years, goes into detail about the church's rich history and the connection to his family to tour partakers. The tour is held to raise funds for the guild's Educational Outreach Program.



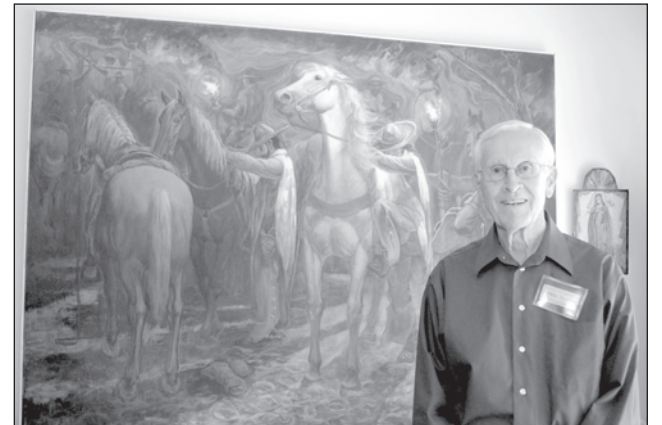
Basilica of San Albino

Josefina's Gate was the third stop on the 20th annual Symphony Guild Home Tour. Josefina's was originally a complex of buildings built in the 1850s.



Inside Josefina's Gate

J. Paul Taylor made himself available for questions about his home during the 2011 Symphony Home Tour held in Mesilla.



Taylor's home is a state monument that holds a wide variety of religious artwork.



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	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Closed Sales New Homes	4	0	4

Closed Sales Existing Homes	14	16	13
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Pending Home Sales (All)	180	179	257
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	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Average Days on Market (All)	196	91	143

	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Median Price New	\$141,712	N/A	\$174,450

Median Price Existing	\$143,930	\$166,000	\$148,000
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	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Total Homes on Market (All)	1,127	1,117	1,239

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Chile Knights



There are so many inviting recipes squeezed into "Fresh Mexico, 100 Simple Recipes for True Mexican Flavor," it was difficult to select ones to share for this week's column.

The full-color, 240-page cookbook is written by chef Marcela Valladolid, a Tijuana, Mexico, native who hosts her own cooking show "Relatos con Sabor (Stories to with Flavor)," on Discovery en Español.

"Fresh Mexico" is divided into six sections – appetizers and small bites, soups and salads, entrées, sides, salsas and desserts. No wonder it was difficult to select! The two-page glossary includes a listing of chile and cheese varieties. As a perk, Valladolid adds lively essays about the origins of her recipes and other interesting tidbits.

"Cheddar cheese-stuffed quesadillas, tortilla chips drowning in neon yellow 'cheez', and the ubiquitous everything-but-the-kitchen burritos" is not, she emphasizes, "authentic Mexican cuisine ... is full of brilliant fresh flavors, and I'm desperate to share them with you." And she does!

"Fresh Mexico, 100 Simple Recipes for True Mexican Flavor" (Clarkson Potter Publishers, 2009) is available in paperback (\$13.88) and the Kindle Edition (\$17.99) at Amazon.com.

Avocado Egg Rolls with California Chile-Prune Sauce

To create these vegetarian egg rolls, I use wonton wraps, which can be found in the refrigerated section in well-stocked super markets ... spicy prune sauce is the perfect counterpoint for fresh avocados.

3 avocados, halved, pitted, peeled and diced
1 red bell pepper, stemmed, seeded and finely chopped
1 tablespoon olive oil
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
12 (7-inch) square wonton wrappers
California Chile-Prune Sauce (recipe below)
1 large egg, lightly beaten
Vegetable oil, for frying

Gently mix the avocados, bell pepper and olive oil in a medium bowl. Season the avocado mixture with salt and pepper.

Place wonton wrapper on a work surface. Spread 1 tablespoon of the chile-prune sauce down the center. Spoon a 1/4 cup of the avocado mixture over the sauce. Fold the bottom of the wonton wrapper over the filling, and then fold the sides of the wrapper in over the filling. Brush the top edge of the wrapper with the beaten egg. Roll it up tightly, pressing to seal the edge. Repeat with the remaining wonton wrappers, avocado mixture and chile-prune sauce. The egg rolls can be prepared 2 hours in advance, just cover and refrigerate.

Place a medium-size heavy saucepan over medium-high heat and add enough oil to reach halfway up the sides of the pan. Heat the oil to 350 degrees. Working in batches, fry the egg rolls in the hot oil, turning them occasionally, for two minutes, or until golden brown. Transfer the egg rolls to paper towels to drain. Serve hot or warm.

California Chile-Prune Sauce:

3/4 cup honey (for added zip, used green chile honey)
1/2 cup pitted dried prunes, chopped
1/2 cup fresh orange juice
1/4 cup fresh lime juice

4 California chiles (Or substitute any New Mexico green chile variety)
Salt and freshly ground black pepper

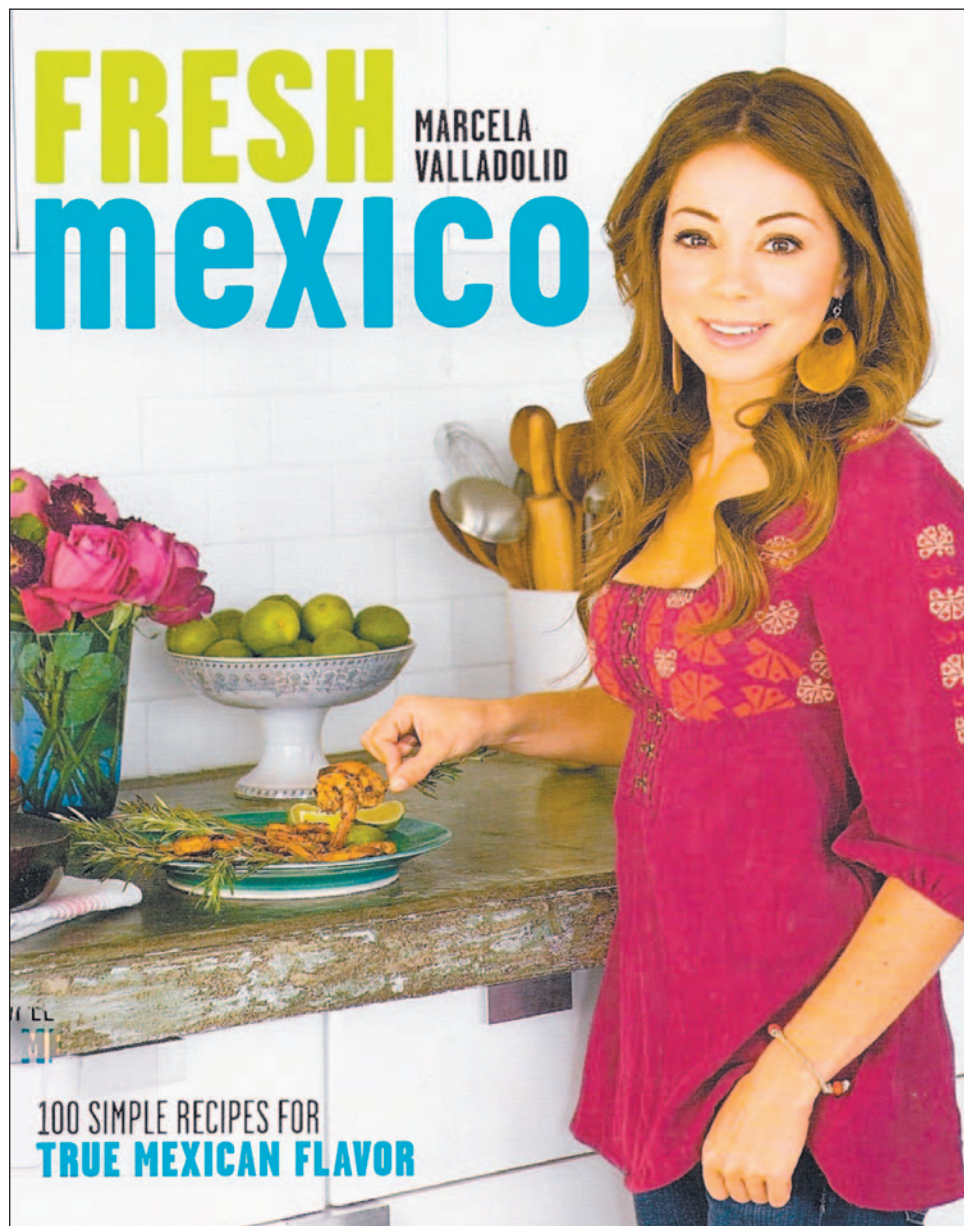
Combine the honey, prunes, half of the orange juice, half of the lime juice and the chiles in a small, heavy saucepan. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Reduce the heat and simmer for 15 minutes, or until the chiles are soft. Let the sauce cool slightly.

Transfer the sauce to a blender and purée until smooth. Stir in the remaining orange and lime juices. Season to taste with salt and pepper. The sauce can be made 2 days in advance. Cool. Then cover and keep refrigerated.

Game Hens in Apricot, Tequila and California Chile Sauce

"This recipe is one of my favorites ever. It comes from my aunt Marcela, a chef who inspired me to enter the magical world of the culinary arts. We not only share the same name and the same career, we also agree that sweet and spicy is one of the best combinations when preparing Mexican food. Store-bought apricot preserves, used here, work well; just be sure to buy the best you can find. A kitchen syringe is a useful tool for injecting the hens with a flavorful mixture of broth, butter and tequila. The result is a moist and succulent dish." – Marcela Valladolid

3 cups chicken broth, or more as needed
2 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted
4 tablespoons golden tequila
2 (2-pound) Cornish game hens, thawed if frozen
3 California chiles, stemmed and seeded (Or substitute any New



"Fresh Mexico, 100 Simple Recipes for True Mexican Flavor" by Marcela Valladolid is chockfull of easy-to-prepare, authentic Mexican recipes.

Mexico green chile variety)
1/2 cup apricot preserves
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
Fresh apricot halves, for garnish

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Mix 1/4 cup of the chicken broth, the melted butter and 2 tablespoons of the tequila in a small glass bowl. Using a kitchen syringe, inject the mixture all over the hens, about 1/2 inch deep into the flesh. (If the butter in the mixture solidifies, warm it in a microwave.)

Put the chiles and 2 cups of the broth in a small saucepan, and bring to a boil over high heat. Remove the pan from the heat. Let stand for 5 minutes to soften the chiles. Then transfer the mixture to a blender and purée until smooth. Strain the chile mixture into a small bowl, pressing on the sieve to extract as much liquid as possible. Discard whatever is left in the sieve.

Mix 1/4 cup of the preserves and 1/4 cup of the chile mixture in a medium bowl. Season heavily with salt and pepper. Rub the

mixture all over the hens, working some of it between the skin and the breast. Put the hens on a rack in a large roasting pan. Add the remaining 1/2 cup broth to the roasting pan. Roast, basting with the pan drippings every 20 minutes for 1 hour, or until a thermometer inserted into a thigh registers 160 degrees. Add more broth if the juices begin to dry out.

Transfer the hens to a platter. Strain the pan juices into a medium saucepan. Add the remaining 2 tablespoons tequila, 1/4 cup apricot preserves and chile mixture. Bring to a boil over high heat.

Reduce the heat and simmer for 5 minutes, or until the sauce thickens slightly. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Pour the sauce over the hens, garnish the platter with fresh apricot halves, and serve. Makes 4 servings.

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A rainbow of colors at the Mesilla Valley Iris Show

Photos by Beth Sitzler

Community members admire the tables of colorful blossoms showcased by the Mesilla Valley Iris Society, which will hold its annual iris sale in September the weekend after Labor Day.



Steve Kelly showed this Marjorie Gayer, a variety of tall bearded iris.



Peter Karl, a visiting horticulturist from the El Paso Zoo, admires the more than 100 iris that were on display during the 38th annual Mesilla Valley Iris Show Saturday, April 16, at the Ramada Palms de Las Cruces.

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Best Specimen of the Show was awarded to an aril of the Cup Runneth Over variety planted and cared for by Lilly Rawlyk.

Howard Dash produced this tall bearded iris of the Sopra Il Vulcano variety.