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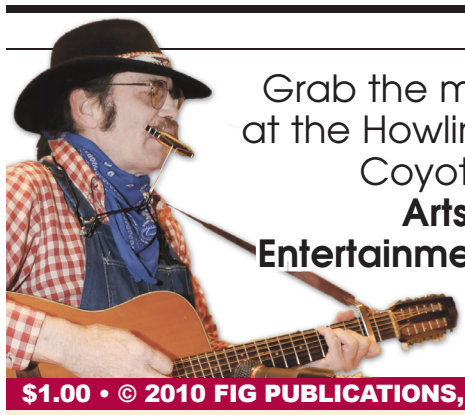

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Cell phone ban begins

Council curbs fines for phone use while driving

By Todd G. Dickson
The Las Cruces Bulletin

With the new cell phone ban about to start Friday, Feb. 5, the Las Cruces City Council lowered the potential fine for the first two times drivers are cited for using cell phones.

Two months ago, the council approved a new ordinance that prohibits cell phone use while driving within city limits – be it making a cell phone call, talking on a cell phone or creating, sending or reading text messages and emails. Hands-free devices for cell calls are allowed under the new restriction.

The new law was an enhancement of an existing ordinance for distracted driving, which carries a maximum fine of $500 and 90 days in jail.

Because that punishment was perceived as being harsh, councillors on Tuesday, Feb. 2, revisited the new ordinance to set up a system that set fines for the first two times a driver is cited for violating the new law.

After much discussion, councillors decided on a fixed fine of $25 for the first offense and $50 for the second offense. On the third and subsequent offenses, drivers could face a fine of $500 or 90 days in jail – or both. At that level, municipal judges would have the discretion to decide the penalty based on the seriousness of

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Victims recall 'Massacre'

At a panel discussion Monday, Feb. 1, at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, Las Cruces Police Detective Mark Myers talks about the long investigation of the "Bowling Alley Massacre," in which four were killed during a robbery at Las Cruces Bowl on Feb. 10, 1990. A documentary called "Nightmare in Las Cruces" will debut on the 20th anniversary of the infamous crime.

STEVE MACINTYRE
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Bowling alley survivors speak out prior to anniversary

By Natisha Hales
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Filmmaker Charlie Minn, doing the "most emotional thing he's ever had to do," is opening up old wounds with his film "A Nightmare in Las Cruces."

The documentary graphically tells the wrenching story of Feb. 10, 1990, when two men robbed and shot seven people at Las Cruces Bowl, killing four.

Though he was a college student in Chicago and his only connection to the crime before the film was viewing its feature on "Unsolved Mysteries," Minn choked over his words at a forum Monday, Feb. 1, even as he explained the logistics of the documentary.

"You have to understand, I've been living this day and night since September, and it still haunts me to this day," he said, pausing often. "Nothing would make me happier than to see these dirtbags caught."

The other panelists at Barnes & Noble Booksellers in Mesilla Valley Mall, however, have been living the nightmare day and night since the morning it happened. When Minn approached Ida Holguin, Audrey Teran and Gloria Woods about the film, there was more than mixed emotions.

"I was confused and numb," said Holguin, one of two living survivors of the heinous crime. "I kept thinking, 'Is all of this really going to help?' But now I know it really is. There are a lot of things that I've gone through that nobody understands. When they see this movie, they'll know that I'm going through a lot."

Melissia Repass, who was 12 years old at the time, and her mother Stephanie Senac also survived the execution-style shooting. But after suffering from extreme head injuries, Senac died nine years later.

Also suffering gun shot wounds to the head, Holguin spent several months recovering in the hospital.

"The Ida Holguin today is not the same Ida Holguin as before," said her husband Raymond Holguin, who attended the forum. "It's a whole totally different story. I remember that day like it was yesterday."

He said Ida Holguin, who worked at

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Lawmakers weigh state budget options

Senate resisting House proposals for temporary tax hikes

By Todd G. Dickson
The Las Cruces Bulletin

As booths were being set up in the main lobbies of the Roundhouse for Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe Monday, Feb. 1, local officials were busy on the second and third floors making their cases to lawmakers.

There's no doubt that somehow every level of government that depends on state dollars will take a hit as lawmakers try to shore up a $600 million shortfall, but how much of a hit they can take is the argument at the session's halfway point.

Stan Rounds, Las Cruces Public Schools superintendent, found education funding in the main House appropriations bill to be "pretty much level" with what the schools are currently working with and if that holds, Rounds said the schools would be OK.

In the two previous special sessions, the state's education budget – both at the public schools and higher education levels – were cut. If the education portion of the state budget – almost 70 percent of the general fund spending – takes another big hit, however, Rounds said it would bring into question whether lawmakers are meeting the state constitutional requirement to sufficiently fund public schools.

Rounds said the public schools portion of the general fund spending has eroded over the past 25 years from 53 percent to 43 percent and, up until now, school officials have gone along with the reduced level of funding because that money was going to increase state spending for Medicaid, which helps children.

But Rounds, who used to be a state finance official, said he doesn't see a way for lawmakers to balance the budget – another state constitutional requirement – without finding new revenue sources.

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School bond, mill levy pass

Voters overwhelmingly approve both

Voters in the Las Cruces Public Schools district Tuesday, Feb. 2, approved a $65 million bond issue for new school spending and keeping a two-mill levy in place for school maintenance.

In unofficial results, 4,162 – or 76 percent – voted to approve the bond issue, while 3,879 – 71.5 percent – voted in favor of the mill levy. Opposing votes were 1,316 on the bond and 1,546 on the mill levy.

Bureau of Elections Supervisor Bob Bartelsmeyer said there were 5,599 total votes cast in the election, which means the voter turnout was about 7 percent.

The votes will be canvassed Friday, Feb. 5, when final official results will be issued.

The $65 million bond will pay for construction projects at nearly every school in the district. The mill levy will generate about $4 million, which will help pay for improvements to school buildings and school furnishings and will purchase property for future schools. There will be no increase in the current local school tax rate of $9.81 per $1,000 of the taxable value of property. The taxable value is one-third of the assessed value.

In 2006, LCPS voters passed a $60 million bond issue and two-mill levy. In 2008, voters approved the LCPS Building Schools Act three-mill levy.

No bond issue or mill levy election has ever been defeated by LCPS voters. The first bond election was April 26, 1955. 488 "yes" votes and 34 "no" votes were recorded. It approved $510,000.

Since then, bond elections and/or mill levies have been held in 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1962, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1973, 1979, 1982, 1988, 1991, 1994, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2008 and 2010.

The school district has opened 12 new schools since 1982 because of growing enrollment. It will open a new elementary school and a new middle school in the fall of 2010 and will open a new high school in 2011.

Voter-approved bond issues passed in 1991, 1994, 1997 and 2000 have generated more than $105 million to construct new schools and to renovate, expand and improve classrooms and libraries throughout the district. Bond funds also have been allocated for new technology at all schools, for addressing regulations of the Americans with Disabilities Act and for school safety.

Ad Fed to highlight charity

High heels provides lessons for nonprofits

A very successful marketing campaign that links a runway fashion show to a local nonprofit charity organization is the focus of the Wednesday, Feb. 10, meeting of the Advertising Federation of Las Cruces.

The strategy and tactics behind the media and marketing of High Heels for High Hopes will be presented by Becky Horner and Steve Chavira. Horner is the Southwest Director for March of Dimes and Chavira is a member of the local March of Dimes planning board and serves as master of ceremonies for the fundraising event.

Last year the fashion show and style gala raised more than $70,000 and attracted to more than 400 people to the November event. The style show features local business women as celebrity models. During the evening program, attendees can also bid on packages that include travel, jewelry, artwork and gift baskets. The evening includes a silent auction.

The March of Dimes organization is primarily tasked with providing preventative care and services for expectant mothers in an effort to deter premature birth, birth defects and infant mortality.

The Ad Fed luncheon and program is set for 11:45 a.m. at the SpringHill Suites by Marriott, 1611 Hickory Loop, off of Avenida de Mesilla. The program and buffet are $12 for members and students and $15 for guests. To RSVP call 647-4676.

The road ahead?

TODD DICKSON | The Las Cruces Bulletin

Jerry Cordova, an engineer with the city, answers questions Thursday, Jan. 28, about a proposed extension of Madrid Avenue to Triviz Drive from Hector Castro, a resident whose backyard wall runs along the now-closed section of Fairbanks Drive. Hector said he attended the open house at Loma Heights Elementary School because he wants to know what the city will do with the old street that was replaced by a new temporary relief road. Castro said he wants to see the old street closed off and removed.

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From the Publisher

Hanging out in Santa Fe

Nearly 300 local leaders attend annual Las Cruces Chamber event in capitol

By David McCollum
The Las Cruces Bulletin

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Jaki and I returned from a weeklong foray into the capital of our state's government in Santa Fe. Our mission was threefold: first, to personally deliver our annual Legislative Guide to every state legislator and state office in Santa Fe; second, to learn as much as we could about how our legislators plan to equitably balance our state's budget; and third, to participate in the 23rd annual Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe.

We began our week by attending the annual basketball game featuring the Senate "Lobos" against the Lou Henson-coached House "Aggies." Henson and the House rode into the 2010 contest with a nine-game winning streak and a 30-person entourage including Pistol Pete, about 20 NMSU Aggie cheerleaders and an assistant coaching staff that included women's athletics director Maria Roth and Aggie baseball coach Rocky Ward. The game was hard-fought, and the play was rugged as both teams literally pounded on each other throughout the evening. Final score: the Senate Lobos 43, the House Aggies 42, thus breaking coach Henson's nine-game winning streak. The real winner of the game, however, was the UNM Cancer Center, as they received a check for more than $10,000 from the proceeds of the game.

As for balancing the state budget, I am convinced that among our 112 state senators and representatives there are at least 112 different plans as to how our budget can be balanced over the next two years. As a wise friend once told me, "We all know where we need to go. However, we may disagree strongly about how we get there." This seems to be exactly where our legislators are at this point. The only agreement among our elected officials is that the next two years are going to be painful as our economy struggles to crawl out of the recession.

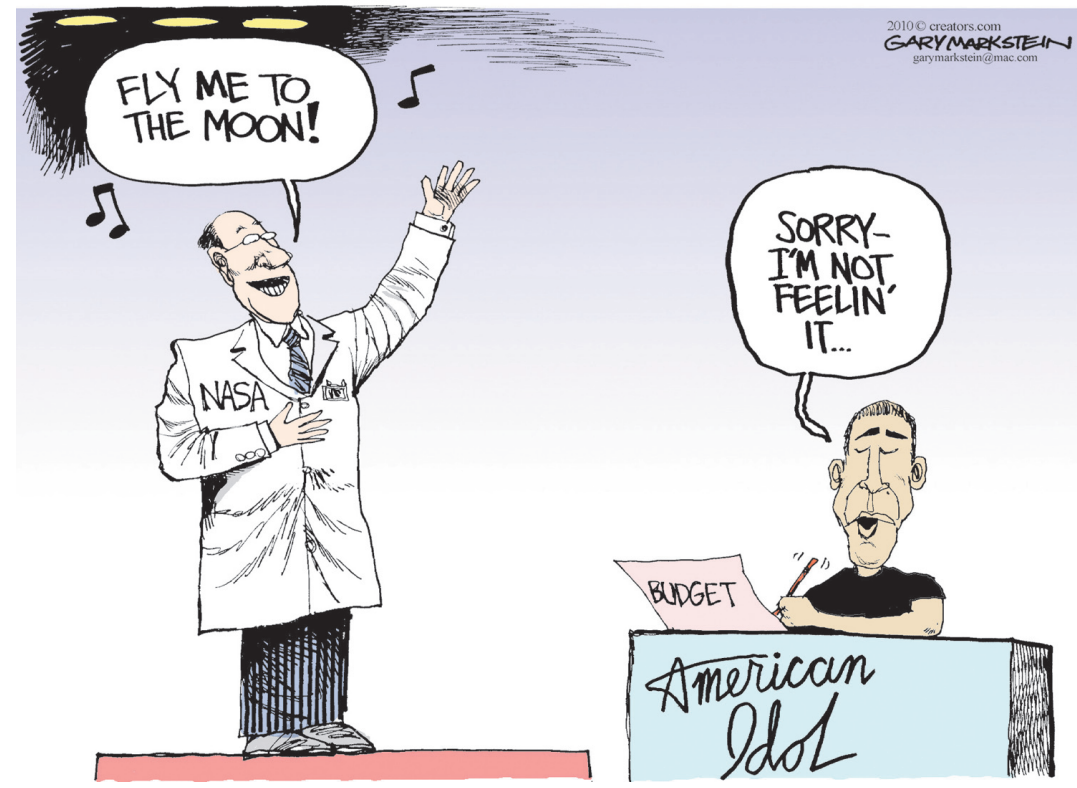
An informal general consensus of our Doña Ana County legislators seemed to support a three-year temporary adjustment to our gross receipts tax with an increase of one half of a percent. Several supported the concept of at least temporarily removing the exemption of gross receipts tax on food items. All felt they would have to raise taxes on the "wealthy," but hoped to avoid stifling business growth in the process. Personally, I would like to see a couple of changes. First, we need to lessen the drilling restrictions for oil and gas exploration, given that our state has significant oil and gas potential. However, exploration has been thwarted by our state's rigid environmental policies, described by some experts as the "toughest in the nation." Second, our state needs to review the incredibly expensive credit afforded to the film industry. Our policy of providing a 25-percent rebate of movie production is high in comparison to what any other state offers. An incentive rebate of 5 to 10 percent, coupled with our state's natural scenic beauty should be enough to continue to attract film production in New Mexico.

Monday, Feb. 1, was the official Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe. At breakfast, attendees were briefed on the state's budget by Legislative Finance Committee Director David Abbey. At a lively lunch meeting, participants were challenged by Association of Commerce and Industry Executive Director Beverlee McClure to get involved in the process to protect our business interests to ensure a strong economic base in the future.

Several local businesses were represented at the one-day expo on the main floor of the Roundhouse. Other attendees spent the day lobbying, networking and learning about our state's legislative process. The key to Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe is that our legislators from across the state recognized the passion of southern New Mexico residents and businesses. I think we also made a pretty good statement about how vital our region is to our state's economy.

On behalf of the Las Cruces community, we thank the Chamber of Commerce and the chamber's Conquistadores for planning and hosting this important event. The price we pay for living outside of Albuquerque and Santa Fe is that we will always have to be proactive in telling our story to ensure that our statewide leaders remember that southern New Mexico is alive and well and contributes in a major way to our state's economy.

Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe is a terrific way for us to tell our story.



Letters to the Editor

Getting Fit in 2010

My New Year's resolution this year is to lose weight and get in better shape. In my motivational conversations with myself, I refer to it as "Getting Fit in 2010." I recently realized that we are doing this at Doña Ana County, too.

On Tuesday, Jan. 5, the county held its first strategic-planning meeting. It was the first time in recent history that the commissioners sat shoulder-to-shoulder with upper-level management to talk about our priorities. At the meeting, we prioritized the list of non-mandated projects in the county. We then developed commission goals for staff.

Department heads are currently taking these goals and developing department-level goals and objectives. There were six commission goals: Develop revenue streams; develop community partnerships; identify ways to invest in staff and resources; increase organizational efficiencies; set up a process for following-through; and continue to preserve and enhance the health and public safety of the communities we represent.

These goals are meant to help the county continue to provide excellent services while addressing a shortage in gross receipts tax. The ultimate long-term outcome will be that you have a county government that provides quality services for the least possible amount of taxes.

Another step in getting fit is an independent review of each department. In 2009, the commission was tasked with fixing internal issues in the Health and Human Services Department. We contracted an organizational specialist to help us. As a result of this review – and its positive results – we have decided to expand it county-wide. Each department's organization will be independently reviewed to determine if there are more efficient ways to accomplish its goals.

Together, the strategic planning process and the organizational review constitute an internal renewal that we have never before seen in Doña Ana County. The results of this process will be a more efficient organization that continues to provide quality services, even when the economic times are tough. I am hopeful that seeing this through will continue to inspire me to fulfill my individual goal of getting fit in 2010.

SCOTT A. KRAHLING
Doña Ana County commissioner

No more tax exemptions

We noted in the (Jan. 29) Bulletin that a state resolution has been introduced that could lead to property tax exemptions for certain veterans organizations.

This is not a good idea. Lots of worthy organizations could benefit from lower overhead, why stop at veterans?

Some taxpayer needs to make up the dollars for every dollar of exemption. What the veterans organizations do not pay to a county needs to be made up by someone. A presumed greater good from the veterans organization does not buy the argument. This would be a giveaway, no different than the movie giveaway.

Instead of a constitutional amendment for tax exemptions being on the November ballot, voters should be given a vote on strong ethics reform for all of state government and let's resolve that issue.

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History shows some taxes are temporary

And why should tax cuts be permanent?

On opening day of the 2010 Legislature, former Gov. Gary Johnson carried a sign outside the state capitol saying "No such thing as a temporary tax."

It has become a trendy saying among Republicans and conservative Democrats this session. House Majority Whip Keith Gardner, of Roswell, went one better by declaring "There's nothing more permanent than a temporary tax increase."

It's a take off on a popular remark after World War II about military barracks buildings that local communities decided to keep around "temporarily."

But there are such things as temporary tax increases. Gov. Bill Richardson likes to brag that he has eliminated a billion dollars in taxes since the beginning of his administration. That made the former tax increases temporary taxes.

> The light at the end of the tunnel hasn't appeared yet ...

Back in 2003, when most of that $1 billion of taxes were cut, some Democrats wanted to make the cuts temporary. But euphoria about having a governor who already was off wooing big international companies to relocate to New Mexico prevented that handful of Democrats from inserting what they called a circuit breaker in the tax cut bills.

The circuit breakers would have reinstated the taxes if New Mexico ever faced another deficit. Back then we were riding high, and Richardson promised the tax cuts would attract enough businesses with high-paid employees to more than make up for the tax cuts.

It didn't happen. And now we're really in a mess. The governor, all Republicans and conservative Democrats are insisting that those tax cuts, made during the good times, must remain permanent even though they would solve our present situation.

Both tax cuts and tax increases can be temporary. Many of the same lawmakers who insist all tax increases are sure to become permanent also love to put sunset clauses on any legislation they don't like.

So all tax increase legislation passed by this Legislature could contain a sunset clause directing that as soon as the state ends a year with surplus revenue, that tax increase would disappear.

Why is Richardson insisting that his billion dollars of tax cuts become permanent, at least for the rest of his administration? It is to protect his tax-cutting legacy. And his traditional enemies are helping him do it.

One way to create a stable tax structure, which doesn't have frequent hikes and cuts, is to establish a special fund into which surpluses would be placed every year that the states ends up in the black. There wouldn't be any piddling rebates to every taxpayer. That money would go into a special fund to be used in deficit years.

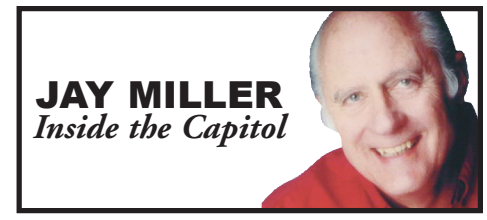
It would truly be a rainy day fund that would be triggered automatically depending on whether the state ends up with a surplus or a deficit.

It sounds good, but the likely tendency would be to spend all the money rather than tuck it away for a rainy day. Americans aren't good at saving. But we also have lawmakers who like to assure that money isn't just tucked away. They want it locked away.

Back during a previous energy boom, from 1974 to 1982, the Severance Tax Fund was created for just the purpose I have mentioned. But after a few years, lawmakers decided to lock it up much like our state's Land Grant Permanent Fund.

Maybe we should try again – if we ever see another state surplus. The light at the end of the tunnel hasn't appeared yet, but experience tells us it always does. Although when we get to that point, we always seem to discover new needs the state should address.

Deficit years give us an opportunity to decide whether the new programs we decided were so important really are necessary. It wouldn't be a bad idea to go back and look at a state budget from 50 or 60 years ago and see what government services we thought we could live with then.



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Letters to the Editor

A space tragedy

It is a tragedy of the greatest proportions that the Obama administration plans to terminate funding for National Aeronautics and Space Administration's planned return to the moon in the constellation program.

NASA has already spent more than $9 billion on this significant project.

This will abdicate United States' leadership in space to an aggressive Chinese program and Russia, and our program will rely jokingly on unproven commercial companies.

Sen. Bill Nelson of Florida said in a statement: "If early reports for what the White House wants to do with NASA are correct, then the president's green-eyeshade-wearing advisors are dead wrong, and I, for one, intend to stand up and fight for NASA, and for the thousands of people who stand to lose their jobs."

Nelson is right. NASA is our future, and our national security is dependent on our space program in no uncertain terms. Besides, its importance for national security, our space program has contributed to our everyday life.

It is the very reason we have products like GPS systems, special firefighter equipment, climate change and hurricane satellites, auto airbags and health care devices such as kidney and heart pumps and Lasik surgery. I would hope Reps. Heinrich, Lujan and Teague and Sens. Udall and Bingaman will fight against any cuts to the NASA budget. NASA contributes $81.4 million to the New Mexico economy.

We need a plan that will maintain U.S. leadership in space exploration.

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Sen. Garcia addresses issues

I have heard concerns from several residents of the Hope Road area about the proposed wastewater treatment plant. I want you to know that I am listening to and understand your concerns, and have been taking every measure in my power to resolve the issue.

Among the steps I have taken recently were to contact U.S. Sen. Jeff Bingaman, Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association (DAMDWCA) and the Secretary of Environment.

There seems to be some confusion about the history of the project, which I would like to clarify.

Initially, the DAMDWCA had selected a site in Hill, N.M., for the facility. A number of farmers and ranchers protested because they had not been notified about it. The entire DAMDWCA membership had been notified by letter, but those farmers and ranchers are not members.

I protested because the facility would have impacted the Hill Baptist Church, two major produce farmers and – most important – a nursing facility, all of which are located just below the proposed site.

I sympathize with your concerns and will continue to do whatever is within my power to help. However, the unfortunate fact is that my power in this case is limited, because the wastewater treatment plant is largely outside of my purvue as a state senator. This is a matter that falls to the DAMDWCA and to the county.

On another matter, there seems to be some confusion about what the immigration reform memorial that I am sponsoring actually does. I am troubled by these inaccuracies being circulated and am writing to explain the facts.

Senate Joint Memorial 26 is a memorial, not a bill. As such, it carries no force of law. State legislatures cannot make changes to federal law, they can only send memorials, which are requests to take action. My memorial is therefore no more than a request, urging the United States congress to take long overdue action to address a contentious issue, which they have so far done little about.

MARY JANE GARCIA
New Mexico Senate Majority Whip

Passing laws cannot fix stupid

Cell phone bans just another tax on stupidity

By Michael Swickard
The Las Cruces Bulletin

"I had the right to remain silent … but I didn't have the ability."
– Ron "Tater-salad" White

Comedian Ron White has a "You Can't Fix Stupid" comedy act. In it he drinks Scotch, smokes cigars and says potty words amid his great analysis on stupidity. He is right – there is no fixing some kinds of stupidity this side of a mortuary.

My complaint is not about stupidity, which at times is my middle name; rather, it is that our political leaders think White is wrong and they can legislate stupid out of our society.

They are being stupid trying to outlaw stupidity.

This week, it is no longer legal to drive holding a cell phone to your ear. The Las Cruces City Council said, "There, we fixed stupid." In reality they meant, "There, we added a pretax to stupid driving."

They now tax stupid people before the inevitable accident stupid people always have and then tax them for the accident thus getting twice the taxes from the same stupidity.

It would appear that it is now illegal to hold a turned-off cell phone to your ear while you drive. Or, it is illegal to just drive with your hand up to your ear. The police are on a mega revenue blitz so you will get a ticket for those actions just as sure as God made hot green chile.

After a while, the City Council will require drivers to always keep both hands on the steering wheel; their left hands at 10 o'clock and the right hands at two o'clock.

Cannot happen? The New Mexico Legislature considered making alcohol interlock devises a requirement on all motor vehicles regardless of if you ever had a DWI. They were thinking that would fix stupid.

Stupid is all around us. Example: I was in a convenience store. A woman said, "I would like – cough, cough – a pack – cough, cough – of – cough, cough, hack wheeze – Cruces Coffin Nails Cigarettes – cough – in the phlegm colored pack."

No one in line said anything, which was proper, but after she left there was a tittering of laughter. I coughed and said, "No cigarettes for me." More laughter.

Now I have enough bad habits for two people so I should not cast stones from my glass house, but I cannot help it.

A television program showed bus drivers who knew there was a video camera recording them. Surprisingly, when their cell phones buzzed, they reached for them and subsequently smacked the vehicle in front of them. It was fascinating to see their reaction. One guy pounded the steering wheel and wailed, "Why did this happen to me?"

Why indeed? There was no one hurt so the driver stomped off the bus to find out why those stupid cars stopped in front of him, but the video out the front of the bus showed quite clearly the traffic light in the intersection was red. He stood around trying to think up a good explanation for why he was texting while driving in heavy traffic with a camera on him. When his supervisor showed up, he had not come up with anything.

A television program had a whole hour of stupid bus drivers who knew they were on camera texting and getting in accidents. Go figure. They looked at the road ahead, looked directly at the camera and then whipped out their cell phone and began texting until the crash. Was it illegal for them to text and drive? Yes. Did they know it was illegal? Yes. Did they do it anyway? Yes. What are we going to do to fix stupid?

Giving them a ticket obviously will not change their behavior, so what else is there to do to stamp out stupidity in our lifetime?

Perhaps we can have a stupidity test before allowing people to drive, but that would be profiling and also picking on a significant population of Americans, so politicians would be reluctant.

I suspect the text ordinance, like the red light cameras, are just 21st century tax ploys. I hope these are just taxes rather than our leaders really thinking they can fix stupidity with laws.

As Ron White points out, "You can't fix stupid."

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Harry and the hog

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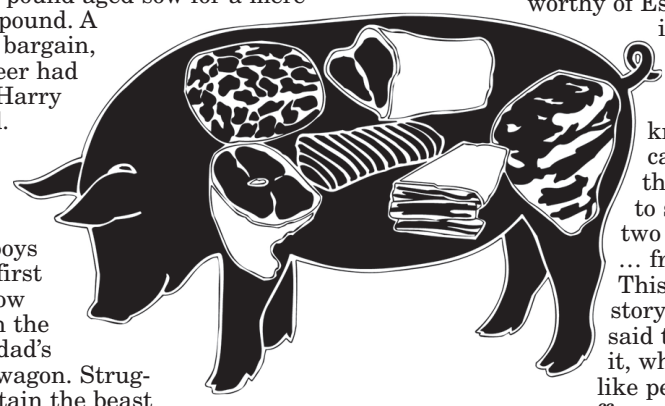
Many of us took a meats course in college or have dressed wild game and have a basic understanding of how it gets from the pasture to the plate. Harry is not one of us, in that regard. Thirty years ago, he and two fellow "city-boy" college students embarked on a venture to add pork to their larder.

"We'll buy a pig at the livestock auction," said Harry, "then we'll butcher it and have enough meat to get through the winter!"

With the help of a shrewd local sale barn operator, they managed to purchase a 600 pound aged sow for a mere ten cents a pound. A spectacular bargain, the auctioneer had exclaimed. Harry was thrilled.



As soon as the cash had exchanged hands our boys faced their first dilemma, how to get her in the back of his dad's old station wagon. Struggling to contain the beast with ropes proved futile. She could neither be pulled, pushed or lifted.

Idea! The ubiquitous answer to all restraint … duct tape! Amidst the screaming and gnashing of teeth, front and hind feet were taped together. Harry straddled a narrow ramp with the back of dad's station wagon to load the hog. She wouldn't roll, so the resourceful trio moved her end-to-end like you would a chest of drawers filled with lead ingot.

When Ms. Hog eventually loaded, she dropped the frame down on the rear tires so it looked like a low-rider fixing to jump the border wall! Awash in squealing and pungent porcine perfume, they debarked to the intended harvesting place. They had considered and discarded the dormitory shower, the dean's driveway and the fountain in front of the sub. They wound up north of town at one of the boy's uncle's cabin on the lake. Using an apple and a 22 pistol, Harry humanely euthanized the sow while she was still inside the station wagon.

The cutting and wrapping process was worthy of Eskimos attacking a beached beluga. Using a box cutter, two dull knives and a carpenter saw they managed to slice it into two large pieces … front and back. This is where his story got vague. He said they skinned it, which would be like peeling the paint off a submarine. The meat was reduced to seven big pieces the size of a truck tire, which they took back home and froze.

A week later, they resurrected the meat. Using a saw and a diagram from the Safeway meat counter, they tried to cut the frozen chunks into the shape of cuts they recognized; like a pork chop, sausage, BBQ rib and knuckles. According to Harry, they never could find the ham or bacon, so concluded that these cuts appeared only in male pigs.

Harry is still in agriculture … a commodity broker I think, but I believed his story. Of course, I believe WWW Raw! Professional Wrestling and political promises are real too, but what do I know.

Baxter Black may be contacted at www.baxterblack.com.

Continuing rains increase soil moisture in rangelands

Ranchers optimistic about grazing conditions

By Marvin Tessneer
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Recent rains have increased the soil moisture in area rangelands, and ranchers are hopeful warm spring weather will allow them to take advantage of the improved conditions.

The Doña Ana County area rain and snow figures, as compiled by the USDA Agricultural Statistics Service, look promising. January saw 1.03 inches, compared with the average of .46 inches, and December 2009 saw 1.15 inches, compared with the average .68 inches.

"With the amount of rain we have had, there should be good sub-soil moisture," said Uvas Valley rancher Tom Mobley. "With the lower moisture, even light showers after warmer weather, we can start some new forage growth. Of course, if it turns dry and we have a lot of wind, the moisture could be pulled out of the soil and lost to evaporation."

All of the ranches in the Uvas Mountains have varying amounts of pea vine, a poisonous species of local weed that grows during the fall and spring months. Any cattle exposed to this weed will have to be relocated.

"The total rainfall in 2009 on our ranch was 8.1 inches, about 15 percent below average. The rainfall during the summer, when it is most needed, was about 20 percent below average. However, the summer rains in 2008 was about 40 percent above average produced a lot of grass that still is standing but with low nutritional value. Supplemental feeding is needed then for lactating and nursing cows when the grass is dormant."

> "We could have one of the best springs we've had in the past several years."
>
> TOM COOPER, rancher

Tom Cooper, who grazes cattle on 160 sections west and northwest of Las Cruces, reported that his ranch has received periodic rain and snow the past few weeks.

"If we continue getting rain and snow, that ought to make for a good spring, grass and in some cases weeds, " Cooper said. "Presently, we have a lot of soil moisture and that should benefit everybody. We could have one of the best springs we've had in the past several years."

Dudley Williams also is optimistic about the soil moisture. Williams grazes his cattle on three ranches on 345 sections in the Potrillo Mountains area.

"We've got good soil moisture, and it looks like we going to get an early start on weed growth in the spring," Williams said. "All we need is a little more sun."

The light, slow, soaking rains are just what the ranges need, according to John Fowler, New Mexico State University range specialist.

"That slow, steady moisture reaches down into the subsoil to promote seasonal grasses or forbs for the cattle and wildlife," Fowler said. "And there's no runoff to cause erosion or to deposit sediment in the waterways. Right now, we couldn't ask for anything better."

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Chile industry becomes mechanized

Breeders grow varieties suitable for mechanical harvest

By Marvin Tessneer
The Las Cruces Bulletin

The chile industry is using an integrated approach to develop a chile field harvesting machine, Paul Funk of the USDA Southwest Cotton Ginning Research Laboratory said Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the New Mexico Chile Conference in Las Cruces.

The New Mexico Chile Association is coordinating research and development to manufacture a field harvester to improve its global market position, Funk said.

"Existing chile varieties have been bred for yield and flavor, and now we're breeding varieties with characteristics that make them suitable for mechanical harvesters," he said. "And were looking at production practices, such as plant density and irrigation timing, that would enhance the ability to harvest the crop.

"We have to look at the plant machinery because we get more leaves and trash with mechanical harvesting, and we need destemming equipment. With mechanical harvesting, the growers get larger batches to process at the same time than they did with hand harvesting."

Funk illustrated his talk with a film showing a field harvester that the research laboratory is developing.

"We realized our 2009 season goal of developing a harvest machine that causes minimal damage to the fruit," he said. "It strips leaves and fruit, but that could be separated with additional machinery on the harvester."

Ryan Herbon of the New Mexico State University Manufacturing Technology and Engineering Center also gave a talk on the progress in developing equipment that would remove chile pod stems. The ginning laboratory harvesting machine features rubber fingers that work on a vertical runner to strip off the chile pods and move them to a conveyor belt.

"The rubber strips are similar to the ones that are used in the pecan industry to sweep harvested pecans on the orchard floor into windrows so that they can be picked up," Funk said.

NMSU chile breeder and conference chairman Paul Bosland said this year's conference brought in about 300 producers and representatives of related industries.

"We're really pleased with the attendance," he said. "We've had a lot of good comments on the program and the displays."

The New Mexico Chile Association was especially interested in the mechanization discussion because growers fear that the state industry is becoming stagnant, losing market to foreign producers who have cheaper labor and production costs.

New Mexico's chile revenue increased from $42.3 million in 2008 to $49.4 million last year, according to the USDA Agriculture Statistics Service.

Juan Gandara from San Antonio Farms in Sonora, Mexico, looks over the salsas before tasting one at the New Mexico Chile Conference, Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum.

STEVE MACINTYRE
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Historical awards

Praised for his "Looking Back" column in the Las Cruces Bulletin, reporter Marvin Tessneer was honored with the Doña Ana Historical Society's Pasajero de El Camino Real award at the group's awards banquet at Hotel Encanto on Saturday, Jan. 30. He celebrated at the banquet with his wife Irma and several members of the Bulletin staff.

Board Member Jim Eckles congratulates retired Col. Gerald Schurtz after presenting him with the Heritage Award. Schurtz has preserved the legacy of his father and other World War II veterans who suffered through the Bataan Death March.

PHOTOS BY STEVE MACINTYRE

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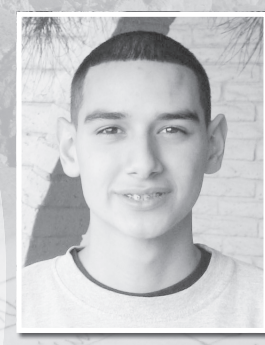

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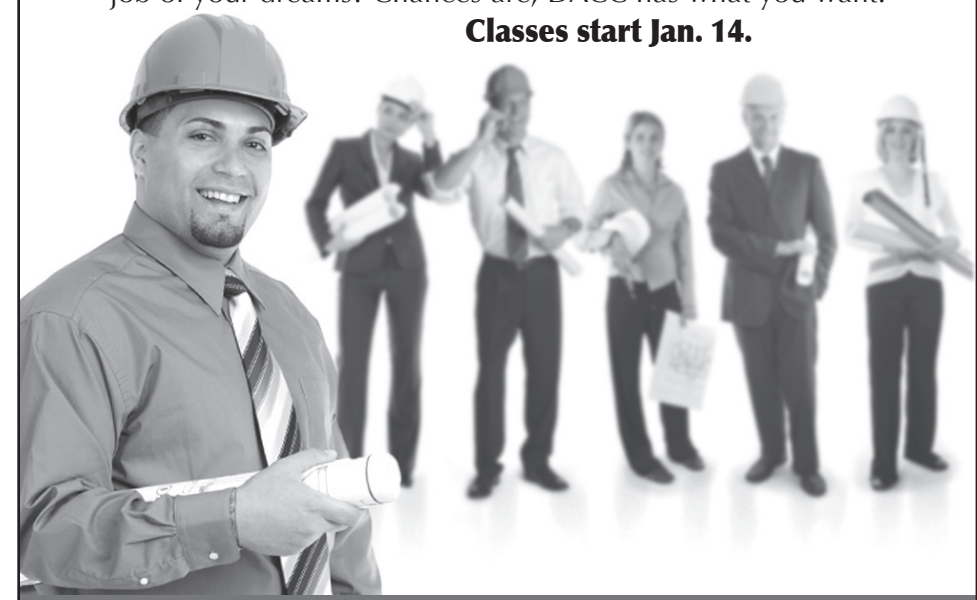

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Enchilada fundraiser

An enchilada lunch and silent auction will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20, at St. Paul's Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave., to raise funds for Lynette (Hoffman) Miller, a leukemia patient. She is currently waiting for a bone marrow transplant. Lunch tickets are $10. Anyone interested in purchasing tickets or contributing to the silent auction may call Barbara at 526-6689. Donations may also be sent to: Lynette Miller Fund, P.O. Box 668, Mesilla, NM 88046.

Washington fundraiser

Booker T. Washington Elementary is having an enchilada plate fundraiser from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, at VFW Post No. 3242, 2001 N. Mesquite St. Tickets are $5.

Pancake breakfast

The Sierra Middle School PTSO will host a pancake breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, at Sierra Middle School, 1700 Spruce Ave., in the café.

Tickets are $5 each. The breakfast includes pancakes and sausage and a choice of orange juice or coffee. Proceeds will be used for special projects and field trips.

World Wetlands Day

Young naturalists will find much to inspire them during the celebration of World Wetlands Day at Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6. Events, hikes, programs and speakers are scheduled.Children's activities include dragonfly crafts, making casts of animal tracks and creating an origami jumping frog. Budding scientists can look at pond water, plants and small creatures through microscopes. Young biologists can learn about insects, jaguars, birds and other inhabitants of wetlands. Hawks Aloft will bring raptors for entertainment and education.

World Wetlands Day marks the adoption of the Convention on Wetlands on Feb. 2, 1971, with programs and events that raise awareness about wetland values and benefits.

Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park is located 1.9 miles west of the Town of Mesilla on Calle del Norte. For more information, call the park at 523-4398 or visit www.nmparks.com.

Track club sets runs

The Mesilla Valley Track Club will hold its Annual Super Bowl Sunday 5k and 10k runs and a 5k Fitness Walk at 10 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, on Geothermal Drive just east of the entrance to the New Mexico State University Golf Course. There will be age-group awards in each event and T-shirts for each participant.

Pre-registration is $18 and race-day registration is $23. Race-day registration begins at 8:45 a.m. at the starting line. For more information, call 524-7824.

AAUW meets Feb. 9

The Las Cruces Branch of the American Association of University Women will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, at The Village at Northrise, 2880 N. Roadrunner Parkway. A female Border Patrol agent from the Las Cruces Border Patrol office will discuss Border Patrol operations in the El Paso Sector. A Border Patrol K-9 will also be present. The meeting is free and open to the public. For more information, call Kathy Mayer at 647-1939 or visit www.aauw.org.

Archaeological Society

The Doña Ana Archaeological Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, at the Good Samaritan Auditorium, 3011 Buena Vida Circle.

Wayne Lee will give an illustrated presentation titled "Tinian: from a Prehistoric Fishing Village to the Atomic Bomb." Lee will discuss the prehistoric and historic peoples of Tinian and their role in World War II. Lee will feature the military archaeology of the Japanese and American occupations of the island, including the flight of the Enola Gay to Japan.

The meeting is free and open to the public. For more information, call 524-9497.

Inmate crew meeting

The City of Las Cruces will hold a public meeting regarding the use of inmate work crews in residential areas and other related items. The meeting will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, inside City Council Chambers, 200 N. Church St. The meeting will allow the public to express any concerns or comments regarding this topic.

K-9 Academy seminar

Arrow K-9 Academy will be holding a free seminar from 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, at Mikey's Place, 3100 Harrelson St. The seminar topic will be why dogs need proper structure in their lives to become happy and well-balanced.

For more information, call 680-2775.

Nutrition class

Mountain View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road, will present "Nutrition and Supplements for a Healthy Heart" with Genevieve Chavez of Optimal Health from 6 to 7:15 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15. Participants can learn how to keep their heart healthy. Cost is $10 per person, discounted for co-op members.

For more information, call 523-0436.

Share the Road ride

The next Share the Road Las Cruces (STRLC) Visibility Ride, will be held Tuesday, Feb. 9.

The ride is a real-life, real-time demonstration of how bicyclists can ride with traffic safely. Bicycle riders get together once a month to help raise awareness among motorists of the presence of cyclists, of motorists' ability to share the road safely with cyclists and of how cyclists behave while driving in traffic. An STRLC Visibility Ride will be held the second Tuesday of each month through May.

The ride will start at the following time and locations: 7 a.m. at The Bean, 2011 Avenida de Mesilla; 7:10 a.m. at Sam's Club, 2711 N. Telshor Blvd.; 7:20 a.m. at the Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St.; and 7:15 a.m. at Alamo Mine Trail and Soledad Canyon. The cyclist will meet for coffee at Starbucks, 940 E. University Ave., at 7:45 a.m. All participants are asked to follow the rules of the road and wear helmets. Rides are also scheduled for March 9 and April 13.

For more information, email visibilityride@gmail.com or visit visibilityride.blogspot.com.

Genealogy Society

The Doña Ana County Genealogical Society will meet at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, at the Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Carl Hundley will present the program "Does Your Family History Lie Undiscovered on the Internet?"

For more information, email dacgslc@gmail.com.

MVCS visitor's day

Mesilla Valley Christian Schools, 3850 Stern Drive, will have a visitor's day at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12. Visitors can enjoy an afternoon of fun, see presentations by students, take a tour of the campus and classrooms and participate in a question-and-answer reception. Everyone is welcome.

MVCS is a college-prep, non-denominational K-12th-grade school, with a curriculum intended to inspire character, faith in God and love for learning. MVCS was one of only 11 schools in New Mexico to receive the 2009 ACT College Readiness Award.

Anyone interested is asked to RSVP to Wendy at wdacy@mvcsonline.com or 525-8515. For more information, visit www.mvcsonline.com.

Candidate forum

The Greater Las Cruces League of Women Voters is sponsoring a candidate forum from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 16, at the Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago.

The forum will feature the six candidates for two trustee positions and the three candidates for the position of mayor in the Tuesday, March 2, Town of Mesilla election. The public is invited.

For more information, contact Vicki Simons at 522-4813 or vrsimons@comcast.net.

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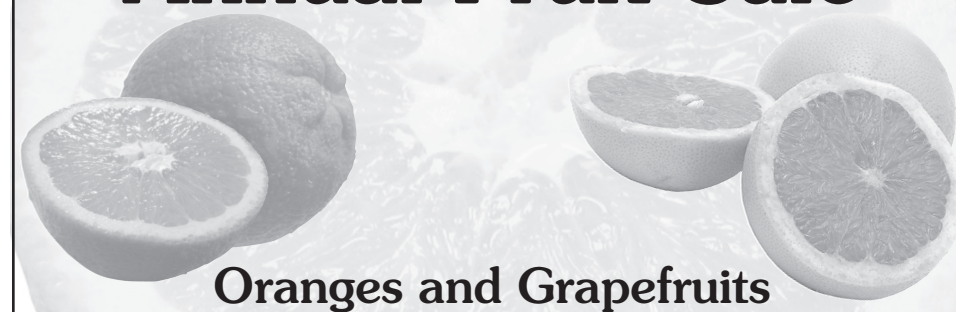
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Legislature 2010 Midpoint

Whistleblower protection bill again gets Senate approval

Richardson has vetoed previous attempts

By Steve Terrell
The New Mexican

The state Senate once again has passed a bill designed to protect government employees from retaliation for reporting official wrongdoing – something backers said is long overdue in New Mexico.

CERVANTES

Sen. Sue Wilson-Beffort, R-Sandia Park, sponsor of Senate Bill 96, told fellow senators that had the bill been in effect a few years ago, an ill-fated $90 million investment by the Education Retirement Board with Vanderbilt Financial might have never happened.

The Vanderbilt investment is at the center of a lawsuit filed by former ERB investment officer Frank Foy. He alleges that officials of Gov. Bill Richardson's administration, including the governor's former Chief of Staff Dave Contarino, pressured the board to make the investment. Richardson has said neither he nor his administration is guilty of any wrongdoing. No criminal charges have been filed in connection with the investment.

Under the bill that cleared the Senate on Wednesday, a state or local government worker who faces retaliation could sue for damages, get his or her job back and be awarded back pay with interest. Workers who testify as part of an investigation into wrongdoing also would be protected against retaliation.

Wilson said that more than two dozen states have similar laws on the books.

Sen. Dede Feldman, D-Albuquerque, said the bill is long overdue. Federal employees have such protections, she said. State and local government employees deserve it also, Feldman said during debate on the bill.

The measure passed 38-2, with Sens. Michael Sanchez, D-Belen, and Phil Griego, D-San Jose, in the minority.

Sanchez, the Senate majority leader, argued that the bill has a potentially large financial impact on the court system and should have been referred to the Finance Committee.

Griego expressed concerns about the bill encouraging people to file frivolous suits.

SB96 now goes to the House, which has passed similar measures in recent years.

In 2007, the last time a whistleblower bill made it through both chambers of the Legislature, Gov. Bill Richardson vetoed it.

Richardson spokesman Gilbert Gallegos said Wednesday that the 2007 bill was vetoed for several reasons, including the fact that it contained a provision allowing unlimited punitive damages if a whistleblower successfully won a case.

But apparently that won't be a problem this year. Richardson asked for a whistleblower-protection law in his call for the current session, Gallegos said.

In his State of the State address on the opening day of the session, Richardson said, "Whistleblower protections to shield employees from retaliation for reporting fraud, waste or abuse" is one of "several vital reforms (that) have been put off for too long."

Wilson's bill, Gallegos said, looks similar to a House whistleblower bill, HB165 sponsored by Rep. Joe Cervantes, D-Las Cruces, which Richardson is backing. A fiscal impact report says the House bill is identical to the one that passed the Senate.

Roundhouse round up

No action yet on campaign ethics

With the ticking of the clock on the New Mexico Legislature's 30-day session growing louder every day, no legislative committee so far has acted on an ethics bill designed to prohibit political campaign contributions by lobbyists and contractors.

The House Voters and Elections Committee on Tuesday, Feb. 2, discussed House Bill 118, sponsored by Rep. Joe Campos, D-Santa Rosa, but the panel decided to delay any action until it hears a separate bill, HB172, sponsored by Rep. Gail Chasey, D-Albuquerque.

Chasey's bill, which is backed by Gov. Bill Richardson, has some similarities to HB118, which is the brainchild of Think New Mexico, the Santa Fe-based think tank.

Despite the fact that just over two weeks remain in the session – according to the state constitution the session must end at noon Feb. 18 – Think New Mexico Director Fred Nathan believes that there's still time to get a bill through the House and over to the Senate.

Nathan said he expects legislators to hammer out a compromise bill consisting of parts of both ethics proposals.

Both bills seek to restrict the influence of big-money interests in state politics.

And backers of both bills said some differences in how to stop the flow of money from lobbyists and contractors should be relatively easy to reconcile.

But there are a couple of differences in the bills that could prove more difficult to work out.

The Think New Mexico bill would ban contributions from people or businesses seeking "targeted subsidies" from state government. Examples include large developers who seek tax breaks and other help from the state to finance their projects. The governor's bill doesn't cover this area.

"It is especially important that these decisions be made based on the merits rather than on 'shock and awe' – lobbyist firepower and political contributions," Nathan said in an email Tuesday.

Bill seeks to cancel pit waste rule

A Republican legislator from northwestern New Mexico's oil-and-gas-rich San Juan Basin is sponsoring a bill to rescind a controversial rule by the state Oil Conservation Division that tightened pit waste regulations.

Waste products produced during the drilling and pumping process are stored in pits. The OCD claims unlined pits have polluted groundwater.

Rep. Thomas C. Taylor, R-San Juan, sponsored the bill (HB 192), which says the "pit rules have no scientific basis, provide no environmental benefit and were adopted without legislative approval."

According to the bill, the rules have cost the state about $140 million in lost tax revenues.

"Rescinding these rules would replenish state revenues," according to the bill, which is currently before the House Rules Committee.

Supporters of the pit rule say low demand and low oil prices have caused the decline in oil revenues.

The pit rule was approved by the OCD in 2008, following several weeks of testimony and some 5,000 pages of documents. The effort to finalize a pit rule was supervised by Mark Fesmire, the division director, a licensed petroleum engineer and attorney.

The rule regulates the siting, construction, monitoring and closure of pits used to store waste water and clay. The rule prohibits the use of unlined pits and increases the thickness of liners needed.

Gov. Bill Richardson proposed six changes to the rule in 2009 in answer to industry charges that the rule would increase the costs of production and discourage producers from operating in the state.

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State Rep. Joseph Cervantes, former Gov. Garrey Carruthers and state Rep. Joni Gutierrez listen to David Abbey, Legislative Finance Committee director, answer a question about the state budget at the Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe breakfast Monday, Feb. 1.

TODD DICKSON
The Las Cruces Bulletin

These balconies overlooking the Roundhouse rotunda is where many important conversations take place during the legislative session. See Page A17 for more photos from Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe.

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Legislature

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State spending has been supported by federal dollars that aren't coming back, he said, there's "not a lot of heart" for seeing tax increases, especially in the Senate.

"My main concern is that they need to have a plan, and I'm not seeing that yet," Rounds said.

Belt-tightening

State Sen. Mary Kay Papen, D-Las Cruces, re-affirmed she and other senators are resisting what they see as a push from House leadership to pass tax increases. She said what's being proposed so far is overly simplistic.

For example, House Speaker Ben Lujan's HB 119, would raise temporarily the state gross receipts tax (GRT) by one-half a percent to 5.5 percent to generate an estimated $238 million next year and calls for the state GRT rate to return to 5 percent in mid-2014.

Papen said GRT is a state tax on almost every transaction – from the purchasing services to buying clothes – and residents will feel it as they see their cost of living become more onerous.

"It can be awfully hard, especially for those on fixed incomes," she said. "And there are 400,000 people in the state who are already out of a job. They don't have money to spare for us to tax."

When times get tough, people can simply decide to find ways to get more money out of their home budgets, Papen said. They "buckle up" and find ways to spend less, she said.

"If people are having to tighten their belts, so should the state," Papen said.

The United States survived World War II and the Great Depression by not taking regressive steps to solve financial shortages, Papen said. The state needs to work on ways to find substantial and sustainable funding for its programs and services, she said.

But waiting outside another lawmaker's office was New Mexico State Parks Director Dave Simon looking haggard. Simon said he's worried that the parks department – not seen as an essential government service – is likely to take a deep cut. If it's too deep, he said he will have to close parks around the state.

The other big tax proposal is Rep. Ed Sandoval's HB9, that would impose a surtax on upper-income New Mexicans, which is estimated to raise $66 million next year by charging a 1.5 percent surtax on couples filing joint returns with taxable income of more than $200,000. It would remain in place for three years.

Business advocates say these higher income earners also are the small business owners and that will slow their ability to hire more workers or provide more benefits. (See related story on Page B2.)

It hasn't been all bad news on the tax increase front. Tax bills that have died include major increases in "sin taxes" on alcohol and tobacco, as well as bills to tax Internet sales, to add an extra tax on medical marijuana and to repeal tax credits for film productions.

A number of lawmakers – especially those from areas not benefiting greatly from film productions – would like to see the 25 percent film tax credit eliminated or made less substantial. According to one study, the film industry return on every tax dollar lost is about 85 cents.

No easy answers

Earlier, at the Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe breakfast, Legislative Finance Committee Director David Abbey laid out the how the state is trying to dig itself out of a 20-percent loss in revenue over the past two years. He urged lawmakers to put all other issues aside and focus on finding answers to the money problem.

"This is what we're facing every day with every bill," said state Rep. Joni Gutierrez, D-Mesilla.

She echoed what state Sen. Steve Fischmann, D-Doña Ana and Sierra counties, recently wrote in a published guest column about "not wasting a good crisis."

"We need to be looking at reorganizing state government," Gutierrez said.

But, frankly, she admitted that the Legislature isn't an organization that finds solutions to problems quickly.

Rep. Joseph Cervantes, D-Las Cruces, said the state needs to go back to the tax structure it had six to seven years ago before cuts were made to income taxes that led the state to become too dependent on unpredictable revenues from oil and gas production.

But no one is having these kinds of discussions, Cervantes said.

"We need to talk about a broad-based tax policy and we're not doing that," Cervantes said.

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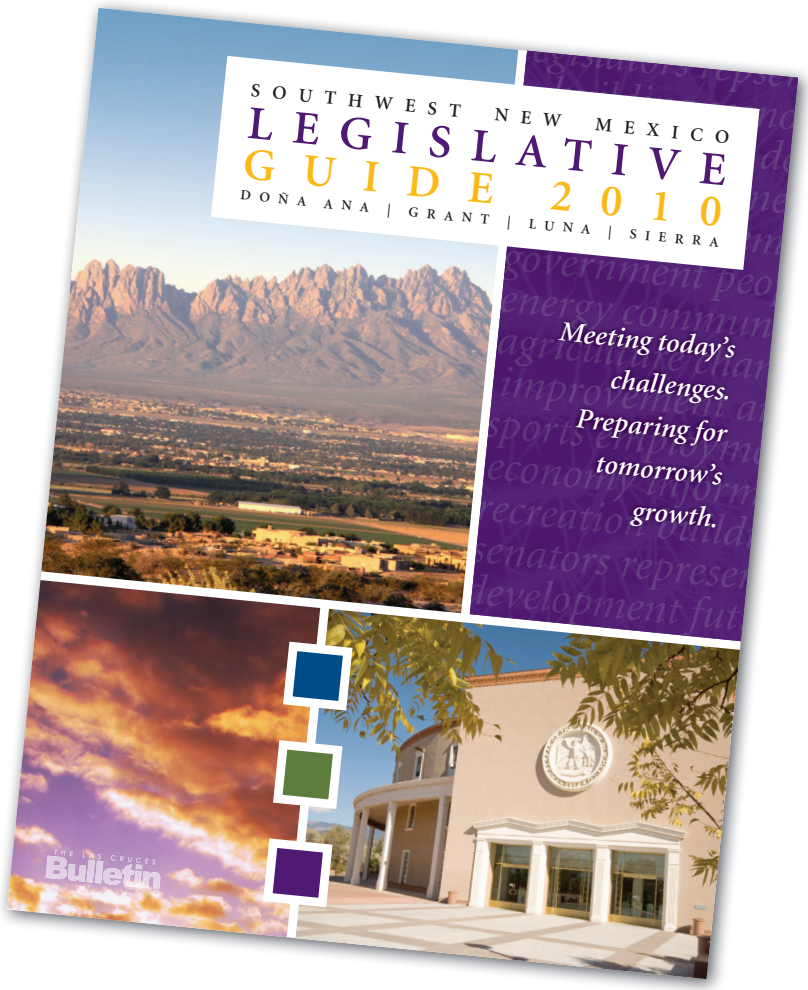

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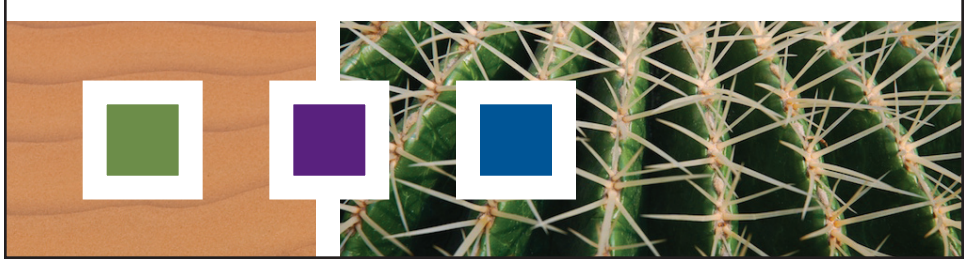

Cell phone

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the offense.

Councillor Nathan Small and others wanted to make the new driving ban something akin to getting a speeding ticket so that drivers didn't have to make an appearance at Municipal Court for every citation.

Because drivers could face jail time by the third offense and the scaled approach to fines, city legal officials told councillors that the appearance at municipal court was unavoidable.

"For most municipal violations, you have to go before a judge," said City Attorney Fermin Rubio. "It's just part of living in the city."

Small said he'd still like to revisit the question in the future. Because it will take time for residents to break the habit of talking on their cell phones while driving, he said the potential of jail time for the offense seemed harsh and lacking in common sense.

Rubio said the new ban is meant to be a deterrent. Mayor Ken Miyagishima originally proposed the restriction by discussing with residents whether just texting while driving should be banned. He said most people told him they also wanted all-cell phone use while driving restricted.

A few residents at this week's meeting voiced their opposition to the new restriction, saying they doubted the new restriction would make driving in Las Cruces safer and questioning why talking on a cell phone could possibly land someone in jail. Some also have questioned whether the ban is enforceable.

But Mayor Pro Tem Sharon Thomas noted that there are possible state and federal bans that could make the whole local debate "academic."

City officials told councillors about their various methods being used to notify residents of the new ban, including billboards along interstate highways for visiting drivers. Street signs are about the ban are being put up around town, according to city officials.

Udell Vigil who heads the city's Public Information Office, noted that news media have been reporting the change and, as a result, hands-free calling devices "are flying off the shelves."

(See related story on Page E9.)

Clerk's office open on Feb. 14

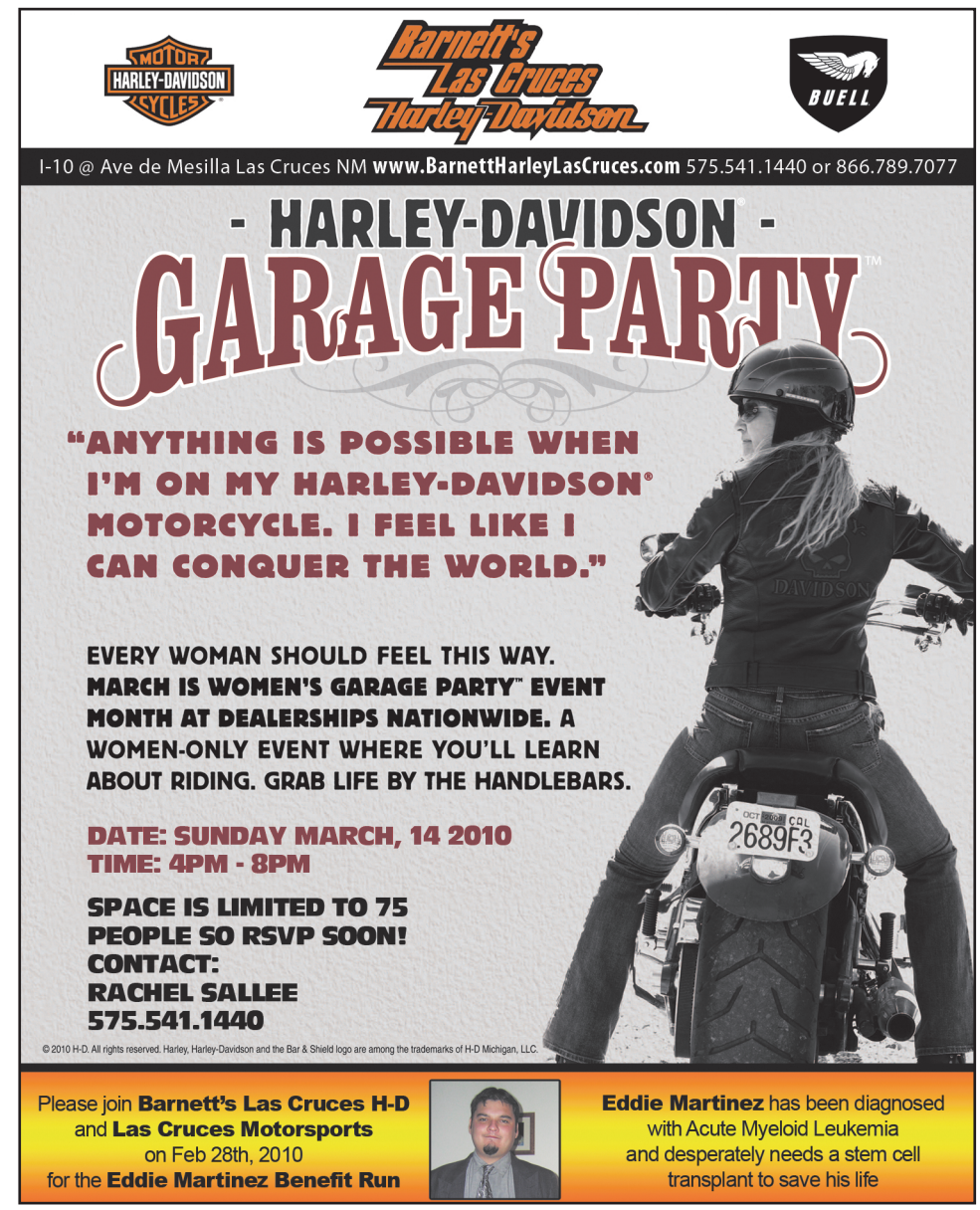
Judge facilitates Valentine's Day weddings

Doña Ana County Probate Judge Alice Salcido has announced she will perform free weddings from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 14, at the Doña Ana County Government Center, Room 1-113.

The Doña Ana County Clerk's Office will be open on Valentine's Day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the sole purpose of issuing marriage licenses for couples who wish to take advantage of the opportunity and for recording the marriage certificates.

To make an appointment for a Valentine's Day wedding at the Doña Ana County Government Center, call Lydia Chaparro at 525-6115. Reserved appointments are required. Each couple must bring two witnesses and a valid New Mexico marriage license.

For information about New Mexico marriage license requirements, call the Doña Ana County Clerk's Office at 647-7421.



Crime Stoppers: Bowling alley murders

Detectives are continuing to investigate the February 1990 shootings at a Las Cruces bowling alley that claimed four lives and left three others injured.

Shortly after 8 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, 1990, police were dispatched to what was then known as Las Cruces Bowl at 1201 E. Amador Ave., after 12-year-old Melissia Repass called 911 to report that she and six other people had just been shot.

Inside the bowling alley, officers found three victims dead: 26-year-old Steven Teran, his 6-year-old daughter Paula Holguin and 13-year-old Amy Houser. Police found Teran's 2-year-old daughter, Valerie Teran, clinging to life. The toddler was rushed to a local hospital, but she died.

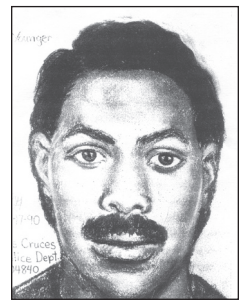
Wounded during the shooting were Repass, her mother Stephanie Senac, 34, and 33-year-old Ida Holguin.

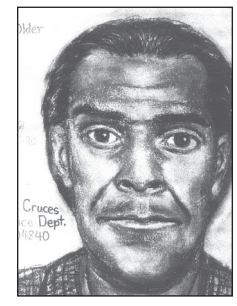
The bowling alley's safe was opened, with an estimated $5,000 in cash taken. Two suspects shot all seven victims and set fire to the office.

Repass described the suspects as possibly being black though further interviews lead investigators to believe they are Hispanic with dark complexions. Both were said to speak clear English.

In 1990, the older suspect was said to be in his late 30s or early 40s, 5-feet-5-inches tall with a medium build and weighing between 160 and 180 pounds. The younger suspect was believed to be in his late 20s, between 5-feet-6 and 5-feet-8-inches tall with a medium build and weighing around 190 pounds.

The Las Cruces Police Department urges anyone with information that may help solve this crime to call detectives at 528-4222. Anyone who wants to provide information, but wishes to remain anonymous, can call Las Cruces Crime Stoppers at 526-8000 or from outside the Las Cruces area at 800-897-2746.





Bowling Alley

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the bowling alley, had taken the car that day, but was supposed to return to pick him up for his job. He started getting worried when she never came.

"I got ready for work and I thought, 'It's getting later and later,'" he said.

Because their phone was disconnected, Raymond Holguin walked to the bowling alley, which, by that time, was surrounded by ambulances, fire trucks and police cars.

"The police told me to get back, that there was a robbery," he said. "I told them my wife worked there, and they asked me her name. They told me I needed to get to the hospital right away."

He jumped in the car with Woods, whose 13-year-old daughter Amy Houser was also a victim of the shooting, and headed for the hospital.

"We didn't know what was happening," Raymond Holguin said. "When the doctor showed us the X-rays showing she was shot in the head, that's when I lost it.

"She was in the hospital for three months and had to learn simple things all over again. She forgot how to cook, and when I brought her home, she didn't recognize the place. Everything was brand new to her. When she walked up to a water fountain, she said, 'I don't remember how to work these things.' She couldn't remember the simple things.

"She's very lucky that she made it through, and it's made her stronger. She lives through that nightmare every day, I guarantee that."

Though Teran was not a victim of the shootings, she became a victim when she lost her entire family – her husband Steven Teran and her two daughters, 6-year-old Paula Holguin and 2-year-old Valerie Teran. When Minn approached her about the documentary, she said she saw it as a blessing.

"I knew it (the 20-year anniversary) would be big," she said. "I think Charlie (Minn) is a blessing by helping us get this tragedy out. We've had leads on top of leads, and I know there's someone who knows something, but maybe if they see it raw, how it really happened, something will change. He's finally letting it out, and there are some things that my family doesn't even know."

Woods was afraid of the reopening the wound.

"At first I didn't want to," she said. "It was resurfacing a pain that is always there. I'm always gonna wonder why, but my children and husband encouraged me to participate. If me participating helps, that's why I did it."

In honor of the victims of the shooting and their families, Minn is releasing the film in Albuquerque, Las Cruces and "hopefully" El Paso on Wednesday, Feb. 10, the 20th anniversary. From there, he said he will work to get it released nationally and, eventually, globally.

Working with the case's lead detective, Mike Myers of the Las Cruces Police Department, Minn was put in touch with the victims and their families. He said his documentary includes a re-enactment of the crime and actual footage of the crime scene and 911 call. The first hour of the film – which runs a little more than two hours – is extremely graphic, and the second half covers the investigation, which Myers said "is as thorough as it could possibly be."

"I made this film to evoke emotion so someone out there will turn themselves in," Minn said. "I firmly believe there is someone walking on Telshor and Lohman that knows what happens. They (the victims) have suffered enough."

Though Woods, Ida Holguin and Teran said they have only returned to the bowling alley once since the incident occurred – Ida Holguin only because of the film – each of them plan to see the film when it is released, despite the gory details.

"I kinda know what I went through, and I saw Amy get shot," Ida Holguin said. "It was graphic when I saw it happening, but this is how it happened."

"They were my life," Teran added, "and I'm going to keep on representing them."

While Woods remained reserved, she too said she would see the film.

"I'm going to go," she said, "but that doesn't mean I won't close my eyes to certain things."

Film revisits bowling alley killings

Emotional documentary avoids sensationalism

Review by Jeff Berg
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

The New Mexico Survivors of Homicide website notes that since the late 1970s, there are 101 unsolved murders around the state.

In spite of the prevailing ostrich attitudes around here, Las Cruces is far from being immune to violence, whether it is random, drug related or otherwise. Several of the state's most noted cases have taken place here, some of which took place before the NMSOH statistics were kept.

In 1949, the murder of young Cricket Coogler changed the course of New Mexico history, and its greasy tentacles reached clear to Washington, D.C. The case remains unsolved.

In the late '60s and early '70s, a local man who still walks our streets allegedly killed two women without consequence, mostly because of his blood connection to a former politician.

But among those NMSOH numbers are four killings that took place in February 1990. It has become the most notorious and still unsolved crime that ever took place in Las Cruces, which is now often referred to as the Bowling Alley Massacre.

Two men robbed the Las Cruces Bowl and shot seven people, including two young children, execution-style, killing four, before escaping with an estimated $5,000, never to be seen again. No serious leads have emerged over the years, but filmmaker Charlie Minn is hopeful that his carefully drawn and respectful documentary "Nightmare in Las Cruces" will help bring closure for everyone involved.

Minn first heard about the story while watching an episode of "Unsolved Murders" about 20 years ago. It has stayed with him ever since, and the lack of resolve in the case put him into action.

Thanks to Minn's extra efforts, I was able to see a rough cut of the film last week.

His work is mostly a documentary, but does contain a partial re-enactment. It is very sensitive to the families of the victims and the three survivors, two of whom consented to amazing interviews (the third passed away in 1999).

Minn has thankfully stayed away from the numerous opportunities of making a tawdry and sensational piece. He interviewed many different people involved in the incident, including the lead law enforcement officers and the former owner of the bowling alley, Ron Senac, who is still a local resident, and the one detective who still follows the case, Mark Myers.

The film opens with the amazing and moving actual 911 call made by survivor Melissia Repass, who although shot several times, was able to give details to the 911 dispatcher (also interviewed).

From there, the documentary gently moves forward, as Minn covers the crime itself, before delving into the interviews.

A moving force in the almost two-hour film is that nearly every person interviewed was still very emotionally involved in the case, from the police officer to the families of the victims. Almost without exception, everyone at one point cries while telling their story.

Another thought for me paralleled the comments of a couple of the victims who wondered whether the capture of the two men would ever allow closure. There is no self-pity or whining, but rather the desire and need to be able to find the catalyst that will allow them to heal from this grievous and senseless act. No one mentions forgiving, but forgetting will never occur.

Also fortunately for Minn, he was able to procure financing that allowed him to hire a professional crew, thus giving even the rough cut a polished look.

Drawings of two suspects have floated around for years, and it seems unlikely that 20 years later – the eldest of the two, who may be in his 70s by now – will ever be caught, but stranger things have happened, even in Las Cruces.

Sensitive viewers, please note that there is footage of the actual crime scene, including images of the victims.

"A Nightmare in Las Cruces" opens at Cineport 10 in the Mesilla Valley Mall Wednesday, Feb. 10. Check the Allen Theatres ad in the Bulletin for show times. You can also visit www.bowlingmassacre.com for more information about the film.

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Conlee holds yard sale

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Amy Trejo, 9, above left, and Karel Walter, 7, enjoy looking through the toys at the Conlee Elementary School yard sale held Saturday, Jan. 30.

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Janet Reed dumps some old water and milk jugs into the Sam's Club recycling bin Tuesday, Feb. 2, the first day that the items don't need to be separated.

Recycling sorting reduced

Accepted materials to be sorted at plant

By Todd G. Dickson
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Jan Reed had a pleasant surprise when she went down to the Sam's Club recycling bins Tuesday, Feb. 2.

Instead of sorting through her old milk jugs, boxes and other materials, she could simply dump them all in the big blue recycling container.

That's because the South Central Solid Waste Authority (SCSWA) has gone "single-stream recycling" through its contract with Friedman Recycling in northeast El Paso.

What that means is that the recyclable materials will be sorted out by the recycling company at its plant.

Reed said she used to have to drive to several different recycling bins because they all didn't take the same materials.

"This is going to save me on gas," she said. "This is close to my home, so I can just come here and drop everything off."

Materials accepted at the bins include cardboard, magazines, newspapers, phone books, aluminum, tin cans, office paper, mixed paper and three kinds of plastic – that which is used for soda bottles and bottled water, for milk jugs and for colored detergent bottles.

What's not accepted is glass, tissues, napkins, wax-coated paper products, paper plates and cups, wipes, Styrofoam, plastic grocery bags and packing materials.

Though some sorting is still required, SCSWA officials say this is a big step toward eventually offering curbside recycling.

"We've made enormous recycling strides in the past year throughout our community, but this is a milestone," said Patrick Peck, SCSWA director. "It's the biggest thing that's happened in recycling in Las Cruces in 15 years."

All recycling bins are in the process of being retrofitted, with larger openings to accommodate the mixed – or single-stream – recyclables. But residents can start single-stream recycling now.

"We are sending 50 tons of recyclables a week from Las Cruces and Doña Ana County to Friedman Recycling, and that's before we've really geared up," Peck said.

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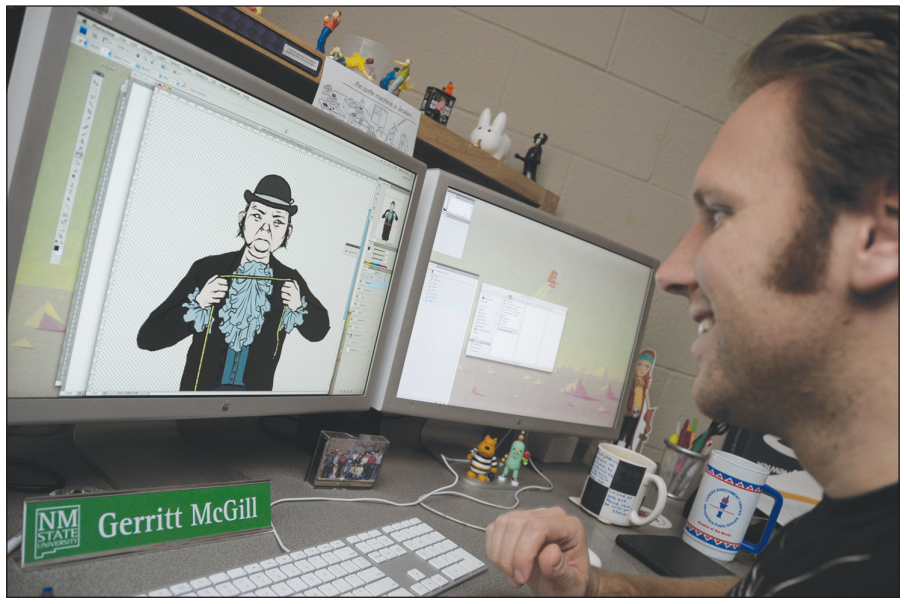

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New Mexico State University communications and marketing graphic designer Gerritt McGill works on a game called "Vile Haberdashery" on Saturday, Jan. 30, in Gerald Thomas Hall for a 48-hour "Global Game Jam" creation competition. The gaming marathon's theme was deception.

Magic set for Valentine event

Vegas magician-comic to headline show

The Mesilla Valley Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) is holding its Valentine's Day celebration at 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

As in past years, the event features Vegas-style entertainment, provided this year by Michael Finney, a comedian and magician as well as a motivational speaker and philanthropist.

The evening is a fundraiser for Mesilla Valley CASA, which provides volunteer advocates to represent children in the courts. Mesilla Valley CASA is a nonprofit organization that does not receive state money for the work the organization and its volunteers do on behalf of children.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for a no-host bar. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. with the comedy show starting at 8 p.m. Dancing will begin at 9 p.m. Besides Finney, the fifth annual fundraiser includes dinner with dancing and music.

Tickets cost $50. Call 527-0035 to purchase tickets or for more information about Mesilla Valley CASA.

News Briefs

Western Union to accept utility payments

The City of Las Cruces is accepting utility bill payments through Western Union sites in Las Cruces. There is a $1 convenience charge per payment that will go to Western Union.

In addition to Western Union locations, city customers may also pay their bills online at www.las-cruces.org, by telephone at 866-426-9757, through personal electronic banking, payment draft pay, by mail or in person inside City Hall, 200 N. Church St.

High school transfer applications due

Eighth-graders who want to attend a high school next year not in their attendance zone must apply for a transfer by Friday, Feb. 5.

Completed transfer request forms should be taken to the LCPS Administration Building Instruction Department, 505 S. Main St.

"It's important to know early which incoming ninth graders want to transfer to a different high school," said Jo Galvan, director of communications. "It's also important for families to realize that requests are primarily based on whether space is available at the school they want to attend. Specific programs, such as auto mechanics at Mayfield High School, are also considered when students want a transfer."

Transfer requests are also being accepted from students who currently attend high school. Transfer applications for next year's elementary and middle school students will not be accepted until March, based on the school district's recent redistricting, Galvan added.

Transfer request forms are available at every school or online on the parents' webpage on the LCPS website: http://lcps.k12.nm.us/Parents/index.asp. Click on the "Transfer Forms" icon.

The forms are available in both English and Spanish.

For more information, contact Jennifer Amis, director of secondary instruction, at 527-5889 or jamis@lcps.k12.nm.us.

Fossil pact signed

The New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science will be the official state repository for fossils – from sea shells to dinosaur bones – found on state trust lands, according to a Memorandum of Understanding signed Feb. 2 by Land Commissioner Patrick Lyons, museum Executive Director Hollis Gillespie and the museum's Curator of Geology and Paleontology Spencer Lucas.

Steppin' out with DanceSport

PHOTOS BY STEVE MACINTYRE

New Mexico State University dance instructor Betty Burgess, middle right, and NMSU DanceSport Company member Derek Leyva show the dance class a ballroom dance technique at the DanceSport fundraiser at Las Cruces Country Club on Sunday, Jan. 31.

Dance partners Marc Gullo and Alice Stull practice a dance step at the DanceSport Society event.

DanceSport Society member Carol Carson practices one of the techniques being taught.

DanceSport Society member Ed Mulgrew twirls NMSU DanceSport Company member Dale Peckham.The DanceSport Society is a booster club for the NMSU DanceSport Company and holds four fundraising dances each year.

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At Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe

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Former Gov. Garrey Carruthers, now dean of the New Mexico State University business college, chats with state Rep. Joseph Cervantes, D-Las Cruces, at the Governor's Mansion reception Sunday, Jan. 31. The official Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe was Monday, Feb. 1

Jason Henderson and Sylvia Acosta at the Hotel Santa Fe networking suite

NMSU professor Chris Erickson and state Rep. Andy Nuñez, D-Hatch

Las Cruces Mayor Pro Tem Sharon Thomas and state Rep. Joni Gutierrez, D-Mesilla

Bryn Davis, Darby Hoffman and Brandy Darden

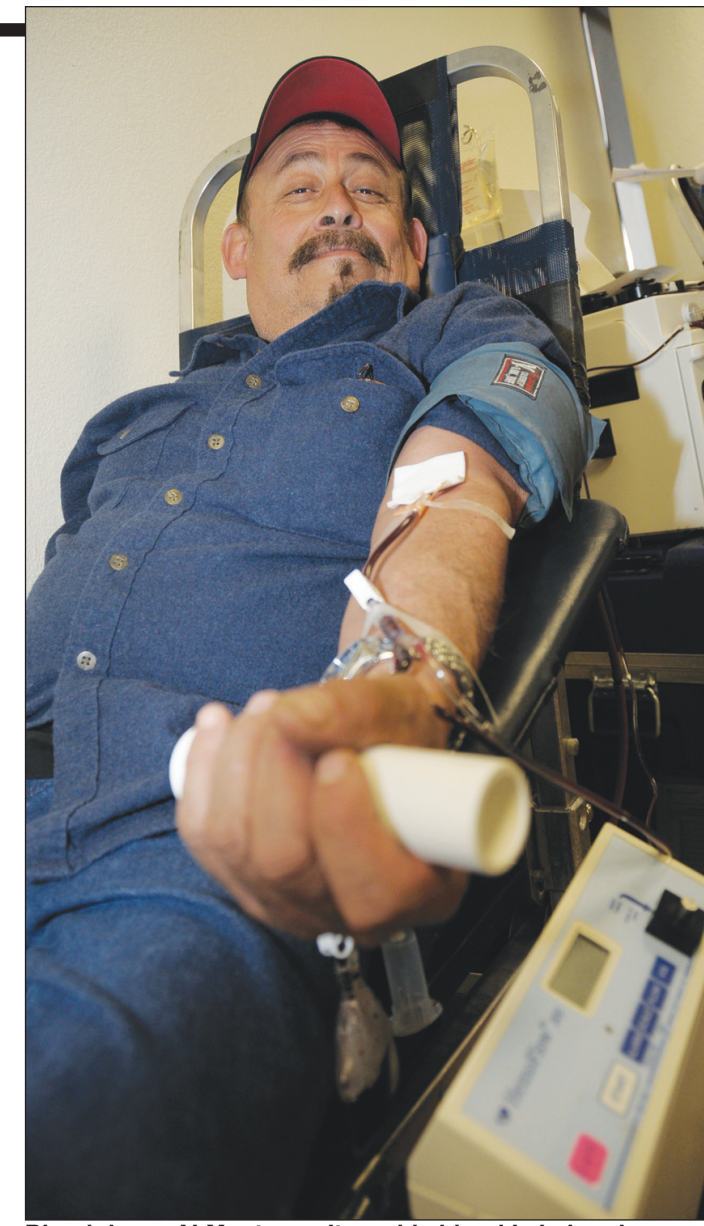
Barnett Harley-Davidson blood drive

PHOTOS BY STEVE MACINTYRE

United Blood Services phlebotomist Nancy Avila, right, takes information from blood donor Anivar Chaco at the Barnett Harley-Davidson Buell blood drive Saturday, Jan. 30.

Part of the Barnett Harley-Davidson store was turned into a clinic as customers and other Las Cruces residents dropped in to have their blood drawn.

United Blood Services donor technician Anabel Barragan, right, checks on donor Guy Martin, who gives blood two to three times a year.



Blood donor Al Montez waits as his blood is being drawn. Montez said he gives blood twice a year during the Barnett blood drives.

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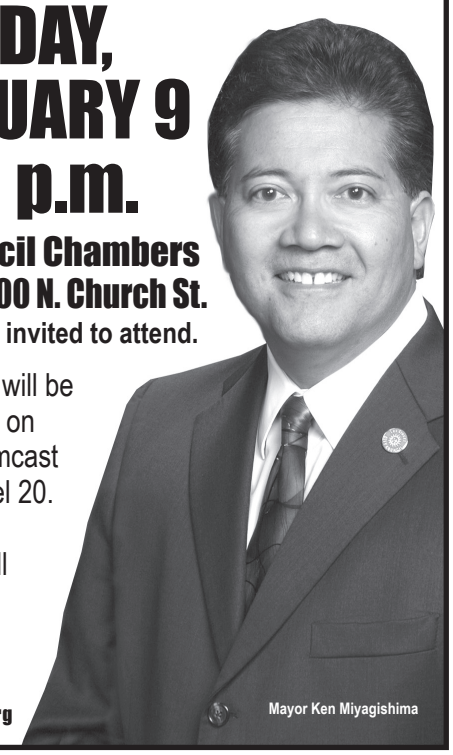

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JOHN KEITH
Sports Editor

There is one remedy for poor attendance in men's basketball.

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That in mind, New Mexico State's drawing power should improve this season.

The Aggies thrashed league-leading Louisiana Tech on the road last Saturday, 91-77. A game not as close as the score indicated. Moreover, New Mexico State has won 10 of its last 12 games.

On Monday, NMSU was tied with La Tech and Utah State for first place in the WAC standings. All three teams sported 6-2 league records.

The Ags host rematches with San Jose State Saturday and La Tech Monday in the Pan Am Center.

Can we now expect a healthy attendance? "I hope so," said Marvin Menzies, New Mexico State's coach, who has yet to see a crowd here this season.

"Maybe winning will motivate 'em (fans). The students are back from the holidays, familiar with their classes and settled in. I hope they understand that they can make a whale of a difference to our players by showing up."

"There are no nights off in this league," Menzies said. "Our conference is like the Big 12, the Pac 10 and the ACC. Tight. Anybody can win on any given night."

After these next two games, NMSU still faces rematches on the road with Fresno State (Feb. 11), Nevada (March 4) and Utah State (March 6). At home they must re-face Hawai'i (Feb. 15), Idaho (Feb. 24) and Boise State (Feb. 27).

The Aggies were playing at a high level at La Tech last Saturday. The Bulldogs were never in it.

Menzies credited the play from his bench (24 points) and center Hamidu Rahman – who dropped in 22 points and grabbed 12 rebounds.

NMSU's team, Menzies said, still needs work on defense. "We played pretty well on defense at Louisiana Tech," he said. "Of course it makes it easier to play defense when you're shooting well."

Earlier this week, ESPN announced New Mexico State's game at Pacific in the BracketBuster on Saturday, Feb. 20, will be nationally televised. Last Saturday's victory over Louisiana Tech and NMSU's success in conference play probably swayed the TV network.

I wonder if it has convinced New Mexico State's fans yet?

NMSU football signs 16 players

Walker pleased with first full recruiting class for the Aggies

By John Keith
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Out of the 16 players who signed letters of intent to play football at New Mexico State, several might be good enough to play right away.

Coach DeWayne Walker hopes so, anyhow.

"I'm excited," he said at his press conference Wednesday, signing day for high school and junior college ahtletes.

"We identified what we needed on both sides of the ball," he said.

Seven of the 16 incoming players are junior college transfers. "I like to think we'll build this program with high school players but right now we need a quick fix," Walker said.

NMSU's coach and his staff corralled three defensive and three offensive linemen, areas that yelled for help, following last season's 3-10 record.

Also joining NMSU will be three linebackers, two wide receivers, two quarterbacks, one defensive back, one safety and a tight end.

Walker was especially pleased that quarterback Andrew Manley from Leilehua High School in Hawaii, chose New Mexico State. "He was a steal," Walker said about the 6-foot-3, 215 pounder. "I think he came in a little under-recruited.

"We just wanted more competition at quarterback."

Manley and QB Matt Christian, a transfer from Palomar JC, will compete with returnees Jeff Fleming, Trevor Walls and Tanner Rust at that position next fall.

Walker was especially pleased to get David Mahoney, 6-3, 300-pound defensive tackle, a transfer from Los Angeles Pierce. "We beat Washington State for him," Walker said.

"We need to be stronger in the middle of our defense and he will help us there."

Walker felt like he added strength at linebacker with the addition of Frank Padilla, a transfer from College of the Sequoias and a former player at Fresno State. "He's our middle linebacker next fall," Walker boldly predicted.

Padilla and Christian will join the Aggies for spring practice this year.

"When I took this job I made a decision to sign at least one New Mexico kid every year, if not more," Walker said.

Adam Shapiro, a 6-0, 175-poind wide receiver from Rio Rancho, will add depth at that position.

"Comparing our talent level to other teams this past season (in the WAC), we were behind in several areas, and I thought offensively we were able to get the tools we needed to be successful," Walker said.

"Defensively, I think we have a great group of players that will be able to step in and fill some holes for us."

The Aggies did not sign a running back this season.

RICHARD DAVIS I The Las Cruces Bulletin
New Mexico State University football coach DeWayne Walker talks to the media about the team's new recruits, Wednesday, Feb. 3, at the Pan American Center.

"Obviously we would have liked to have taken a running back, but with the number of scholarships we had, we needed to address our immediate needs for now," Walker said.

"I think on the offensive line we got some good players in Aundre McGaskey (Belin, Texas, JC), Dylan Lusk (Peoria, Ariz.) and Devonte Wallace (El Paso Irvin).

Wide receiver Taveon Burke, transfer from Antelope Valley, Calif., JC, should give NMSU speed at wide receiver. "Taveon Burke will give us the type of speed we need to stretch the field," Walker said.

"Then we have Jackson Kaka (Kahuka, Hawaii High School) at tight end, a position that needed depth as well."

KaKa stands 6-4 and weighs 210.

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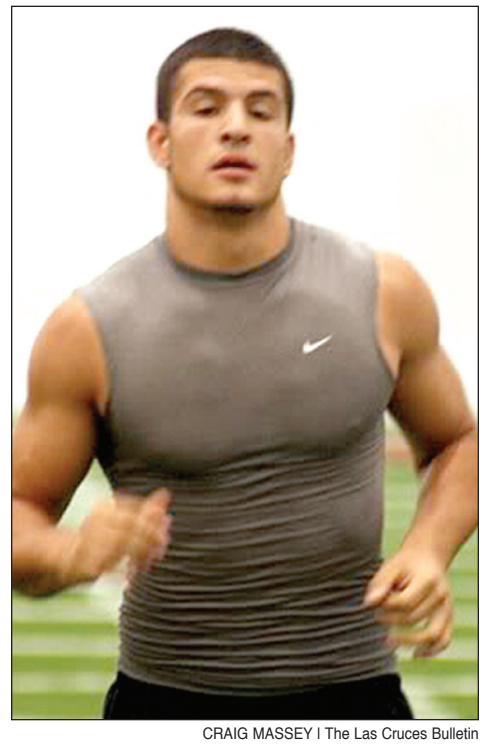

CRAIG MASSEY I The Las Cruces Bulletin
Oñate High School's Zach Daugherty has chosen to play football at the University of New Mexico.

Local prep players in demand

Oñate's Daugherty signs with UNM Lobos

By Craig Massey
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Since the high school football teams in Las Cruces are among the best in the state, it stands to reason that the city also has some of the best players.

Several of those players will take their talent to the next level and made it official on Wednesday – National Signing Day for high school football players. Leading the way is linebacker Zach Daugherty of Oñate, who signed with the University of New Mexico.

Daugherty, the District 3-5A Defensive Player of the Year, was a first-team all-state selection and was ranked the 88th-best player at his position in the nation by ESPN. Daugherty chose the Lobos over New Mexico State and San Diego State, who each made him offers.

"They made me feel at home," Daugherty said of the UNM staff. "I like their defensive philosophy."

Daugherty, a 6-1, 200-pounder, said he will eventually play the same position for UNM that he played for Oñate – middle linebacker – but could start out as an outside linebacker. His high school coach, Kelly McKee, said Daugherty has all the qualities to excel at the collegiate level.

"I think he'll do a good job up there," McKee said. "Anytime you go up a level, speed is the biggest factor. For a linebacker, Zach is a pretty quick kid. He relies on his speed. In our 4-3 defense, you have to be quick up the middle and he made a lot of plays."

Another Oñate standout, John Cachora, will play at Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colo. Cachora is a 6-3, 245-pound lineman who was a two-time all-state choice at defensive tackle.

"He's an outstanding defensive player," McKee said of Cachora. "He played offense this year and was dominant there, but he's even better on defense."

At Las Cruces High, center Jacob Avalos will attend New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell next fall and play for the Broncos. The 5-11, 300-pounder was a two-time

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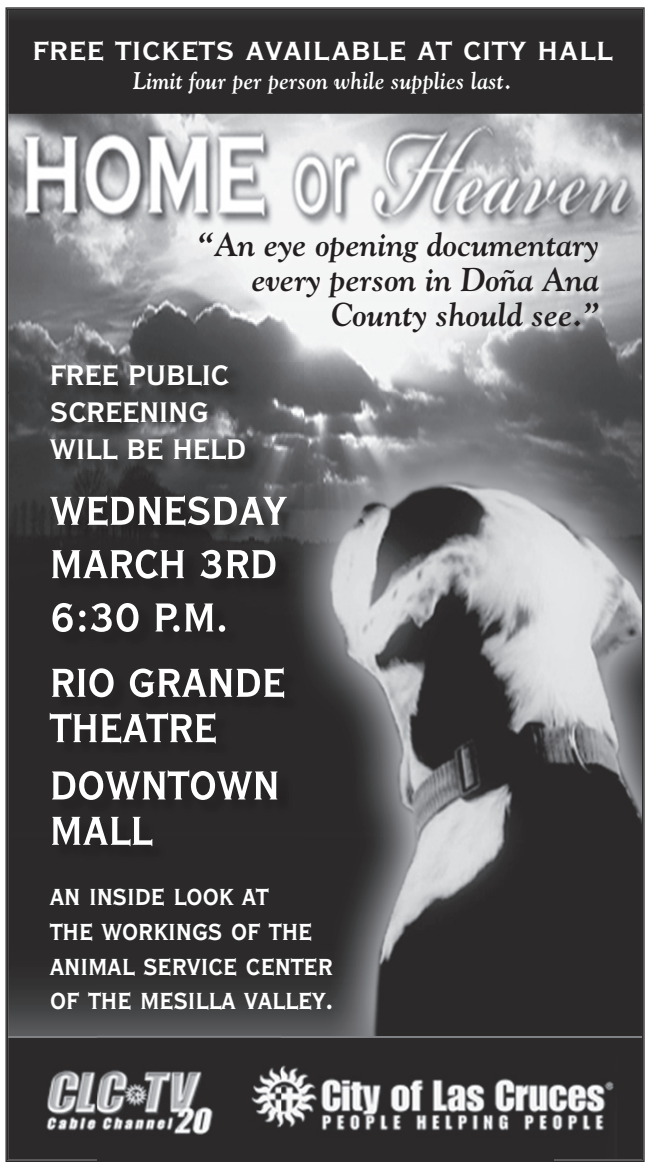
New Mexico State Recruiting Class

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (Prev. School)
Taveon Burke	WR	6-0	175	Lancaster, Calif. (Antelope Valley College/Lancaster High School)
Matt Christian	QB	6-3	220	San Diego, Calif. (Palomar JC/Carlsbad High School)
Dylan Davis	LB	6-0	210	Ventura, Calif. (St. Bonaventure High School)
Shamar Gaines	S	6-2	205	Glassboro, N.J. (College of the Sequoias/Glassboro High School)
Darien Johnson	DB	5-9	180	Puente, Calif. (Bishop Amat High School)
Anthony Joyner	LB	6-2	215	San Diego, Calif. (Point Loma High School)
Jackson KaKa	TE	6-4	210	Kahuku, Hawaii (Kahuku High School)
Dylan Lusk	OG	6-3	294	Peoria, Ariz. (Centennial High School)
David Mahoney	DL	6-3	300	Los Angeles (LA Pierce/El Camino Real High School)
Andrew Manley	QB	6-3	215	Leilehua, Hawaii (Leilehua High School)
Aundre McGaskey	OT	6-6	305	LaMarque, Texas (Blinn College/LaMarque High School)
Frank Padilla	LB	6-2	230	Clovis, Calif. (College of the Sequoias/Clovis East)
Adam Shapiro	WR	6-0	175	Rio Rancho, N.M. (Rio Rancho High School)
Tommy Stuart	DL	6-3	315	Westlake, Calif. (Ventura College/Westlake High School)
Augafa Vaaulu	DT	6-3	280	Downey, Calif. (Warren High School)
Davonte Wallace	OG	6-4	250	El Paso, Texas (Irvin High School)



Aggies picked fourth in WAC poll

Fresno State voted No. 1

The Western Athletic Conference softball coaches have selected Fresno State to win the 2010 WAC regular-season crown. This is the 13th time in the last 15 years that the Bulldogs have been the preseason favorite to take the crown.

The coaches also voted on 2010 preseason award winners. Fresno State junior hurler Morgan Melloh earned preseason Pitcher of the Year honors, while Louisiana Tech senior shortstop Amberly Waits earned preseason Player of the Year honors.

Fresno State took the top spot in the preseason poll with 48 points and six first-place votes. Nevada came in second, picking up one first-place vote and 41 points, followed by Hawai'i in third place with 34 points. New Mexico State edged Louisiana Tech for fourth place with 29 points and the remaining first-place vote. San Jose State was picked to finish sixth with 19 points, followed by Boise State in seventh with 18 points. Utah rounded out the poll in eighth place with seven points.

Nevada and New Mexico State placed the most players on the preseason all-WAC team with three each, while Fresno State, Hawai'i and Louisiana Tech had two apiece. Joining Melloh and Waits on the preseason team are Nevada's Sam Bias, Katie Holverson and Noelle Micka, New Mexico State's Tiare Jennings, Hoku Nohara and Angie Ortega, Hawai'i's Stephanie Ricketts and Amanda Tauali'i, Haley Gilleland of Fresno State, Louisiana Tech's Kylie Bassett and Kathy Cox of Boise State.

Courtney Schultz earns WAC honor

Weekly award goes to Aggie

Freshman distance runner Courtney Schultz (Cloudcroft, N.M.) was named to the Verizon Wireless Western Athletic Conference Women's Indoor Track Athlete of the Week for the week of Jan. 25-31.

Schultz won the 3,000-meter event at the New Mexico Invitational in Albuquerque, Jan. 30. She posted a time of 10:01.98, securing the top spot in the WAC so far this season.

With this time, Schultz also breezed to the top of the New Mexico State all-time records list with a result nearly five-seconds faster than the previous record holder and New Mexico State Athletics Hall of Fame inductee, Rachael Cuellar.

The honor marks the second WAC Athlete of the Week honor for Schultz. She was honored on October 2009 for her efforts with the cross country team.

She led the 2009 women's cross country team to its first conference title in program history as well as claiming the Athlete and Freshman of the Year honors.

"Courtney had a fantastic weekend and she's very deserving," assistant coach Paul Harkins said. "She established herself as the best 3K runner in the history of New Mexico State."

The Aggies are back in Albuquerque for the New Mexico Classic, Saturday, Feb. 3.

Daugherty

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all-state and all-district selection and anchored a line that paved the way for an outstanding ground attack the last two years.

"He was the mainstay on our offensive line," said LCHS coach Jim Miller. "He did a great job."

Miller said that wide receiver Jose Garcia, a first team all-district player, also is drawing interest from several colleges.

At Mayfield, several seniors are looking to play college football, coach Michael Bradley said.

"Right now, nobody is offering a full scholarship, but some of the New Mexico schools are wanting them to walk on," Bradley said. "The New Mexico schools like Eastern, Western and Highlands want them to just walk on because they can get the lottery scholarships. Later on, they can get more assistance."

Bradley said Eastern New Mexico University and NMMI are both recruiting talented tight end/defensive end Jeremiah Willis. The 6-5, 225-pounder is currently a standout on the Trojans basketball team.

In two years, Jeremiah could be a 6-5, 250-pound tight end or defensive end at the Division I level," Bradley said. "These are smart kids and they're also looking at the academic side of things. Education is a priority."

Bradley also mentioned receiver James Enriquez, offensive lineman Andrew Anthony and linebacker Wyatt Tharp (who could project to the safety position) as some of the players who could play on the college level.

Lucero signs with Vaqueros

Ward, Brown on same page

Former New Mexico State baseball player Justin Lucero recently signed with the new Las Cruces Vaqueros as announced by Vaqueros head coach Bobby Brown.

Lucero, who expects to earn a degree from NMSU in management this summer, hit .277 for the Aggies in 2009, helping the team to a 44-17 record, while reaching the conference finals for the first time since joining the Western Athletic Conference.

"I knew I wanted to continue my baseball career, and when the news first broke out that Las Cruces was acquiring a new independent team, I knew this would be a good opportunity for me to graduate from NMSU and also continue playing," Lucero said.

NMSU broke a total of 16 team records and five individual records during the 2009 season. One of the most unusual records broken that season came on May 2 when Lucero was hit by pitches four times. On multiple occasions an Aggie had been hit by pitches three times in a game, but Lucero was the first to be hit four times as the Aggies won 19-9 with Lucero crossing the plate three times.

Lucero ended the year with 15 RBI and 31 runs scored, but was probably one of the most valuable defensive players for NMSU coach Rocky Ward. Lucero saw time at second base and in the outfield as other players were plagued with injuries throughout the season. He was 4-of-5 on stolen base attempts and had a .933 fielding percentage, which is notable considering he had to play multiple positions throughout the year.

"It's a neat deal that coach Bobby Brown picked up Justin (Lucero) because Brown played at Oklahoma, which was an arch rival of my Oklahoma State team," Ward said. "He has always respected the Ward name, and he helped us recruit Jeff Farnham.

"This is not a big surprise, and it is a neat opportunity. Justin likes it in Las Cruces and it gives him a chance to play some pro ball."

This is the inaugural season for the Vaqueros, and Lucero is the first Aggie to sign with the local team. Brown has high expectations for Lucero and is excited for the community to come out and support Lucero and the rest of his team.

"I don't know a whole lot about Lucero, but I saw that he played a lot of second base and outfield for New Mexico State," Brown said. "Jeff Farnham, who I coached before, mentioned that Lucero would be a good addition and I trust Farnham's opinion."

Farnham was an All-American for the Aggies last year and is now with the Yankees organization, playing minor league ball for them.

The Vaqueros are a part of the Coastal Baseball League and open their season May 6 at against the Big Bend Cowboys, while the first home game is set for May 18 against a Mexican National Team.

Aggies to tee off spring golf season

NM Collegiate Cup Feb. 6

The New Mexico State men's golf team will open the spring season this weekend in Truth or Consequences, N.M., at the New Mexico Collegiate Cup Saturday, Feb. 6.

The one day event will feature collegiate teams from around the state of New Mexico in a 36-hole tournament at the Sierra Del Rio Golf Course. The tournament is an individual tournament as no team score will be awarded.

Head coach Scott Lieberwirth said this will be a great way for the men's golf team to get back into the swing of things for the upcoming spring schedule.

"This is a good opportunity to go out and play 36 holes in a tournament atmosphere and help us shake off the rust before starting our tournament schedule in March," Lieberwirth said. "It will give us a good assessment of where we are at right now as a team. I think this golf course will expose some weaknesses for us that will help us look forward to the season. I'm excited to get started and see how we perform."

The Aggies will travel seven players to the tournament and will begin their regular season spring tournament schedule on March 5 and 6 at the Border Olympics tournament in Laredo, Texas.

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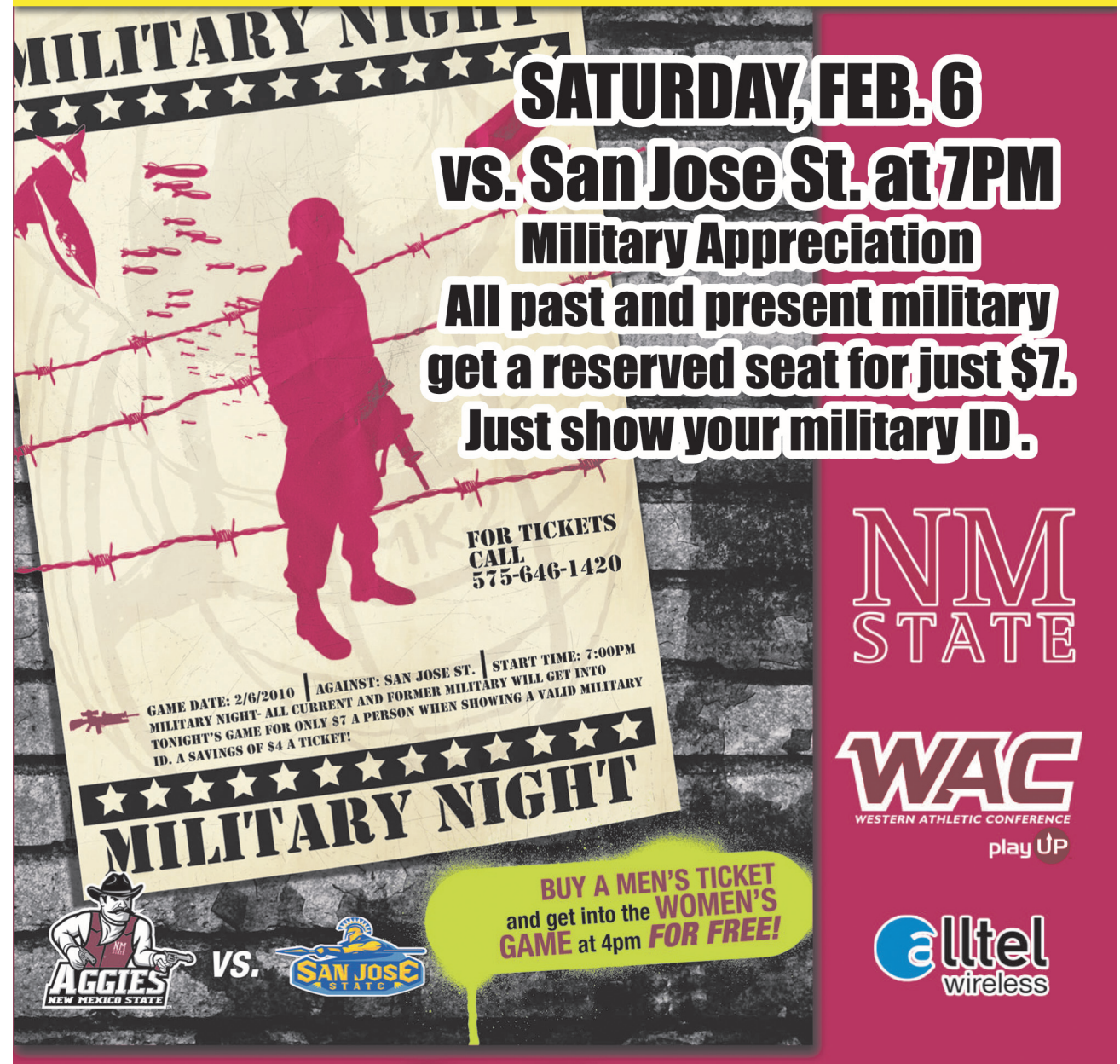

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High School Events Schedule

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	Tuesday, Feb. 9	Oñate	7 p.m.
	Friday, Feb. 12	at Mayfield	7 p.m.
Girls Basketball	Friday, Feb. 5	Alamogordo	7 p.m.
	Tuesday, Feb. 9	at Oñate	7 p.m.
	Friday, Feb. 12	Mayfield	7 p.m.

Mayfield High School

Boys Basketball	Tuesday, Feb. 9	at Gadsden	7 p.m.
	Friday, Feb. 12	Las Cruces	7 p.m.
Girls Basketball	Tuesday, Feb. 9	Gadsden	7 p.m.
	Friday, Feb. 12	at Las Cruces	7 p.m.

Oñate High School

Boys Basketball	Friday, Feb. 5	Gadsden	7 p.m.
	Tuesday, Feb. 9	at Las Cruces	7 p.m.
	Friday, Feb. 12	Alamogordo	7 p.m.
Girls Basketball	Friday, Feb. 5	at Gadsden	7 p.m.
	Tuesday, Feb. 9	Las Cruces	7 p.m.
	Friday, Feb. 12	at Alamogordo	7 p.m.

Mesilla Valley Christian Schools

Boys Basketball	Tuesday, Feb. 9	at Lordsburg	6:30 p.m.
	Friday, Feb. 12	at Tularosa	6:30 p.m.
Girls Basketball	Tuesday, Feb. 9	Lordsburg	6:30 p.m.
	Friday, Feb. 12	Tularosa	6:30 p.m.

BracketBuster foe is Pacific

ESPNU will televise game nationally

The New Mexico State men's basketball team travels to Pacific for the ESPNU BracketBuster, Saturday, Feb. 20, in Stockton, Calif. The game will be televised on ESPNU at 8 p.m.

"We're very happy to have landed a nationally televised game as well as to have a good travel game being that Pacific is on the West Coast," coach Marvin Menzies said.

The Tigers are 14-6 and 7-1 in the Big West. Junior forward Sam Willard leads the team with 10.0 points and 7.9 rebounds per game while junior guard Terrell Smith adds 9.7 points per contest.

NMSU has a 29-8 advantage in the all-time series and has won the last five games in the series including one BracketBuster game in 2006.

Gillenwater cleared to play

Sophomore forward Troy Gillenwater is set to return to the New Mexico State men's basketball team for the remainder of the 2009-10 season. He will make his first appearance against San Jose State Saturday, Feb. 6.

The New Mexico State Unviersity compliance office was notified Tuesday, Feb. 2, that Gillenwater was granted his eligibility for the 2009-10 season after an appeal to the NCAA was ruled in his favor.

"After a lengthy process, we are pleased to announce that Troy has been granted his eligibility for the duration of the season by the NCAA," coach Marvin Menzies said. "Obviously, Troy is very excited about the outcome and is looking forward to getting back on the court with his teammates."

"We are very happy for Troy that this process is over," athletics director McKinley Boston said. "We are very sorry that this has taken so long but in situations like this the NCAA does its due diligence."

Rahman nabs WAC award

Aggie center stars at La Tech Monday

New Mexico State sophomore center Hamidu Rahman has been named the Verizon Wireless WAC Men's Basketball Player of the Week for the week of Jan. 25 to 31. The honor marks the first career WAC Player of the Week award for Rahman.

Rahman led New Mexico State to a 91-77 road victory at Louisiana Tech on Saturday, Jan. 30, handing the Bulldogs their first home loss of the season. Rahman tied his career high with 22 points in the win. Rahman shot a career-best with 10 made field goals in 15 attempts, and was a perfect 2-of-2 from the charity stripe. He also pulled down a team-high 12 rebounds and had one block. The performance marks the second time that Rahman has surpassed the 20-point plateau in his career.

"Obviously, we're very excited for Hamidu," coach Marvin Menzies said. "This is the first time he has ever received this honor and to only be a sophomore and achieve this goal is pretty inspiring for him. So going forward, hopefully, it will inspire him to continue to work hard."

The Aggies return home to host San Jose State at 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6 and Louisiana Tech at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 8, in the Pan American Center. NMSU goes on the road to play Fresno State at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11.

NM STATE UNIVERSITY

ATHLETE of the WEEK

Madison Spence

Junior, Women's Basketball

After scoring 14 points against Nevada, Jan. 30, junior guard Madison Spence became the 17th player at NM State to score 1,000 points in her career. She is just the seventh Aggie to accomplish the feat prior to her senior year. Spence shot 66.7 percent from the 3-point line and 54.5 percent from the field against the Wolf Pack.

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Golf Doctor

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

Well, you and I know instinctively that to play good golf it's going to take more than just swinging hard at the golf ball. Naturally it takes something inside. The whole idea of "mental toughness" is giving way to a broader, more sophisticated, concept called "emotional intelligence," or EQ for short. When we apply EQ to golf we have what I call "golf intelligence." In its most elemental essence, high golf intelligence means that you routinely master your emotions under every eventuality while thinking sharply, behaving deftly and performing successfully under pressure. You do this on and off the field because of full awareness of self, others and circumstances.

Common excesses

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

The most common excesses I notice are these: Overthinking, which is self-sabotaging; roller coaster emotions with an inappropriate effect (like tantrums); unreasonable worrying, anxiety and tenseness; reluctance to take personal responsibility for how they play without much complaining; excessive self-conscious behavior with fear of social evaluation; being too impatient and impulsive, often leading to poor decision making.

You also might be able to relate to these typical golf intelligence deficits: undisciplined shot-preparation (no routine); lack of imagination, especially with trouble shots; frequent lapses in attention and concentration; a pervasive self-defeating negative attitude; paucity of confidence; slowness (or refusal) to learn new things; failure to act in a gentlemanly or ladylike manner. That last item is mostly a little pet peeve of mine stemming from the abundance of sandbaggers, drunks, bad boys, inconsiderate buffoons and sloppy dressers I see, toting their bags of fake Pings.

Don't get me wrong. I also play with and coach likeable golfers who have wonderful inner strengths – high golf intelligence, in other words. I admire traits that include perseverence, tenaciousness, playfulness, emotional resilience, good social graces and a "never quit" attitude.

So, what to do? The simple formula is play to your strengths while you play catch-up with your weak spots.

But then, you ask, how do I go about accomplishing that? Before you do anything else, get some feedback on how well or poorly you manage yourself with a golf club in your hands. Pick your resources carefully, as you don't want your rivals feeding you horse pucky or feeding off your insecurities. Play a few rounds on the golf course with your teacher and get his or her opinion of where you need the most work.

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

Connecting your shadow self to your golf game isn't that complicated. I know guys who bomb it 300 yards but who can't break 90; they think we're wowed by their manliness, when what we actually admire is a gross 69 or 72.

Another more anal guy worries more about his "five a side" handicap strokes than his golf swing because taking a few bucks bolsters his ego.

Focus, visualize, relax

Want to become more golf-intelligent? Get in touch with the reality of what you do and how others experience you. Find your blind spots, your personality deficiencies and failures. Chances are they carry over into other areas such as the workplace.

When Herb Wimberly and I coach golfers at our golf clinics we notice folks are surprised to know they can actually practice solid golf-intelligent skills. The very first thing to practice is an efficient, abbreviated pre-swing routine that allows you to focus your brain, visualize your shot and relax your body.

When you're hitting balls on the range or working on your putting, practice specific shots for specific situations, as you go through your pre-shot rehearsal and routine. Taking the trouble to go through your process will allow you to become disciplined when the game is on the line. The secret to taking your range game to the golf course is to take the golf course to the range – by simulating the real thing as you practice.

I'm a believer in practicing with a purpose; and a believer in playing competitive games while practicing. I love playing chipping and putting games (like 7-up or 21) because the situation forces you to focus and put more effort into each shot.

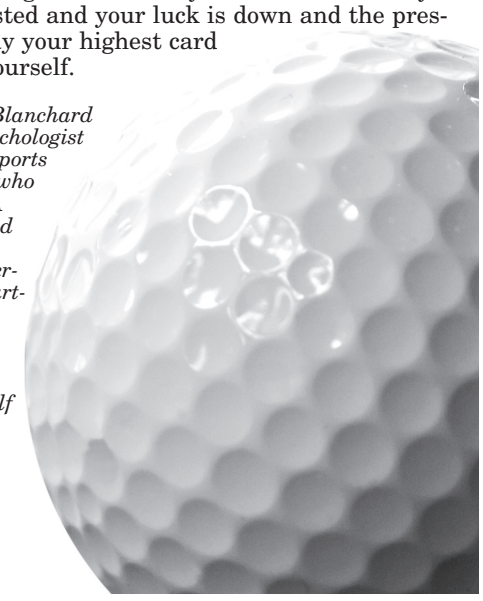
Dropping three balls on the green and repeating the same putt doesn't do that. You don't get to drop three balls out on the golf course. You have to make the very first one count.

The next best thing to games is drills. Make 10 in a row from four feet. Make three from 2, 4 and 6 feet before going home. You're competing with yourself and developing confidence. Most folks you see practicing around the green are trying the same shot over and over. What's the point, to finally get one right?

I want you to chip six different shots from the fringe, then take out your putter and get them all up and down. Simulate the golf course, with your eyes, your muscles and your brain.

If you ask me to give you just one, powerful idea that will help transform your golf game to a new higher level it is simply this: believe in yourself. Believe that you have the potential and capability to acquire new skills and talent that will shift your own personal golf paradigm.

Do you have the desire, the discipline and the stick-to-itiveness to put the work in, work out in the gym and practice long hours? Then you can do it. When your patience is tested and your luck is down and the pressure is on, play your highest card – believe in yourself.



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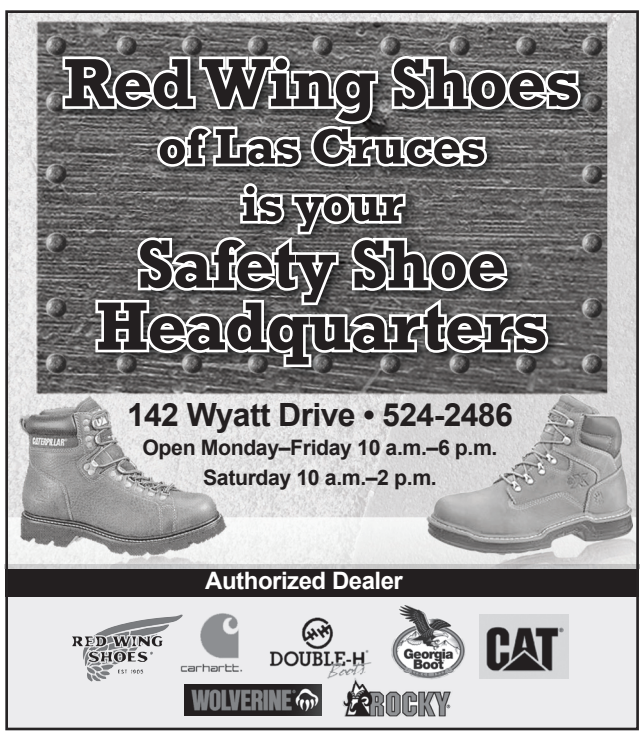

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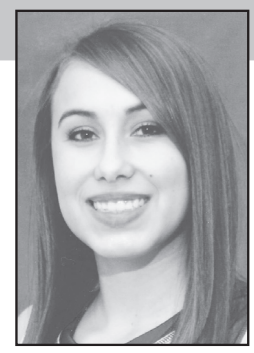


Jessica Rhodes

Jessica Rhodes is a 16-year-old junior at Mesilla Valley Christian Schools. She plays on the girls' varsity SonBlazer's basketball team and against Lordsburg, this season, had 21 points and six assists. As captain, Rhodes provides strong leadership on the court with hard work and determination. She is a great role model for the young student athletes at MVCS. Rhodes is equally determined in academics, with a 3.86 GPA. Her interest outside of sports and school is attending her church youth group.

AGGIE INSIDER

You gotta have the gunslingers to win

Aggies have good shooters

PETE
Pete's Ponderings

Back in the Old West, a town felt a little more secure if there were a couple of locals who were handy with a six shooter.

It kept the cattle rustlers, bank robbers and trail bums from coming to town and causing a ruckus. These days a basketball coach is a little more at ease if he has some gunslingers that can fill up the hoop regularly, keeping rival teams out of the win column.

Both head coaches Marvin Menzies and Darin Spence have a pair of those shooters who have been protecting the homestead with victories week after week.

Jasmine Lowe and Crystal Boyd, the "Crystal Pistol," have been shooting hoops and helping the women's team pick up more victories as the year continues. Lowe came in from Foothills Junior College, and Boyd made her way west from the University of Texas. Lowe is averaging 17.8 points making 42 percent of her 3-pointers. She also hit the winning free throws that put the Aggies over the top when they beat Utah State. As far as Boyd, she has notched three double-doubles on her record with her free throws at the very end of the game, giving the Aggies the nod over nationally ranked Kansas just after the New Year started.

Now, don't think that these two are the only bullets Spence has in his holster. Daughter Madison is still quite capable of shooting the eyes of the ball – reaching the 1,000 point mark last week.

Folks have known for a while that Menzies had a couple of top guns in Jahmar Young and Jonathon Gibson. Both have had multiple games scoring more than 30 points and like a showdown at high noon, both have been steady when it came to taking the last shot to seal a win.

Gibson was the man at Boise State's Taco Bell Arena sinking a 3-pointer from the deep corner just like Billy the Kid. And Young, how about filling up the hoop with less than a second left to beat Hawai'i? It's kind of like Clint Eastwood in those westerns of the late 1960s.

Ole Pete hasn't forgotten that this sport is a team game and there has to be teammates grabbing rebounds and passing the ball to these shooters for them to get the good looks that lead to points.

Another old ranch hand, Lou Henson, told Pete one time, "You can't teach shooting."

It is something that some athletes have the touch for and the knack to put that ball in the hoop.

The days when a town relied on the six gun for peace are gone thankfully, but we can all enjoy the thrill of the hardwoods gunslingers when the lead the Aggies to another win.

Pete

Old foes meet again

ESPNU BracketBuster matches two teams with a long history

JACK NIXON
Jack's Corner

The Aggies have a perfect record in the ESPNU BracketBuster games. The first two matchups against Pacific were thrilling games that had NM State's faithful gasping for air when the game was finally over. With NM State's return to Stockton, Calif., it might be worth remembering previous meetings that all had fantastic finishes.

The Pacific Tigers, New Mexico State's opponent in this year's BracketBuster game Feb. 20, used to be , rivals in the Big West and lost to NM State in the championship game of the 1992 conference tournament. That game ended with players rolling on the court in the Long Beach arena trying to get control of the ball when time ran out.

I was watching ref Richie Ballasteros trying to make sense of the melee that ensued. Since referees have the final say, I felt it wise to see what Ballasteros was going to call since the action was at the opposite end of the court. He started to call traveling, then stopped, then almost signaled a jump ball, but not quite. The horn sounded and he gave the game-over signal. That victory was the springboard to the trip to the Sweet 16 in Albuquerque.

The first year of the made-for-TV spectacle took the Aggies to the Spanos Center to renew their series with the University of Pacific. The inaugural BracketBuster was as dramatic as well. The Aggies had a three-point lead with two seconds to go in regulation. A Tiger threw in a 40-foot heave to send the game to overtime.

Sometimes that sort of play inspires the home team and deflates the visitors, but the opposite came from that shot. Pacific scored the first basket in overtime, but then it was all NM State. Mike Mitchell led the assault, and the Aggies rang up 12 straight points and silenced the Stockton crowd in claiming a 79-69 win.

A Big West Conference visit in 1991 saw a come-from-behind effort capped by a buzzer shot sunk calmly by William Benjamin. It sealed a 70-68 NM State win and kept that team headed toward the NCAA postseason in Salt Lake City.

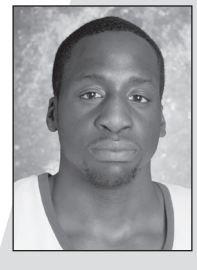
Corey Rogers made two free throws late in the overtime game of 1994, ending a 95-94 shootout as well. Postseason NIT play awaited that team.

The 1992 regular-season matchup in Stockton went to double overtime with the Aggies claiming a 90-77 victory after wearing down the Tigers. Pacific has had a great deal of success under Bob Thomason. He took over the program in 1989 and has had them in the NCAA playoffs eight times. The trip to Stockton always means you're facing a team that will battle you to the end.

Aggie student-athlete spotlight

Crystal Boyd
Senior
Women's Basketball

Against Nevada, Jan. 30, senior guard Crystal Boyd posted her seventh double-double of the season with 16 points and 10 rebounds. Boyd set a career high with five blocks and tied her career high of six steals versus the Wolf Pack. The game marked the 18th time this season Boyd scored in double-digits.



Hamidu Rahman
Sophomore
Men's Basketball

Sophomore center Hamidu Rahman directed NM State to a 91-77 win at Louisiana Tech and tied his career-high 22 points Jan. 30. He also had career-best showings in field goals and attempts (10-of-15) along with a team-high 12 rebounds. This is the second time Rahman has surpassed the 20-point plateau in his career. Additionally, he was 2-for-2 at the free-throw line and recorded a blocked shot.

Courtney Schultz
Freshman
Track and Field

Freshman Courtney Schultz took her place at the top of the NM State all-time records list by pacing the 3,000-meter race at the New Mexico Invitational Jan. 30. She clocked a time of 10:01.98, nearly five seconds faster than the previous record holder Rachel Cuellar, who is a 2010 First Community Bank/NM State Athletics Hall of Fame inductee.

This Week In Aggie Athletics

Friday, Feb. 5
Men's Tennis
UNLV
Las Vegas, Nev.
11 a.m.

Women's Tennis
San Diego
Tucson, Ariz.
11 a.m.

Saturday, Feb. 6
Men's Tennis
Southern Mississippi
Las Vegas, Nev.
11 a.m.

Track and Field
New Mexico Classic
Albuquerque
All day

Women's Basketball
Boise State
Las Cruces
4 p.m.

Men's Basketball
San Jose State
Las Cruces
7 p.m.

Men's Golf
The New Mexico Collegiate Cup
Truth or Consequences, N.M.
All day

Sunday, Feb. 7
Men's Tennis
UC Riverside
Las Vegas, Nev.
11 a.m.

Monday, Feb. 8
Men's Basketball
Louisiana Tech
Las Cruces
7 p.m.

Women's Golf
The Gold Rush
Long Beach, Calif.
All day

Tuesday, Feb. 9
Women's Golf
The Gold Rush
Long Beach, Calif.
All day

Wednesday, Feb. 10
Women's Basketball
Hawai'i
Honolulu
10 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 11
Softball
Nebraska
Las Cruces
4 to 6 p.m.

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

LOOKING BACK

This week in the history of the Mesilla Valley

MARVIN TESSNEER
Out of the Past

75 years ago 1935

• Members of the Las Cruces police force were ordered by City Marshal Antonio Barncastle Jr. to crack down on "drunkenness, obscenity, spitting on sidewalks and loitering on the streets of Las Cruces." The city had received complaints about groups of men loitering on the sidewalks making passage difficult for pedestrians.

• Flu caused New Mexico College of Agriculture & Mechanical Arts President H.L. Kent to cancel a trip to Santa Fe and Jerry Hines, the college's basketball coach, was unable to travel to Roswell, N.M.

• The engagement of Edith Hunter Lewis, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Hunter "Preacher" Lewis, was announced. She was engaged to George Berthelon of New York City.

50 years ago 1960

• George Knighton scored 32 points as the New Mexico State Aggies defeated Pasadena College 79-56.

• The Las Cruces Thunderbird Mounted Square Dance Team was to be a special feature at the World Championship Rodeo in El Paso. Mr. and Mrs. John Augustine coached the group of 11- to 19-year-olds who owned and trained their own horses the routines.

• The Soil Conservation Service reported that the snow pack in the Rio Grande Basin was below average for this time of year.

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Cantaloupes were once an important crop in the Mesilla Valley, and the tasty melons were often sold at roadside stands such as the one shown in this photograph, probably dating from the 1920s or '30s.

25 years ago 1985

• Chamber of Commerce Conquistadores cut the ribbon for KASK-TV at its studios in the First National Bank Tower. KASK-TV was the only commercial television station in Las Cruces.

• According to the National Weather Service, the average temperature for the month of January was 39.6 degrees – 2.9 degrees lower than normal. Total precipitation for the month was 1.28 inches, 337 percent of normal. Residents enjoyed 15 sunny days, three partly cloudy days and 13 cloudy days.

10 years ago 2000

• State Sen. Harold Forman said one reason he was opposed to a lottery was because "most of the state's citizens are perfectly happy with their present lifestyles and the lottery isn't part of that lifestyle."

• University Terrace Good Samaritan Village was breaking ground for a new 24-unit assisted-care living facility.

• Lack of inside offense contributed to losses by the New Mexico State University Aggies to Long Beach State and North Texas on the road. In a Las Cruces Bulletin article, coach Lou Henson had praise for Eric Channing, who had scored 19 in a win over UC-Irvine, and Billy Keys, who scored 33 against UNT. The Aggies were 13-5 overall and 4-2 in the Big West Conference-East Division, good enough for second place.

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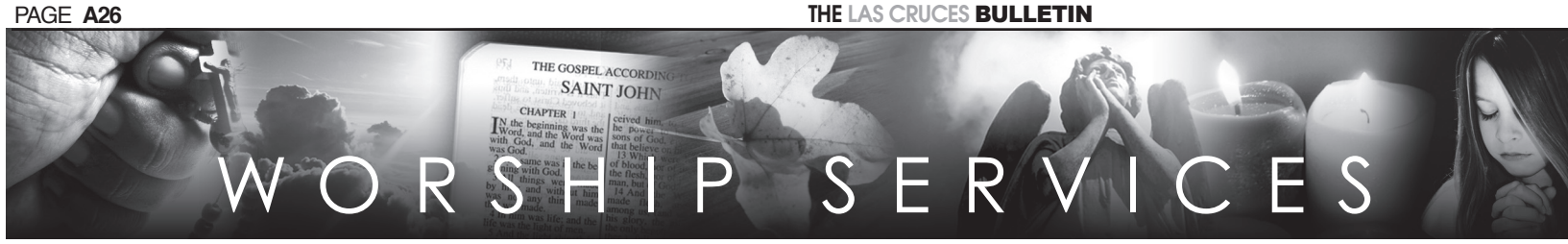

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CHURCH NEWS

SPIRITUAL CINEMA MATINEE

The Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St., is sponsoring an Inspirational Cinema Matinee at 7 p.m. the first Friday of the month as part of the Downtown Art Ramble. A $5 donation is suggested. There will be a discussion after the movie at the center's bookstore, Wisdom Through the Pages. For more information, call 523-4847.

SEARCH YOUTH RETREAT

Immaculate Heart of Mary Cathedral, 1240 S. Espina St., will host a three-day SEARCH retreat for youth in grades 10 to 12 Wednesday, Feb. 10, through Friday, Feb. 12. Come experience Christian friendship, the unconditional love of Jesus and the meaning of being his disciple. Registration forms can be picked up from the church from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Forms must be returned by Monday, Feb. 8. For more information, call 524-8563.

FREE WEDDINGS

Unity Church of Mesilla Valley, 125 Wyatt Drive, will provide free weddings on Valentine's Day starting at noon Sunday, Feb. 14. Call the church to schedule a time. Reservations are limited due to starting after the regular service. Couples must provide the license, which is available at the Doña Ana County Clerk's Office. For more information or to reserve a time, call 523-5592.

HYMN FESTIVAL CONCERT

First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Boutz Road, will hold a Hymn Festival Concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14. The program will feature guest organist, choir director and composer Michael Burkhardt, New Mexico State University's University Singers, Doña Ana Youth Choir and an expanded adult choir. The public is invited. For more information, call 532-9239.

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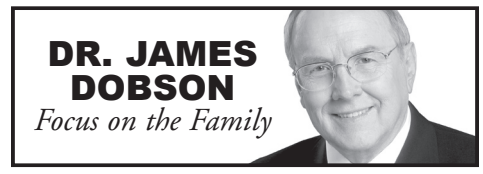
How someone turns out comes from drive within

College education not just important to professional world



Tell me why some kids with every advantage and opportunity seem to turn out bad, while others raised in terrible homes become pillars in the community. I know one young man who grew up in squalid circumstances, yet he is such a fine person today. How did his parents manage to raise such a responsible son when they didn't even seem to care?

Neither heredity nor environment will account for all human behavior. There is something else there – something from within – that also operates to make us who we are. Some behavior is caused, and some plainly isn't.

Several years ago, for example, I had dinner with two parents who had unofficially "adopted" a 13-year-old boy. This youngster followed their son home one afternoon and asked if he could spend the night. As it turned out, he stayed with them for almost a week without so much as a phone call coming from his mother.

It was later learned that she works 16 hours a day and has no interest in her son. Her alcoholic husband divorced her several years ago and left town without a trace. The boy had been abused, unloved and ignored through much of his life.

Given this background, what kind of kid do you think he is today – a druggie? A foul-mouthed delinquent? A lazy, insolent bum? No. He is polite to adults, he is a hard worker, he makes good grades in school and enjoys helping around the house. This boy is like a lost puppy who desperately wants a good home. He begged the family to adopt him officially so he could have a real father and a loving mother. His own mom couldn't care less.

How could this teenager be so well-disciplined and polished despite his lack of training? I don't know. It is simply within him. He reminds me of my wonderful friend David Hernandez. David and his parents came to America illegally from Mexico more than 50 years ago and nearly starved to death before they found work. They eventually survived by helping to harvest the potato crop throughout the state of California. During this era, David lived under trees or in the open fields. His father made a stove out of an oil drum half-filled with dirt. The open campfire was the centerpiece of their home.

David never had a roof over his head until his parents finally moved into an abandoned chicken coop. His mother covered the boarded walls with cheap wallpaper, and David thought they were living in luxury. Then one day, the city of San Jose condemned the area, and David's "house" was torn down. He couldn't understand why the community would destroy so fine a place.

We'll talk more about David's story next time.

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Should a college-educated woman feel that she has wasted her training if she chooses not to use it professionally? I mean, why should I bother to go through school to be a professional if I'm going to wind up raising kids and being a full-time homemaker?

A person doesn't go to college just to prepare for a line of work – or at least, that shouldn't be the reason for being there. The purpose for getting a college education is to broaden your world and enrich your intellectual life. Whether or not it leads to a career is not the point.

Nothing invested in the cultivation of your own mind is ever really wasted. If you have the desire to learn and the opportunity to go to school, I think you should reach for it. Your career plans can be finalized later.

Dobson is founder and chairman of the board of the nonprofit organization Focus on the Family, Colorado Springs, Colo., 80995 (www.family.org). Questions and answers are excerpted from "Solid Answers" and "Bringing Up Boys," both published by Tyndale House.

Pastor Osteen brings 'Hope'

Las Cruces welcomes popular TV minister

By Beth Sitzler
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Crucens will get a chance to see Pastor Joel Osteen during "A Night of Hope" at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, at the New Mexico State University Pan American Center.

Growing up as a son of a pastor, the Houston native said ministry had always been a part of his life. His father, Pastor John Osteen, began Lakewood Church in Houston, which has a congregation of 40,000, making it one of the largest churches in the United States. Together, the father-son duo also created a television ministry at the church.

After working behind the scenes for 17 years, Osteen took over the church and television program in 1999 after his father passed away.

"I was very nervous," he said of his first time leading the televised ministry, which is watched in 100 million households worldwide. "I didn't think I had it in me, but deep down I knew I did. There was a peace on the inside that let me know I was doing the right thing."

Since finding his true calling, Osteen and his wife Victoria have worked together to spread God's ministry. For the past five years, the duo, along with their entire Lakewood Church team, have traveled the world once a month, presenting "A Night of Hope."

After traveling to South Africa, Australia and London, the Osteens will bring their message to Las Cruces.

Osteen said he was first introduced to the region during a book signing in El Paso.

"There was such a big response," he said. "Hundreds and hundreds of people came out and we were there for hours signing books. People asked when we were going to come out again."

During "A Night of Hope," Osteen said audience members can expect hours of ministry and music provided by Dove Award-winning Cindy Cruse Ratcliff, Steve Crawford and the Lakewood Band and Ensemble.

"There will be a lot of music and inspiration," he said.

He said along with having fun, he hopes audience members will be inspired to go out in the word of God.

"They will be inspired and uplifted and will leave better than before," he said. "God has a plan for their lives."

He encourages everyone to come out and hear the word of God and be moved to live a better life.

"God is in control of your life. He has a great plan for you," he said. "I hope the audience will shake off the negativity of the past and be what he wants them to be."

The doors will open at 6 p.m. and tickets are $15. Tickets can be purchased at the Pan Am Box Office, all Ticketmaster outlets and www.ticketmaster.com.

For more information, visit www.joelosteen.com.

CHURCH NEWS

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ECKANKAR EVENT

Eckankar, Religion of the Light and Sound of God, will hold a free discussion from 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 20, at the Ramada Palms de Las Cruces, 201 E. University Ave. The topic will be "Find Divine Spirit in Everyday Life." For more information, call 524-2580 or visit www.eckankar-nm.org.

LENTEN MISSION

The Cathedral of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, in collaboration with the Basilica of San Albino and Holy Cross Catholic Church, is sponsoring a four-day Lenten Mission at the cathedral, located on the corner of Espina Street and California Avenue. The events will begin from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28, and will continue from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, March 3. The event's theme will be "The Gospel Stories of Lent" and will be led by soprano singer ValLimar Jansen. For more information, call 524-8563.

NEW OFFERINGS AT SONOMA SPRINGS

Sonoma Springs Church, 3940 Sonoma Springs Ave., now offers an ongoing DivorceCare support ministry from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. The ministry is devoted to helping people find support, healing and becoming whole again. Child care is available. For more information, call 526-4907.

NEW BIBLE COURSE

John Anderson at Holy Cross Church, 1327 N. Miranda St., will hold a new course based on the writings of the apostolic fathers from 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays in the church's gathering space. Bring your Bible and a friend.

STUDY GROUP

The Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St., has a study group for The Course In Miracles from 11 a.m. to noon every Saturday. For more information, call Lisa at 644-2977.

OPEN SPIRITUAL GROUP

The Association for Research and Enlightenment (ARE) Edgar Cayce Studies holds group meetings from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday. The meetings are hosted by local chapter leader Linda Aragon and are open to the public. Anyone seeking spiritual studies, knowledge and awareness is encouraged to attend. There is no fee to join. For more information and location, call 382-6400.

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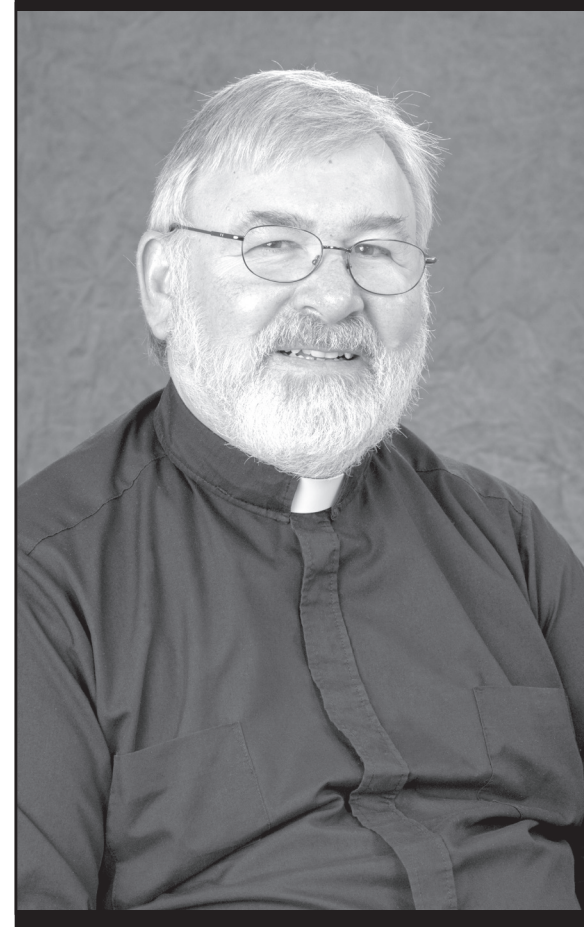

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SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Munson Senior Center is closed at least through Sunday, Feb. 7, due to a problem with the heating system). Locations are subject to change. For information on temporary locations of senior activities call 528-3000.

AEROBICS CLASS
Aerobics class with Jennifer Smith is at 9 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Eastside Center, 310 N. Tornillo St. Suggested donation is 50 cents.

AQUATICS CLASS
Aquatics class (senior exercise class) with Nora Bailey is offered on a first-come, first-serve basis from 11 a.m. to noon Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at Frenger Pool, 800 Parkview Drive. Suggested donation is 50 cents.

CORE FLOOR EXERCISE CLASS
Core floor exercise classes are held five days a week. Suggested donation is 50 cents. Classes are held from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays with Lucille at Munson Senior Center, 975. S. Mesquite St., and at 8:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays with Jennifer Smith at Mesilla Park Community Center, 304 W. Bell Ave.

HATHA YOGA CLASS
Yoga classes are 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. Suggested donation is 50 cents.

T'AI CHI CLASSES
T'ai Chi classes are held from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. The suggested donation is 50 cents.

CANASTA
Canasta is played from noon to 4 p.m. every Wednesday at the Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. All skill levels are welcome.

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

BINGO MANIA
Bingo Mania is from 12:30 to 2 p.m. Wednesdays at the Eastside 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.

CREATIVE WRITING
A creative writing class is held at 8:30 a.m. Wednesdays in the Doña Ana Room at Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

LIBRARY BOOK CLUB
The Library Book Club meets from 10 to 11 a.m. the third Wednesday of each month at Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. The club gets together to read great selections and meet new people.

HORSESHOE-PITCHING
Horseshoe-pitching practice is held from 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday behind Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. For more information, call Burt Trujillo at 522-4849.

MAH JONGG
Mah Jongg is played from 10 a.m. to noon Thursdays at the Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

SENIOR TRAVEL CLUB
The Voyagers Senior Travel Club, located in Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St., is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday. For more information, call Helen Glover at 528-3166.

SENIOR FOLKLORICO
Senior Folklorico with Juan Ortiz is from 10 to 11:30 a.m. every Monday and Wednesday at the Eastside Senior Center, 310 N. Tornillo St. Call 541-2304 for more information.

POTLUCK BRUNCH
Enjoy a potluck brunch at 12:45 p.m. the first Sunday of every month at Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Participants are asked to bring a covered dish and their own plates, cups and silverware.

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

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINICS
Blood pressure and glucose clinics by Alpha Nurses are held at various locations in Las Cruces on a weekly basis.

The clinic is from 10 a.m. to noon Mondays, at Benavidez Community Center, 1045 McClure Road; from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays, at the Mesilla Park Recreation Center, 304 W. Bell Ave.; from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesdays, in the Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.; and from 10 a.m. to noon Thursdays, at the Eastside Senior Center, 310 N. Tornillo St. A 25-cent donation is requested. For more information, call 528-3000. The TTY number is 528-3217.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS
Area drivers age 50 and older can take the AARP Driver Safety Program. Upcoming four-hour courses are scheduled as follows:

- 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19, in the Hallmark Building at the Village at Northrise, 2880 N. Roadrunner Parkway
- Noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23, at Good Samaritan Society Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle
- Noon to 5 p.m. Thursday, March 4, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall, 1240 S. Espina St.
- 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday, March 10, Encantada Park, 1000 Coyote Trail

The cost is $12 per person for AARP members and $14 per person for non-members. Fees must be paid at the door and participants must bring a valid driver's license and a pen or pencil. AARP members must bring their membership cards to receive a discount. For more information, visit www.aarp.com.

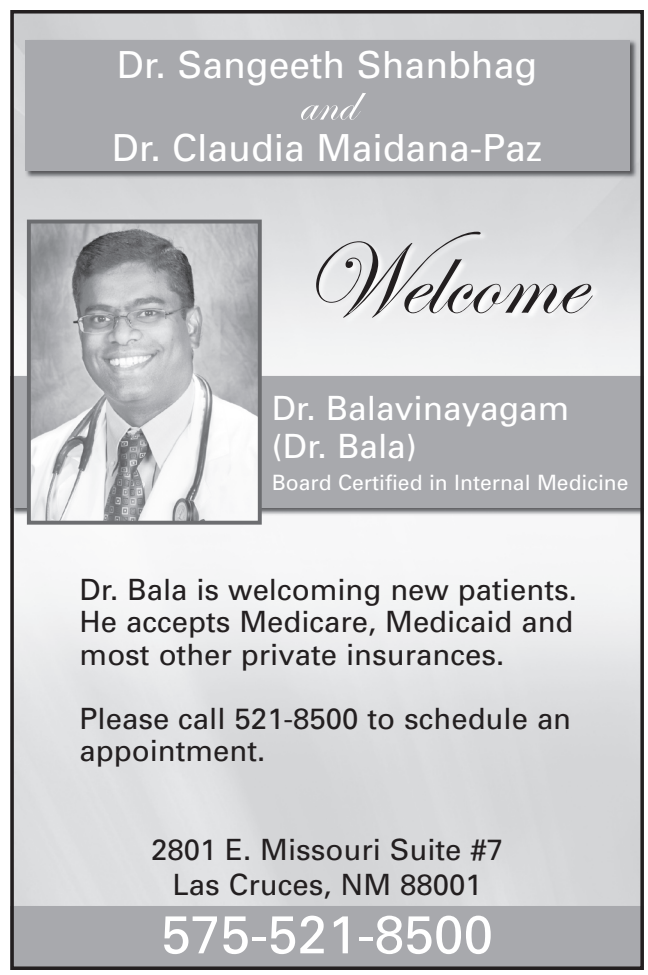
RSVP SENIOR CONNECTIONS
Join the Retired/Senior Volunteer Program by donating a few hours a week to help with activities, such as:

- Assistant pianist for a group that performs weekly at nursing homes
- Tutor children from kindergarten through 12th grade to help students excel in their studies
- Clerical help doing office tasks at many types of programs
- Be an advocate for those who need someone to speak on their behalf
- Make items that can be donated to community programs
- Teach others a trade
- Deliver a hot meal to homebound elderly

All volunteer activities have flexible times. For more information, contact Senior Programs at 528-3000 or TTY 528-3217.

SWINGING DANCERS
The Swinging Dancers of Munson will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13. If possible, the event will take place at Munson Senior Center, 975. S. Mesquite St. There will be no dance on Saturday, Feb. 6. For more information, call 523-1871.

BOXED LUNCHES
The Ability Center, 715 E. Idaho Ave., is seeking low-income seniors citizens interested in receiving monthly food boxes. For more information, call 626-5016 or stop by the center.



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Racing for the cure

Student groups fight breast cancer

By Bob Nosbisch
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

On Sunday, Feb. 21, student teams from New Mexico State University's College of Health and Social Services will join thousands of others at Cohen Stadium in El Paso.

They won't be attending a baseball game, rock festival or monster truck rally.

They will be there to help raise money in the ongoing fight against a monstrous problem: breast cancer.

These students will participate in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says "aside from nonmelanoma skin cancer, breast cancer is the most common form of cancer in women." It's the No. 1 cause of cancer deaths in Hispanic women and the second-most common cause of cancer deaths in white, black, Asian/Pacific Islander and American Indian/Alaska native women.

The CDC's most recent breast cancer statistics are from 2005. In that year, 186,467 women and 1,764 men were diagnosed with it. Also in 2005, breast cancer killed 41,116 women and 375 men.

Bianca Zamora is a master of public health student and vice president of the Master of Public Health Student Organization, one of many student groups in the College of Health and Social Services. Her mother, Maria Zamora, was told two years ago that she had breast cancer. Maria was only 38 years old.

"My mother has always been upbeat and a positive thinker," said Bianca. "She never let anything get her down. But when her doctor gave her the news, her demeanor changed."

Maria underwent chemotherapy treatments, and even though she lost her hair, Bianca said that did not prevent her mother from going out in public.

"My mother is a brave woman," Bianca said. "Even though she had no hair, she was still beautiful – inside and out. And she wanted people to see what cancer treatments can do to someone and why it's important to get treatment as soon as possible."

Bianca will join her MPHSO colleagues on one of many teams participating in the race – walking, jogging, or running to raise money for the breast cancer fight. What will make this event even more special is that Maria will drive down from the family home in Tierra Amarilla in northern New Mexico to also participate in the race.

"My mother is a strong woman, and what she has gone through has made me stronger in the end," said Bianca. "She has used her experience to help educate others, and by participating in this race, she will be able to share her personal story with my

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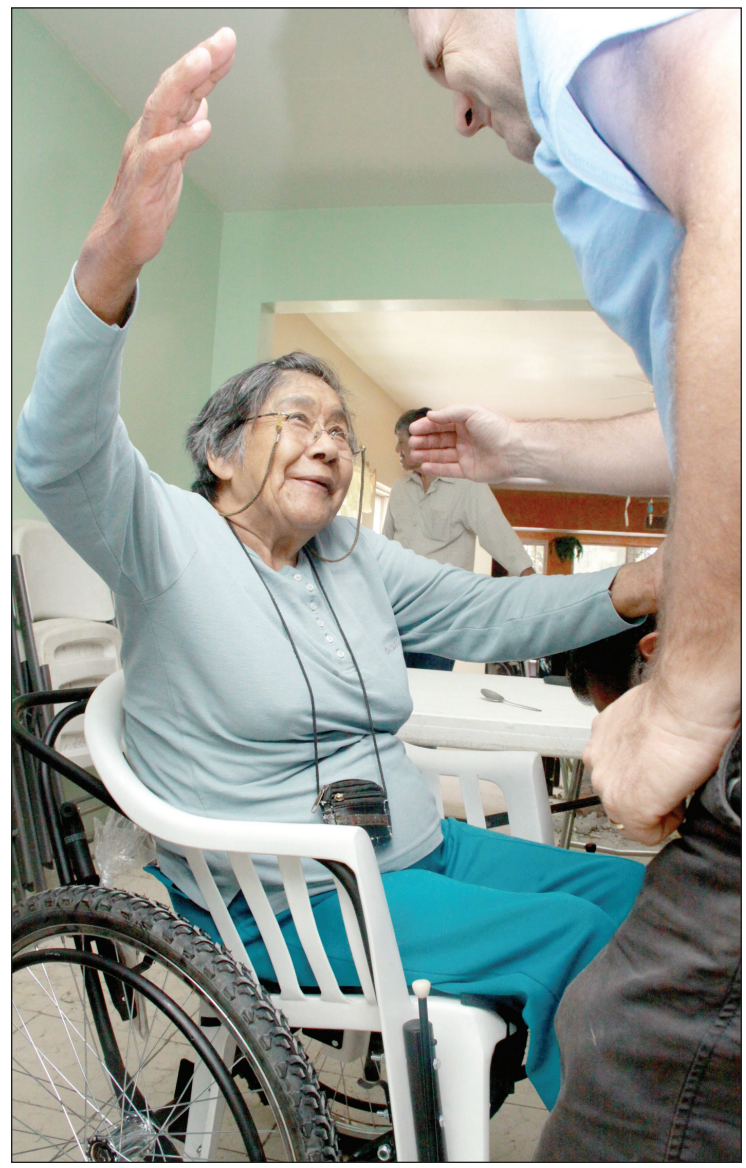
Spend the holiday giving back

Valentine's Dinner Dance benefits wheelchair mission



Irma Zamora Roman, 72, holds her arms out to embrace Dennis Prickett after volunteers from the Free Wheelchair Mission presented her with a free wheelchair in June 2009. Roman lives in the Casa del Niños y del Anciano Mexico, a home for abandoned children and elderly in Ciudad Juárez, Mexico. Through the Free Wheelchair Mission, Prickett intends on sending 1,100 wheelchairs to Mexico by the end of 2010.

By Natisha Hales
The Las Cruces Bulletin

An added incentive to enjoying a romantic evening of dinner and dancing? Doing it while supporting a worthy cause.

The Dancing With Heart to Lift Lives Valentine's Dinner Dance on Saturday, Feb. 13, at the Ramada Palms de Las Cruces will do just that for Las Crucens.

Proceeds from ticket sales of the dinner and dance will benefit the Free Wheelchair Mission, which has a goal of distributing 1,100 wheelchairs to Mexico by the end of 2010. A couple who purchases two tickets at $25 apiece will nearly cover one wheelchair's cost of $51.29, and a romantic package for $125 – which includes two dinner dance tickets, plus one double room and complimentary breakfast at the Ramada Palms – covers the cost of almost three chairs.

"All of our costs are covered by sponsors, so everything is paid for," said local advocate Dennis Prickett. "The money we get from the tickets goes straight to the wheelchairs."

This will be the third year the community – led by Prickett – has rallied behind the efforts of the Free Wheelchair Mission, which provides wheelchairs to impoverished disabled individuals in developing countries. This is the second year Las Cruces has been a distribution partner of FWM.

"Two years ago, when I started this, I had no idea of being a distribution partner," Prickett said. "I was just raising money for wheelchairs to go, you know, wherever they needed them, when we all of a sudden realized we had the opportunity to meet the needs of some of the people right next door."

He and local advocates started in 2008 by sending 10 wheelchairs to Las Cruces' Sister City of Lerdo, Mexico, collaborating with the Club de Leones de Lerdo.

Since then, thanks to the collaboration of several community organizations and Las Crucens who wanted to volunteer their time, 250 chairs have been distributed to Ciudad Juárez, Mexico, and 300 are already assembled and ready to go, Prickett said.

"I'm really trying to keep this as a communitywide effort," he said. "There's not a single organization doing this."

While the chairs already are assembled, there is still a need for community collaboration. Prickett said he welcomes connections to organizations in Mexico that will help distribute the chairs, and of course, monetary donations. The dinner dance and a Fajita Fiesta scheduled in June are just two events where residents can donate funds. Prickett said he also encourages opportunities where he can speak to groups about the mission.

"There are so many great opportunities here just for the community," he said. "I think we really saw that. We're just members of the community meeting a common goal, and I think there's a lot of value in that."

The dinner dance begins at 6 p.m. Feb. 13 with a cocktail hour and runs through midnight with music by Undiskovered Band featuring Carol Portillo. Tickets, starting at $25 per person, are available at all Pic Quik locations, the Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces, Atrium Fitness and Ramada Palms. For more information, call local FWM advocate Erlinda Portillo at 496-3440.

Wide smiles all around

Successful clinic benefits everyone involved

By Natisha Hales
The Las Cruces Bulletin

A dental hygiene clinic for middle and high schoolers benefited more than just kids. It turned out to be a success for dental assistant and hygiene students of Doña Ana Community College, as well as staff of DACC and Doña Ana County Health and Human Services.

The clinic, held Jan. 21 at DACC for more than 20 parents and children living in rural areas of the southern part of the county, provided free thorough cleanings and dental examinations, as well as an education in oral hygiene. Doña Ana County provided the transportation, and DACC provided the location and the services.

The partnership was the result of conversations for more than five years, said Silvia Sierra, director of the county Health and Human Services Department.

"Our approach initially was to get a mobile unit to the rural areas of the county," Sierra said. "We worked with the Health Care Alliance, and (state) Rep. Mary Helen Garcia got a bill."

After looking into the cost of the mobile dental clinic, Sierra said they soon discovered their appropriation of $100,000 from the state was not enough.

"We learned it cost $450,000 to buy a vehicle and $250,000 to maintain it," she said. "And by that time, the money was re-appropriated."

Then the idea of bringing residents to a facility was fostered, and Sierra met with DACC President Margie Huerta, who brought in Dental Hygiene Program Director Evelyn Hobbs into the conversation in September 2009.

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DACC dental hygiene student Susana Gonzales cleans the teeth of Crystal Cervantes, 12, of Chaparral Elementary during a free clinic Jan. 21.

‘Run with your heart’

Set aside Feb. 13 for Cupid’s Chase

Bulletin staff report

Benefiting employment services, residential services and community support for individuals with developmental disabilities, the Cupid’s Chase 5k run will be held Saturday, Feb. 13, at New Mexico State University, on a course certified by the New Mexico Track and Field Association.

The local event is organized by Community Options of Las Cruces, a nonprofit organization providing employment support, day habilitation and residential programming for individuals with developmental disabilities, traumatic brain injury and the severely disabled mentally ill in Las Cruces.

Started in Princeton, N.J., last year by the national nonprofit Community Options Inc., the widely attended run now will be held in 24 locations in nine states – Connecticut, Kentucky, New Mexico, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas. The 5k also will focus on the social aspects of the event and the Valentine’s Day holiday. Participants will be encouraged to meet, talk, run or walk together, participate in raffles for romantic weekends or Valentine’s Day flowers and genuinely enjoy the spirit of Valentine’s Day, all while supporting a very good cause.

Those interested can register online at www.active.com. For more information, email cupidschase@comop.org or visit www.comop.org/cupidschase.

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Partnering with Doña Ana County’s Youth Initiative Group, which serves children of the 37 colonias throughout the county, middle and high school children – and parents – were transported to the DACC central campus. Providing services for 12 children at a time, they received full dental hygiene services, engaged in oral health educational activities and received information about a career in the dental industry.

“We got a very positive response based on the (evaluations) that were filled out,” Hobbs said. “I feel it was very successful.”

It also was a success for dental assistant and dental hygiene students of the community college.

“We had both classes, junior and seniors, work in the clinic and the activities,” she said. “They were learning to work together, and this was a unique experience.”

For those who showed signs of potential dental health problems, Hobbs said every child was provided with a referral to either Ben Archer or La Clinica de Familia because of the clinic’s presence in southern Doña Ana County.

Just as important as educating the students on oral hygiene was giving them a viable option for the future careers.

“Several said they were going to college,” Hobbs said. “That was our goal, but to hear it voiced was a real plus.”

Golden Mesa moving event

STEVE MACINTYRE I The Las Cruces Bulletin

Advanced Hearing Care doctor of audiology Abbye Callender answers questions from four-year Golden Mesa resident Barbara Coronado during Golden Mesa’s Grand Moving Event Saturday, Jan. 30. Professionals from health care, real estate and other industries were on hand to provide visitors with information.

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teammates and others. If there is anything her experience has taught me, it’s that I never take anything for granted anymore.”

So far, 11 MPHSO members have signed up for the team. Other student groups from the college that have expressed an interest in fielding teams include the Student Nurses Association, the Returned Peace Corps Volunteer Student Organization and the College of Health and Social Services Student Ambassadors. The signup deadline is Feb. 12. More information on the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure event in El Paso can be found at www.komenelpaso.org.

Bob Nosbisch is the Educational Outreach Coordinator in the NMSU College of Health and Social Services.

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Adult Children of Alcoholic 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.

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The New Mexico Young Fathers fatherhood project meets from 5:30 to 7 p.m. each Wednesday at 1190 Foster Road. For more information, call 532-1536.

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The City of Las Cruces encourages the public to join the Rise and Shine Walking Group at 6 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The group meets at the Meerscheidt Recreation Center, 1600 E. Hadley Ave. The cost is $1.50 per person per day, a 30-day punch pass is $36. For more information, call the Meerscheidt Recreation Center at 541-2563. The TTY number is 541-2661.

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CARING BRIDGE SUPPORT GROUP

Caring Bridge, a support group for people in recovery from mental illness, meets from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. every Monday at the Bridge, 2511 Chaparral St. In addition, the men's support group meets from 4 to 5:30 p.m. every Wednesday, and the women's support group meets from 4 to 5:30 p.m. every Friday, also at the Bridge.

For more information, call Kathy or David at 522-6404 or email bridge@nmsu.edu.

DYSLEXIA PRESENTATION

Nationally recognized dyslexia expert Susan Barton will give a free dyslexia presentation at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, at the Corbett Center Auditorium on the New Mexico State University campus. The three-hour talk is open to the public.

Barton will discuss the classic warning signs of dyslexia, the latest brain and genetic research and techniques proven to improve reading, writing and spelling skills.

To learn more about dyslexia, visit www.brightsolutions.us.

For more information, or to reserve a seat, contact C.C. Manning at 571-3895, or sign up online at www.manning.eventbrite.com.

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The primary symptoms are: fatigue, painful intestinal cramping and diarrhea. The support group focuses on sharing coping strategies and listening to each other. It is an opportunity to be with others who understand the nature of long-term illness. 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.ccfa.org).

For more information about the Crohn's and Colitis support group, call Jo Tice Bloom at 382-0722.

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 the 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. Coffee and snacks will be available.

For more information, contact Susan Brown at 496-2627 or sbrown1409@yahoo.com.

INDIVIDUAL LIVING SUPPORT GROUP

The Independent Living Group meeting for people with all kinds of disabilities meets every from 1 to 3 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday of each month at the Ability Center for Independent Living, 715 E. Idaho Ave., Suite 3E. Admission is free and refreshments will be served.

For more information, call 526-5016.

INSULIN PUMP SUPPORT GROUP

An Insulin Pump Connection support group for adults, parents and significant others will meet from 5 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, in the Sunset Grill at the Sonoma Ranch Golf Course, 1274 Golf Club Road. Teresa Anderson, RD, LD, CDE, clinical services manager, Animas and Connie Fetters, MHS, RN, CDE, will make presentations on "Fine Tuning Pump Therapy: Adjusting Your Basal Rate and Insulin to Carb Ratio." The meeting is free, and snacks will be provided. Users of any pump model are welcome.

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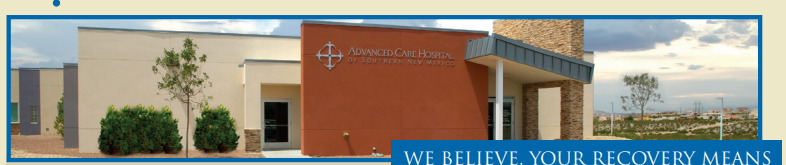

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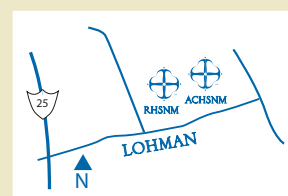

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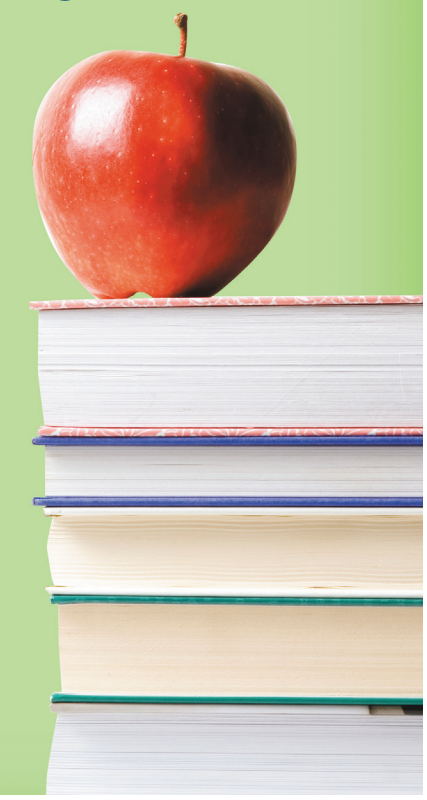

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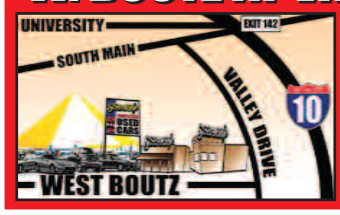

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A humbling trip up north

GABRIEL VASQUEZ
Business Editor

I was a bit uneasy when my boss asked me to travel with the Las Cruces Bulletin delegation to Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe this year.

"Sure," I told Bulletin Publisher David McCollum. "I'd be happy to. But it's my first time, so you're going to have to show me the ropes."

He reassured me that I'd be fine and reminded me of what a great opportunity the event provided to connect with local folks in the business community.

I didn't lose much sleep over it; most of my firsts thus far have been successful.

I hit the road Saturday with news editor Todd Dickson, and as the vast expanse of nothingness blurred across the passenger window, we chatted about what a great learning experience it was for a relative newbie to see how "Santa Fe really works."

"Drop in on the House and Senate floors, check out the process and make sure to see what goes on during the committee meetings," Todd told me. "And don't forget to have fun."

Upon arrival, I paid a visit to the hospitality suite at Hotel Santa Fe, where I saw at least a dozen members of the local business community whom I had talked to over the phone and via email, but never got the chance to meet in person. A couple of hours and a few drinks later, they were gladly telling me about new developments within their businesses, their concerns related to the state budget and issues I wasn't aware of within their respective industries.

Mellow Honek, owner of Sunspot Solar Systems, told me about the great efforts his company is making to use only New Mexico-manufactured solar equipment.

James Stalker, owner of RESPR Inc., told me about the advancements he had made in developing atmospheric measuring technology that could dramatically reduce the time it takes to survey a piece of land for potential energy development.

David Hicks, manager of the Las Cruces Convention Center, gave me

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Las Crucens get their say

Group travels to Santa Fe to lobby for local projects

By **Gabriel Vasquez**
The Las Cruces Bulletin

More than 200 delegates – a mix of business owners, local and regional legislators and philanthropists – traveled to the state's capital Saturday, Jan. 30, through Monday, Feb. 1, to lobby for local projects and issues as part of an annual event put on by the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce.

Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe (LCDSF) is an event planned by the chamber's Conquistadores, or goodwill ambassadors, that allows Las Crucens to connect with state lawmakers and includes a special reception at the governor's mansion.

"A special committee spends about a year putting this together. There's a lot of work involved," said Kiel Hoffman, chair of the chamber's board of directors. "In a couple of weeks, we'll start planning for it again."

Participants, who have the option of staying at the event's central gathering place – Hotel Santa Fe – for a discounted rate, get an opportunity to rub elbows with lawmakers from the state, listen to special presentations from legislative committee heads, promote their businesses and organizations in the state's capitol and enjoy courtesy breakfasts and luncheons that feature a variety of speakers.

On Saturday, attendees were treated to special access to the hotel's hospitality room, which featured food, drinks and a chance to network with business owners and legislators from Las Cruces.

Sunday, a free shuttle bus was offered to attendees to attend press conferences at the Roundhouse or to take tours of the state's capitol. A special reception at the governor's mansion was held at 4 p.m., during which more than 200 attended to shake hands with the governor, let him know about the issues they are facing and also to enjoy courtesy food and beverages as well as network with other attendees.

At the reception, Gov. Bill Richardson spoke to the large crowd gathered at the mansion and thanked legislators and chamber staff and supporters for their years of continued service (See Page B3).

Barbara Couture, recently hired as president of New Mexico State University, spoke about her first month on the job and the challenges the university is facing.

"I'm absolutely delighted to be the 25th president of NMSU and delighted to help host Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe," she said. "I'm counting on having a long and fruitful relationship with all of you."

She touted recent grants the university has received to study algal biofuels and to develop a new ethics program in the College of Business. She also said she was pleased with the approval of a new doctoral program in the recently created aerospace engineering program.

> "There are more films in Tularosa than in Doña Ana County ..."
>
> JONI GUTIERREZ, state representative

"We have some funding challenges now in terms of our state budget, and we're going to have do our part to help," she said. "But we do hope that support remains strong for higher education. I am certainly talking for NMSU and higher education in the capitol."

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Steve Landeene, executive director for the New Mexico Spaceport Authority, answers questions from a member of the media during a press conference held to discuss the status of Senate Bill 9, Sunday, Jan. 31, at the Roundhouse in Santa Fe.

All aboard!

But first, sign the dotted line

By **Gabriel Vasquez**
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Steve Landeene, executive director for the New Mexico Spaceport Authority, said he's disappointed that Senate Bill 9 was recently tabled during a meeting of the Legislature's Senate Judiciary Committee.

He said the bill's passage is critical to making New Mexico the premier commercial and private space destination in the country, which is facing competition from similar facilities in Florida and Virginia.

"But if it takes us another year, we've got another year," he said during a press conference held at the Roundhouse in Santa Fe, Sunday, Jan. 31.

SB 9, known as the Space Flight Informed Consent Act, introduced by Sen. Mary Kay Papen, D-Las Cruces, is aimed at establishing a public policy in which informed space flight participants who execute waivers assume the risk of engaging in space flight activities. This is to avoid possible tort claims that have the potential to financially "destroy" companies such as Virgin Galactic and XCOR,

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Legislative EDITION

Beverlee McClure, president and CEO of the Association of Commerce and Industry (ACI) of New Mexico, said the state must contribute to the pyramid model of economic development to add jobs in the future.

Fighting the biz-busting bills

New taxes could hurt economic development

By Gabriel Vasquez
The Las Cruces Bulletin

She hesitated breaking it down to such a simple principle, but Beverlee McClure, president and CEO of the Association of Commerce and Industry (ACI) of New Mexico, said some lawmakers aren't doing their part to contribute to the state's "hierarchy of economic development," a pyramid-type model that resembles Maslow's hierarchy of needs.

"At the base of the pyramid are jobs, because employees pay taxes," she said. "As you move up you then have taxes, followed by the public sector. What's happened in the state is that the public sector has grown 59 percent under this administration while the private sector has been shrinking."

McClure, speaking to members of the Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe delegation Monday, Feb. 1, said there are several bills on the table that could hinder economic development efforts in the state and significantly affect small businesses.

House Bill 9, an income tax surtax proposal sponsored by Rep. Edward Sandoval, D-Albuquerque, proposes a 1 percent surtax on incomes of more than $100,000, and "the bill will be amended to 2 percent for those making $500,000 and above," McClure said. She argued that many high-wage earners, which represent only 9 percent of the population (making more than $100,000), are small business owners who will have to restructure, including laying off workers, to pay for increased taxes.

"They're not taking that high income and buying BMWs, they're reinvesting into their business to make payroll to make sure we have jobs in New Mexico," she said. "This bill will have a very negative impact on the economic base." HB 9 is currently in the House Taxation & Revenue Committee.

House Bill 119, a temporary gross receipts tax increase introduced by Speaker Ben Lujan, D-Santa Fe, proposes a half-cent GRT increase over three years, McClure said, to generate about $240 million to narrow the gap in the state's budget. The state's GRT hasn't been raised at the state level since 1990. McClure said looking at other options, such as consolidating the public sector and cutting government spending, could help pad the state budget without the addition of regressive taxes. HB 119 is currently in the House Taxation & Revenue Committee.

House Bill 144, an unemployment insurance contribution bill, sponsored by Rep. Mimi Stewart, D-Albuquerque, proposes a temporary schedule for employer contributions to keep the state's unemployment fund from going into a deficit.

"If the bill is not passed, we will find ourselves $56 million in deficit," McClure said. "But we want to minimize the impact that would have. We need to roll back (employer contribution) to 53 percent, because we know 2010 won't be any better. We have a right as a business community to say no to this, because for many of you that pay those wages, it will make it a lot harder to expand jobs."

HB 144 is currently in the House Appropriations & Finance Committee.

House Bill 78, the controversial and much talked-about bill that would set stricter rules on green house gas emissions, sponsored by Rep. James Madalena, D-Jemez Pueblo, should be tabled until international standards for green house emissions are developed, McClure said.

"This will give the Environmental Improvement Board the authority to cap these gases," she said. "I can tell you that if we do this, we might as well put up a sign that says 'closed for business.' This is a bill we need to stand strongly against.

"For us to take that on as a state makes us non-competitive and doesn't really make sense."

HB 78 is currently in the House Energy & Natural Resources Committee.

To tackle many of these issues, the Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce is urging New Mexico business owners to sign a petition directing legislators to oppose any new taxes, consolidate appropriate state agencies, reduce state government inefficiencies, oppose undue regulatory burdens and support job creation.

"A key goal in resolving the current budget crisis must be creating an environment in which businesses can create high-wage jobs for the 72,650 out-of-work New Mexicans," states a letter from the chamber that was sent to business owners statewide. "It is job creation that will improve the quality of life for all New Mexicans and lead to stable revenue streams for the state."

Spaceport

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both Spaceport America tenants who plan on taking passengers into space.

"Uncapped liability in a brand new, emerging industry, will make the costs of that new industry so high that it may never get off the ground," Landeene said. "Virginia and Florida have both passed informed consent legislation. To keep our competitive edge, we need this bill."

Already, more than 200 individuals from around the world have prepaid $200,000 for their chance to be launched into suborbital space – for about five minutes – using Virgin Galactic's passenger vehicles and technology.

Answering claims by public opposition that the state's funding of the spaceport could have been better spent, Landeene said that Spaceport America, under construction 40 miles north of Las Cruces, "is not about sending rich people to space." Instead, Landeene said, the initial investment of the first commercial space travelers will help establish the spaceport's credibility, which will serve the public good through increased GRT from tourism, a domino effect of job creation, educational projects and economic development.

"One of the pillars of the spaceport was built on economic development and bringing this new industry here with high-tech and good paying jobs ... which has a multiplier effect," he said. "Just like an airport, this will create a band of supply chains that is going to create a lot of jobs."

Already, Landeene said he expects $18 to $25 million – through the spaceport's trickle-down revenue – to be deposited into the state's general fund within the next year.

"Those millions of dollars are for the Legislature to use," he said. "The spaceport is doing extremely well in being a contributor."

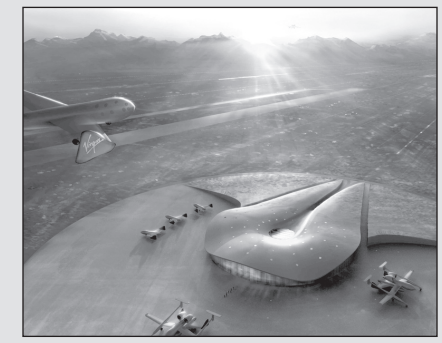
Landeene also commented on the current status of the spaceport construction.

"Things are going extremely well," he said. "As early as June, we should see the runway complete and by the end of 2010, we will have most of the infrastructure complete. We have to build a city out there."

He also outlined the assets that give Spaceport America the competitive edge over similar facilities being built elsewhere in the U.S. Those include:

- The investment of anchor tenant Virgin Galactic
- A research and development partnership with White Sands Missile Range, Holloman and Kirtland Air Force bases and Sandia National Laboratories
- A research and education partnership with New Mexico State University, New Mexico Tech and the University of New Mexico
- Operation commitments from aerospace companies Lockheed Martin, XCOR and Armadillo Aerospace
- The elevation of Spaceport America, which makes it easier for rockets to reach suborbital space
- The cultural and historical environment that surrounds Spaceport America
- The opportunity to get students involved in science, technology, math and engineering careers
- A local workforce being developed by New Mexico State University's aerospace engineering department
- Strong support from county and state governments

"This is a huge moment for New Mexico, and all over the world they're raving about what New Mexico is doing to lead the way," Landeene said. "I truly believe that we can make a difference for the world, for the citizens of New Mexico, for the nation and for a better tomorrow for everybody."



A digital rendering of the Virgin Galactic Terminal Hangar Facility at Spaceport America

About Spaceport America:

Spaceport America is the first purpose-built commercial spaceport in the world, located near White Sands Missile Range in state-owned desert about 40 miles north of Las Cruces and 30 miles east of Truth or Consequences. As of October 2009, eight suborbital missions have been launched from the port.

Cost: $225 million
Size: 670,000 square feet
State funding: $140 million
Sierra and Doña Ana County funding: $58 million
Construction manager: Gerald Martin, Albuquerque
Anchor tenant: Virgin Galactic, 20-year lease
Partner spaceport: Spaceport Sweden
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Gov says thanks, goodbye

County support for spaceport critical to his administration

By Gabriel Vasquez
The Las Cruces Bulletin

If it wasn't for Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, one of Gov. Bill Richardson's boldest propositions could not have materialized, he told delegates of Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe Sunday, Jan. 31, at a reception at his mansion in Santa Fe.

Spaceport America, under construction 40 miles north of Las Cruces, is one of Richardson's "legacy" projects, one that he said will change the economic landscape of southern New Mexico for years to come.

"I especially want to thank Sen. (Mary Kay) Papen for her leadership with the spaceport, and I want to thank all of you here for your support," he said.

In December 2008, the governor announced the spaceport's lease with anchor tenant Virgin Galactic.

"The signing of this agreement is a momentous day for our state and has cemented New Mexico as the home of commercial space travel," Richardson said at the time. "I want to thank Virgin Galactic for partnering with us to create a whole new industry that is going to transform the economy of southern New Mexico – creating thousands of jobs, generating money for education, boosting tourism and attracting other companies and economic opportunities to the area."

The project has drawn criticism from some who claim the state's investment – $140 million – could have been better spent.

But Richardson remained steadfast in his belief that the spaceport will not only bring new business, but educational opportunities for students in the region.

During the ceremony, Richardson also reminded listeners that he's kept a close eye on the capital outlay projects Las Crucens have requested, although he didn't make any promises.

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Gov. Bill Richardson addresses a group of Las Crucens Sunday, Jan. 31.

"I have read your $75 million in capital outlay requests," he said. "I think they're all very important."

He also thanked members of the Doña Ana County delegation and the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce for their service over the years, adding that much has been accomplished thanks to a "cooperative" spirit of doing business.

"I'm very proud of Doña Ana County and Las Cruces," he said. "When I came into office, you said, 'Governor, all we want is one thing. Pay attention to us. We are not Albuquerque. We are not Santa Fe. We are forgotten.' Well one of the hopes that I had is that when I ended my eight years, that you would say, 'The governor has paid attention to us.' I have done that. We've all done that together."

Richardson gave special thanks to former Gov. Garrey Carruthers, dean of the College of Business at New Mexico State University, for his years of service.

"Three weeks ago I asked Gov. Carruthers to find $100 million in government waste. He found it. Of course, none of it is at New Mexico State," Richardson laughed.

With less than a year left in office, Richardson told the crowd he hates "feeling like a lame duck," but that "I'm still here for 11 more months, so I expect you all to be nice to me."

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MountainView Regional Medical Center, attendees got the opportunity to listen to David Abbey, director of the New Mexico Legislative Finance Committee, who spoke about budget challenges facing the session.

"We're in the hole about $450 million that needs to be closed by either spending cuts, tax increases or one-time revenue sources," he said. "And we've got a ways to go still in terms of making cuts."

He said the state's reliance on profits from the natural gas and oil industry needs to be curbed.

"Each $1 in the price change of natural gas means $100 million for the state," he said.

In July 2008, natural gas prices spiked at about $13 per thousand cubic feet and dropped to an all-time low of about $3 per thousand cubic feet in April 2009.

"That's a huge amount of money lost for the state," said Abbey, who also commented that tax cuts and industry incentives have greatly hurt the state's budget. "In hindsight, more sun setting of tax reductions would have helped."

He said the state's tax incentive program for the film industry was especially troublesome.

"You can't take any industry and give them back 25 percent of their revenue in a rebate and expect it to be cost-effective," he said.

Rep. Joni Gutierrez, D-Mesilla, shared a similar sentiment with the crowd.

"We relied too much on oil and gas," she said. "But I think this is an opportunity for New Mexico and Doña Ana County to retool ourselves and recreate ourselves."

She said whether the tax breaks for the film industry were extended or not, "Doña Ana County has to get more aggressive in getting films."

"There are more films in Tularosa than in Doña Ana County on the map," she said.

Former Gov. Garrey Carruthers told the audience relying on gas and oil "to bail us out down the road" was no longer an option.

"It's just not a good prospect," he said.

Joe Cervantes, D-Las Cruces, said he thought the highly debated House Bill 78, which aims to set stricter regulations on greenhouse emissions, "doesn't have a lot of traction," and that "our focus right now needs to be on the budget."

"How you go from a massive surplus to a massive deficit in a year and a half shows the lack of predictability and reliability in a lot of things and a lack of foresight in the Legislature," he said. "We're trying to save state jobs in Santa Fe but we're cutting capital outlay projects back home to do it."

At a similar luncheon held at Hotel Santa Fe later that day, Doña Ana Community College President Margie Huerta said DACC is still growing by more than 10 percent each semester, and that she was in Santa Fe to discourage the Legislature from decreasing affordability to institutions of higher education through tuition hikes and decreased funding.

"We need to make sure that opportunities for students can present themselves," she said. "That we're able to keep the key components of our mission, which are accessibility and affordability, at the root of our decision making."

She touted a new DACC center planned for Chaparral, N.M., that would in the future offer coursework for students to attain bachelor's degrees in education, nursing and criminal justice.

Wrapping up the event, City Councillor Dolores Connor gave listeners an update on the Las Cruces Convention Center, which is 35 percent complete, she said.

"We are not behind schedule," she said. "By the end of February the entire structure will be closed up to the environment."

She said the center would open, at the latest, by Jan. 1, 2011.

Humbling

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an update on the facility and offered insight as to what type of groups he was hoping to attract and what economic impact the center would have after its construction.

I talked shop with James Wilson of Hotel Encanto, who said he'd like to see more entertainment venues located on University Avenue. I agreed.

I also got to chat with Sarah Stegall, who was recently awarded the Volunteer of the Year Award from the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, about the history behind her business, Surefire Promotional Products.

Saturday night, I hit the town to enjoy Santa Fe's vibrant nightlife and to check out local shops. Attempting to find my way back to the hotel in the early hours of the morning Sunday, I became lost. Every building in Santa Fe looks the same. After I finally found my way, I gave thanks for the diverse building standards we have in Las Cruces.

I spent Sunday at the Roundhouse attending press conferences and touring the state capitol, as well as getting in some more networking with local folks.

The highlight of my trip, the reception at the governor's mansion, featured finger foods I'd never heard of or tasted, folks I'd only read about in press releases and even a short time to visit with the governor himself.

Finally, on Monday, I helped the Bulletin team promote our newspaper, special sections and 2010 Legislative Guide by handing out copies of our work to Santa Fe locals, legislators and business owners. It was great to promote the product that our staff had worked on so hard for many months.

As Todd and I were pulling out of the hotel to head back home, however, former Gov. Garrey Carruthers hurriedly flagged us down.

"I need two strong men to give me a hand," he said.

I glanced at Todd and said, "You've got one and a half at your service!"

Turns out the governor had parked his car in a spot with about 3 feet of snow, which rendered the vehicle's front-wheel drive useless.

With the help of Arrowhead Center Director Kevin Boberg and few rocks under the tires, we got the car on the road.

Governor, if you're reading this, you owe me one!

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Building Las Cruces
Olive Garden

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The Olive Garden under construction on Telshor Boulevard is quickly taking shape. The Italian restaurant will open in the spring and hire more than 100 employees, according to company officials.

Raise my taxes, but don't cut my salary

Across-the-board salary cuts unfair

CHRIS ERICKSON
State of the Economy

The budget proposed by the Legislative Finance Committee, rather than raise taxes, calls for a 2 percent across-the-board salary cut for all state employees. This is a bad idea. The alternative is to raise taxes.

Of course, no one thinks raising taxes in a recession is a good idea. Higher taxes reduce the purchasing power of families thereby reducing spending in the private sector. But cutting government salaries during a recession has exactly the same effect. The take-home pay of state workers is reduced; hence, state workers spend less, negatively impacting the private sector. The effect is identical for each dollar raised.

Given that salary cuts have the same impact as tax increases, deciding to cut state employee salaries rather than raise taxes is not an economic issue, but rather an issue of fairness. So with this in mind, it's time to ask some questions about how government should be financed.

Ask yourself, is it more fair to cut the salary of state employees by 2 percent or to spread the pain over the whole economy via higher taxes? Is it fair to expect state employees to bare a disproportionate share of the burden? Should a $20,000-a-year janitor face the same pay cut as a $150,000 cabinet secretary? Do you want a $150,000-a-year cabinet secretary to face cuts in take-home pay greater than a $150,000 lawyer?

Overtaxed janitors and under-taxed lawyers is a situation that a society interested in fairness will seek to avoid. We have, over the years, developed the income tax as a tax that takes into account relative income in determining tax burdens. Raising the same revenue from income taxes rather than from cuts in state-employee salaries ensures that those most able to pay are those who do pay.

> "Across-the-board salary cuts is lazy legislation."

Those who argue against tax increases often argue that higher taxes will cause high-income workers to decide to relocate to another state. Losing these highly productive workers will have a negative impact on our economy.

This may be true, but the effect is likely to be small, especially when you consider that many other states, facing the same budget problems as New Mexico, are also raising taxes. Moreover, cutting salaries may cause some highly productive state workers to quit. In fact, just the most capable state workers will be the ones with the best alternatives. It will be these workers who will be first to quit when wages are cut, reducing overall efficiency of state government. Keep in mind, the private sector benefits both from lower taxes and from more efficient government.

Of course, there are places we can cut government to increase efficiency. Gov. Bill Richardson's Blue Ribbon Committee on Government Efficiency has identified $129 million in potential savings. That report has been submitted to the Legislature.

Across-the-board salary cuts is lazy legislation. It allows lawmakers to balance the budget without making hard choices. Cutting bureaucrats' take-home pay is easier than cutting a program protected by special interests. But if the current budget crisis doesn't give lawmakers the willpower to make the hard choices, when will they ever do it?

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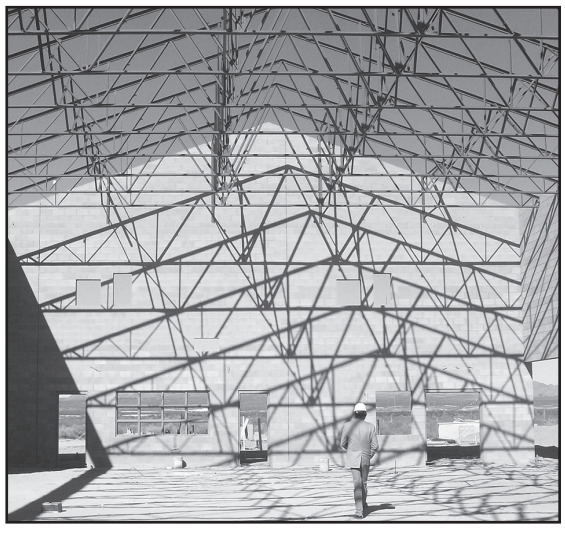

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Sarah Stegall

Innovative entrepreneur, philanthropist at heart

Stegall named 2010 Volunteer of the Year

By Gabriel Vasquez
The Las Cruces Bulletin

If it weren't for a broken-down RV, she might have never found Las Cruces.

Sarah Stegall, owner of Surefire Promotional Products and the recipient of the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce 2010 Volunteer of the Year award, found herself in Las Cruces only after the makeshift RV her father was driving – with almost a dozen kids included – huffed its way into Las Cruces in disrepair during a cross-country trip.

"My father moved us out to the West when I was 10, to escape the cold winters of Michigan," she said. "We were headed to Deming in an RV with six bunk beds before it broke down in Las Cruces. We decided to stay."

Stegall, born in Goodrich, Mich., endured many trials in her life before finding a career niche she could truly enjoy.

When she first entered college at New Mexico State University, she became sick with lupus, a connective tissue disease that occurs when the body's immune system turns against its own tissues and organs.

"That changed the direction of my life," she said. "I went to school through vocational rehab, and I had some serious limitations. I couldn't be out in the sun, and I looked for a career that would allow me to do that."

She earned her associate's degree in what was then secretarial administration to work inside an office, she said.

In her early career, Stegall worked as a legal secretary, including working at Ski West in Ruidoso and White Sands Federal Credit Union.

"From there I started my accounting career, and went to work for Ronnie Hempville, a CPA," she said.

Eventually, her husband Richard found a job opportunity in California, where she moved to and worked for a local manufacturer.

"Richard eventually burnt out his arms, and he missed Las Cruces," she said. "So we moved back in 1992."

Back in the town where her family once lost itself, Stegall went to work for Beasley, Mitchell & Co. LLP, a job she kept for more than 13 years.

In 2005, she decided to become an entrepreneur.

"I had lost the passion for what I was doing," she said. "I wanted to do something different, something that I could do from home."

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> SARAH STEGALL, owner, Surefire Promotional Products

Following a presentation she attended by a national promotional products company, Stegall did her homework and decided to start her own at-home business, Surefire Promotional Products.

"I bought into the business opportunity, trained in Idaho Falls and jumped right into it," she said. "It was the right time in my life to do it."

Stegall offers local companies, nonprofits and individuals an extensive list of customized promotional products, including pens, pencil holders, sticky pads, letter openers, lint-removal pads, chewing gum, paperclip holders, computer accessories, drinkware, apparel and even electronics.

"I've even pad printed on air-filled rubber balls that we used as part of an exercise plan," she said, adding that her husband is always willing to lend a hand with the technical aspect of the job, and her mother-in-law takes pride in promoting her products around town. "I also do a lot of self-promotion. Most of my customers are people that I know well."

In 2005, Stegall also joined the chamber, although she said she didn't get involved in her first year.

"Eventually I realized that just like any other organization, if you want to get something out of it, you have to put something into it," she said. "So I started getting involved, became a (goodwill ambassador) for the chamber and eventually got involved with the Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe committee."

This year, along with Troy Tudor of Digital Solutions, Stegall led the efforts to organize the chamber's annual event that takes business owners and local delegates to Santa Fe to visit with state leaders and legislators.

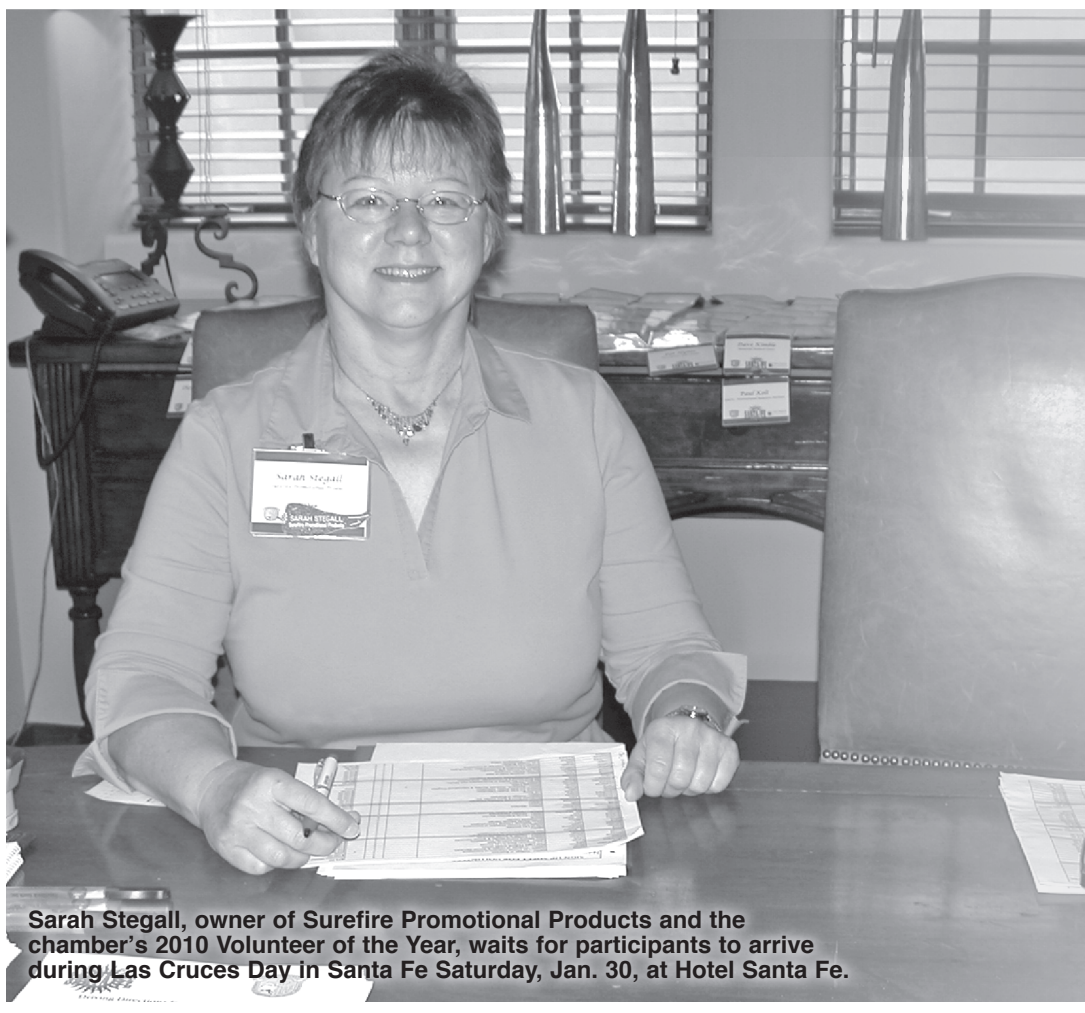
"At that time, I started attending ribbon cuttings, Business After Hours and other chamber programs," she said. "I was trying to find my way into the business community, which is where I needed to be to promote by business."

Aside from her work at the chamber, Stegall also serves on the board of directors for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwestern New Mexico and is an assistant at the Doña Ana Community College Small Business Development Center. She recently graduated from Leadership Las Cruces, a yearlong professional development program that teaches participants about the area.

"I loved Leadership Las Cruces," she said. "Living here for so long, especially when you work all the time, you don't really see or know all of what's going on in the area and what opportunities are available to people here. It was eye-opening and a great experience that I recommend to everyone."

During the chamber's annual banquet in January, Stegall was presented with the Volunteer of the Year Award for her efforts within the chamber and in the community.

"I was completely surprised, I had no clue," she said. "I never thought what I did was that much, but I'm happy everybody else does. It's great to get this special recognition."



Sarah Stegall, owner of Surefire Promotional Products and the chamber's 2010 Volunteer of the Year, waits for participants to arrive during Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe Saturday, Jan. 30, at Hotel Santa Fe.

Profile

Sarah Stegall

Owner, Surefire Promotional Products

Family
- Husband Richard
- Brothers Kevin, Larry, Dan, Aaron and Richard
- Sisters Margaret, Dove, Lisa, Connie and Mary

Education
- Associate's degree in secretarial administration, New Mexico State University

Organizations
- Board member, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwestern New Mexico
- Member and Conquistadore Green Team Captain, Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce
- Assistant, Doña Ana Community College Small Business Development Center
- Past member, American Society of Women Accountants
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Capitalizing on LC's intellectual assets

High-tech business banks on increasing predictability for wind energy scouting

By Gabriel Vasquez
The Las Cruces Bulletin

James Stalker, president and co-founder of Regional Earth System Predictability Research (RESPR) Inc., is committed to growing his high-tech company in Las Cruces.

"I started the company to create financial stability for myself, but I also did it to create local jobs in Las Cruces," Stalker said. "I wanted to be part of the economic development scene in southern New Mexico, that was a big priority for me."

RESPR, now in its seventh year, works with technology that streamlines wind energy scouting and energy assessment to minimize the time and money it takes to identify potential sites for wind energy development.

Stalker, a former scientist at Los Alamos National Laboratories (LANL), said he relocated to Las Cruces in 2006 to take advantage of the area's business growth opportunities, such as collaborative research development with New Mexico State University and access to alternative energy development sites in the southern part of the state. His company was previously based in Santa Fe.

"NMSU was supportive of my technology," Stalker said. "So I became a tenant at the Arrowhead Center and eventually moved to a location with the Physical Science Laboratory in Anderson Hall. They provided me a server room that hosts my computers and gave me some office space. NMSU is a very important part of what we do."

In addition to sharing space with the university, Stalker also shares the university's intellectual talent, he said. Several graduate students help maintain, research and develop the facility's computational resources that are used to create wind assessments and forecasts.

"We speed up the project development cycle on (a wind project)," Stalker said. "Without the technology we have, it would take a year or more to measure an area's wind potential and two to three years to find financing and construction. We cut down that time. We give a lot more information in a lot less time with less expense. That's the key aspect."

Stalker uses atmospheric measuring technology his company developed and couples the data collected with publicly available meteorological data to create wind assessment and forecast models with the help of a supercomputer system tailor-made to work with such large amounts of data.

RESPR also works in the area of business and technology consulting for other green energy projects, such as solar, biomass and geothermal, Stalker said.

When Stalker first moved to Las Cruces, investors and partners interested in his technology wanted to take the company out of state, he said. He toyed around with the idea, even partnering with an angel investor to see if he could make headway into eastern markets, but pulled out after the business plan he envisioned did not develop.

"Some of my partners wanted to take the business out of Las Cruces," he said. "But my inclination is for New Mexico investors and New Mexico technologies to really get this technology off the ground. I want to stay in Las Cruces and use local talent to develop my company."

Stalker is originally from India. He earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University in Hyderabad, India. After graduating, he moved to the United States to attend the Florida Institute of Technology, and then the University of Alabama, where he earned a master's degree in atmospheric science. He then went to work at LANL, were he was conducting water resource studies as a staff scientist before leaving the lab to start his business.

Stalker's business partner is KarenAnn Caldwell, vice president of the company, who has advanced degrees in physical chemistry and astrophysics. She is also Stalker's wife.

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Arrowhead Center Director Kevin Boberg speaks with RESPR Inc. President James Stalker during the Feb. 1 Las Cruces business expo at the Roundhouse in Santa Fe. Stalker was in Santa Fe to speak with Gov. Bill Richardson about increasing the state's petascale infrastructure and to lobby for funding to increase green energy assessment projects in the state.

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Briefs

Leadership NM accepting applications

Leadership New Mexico is now accepting applications for its 2010-11 Core and Connect New Mexico, programs. The deadline is March 15. The Core Program is 10 months long and designed to identify, teach and challenge established leaders in the state with a curriculum that explores key issues affecting New Mexico. Tuition is $3,500. Employers, community organizations, local leadership programs and individuals may nominate candidates, or applicants can nominate themselves. For more information, contact Patty Komko, president, at 505-241-4800 or email leader@leadershipnm.org.

Rio Rancho named fastest-growing city

BusinessWeek magazine has named Rio Rancho the fastest-growing city in New Mexico for 2010. Rio Rancho's population has risen 53.8 percent since 2000 because employment opportunities have increased, according to Mayor Tom Swisstack. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, Rio Rancho is the state's third-largest city, with an estimated population of 79,655.

300 MW solar plant coming to eastern NM

A Spanish renewable energy company, GA-Solar, plans to build a 300-megawatt solar photovoltaic generating plant on 2,500 acres in Guadalupe County in eastern New Mexico, making it one of the largest PV solar projects in the world, according to New Mexico BusinessWeekly. The plant will generate enough electricity to power 50,000 homes. GA-Solar's parent firm, Corporación Gestamp, will invest $1 billion to develop the project, which will take up to four years to construct.

State unemployment at 8.3 percent

The state unemployment rate climbed to 8.3 percent in December 2009, up from 4.7 percent in December 2008 and 7.8 percent in November 2009, according to the Department of Workforce Solutions. The rate is a 22-year high. The rate of job growth for the year was a negative 3.1 percent, a loss of 25,900 jobs. New Mexico has the 28th-highest unemployment rate among the 50 states. The unemployment rate in Las Cruces was 8.5 percent in December 2009, up from 7.9 percent in November and 5.1 percent in December 2008. The area lost 100 jobs over the month in wholesale trade and 2,100 over the year. The area added 100 jobs in the leisure and hospitality sector, and 100 in the educational and health services sector.

Department of Labor proposes change to improve illness data

The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is proposing to revise its Occupational Injury and Illness Recording and Reporting (recordkeeping) regulation by restoring a column on the OSHA Form 300 to better identify work-related musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs). The rule does not change existing requirements for when and under what circumstances employers must record musculoskeletal disorders on their injury and illness logs.

Taking a bite out of termite repair costs

Employ a reliable pest management service

I couldn't believe the panic in her voice. "I think I have termites!" she bellowed into the phone. "What should I do?" Being no stranger to that question during my 30-plus-year real estate career, I had ready my standard reply: "Get an inspection!"

While the decade-old answer to my friend's question may have been standard, what takes place before, during and after a termite inspection clearly is not. That's why I also recommended that she do her due diligence and become an informed consumer before selecting any pest and termite control exterminators.

Why is due diligence so important when choosing a termite company? Because "every pest control service is not the same," according to the National Pest Management Association's (NPMA) website, www.termite.com. The association provides detailed information about termites and their treatment, including guidelines for selecting an inspector. The first on their how-to list is to focus on "a solid company, in case a problem arises."

As part of that scouting process, the NPMA advises obtaining several quotes. With each quote, it's important to learn if the company is properly licensed, carries the required insurance, uses employees or sub-contractors to do the work and the chemicals it uses. Determining the length of any guarantee is also important. It is easy to get locked into a 10- or 20-year warranty that requires you to pay for regular inspections.

Once you're satisfied that you've found the right business, it's time to determine if an infestation exists. To do this, the pest control operator will inspect both the interior and exterior of the property. This is where the NPMA's "not the same" theory comes into play. Depending on the type of infestation and where it is found, a number of different remedies could possibly exist. Here's a recent real-life example of what I mean:

Because of their appetite for wood, many termite species can deal great damage to unprotected buildings and other wooden structures. They live in concealed places and often go undetected until the wood is severely damaged.

I recently sold a home to a buyer whose lender required a termite clearance be obtained from a licensed pest control operator showing the property to be of free of active infestation. The termite company hired found there were active termites on a tree stump in the rear yard and in an interior wall of the home that separated the laundry room from the garage. The company offered to correct the problem for around $1,000, which the seller thought was a heck of a lot of money for what appeared to be a minor job.

Upon further questioning by the seller, the termite company disclosed that they were prepared to offer a remedy that would solve the problem for under $300. Why the big difference in price? The $1,000 treatment included more than just correcting the problem. It also includes an additional treatment that would prevent termites in the future.

Why didn't the company disclose the $300 option when it presented the $1,000 option? Not doing so appears to be a common practice. After some discussion, the buyer and seller agreed to separate the cost of the remedial work from the cost of the preventative work. As a result, the seller paid around $300 for the corrective work and the buyer paid around $700 for the company's guarantee to eradicate any termites that may appear within three years of closing.

Even if you determine that you want the "full monty" treatment, it still pays to price shop. The cost of the preventative treatment is easy to determine. The New Mexico Department of Agriculture requires all pesticides be applied at a prescribed rate. That rate, multiplied by the number of linear feet of perimeter to be treated, will determine the cost of the chemicals. Trenching around the structure is another matter, however.

While a trench can easily be dug in the soil surrounding a home's foundation, injecting pesticides through concrete walks and driveways is more challenging. To provide an unbroken and continuous barrier around a foundation and to fully complete the application, holes will have to be drilled in the concrete. How much does that cost? It depends on the number of linear feet around the structure and the hourly rate at which the workers are paid.

With a little diligence and some time spent on homework, any consumer can feel confident that they're receiving effective treatment at a fair price.

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 each Monday from 4 to 6 p.m. on KSNM-AM 570. Gary also publishes the Real Estate Connection newsletter, is a member of the Board of Directors of Las Cruces Downtown Partnership and is the 2007 recipient of the NM Broadcaster's Associations Talk Show Host of the Year award. Questions or comments may be directed to Gary at 525-2400 or by emailing gary@garysandler.com.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Gary Sandler is turning 62

On the Agenda

National Security Technology Conference

The second annual National Security Technology Conference will be held March 2 to 4 at Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces. Panel members and industry experts will discuss business opportunities in the region's billion dollar national security sector. David Crandall of the National Nuclear Security Administration will give the keynote address, titled "Role of Technology in National Security." Also speaking will be Tom Cellucci of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and Pete Domenici, former U.S. senator from New Mexico. Early bird registration, which ends Feb. 19, is $200. New Mexico State University faculty, staff and students receive a discounted rate of $100. For more information, contact Chris Kientz at 646-2596 or by email at NSTI-Admin@nmsu.edu.

Date: Tuesday, March 2 to Thursday, March 4
Time: TBA
Location: Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces 705 S. Telshor Blvd.
Contact: 646-2596

Jobs Resources Fair

U.S. Rep. Harry Teague will host a Jobs Resources Fair to connect potential employers in the area with New Mexicans seeking employment from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. The event is free for both employers and members of the community. For more information, call Vivek Gopalan at 202-225-4780 or email vivek.gopalan@mail.house.gov.

Date: Monday, Feb. 22
Time: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum 4100 Dripping Springs Road
Contact: 202-225-4780 or vivek.gopalan@mail.house.gov

Send us your agenda items!

Local organizations and businesses are encouraged to send their workshop and meeting items to be included in the Business Section of the Las Cruces Bulletin. Send general information about the event, as well as the date, time, location, contact and cost, if any, to business@lascrucesbulletin.com. Agenda items must be received by noon Friday for consideration in the next week's Bulletin.

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Ziacase honors Guard one pillowcase at a time

CFSNM manages new effort to bring happiness to soldiers

Courtesy of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico

Trudi Hahn Pickett can't stop thinking about pillowcases. She thinks about pillowcase colors, patterns and fabric types and sales. Most of all, though, she thinks of the men and women of the New Mexico National Guard Joint Forces and the impact she can have in their lives with a simple pillowcase.

Last year, Pickett, an avid sewer, wanted to help the National Guard when she realized the men and women there are actively deployed year round. After seeing a similar program in Arizona, she created Ziacase in October 2009 and set out to sew colorful pillowcases for the men and women of the Guard. After contacting the New Mexico National Guard Family Readiness Program, which takes care of families during a deployment, she found a vehicle from which to disburse the pillowcases.

"Ziacase is a statewide community project to salute our neighbors who deploy in units of the New Mexico National Guard Joint Forces," Pickett said. "I wanted to lean on the idea that the benefits run in both directions. I hope the troops enjoy the cases, but I also wanted to create a pathway for the community to get together in a service project, and specifically for the National Guard, which I felt was underserved by community support."

John Ryan and Cathy Stanley work on pillowcases during a sew-in at Trudi Hahn Pickett's home.

Cathy Stanley appreciated Pickett's desire to bring the community together and gladly joined the effort. When Pickett holds sew-ins at her home to cut, pin and sew pillowcases for disbursement, Stanley joins along with others such as John Ryan, Edna Majestic and Rita Bureman.

"I was always trying to figure out how to help the troops. I do know how to sew, so I realized I can do this and make a difference in someone's life," Stanley said.

By June, Pickett and the others hope to have sewn 1,100 cases, which are usually handed out to families so they can send to the troops in their monthly care packages. Oftentimes the cases are used for laundry bags and as protectors for boots on beds. With bright patterns and vivid colors, the pillowcases also bring a spark of brightness and a reminder of memories past.

"My understanding is that these troops live in a world of tan and gray," Pickett said. "I want them to have a spark of color wherever they are at."

Favorite patterns of the guardsmen include John Deere, fishing, hunting and hot air balloon graphics. The type of fabric Pickett uses runs from $8.50 to $10 a yard and one yard is needed for each pillowcase.

When Pickett began organizing Ziacase, she knew she wanted to start quickly but doing the paperwork and starting a 501(c)(3) was going to take time. Having the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico as the fiscal advisor made the most sense, so she met with Executive Director Luan Wagner Burn and made the arrangement. Once Robin Deguzman created the illustration of the chiles for the tag attached to the pillowcases, Pickett sewed 12 cases for her first batch of deliveries and began seeking support.

"I feel this community is rich in people who are willing to give," she said. And they do, donating money to the CFSNM and fabric to the American Red Cross to brighten the lives of deployed soldiers.

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How to help

For more information about Ziacase, contact Trudi Hahn Pickett at pickett.ziacase@comcast.net or call 527-5213. For more information about the Guard's Family Readiness Program, email Eliane Notah, Family Assistance Center coordinator, at eliane.notah@us.army.mil or call 505-862-1404.

Donations of fabric are tax-deductible through the Red Cross. Gender-neutral designs and no chemicals on the fabric, including no scented detergent, no fabric softener, no dryer products and no smoke.

Tax-deductible monetary donations for fabric, postage, etc., can be made by check (memo line: Ziacase) to the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico, 301 S. Church St., Ste. H, Las Cruces, NM 88001.

City of Las Cruces Building Permit Report January 29, 2010

Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico

Permit #	Permittee	Owner	Project	Address	Value	Permit
20100543	N/A	N/A	New/Res	4339 Calle Amarilla Arc	N/A	N/A
20100488	DRH Southwest Construction Inc.	Westmoreland ENT LLC	New/Res	4732 Zeno Place	$264,286	$2,220
20100489	DRH Southwest Construction Inc.	Westmoreland ENT LLC	New/Res	4735 Zeno Place	$177,530	$2,072
20100515	Thurston Equity Corp.	Ken Thurston Homes LLC	New/Res	7552 Sierra De Oro Place	$178,678	$1,773
20100510	Hakes Brothers Construction LLC	Sonoma Ranch Commercial LLC	New/Res	4746 Prentice	$158,260	$3,638
20100512	Hakes Brothers Construction LLC	Ornithes Inc.	New/Res	N/A	$169,740	$1,758
20100500	Roadrunner Construction Co.	Greg S. and Polly Jean Peabody	Reroof	1945 Settlers Bend	$7,434	$72
20100531	Steven and Veronica Guerra	Logos Development	New/Res	7361 Vista de Sobre Drive	$194,504	$3,700
20100517	Triple S Construction	Thomas W. and Inez M. Neilsen trustees	Comm/Add	300 N. Seventeenth St.	$147,000	$591
20100528	Desert View Homes	NM Lots LLC	New/Res	4057 Monte Sombra Ave.	$216,972	$1,838
20100524	Ken Berry Construction Inc.	Logos Development	New/Res	1906 Piqueto	$0	$3,350
20100527	Desert View Homes	Desert View Homes LLC	New/Res	4061 Monte Sombra Ave.	$195,570	$1,802
20100519	Approved Roofing	Apolonio G. and Nancy G. Moreno	Reroof	756 Williams	$3,000	$45
20100491	GS Roofing	Shelly R. and D. Carl Sullivan	Reroof	1700 Palo Verde Ave.	$6,123	$64
20100554	Gary L. Labe Inc.	Julian M. and Viola S. Chacon trustees	Comm/Alt	516 E. Las Cruces Ave.	$13,950	$110
20100572	DRH Southwest Construction Inc.	Westmoreland ENT LLC	New/Res	4736 Zeno Place	$249,690	$2,195

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

Doña Ana County Building Permit Report January 29, 2010

Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico

Permit #	Contractor	Owner	Project	Address	Subdivision	Permit
35319	Stearns Custom Homes	Boyd and Helen Prouty	New/Res	5518 Camino Escondida	Tierra Escondida	$1,003
35324	Sundance C & D LLC	Rodney Rance	Swimming Pool	6016 Lazo del Norte	Tierra Escondida Phase I	$139
35326	Organ Vista Builders	Organ Vista Builders	New/Res	3909 Mira Valle Court	La Jolla Del Monte No. 1	$1,238
35330	Self	Raul and Lucia Hernandez	Res/Add	7674 Amber Drive	Amber Mesa	$140
35331	Hiett Construction	Rae Lynn Gough	Res/Add	240 Avenida Mirador	El Mirador	$190
35333	Gold Key Builders LLC	Robert D. Rivas	New/Res	4243 Santa Lucia	The Sanctuary Phase I	$850

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Cash flow is decisive when pricing the value of a small business

Do the math, get it on paper

By Wayne Unze
Director of business brookerage at Maestas & Ward Commercial Real Estate

Courtesy of Finance New Mexico

Pricing a business for sale requires evaluating its cash flow – another name for a business's earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and owner's compensation are subtracted. Cash flow is then multiplied by a number that falls within a range appropriate for the industry and market – a number that takes into account other variables that affect the business.

But unlike multimillion dollar enterprises, small businesses often find much of their cash flow goes toward the owner's compensation (salary and benefits). To accurately determine a small business' true cash flow, its owner's total compensation package must be removed from the equation to reveal essential operating expenses to avoid undervaluing the business.

> "... small businesses often find much of their cash flow goes toward the owner's compensation."

The easiest and most widely accepted way to do this is to add all components of the owner's compensation – things like health insurance premiums, salary, auto lease and profit sharing – to the earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (known as EBITDA). Other additions might include non-recurring expenses such as one-time moving expenses; however a seller must be able to prove all the cash flow components. This means any expense he or she maintains is not business-related or is personal compensation and must have a receipt or other validating document supporting the claim.

This revised cash flow sum is multiplied by two or three to arrive at a range of business value; if the resulting number is less than the current value of the business' assets, the asset value then becomes the company's true value. The cash flow multiple can be increased somewhat if cash flow exceeds $300,000 and even more when it passes $500,000, since more debt can be serviced at that level.

Other factors that can influence the value of a business are age and condition of equipment, real estate owned by the company, age of business and history of profits, among other things.

Here's a sanity test to employ when trying to decide if a business is fairly priced: After a typical down payment of 30 to 35 percent, the business' cash flow should be able to retire the balance of the debt while providing the buyer an adequate living wage.

To illustrate this equation, let's say ABC Inc. has a net profit of $30,000 on sales of $600,000. For an accurate number of this business' value, consider that the business' operating expenses include the owner's salary ($50,000), his health insurance premium ($5,000), his profit sharing ($20,000) and his leased company car ($7,000 per year). Other cash flow components in the operating expenses include interest payments of $10,000, depreciation of $25,000 and amortization of $3,000. When these operating expenses are added to the net profit, the cash flow of this business is a respectable $150,000. Multiply that number by two or three, and ABC Inc. is worth between $300,000 and $450,000.

If the buyer put down $150,000 (one-third) on an offer of $450,000, the debt service would be about $4,528 per month on a seven-year payout at 7 percent annual interest (standard terms). After servicing the $54,300 annual debt, the buyer would still have about $96,000 remaining as his compensation package and return on his initial investment.

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

Career connections

STEVE MACINTYRE I The Las Cruces Bulletin

Daryl Nikkel of FCC Services tells interested students about job opportunities with his company during New Mexico State University's Career Connections job fair Tuesday, Jan. 27, at the Corbett Center Student Union Ballrooms. Students, from left, are Bernado Lopez, Ana Palacios, Flor Ogaz and Edwardo Rosalez.

NMSU regents OK bonds for eight new building projects

Permanent facility to be built in Chaparral

New Mexico State University's Board of Regents gave approval to move forward on four building projects at its regular meeting Monday, Feb. 1, in Santa Fe.

The projects include the NMSU Doña Ana Community College Chaparral Center, phase one of the Center for the Arts, the Las Cruces campus bookstore and phase two of the Chamisa Village housing complex. The projects total more than $75 million in new construction for the NMSU system. Funding for the projects is available through a variety of sources including revenue bonds, voter-approved general obligation bonds, severance tax bonds and private gifts.

"All of these projects are meeting important needs for the communities we serve and are on aggressive building schedules," said Michael Rickenbaker, director of facilities planning.

The Chaparral Center construction project will be the first phase of construction for a permanent facility to replace current temporary facilities and will include the extension of roads and utilities into the site, construction of a new parking lot and storm water ponding areas.

The Chaparral Center has been successful and space continues to be needed to accommodate growth and to meet projected demand for services. This 5,665-square-foot project sets the stage for further development of this campus.

Phase two of the Chamisa Village Apartments will provide 300 more beds to accommodate upper-level students who want to live on campus. The 127,321-square-foot project will be constructed next to and immediately east of the existing phase one Chamisa Village Apartments, which were completed in 2006.

The apartments will be loosely arranged in four courtyards, slightly smaller but more open than the first courtyards, each with communal functions such as laundry facilities. The apartments will use existing parking that was originally constructed for the Alumni Dormitories, which were demolished in 2005.

The first phase of the Center for the Arts project is a 49,000-square-foot building containing a 500-seat performing arts theater with full fly loft for teaching stage craft, multi-disciplinary classrooms, rehearsal spaces, offices, galleries and laboratories and support spaces.

This facility will begin the university's intention to turn a face to the community of Las Cruces along University Avenue and to create a gateway feature at one of the main entrances to the university.

The Center for the Arts also will gather NMSU's scattered arts programs in one central location, encouraging more collaborative activity and providing the community easier accessibility to the many creative endeavors on campus. Its development has been planned in collaboration with each involved department and the community.

The bookstore is another new campus gateway project at the corner of University Avenue and Jordan Street and will contain spaces for several auxiliary functions and several retail commercial spaces. The new 45,000-square-foot building also will have a café space within it.

This project begins the first step in the transformation of this corner into the new entrance to the university, as envisioned in the 2006 Master Plan. The new bookstore also will fulfill a contractual obligation to Barnes & Noble and free up current bookstore space in the Corbett Center Student Union for student uses.

In other business, the regents approved the naming of the Foreman Engineering Complex Room 330 as the William C. McCarthy STEM Memorial Laboratory. McCarthy, a long-time professor of civil engineering, former associate dean and interim dean of the College of Engineering, was instrumental in making the NMSU campus accessible to physically challenged persons and in the efforts to achieve ADA compliance for the campus. He unexpectedly passed away earlier this year.

The regents also heard a report from Carmen Gonzales, vice president for student success, about enrollment. Spring enrollment at NMSU has increased more than 8 percent.

"Our analysis of enrollment data shows we are doing a good job of retaining students as well as bringing in new students."

At Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe

PHOTOS BY GABRIEL VASQUEZ

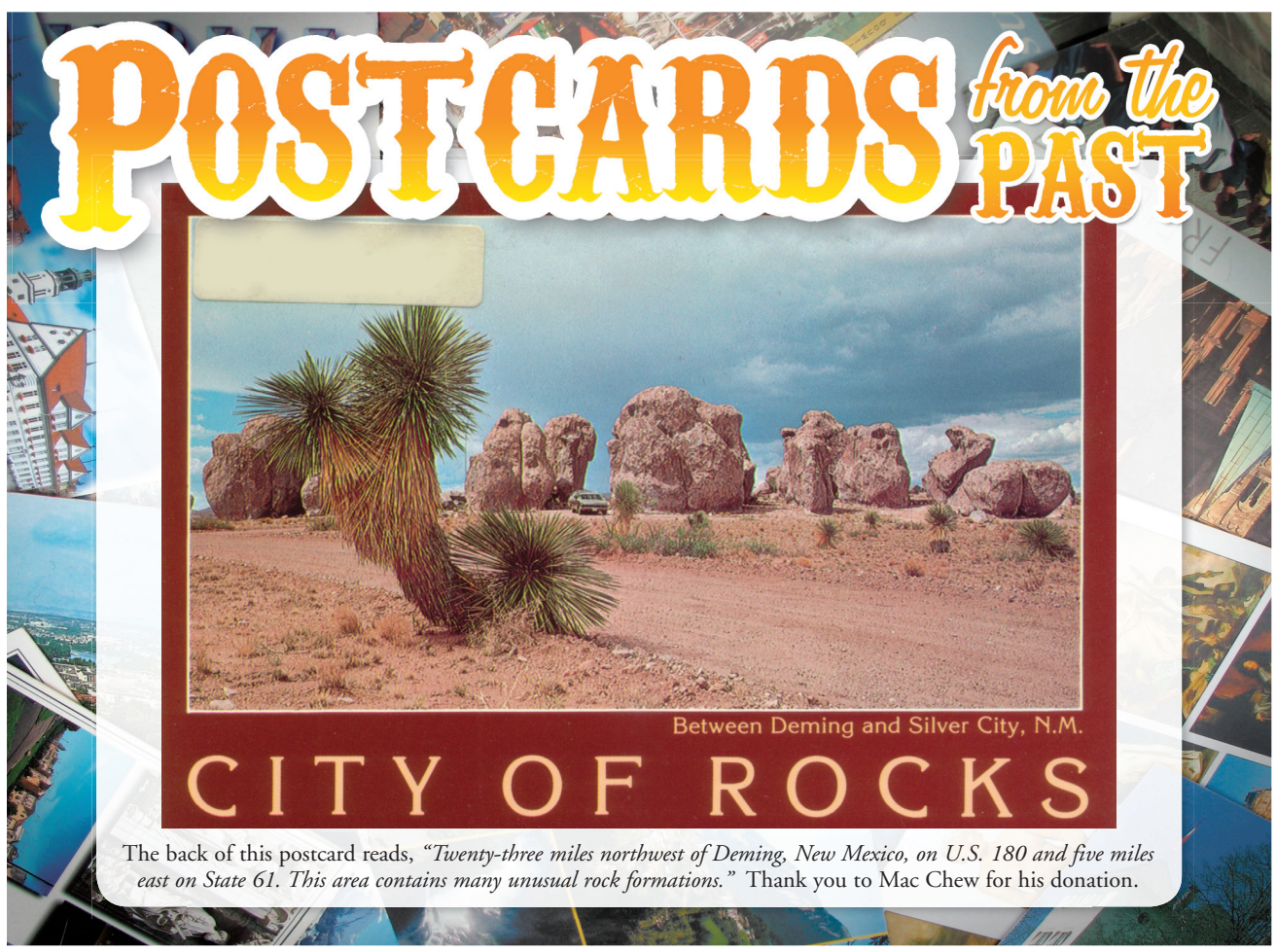
Economic Development Secretary Fred Mondragón thanks Las Crucens for their support of Spaceport America during the Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe reception at the Governor's Mansion Sunday, Jan. 31, in Santa Fe.

New Mexico State University President Barbara Couture and husband Paul Couture receive a warm welcome during the reception at the Governor's Mansion.

First Lady Barbara Richardson, Doña Ana Community College President Margie Huerta and Gov. Bill Richardson

Audrey Hardman-Hartley promotes MountainView Regional Medical Center during the Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe booth expo held Monday, Feb. 1, at the Roundhouse in Santa Fe.

Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce board chair Kiel Hoffman and Conquistadore Stacie Christiano greet attendees at the Governor's Mansion.



The back of this postcard reads, *"Twenty-three miles northwest of Deming, New Mexico, on U.S. 180 and five miles east on State 61. This area contains many unusual rock formations."* Thank you to Mac Chew for his donation.

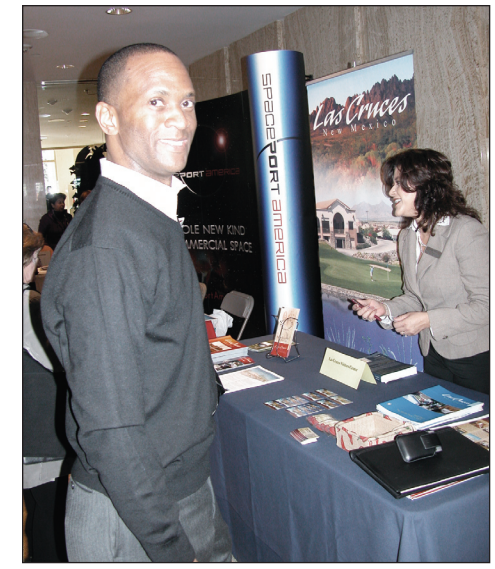
City Councillor Nathan Small, Jorge Lopez of the Las Cruces Bulletin and Win Jacobs listen to Gov. Bill Richardson speak.

Las Cruces architect Greg Smith, David Hicks, manager of the Las Cruces Convention Center and Conquistadore and Las Cruces Bulletin ad consultant Chris Mitchell chat briefly at the Roundhouse expo.

An animated Anna Mae Evans, member of the Federated Republican Women of Doña Ana County, chats with Kirk Clifton, Kent Evans and Audrey Hardman-Hartley at the Governor's Mansion Sunday.

State Sen. Steve Fischmann squeezes into the crowd to listen Richardson speak during the LCDSF reception at the Governor's Mansion.

More than 200 Las Crucens showed to network and listen to the governor speak.



Las Cruces City Manager Terrence Moore stops by the Roundhouse to check out local business booths.

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DOÑA ANA COUNTY THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

NO. D-307-CV-2008-02901

Western Bank n/k/a Bank of the West, Plaintiffs

v.

Frank Barrera and Melissa Barrera AND JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE (WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN) TENANTS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 10, 2010, at 10:00am, located at the Third District Court Judicial Complex, 201 West Picacho, Las Cruces, NM 88005, 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:

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A"

EXHIBIT A
A tract of land situate south of Fort Selden, Doña Ana County, New Mexico in Section 24, T.21S., R.1W., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys as part of U.S.R.S. Tract 1-9A1A and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:
BEGINNING at a point in the center of a concrete lined irrigation ditch for the southeast corner of the tract herein described, whence the northeast corner of Section 24, T.21S., R.1W., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys bears N. 64°07' 19"E., a distance of 3341.59 feet;
THENCE from the place of beginning and following along the center of said irrigation ditch S. 65°16'30"W., 238.31 feet to the southwest corner of this tract;
THENCE leaving the irrigation ditch N.29°22'00"W., 357.13 feet to the northwest corner of this tract;
THENCE N. 60°38'00"E., 237.53 feet to the northeast corner of this tract, a point on the east line of a 5.000 acre tract previously conveyed;
THENCE S. 29°22'00"E., 376.41 feet to the place of beginning, containing 2.000 acres of land, more or less. Subject to a 5 foot wide irrigation ditch easement parallel and immediately adjacent to the southerly property line, a 10 foot wide irrigation ditch parallel and immediately adjacent to the westerly property line and other easements of record together with a 20 foot wide road and utility entry easement lying north of this tract and being described as follows:
BEGINNING at the southeast corner of said road easement identical to the northeast corner of the abovedescribed 1.000 acre tract;
THENCE from the place of beginning S. 60°38'00"W., 20.00 feet to the southwest corner of this easement;
THENCE N. 29°22'00"W., 516.18 feet to a point on the south line of Doña Ana County Road D-058 for the northwest corner of this easement;
THENCE following the county road around the arc of a curve to the left having a radius of 120.00 feet, an arc length of 20.87 feet, through a central angle of 9°57'56" and whose long chord bears N.77°00'27"E., 20.85 feet to the northeast corner of this easement;
THENCE leaving the county road S. 29°22'00"E., 510.31 feet to the place of beginning, containing 0.236 acres of land, more or less. Field notes by Botsford Land Surveying, Inc.,

The address of the real property is 517 Hayride, Las Cruces, NM 88007. Said Sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on September 18, 2009, 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 $88,192.81, plus interest from June 30, 2008 to the date of sale at the rate of 7.0000% 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 to the above- described real property subject to the rights of redemption.

Dated: 2010.

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Dates 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2010

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-09-2495

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING LP, fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP, Plaintiff,

vs.

DAWN C. MIRANDA and, if married, JOHN DOE A, (True Name Unknown), her spouse; JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), Tenants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 10, 2010, 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 3057 Executive Hills Road, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:
Lot A4, Block 11, MAJESTIC HILLS SUBDIVISION NO. 2, REPLAT OF PART OF TRACT A, BLOCK 10, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on Plat No. 934 thereof filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk of said county on May 24, 1978, and recorded in Book 12, Pages 191-192, Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 4, 2010, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $167,501.70 and the same bears interest at 7.250% per annum from January 1, 2010, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $1,364.11. 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,
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Dates 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2010

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

No. D-0307-CV-2008-02027

NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE CO., Plaintiff,

v.

GEORGE CORRALES; STATE NATIONAL BANK; OCCUPANTS WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF GEORGE CORRALES, IF ANY; UNKNOWN MANUFACTURED HOME OWNERS; UNKNOWN MANUFACTURED LIENHOLDERS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 10, 2010 at 10:00 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 7, Rinconcito subdivision, in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on April 9, 2003, recorded in book 20, page 306, plat records, Doña Ana County, New Mexico The address of the real property is 150 Rinconcito Court, Rincon, NM 87940. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on October 29, 2009, 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 $82,183.06 plus interest from September 30, 2009 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.750% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Notice is further given that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption. Dated: , 2010.

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Dates 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2010

STATE OF NEW MEXICO DOÑA ANA COUNTY THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

NO. D-307-CV-200801949

BANK OF THE WEST a/k/a COMMUNITY FIRST NATIONAL BANK, Plaintiffs

v.

Molina, Carlos and Cathy M. AND JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE (WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN) TENANTS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 10, 2010, at 10:00am, Third District Court Judicial Complex, 201 West Picacho, Las Cruces, NM 88005, 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 A, WOODBURN SUBDIVISION, LOCATED IN DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON MARCH 23, 1976 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 12, AT PAGES 84-85, OF THE PLAT RECORDS. SUBJECT TO RESERVATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD.
The address of the real property is 9030 Tammy Lane, Las Cruces, NM 88012. Said Sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on September 11, 2009, 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 $17,850.74, plus interest from May 14, 2008 to the date of sale at the rate of 9.0000% 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 to the above- described real property subject to the rights of redemption.

Dated: 2010.

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Dates 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2010

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-0307-CV-200900268

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,

v.

LISA M. PEREZ; MARIANNE H. RYAN; DAVID W. SHOEMAKER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LISA M. PEREZ, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 10, 2010 at 10:00 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 46, block 5, Sunrise Terrace addition phase II, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filedin the office of the County Clerk of said County on March 29, 1978, in book 12 page(s) 170-172 of plat records. The address of the real property is 1798 Webster Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on October 27, 2009, 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 $160,298.35 plus interest from August 27, 2009 to the date of sale at the rate of 7.0% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption. Dated:, 2009.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2009-798
Judge Gary M. Jeffreys

COMPASS BANK, formerly known as State National Bank, Plaintiff,

vs.

JOSEPH K. NEVAREZ, MICHELE R. NEVAREZ, ABN AMRO MORTGAGE GROUP, INC., and any and all unknown claimants, Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 11, 2010, at the hour of 11:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the offices of Holt Babington Mynatt, P.C., 1660 Hickory Loop, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell and convey all of the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, Joseph K. Nevarez and Michele R. Nevarez, in and to the below described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The properties to be sold are situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as follows:

1. 2750 Monte Bello, Las Cruces, New Mexico, and being more particularly described as:

Lot 10, Block A, Rancho Lomas Subdivision Phase 2, 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 22, 2004, in book page(s) of plat records.

2. 2490 Suncrest Arc., Las Cruces, New Mexico, and being more particularly described as:

Lot 6, Block 5, The Ridge at Northrise Phase III, in the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on March 21, 2001, recorded in Book 19, Page(s) 612-613, plat records, Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a Corrected Order Granting Summary Judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on November 2, 2009 against Defendants Joseph K. Nevarez and Michele R. Nevarez, being a Complaint for debt and money due and to foreclose real estate mortgages under which Plaintiff was adjudged to have a first and prior lien against the above-described real estate at 2750 Monte Bello, Las Cruces, New Mexico, and a subordinate lien to a mortgage held by ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. against the real estate at 2490 Suncrest Arc., Las Cruces, New Mexico, securing payment of its Judgment in the principal sum of $630,808.90 with interest continuing at the rate of 8% per annum from August 5, 2009, until paid, plus attorney fees and costs of $ 4,675.00. The Judgment bears interest to date of sale. Sale is being made to satisfy the Judgment plus interest and will be made to the highest and best bidder for cash, except that the Plaintiff may bid its judgment or any part thereof. The property at 2490 Suncrest Arc. shall be sold subject to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc.'s mortgage. The time and date of sale may be postponed by the Special Master if he deems it advisable.

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 property will be sold separately or en masse and that the purchaser, or purchasers, at such sale shall take title to the above described real property, or properties, subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

The attorney for the Plaintiff is Matthew P. Holt of Holt Babington Mynatt P.C., P.O. Box 2699, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-2699.

DOUG BOBERG
Special Master

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-CV-200901313

LEGAL NOTICES

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HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR WELLS FARGO ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION HOME EQUITY ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-3, Plaintiff,

v.

ALBERT R. POLANCO; CINDY A POLANCO; IRENE C, POLANCO; OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF IRENE C. POLANCO, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 10, 2010 at 10:00 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: A tract of land situate in the City of Los Cruces, being Lot 8, Block 58, Original Townsite of Las Cruces, (O.T.S. Block 58), Plat filed September 15, 1853. in Nat Book 6, Page 1, Doña Ma County records and being more particularly described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a 1/2" iron rod set on the West line of North San Pedro Street for the Northeast corner of the tract herein described, whence the Southwest corner of Block 204 County Assessor's Plat No. 2 bears the following two courses and distances, N. 17º57'55"W, 75.51 feet; Thence N69º53'51"E., 700.04 feet; Thence from the point of beginning and along the West line of North San Pedro Street, S.17º57'55"E., 41.10 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set for the Southeast corner of this tract; Thence leaving the West line of North San Pedro Street, S.72º51'20"W., 117.25 feet to a cross set for the Southwest corner of this tract; Thence N. 16º19'13"W., 42.00 feet to a cross set for the Northwest corner of this tract; Thence N, 73º18'32"E., 116.06 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.1113 acre of land, more or less The address of the real property is 823 North San Pedro Street, Las Cruces, NM 88001. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on October 14, 2009, 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 $63,399.39 plus interest from July 24, 2009 to the date of sale at the rate of 9.875% 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. Dated: , 2010.

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

No. CV-09-2379

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

VICTOR HERNANDEZ and LIDIA HERNANDEZ, Defendants.

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:
LOT 3, BLOCK 5, RIO VISTA SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

The street address of this property is 205 Nueces St., Sunland Park, New Mexico 88063 (hereafter "Subject Property").

The Default and Stipulated Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure (hereafter "Judgment") was entered on December 31, 2009.

The sale is to begin at 10:05 a.m. on February 23, 2010, at the front door of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho, 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, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

As of December 31, 2009, the sum necessary to satisfy the judgment is as follows:
1. The remaining principal balance $110,890.13
2. Accrued interest $9,141.91
3. BPO/appraisal fees $384.51
4. Late charges $162.23
5. Reconveyance fee $9.00
6. Preservation charges $60.00
7. Reasonable attorney's fees, costs and expenses $1,575.59

TOTAL $122,223.37

Interest shall continue to accrue at the rate of $29.62 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.

/s/ John A Darden, Esq.
200 W. Las Cruces Ave. #B
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-09-2465
Judge James T. Martin

CHARTER BANK, a federally chartered savings bank, Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD CHAPMAN AKA EDWARD D. CHAPMAN AND ANGELINA CHAPMAN AKA ANGELINA B. CHAPMAN, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on February 23, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., in front of the main door of the Third Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, 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 Defendants in and to the following described real estate located in the above-named County and State:
Lot numbered 8 in Block numbered 2 of Desert Wind Estates, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Desert Wind Estates, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on May 3, 2006 in Plat Book 21, Folio 606-607.

The address of the real estate is 5929 Leaping Lizard Loop, Las Cruces, New Mexico. The sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on January 4, 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 $195,553.38 (including interest 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 any respective bids verbally or in writing. Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time of the sale, the Special Master is empowered to postpone the time and date of the sale if he deems such postponement advisable by appearing at the time, date and place advertised and announcing to all present that the sale is postponed to a new time, date and place. The Special Master shall not be required to publish any notice of the new time, date and place of the postponed sale.

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 January 11, 2010.

/s/John A. Darden, III,
Special Master
PO Box 578
Las Cruces, New Mexico
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Submitted by:
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. CV-09-321

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

JOSE ALEJANDRO JUAREZ; MARIA ENFANTE JUAREZ; and MELISSA C. JUAREZ, Defendants.

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:
ATRACT OF LAND SITUATE NORTH OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS PART OF LOT 22, BLOCK 9 OF ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND AND TRUST COMPANY SUBDIVISION 'C' PLAT FILED JULY 18, 1911 IN PLAT RECORD 4, PAGE 43, DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, IDENTICAL TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 22, BLOCK 9 OF THE ABOVEMENTIONED SUBDIVISION; THENCE FROM THE PLACE OF BEGINNING S. 64 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 33 SECONDS W., 87.67 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE N. 25 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 00 SECONDS W., 322.50 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE N. 64 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 33 SECONDS E., 197.74 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET ON THE EAST LINE OF THE DOÑA ANA BEND COLONY GRANT FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE ALONG SAID GRANT LINE S. 27 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 40 SECONDS E., 77.48 FEET TO A BRASS CAP FOUND FOR AN ANGLE POINT (A.P. 58); THENCE S. 1 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 00 SECONDS E., 269.53 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 1.1625 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS. SAID TRACT SUBJECT TO A 7.5 FOOT WIDE UTILITY EASEMENT PARALLEL AND IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO THE EASTERLY BOUNDARY LINE AND A 15 FOOT WIDE ROAD EASEMENT PARALLEL AND IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO THE WESTERLY BOUNDARY LINE.

The street address of this property is 2920 Benito Juarez Rd., Las Cruces, New Mexico 88012 (hereafter "Subject Property").

The Amended Default Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure (hereafter "Judgment") was entered on December 21, 2009.

The sale is to begin at 10:00 a.m. on February 23, 2010, 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, including the senior mortgage. 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 and the cost of publishing this notice, then for any costs incurred for the maintenance and protecti of the property, then to satisfy the judgment in favor of Plaintiff, and any excess proceeds will be held pending further court order or deposited in the court registry.

As of December 21, 2009, the sum necessary to satisfy the judgment is as follows:

1. The remaining principal balance $71,079.29
2. Accrued interest $7,526.59
3.BPO/appraisal fees $342.50
4. Late charges $10.00
5. Reconveyance fee $9.00
6. Property preservation fee $105.00
7. Reasonable attorney's fees, costs and expenses $3,833.81

TOTAL $82,906.19

Interest shall continue to accrue from December 21, 2009 until the judgment is satisfied at the rate of $13.58 per day. In addition, reasonable attorneys' fees and any additional costs of collection and suit incurred after the judgment may be awarded by the Court and satisfied from the proceeds of the sale.

/s/ John A. Darden, III, Esq.
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA STATE OF NEW MEXICO

No: DM-2009-1777
Judge: Douglas R. Driggers

MARIANETTE FLORES, Petitioner,

VS.

ALFREDO FLORES, Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

You are hereby notified that a suit has been filed against you in the said Court and County by the above-named Petitioner, requesting a Divorce/Dissolution of Marriage on the grounds of incompatibility, and a division of property and debts.

You must file a Response or responsive pleading within 20 days of the date of the last publication of this Notice or judgment by default will be entered against you and the relief requested in the Petition will be granted.

Marianette Flores, 758 Koogle Road, Anthony, New Mexico, 88021, Pro Se

WITNESS the Honorable Douglas R. Driggers, 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 31st day of December, 2009.

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
BY: Jodie Castillo
Deputy

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-09-1735

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING LP, fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP, Plaintiff,

vs.

THE ESTATE OF MARGARET M. MACE, Deceased; CLIFFORD L. GODLEVSKY, individually, and as Personal Representative of The Estate of Margaret M. Mace, Deceased; CLIFFORD L. GODLEVSKY, as Trustee of the Margaret M. Mace Revocable Trust UTA dtd. June 24, 1998; WILLIS WAYNE MACE; TIMOTHY R. GODLEVSKY; ARTIE W. MACE; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR LEGATEES OF THE ESTATE OF MARGARET M. MACE, Deceased; JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), tenants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 24, 2010, 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 3029 Optiz Road, Anthony, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:
A tract of land situate Northwest of Anthony, Doña Ana County, New Mexico as part of Lot 15, Section 16, T.26S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys as U.S.R.S. Tract 25-62B2B and more particularly described as follows, to wit:
BEGINNING at an iron rod found at the West line of Doña Ana County Road A-61 also known as O Pitz Road for the Northeast corner of the tract herein described; whence the East 1/4 corner of Section 16, T.26S., R.3E., bears NORTH 215.17 feet;

THENCE from the point of beginning and following along the West line of the County Road A-61 SOUTH 254.91 feet to an iron rod found for the Southeast corner of this tract;

THENCE leaving the County Road WEST 256.32 feet to an iron rod found for the Southwest corner of this tract;

THENCE NORTH 254.91 feet to an iron rod found for the Northwest corner of this tract;

THENCE EAST 256.33 feet to the place of beginning, containing 1.500 acre of land more or less, Subject to a 10.00 foot wide utility easement parallel and immediately North of the South boundary.
Field Notes by Moy Surveying Co.
Job No. 86-763
(Lic. No. 5939).

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 6, 2010, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $143,378.13 and the same bears interest at 7.125% per annum from January 1, 2010, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $1,539.35. 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

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at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

Pamela A. Carmody,
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c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-0307-CV-200901316

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR HARBORVIEW MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST MORTGAGE LOAN PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-5, Plaintiff,

v.

MIKE REID; CANDACE REID; OCCUPANTS WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MIKE REID; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CANDACE REID, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 17, 2010 at 10:00 AM, at 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 31, Block A, El Presidio-Phase 3B final plat, 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. 4267 on 11/23/2005 in Book 21 Page(s) 421-22 of Plat Records." The address of the real property is 2073 San Patricio Loop, Las Cruces, NM 88011. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on November 12, 2009, 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 $361,222.85 plus interest from October 15, 2009 to the date of sale at the rate of 8.750% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D0307CV200801085

THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS, CWALT, INC., ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2007-22 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-22, Plaintiff,

v.

EDUARDO NEVAREZ; MARIA L. NEVAREZ; OCCUPANTS WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 17, 2010 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, Mesilla Park Mosaic, 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 April 28, 2004, in book 20 page(s) 648-649 of plat records. The address of the real property is 1860 Tapestry Circle, Mesilla, NM 88046. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on September 29, 2008, 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 $626,555.20 plus interest from August 15, 2008 to the date of sale at the rate of 7.625% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF SANDOVAL THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-1329-CV-200901020

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P, Plaintiff,

v.

CHRIS A. ROSE; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHRIS A. ROSE, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 17, 2010 at 12:30 PM, outside the front entrance of the Sandoval County Judicial Complex, 1500 Idalia Rd., Bldg. A, Bernalillo, 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 Thirty Four (34), Block Five (5), High Range, Sandoval County, State of New Mexico, as shown on the Official Plat recorded April 27, 2004 in Plat Book 3, Page 2411-B, Real Property Records of Sandoval County, New Mexico. The address of the real property is 3804 Rancher Loop NE, Rio Rancho, NM 87144-6273. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on October 19, 2009, 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 $156,745.82 plus interest from August 17, 2009 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.750% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-CV-200900883

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., Plaintiff,

v.

JACOB GRAHAM; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. (SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER AND LENDER'S SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS); OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 17, 2010 at 10:00 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 11, Block 29, Las Colinas Planned Unit Development Phase V1-A in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, as shown and designated in the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County as plat No. 2766 on 02/02/1996 in Book 18 Page(s) 412-13 of Plat Records. The address of the real property is 5005 Rock Court, , Las Cruces, NM 88012 . Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on September 18, 2009, 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 $139,100.62 plus interest from August 28, 2009 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 mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D0307CV200800071

CITIMORTGAGE, INC. SUCCESSOR BY REASON OF MERGER WITH CITIFINANCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC., Plaintiff,

v.

CLARISSA M. PRECIADO; CHARLES T. GARDNER, JR.; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. (SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER AND LENDER'S SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS), Defendants.

SECOND NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 17, 2010 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: Lots 4, Block 1, Mason Farms Subdivision Unit 1, 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. 3772 on June 11, 2003, in Book 20 Page(s) 351 nd 352 of Plat Records and Correction filed June 26, 2003 in Book 435 Pages 904 through 908 of Doña Ana County Clerk Records. More correctly described as: Lot 4, Block 1, Mason Farms Subdivision Unit 1, 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. 3772 on June 11, 2003, in Book 20 Page(s) 351 and 352 of Plat Records and Correction filed June 26, 2003 in Book 435 Pages 904 through 908 of Doña Ana County Clerk Records. The address of the real property is 106 Desert Lily Court, Santa Teresa, NM 88008. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on March 17, 2008, 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 $121,321.15 plus interest from February 21, 2008 to the date of sale at the rate of 8% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify. Notice is further given that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages. Notice is further given that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Notice is further given that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.

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

No. CV-09-3189 (Valentine)

MARIA LUISA ROSALES, Plaintiff,

vs.

CANDY HERNANDEZ, SALLY MORALES, CONSUELO ROSALES, ESTELLA ODETTE, RAMIRO ROSALES and YOLANDA LABRADO, THE HEIRS OF LUIS CARRION ROSALES, a/k/a LUIS ROSALES SR., and MERCEDES ROSALES, his wife, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN; THE HEIRS OF DOMINGO GOMEZ and EUGENIA L. GOMEZ, husband and wife, WHETHER KNOW OR UNKNOWN; THE COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA; and ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO MAY CLAIM ANY LIEN, INTEREST OR TITLE ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF IN THE PREMISES, and ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS, IF DECEASED, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF CIVIL ACTION TO QUIET TITLE

FROM THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:

NOTICE is given that in the above-styled cause, Plaintiff has filed suit against you, the general object of which is to quiet title in fee simple in and to the real property described in the Complaint in said cause, which lands are more particularly described as follows:

A 0.079 acre tract of land, being a portion of Lots 24 and 25, Block 25, Palmer's Subdivision, situate in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and being more particularly described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

TRACT FOUR
DESCRIPTION OF A 0.079 ACRE TRACT
A 0.079 acre tract of land, being the a portion of Lots 24 and 25, Block 25, Palmer's Subdivision, situate in the City of: Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, arid being more particularly described as follows:
BEGINNING at a found iron rod for the southeast corner of the tract herein described, IDENTICAL to the southeast corner of the aforementioned Lot 25, "marked by a found iron rod;

THENCE from the point beginning S 74 degrees 58 minutes 00 seconds W, 87.16 feet along, the north line of McFie Avenue to the southwest corner of the tract herein described, marked by a set iron rod;

THENCE N 14 degrees 58 minutes 22 seconds W, 38.75 feet to the northwest corner of the tract herein described, marked by a set iron rod;

THENCE N 72 degrees 10 minutes 56 seconds E, 80.76 feet to the northeast corner of the tract herein described, marked by a set iron rod;

THENCE S 23 degrees 38, minutes 00 seconds E, 39.53 feet along the west line of First Street to the place and point of beginning, containing 0.079 acres of land, more or less, and subject to easements of record and such as may exist on the ground.

This legal description is based on field work done on September 18, 1997 by Gerald: K. Donohue; PLS 8172.

September 25, 1997
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DONOHUE LAND SURVEYS
3010 BOWMAN AVENUE
BOX 1830,
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Unless you enter your appearance herein on or before March 2, 2010, judgment will be rendered against you by default.

JOSEPH M. HOLMES, P.A. Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 366, 220 S. Water Street, Las Cruces, NM 88004-0366 (575-524-0833), is the attorney for the Plaintiff.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on this 13th day of January, 2010.

DISTRICT COURT CLERK
by /s/ ELSA GOMEZ
Deputy

Pub #9334
Dates 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2010

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-CV-200902061

HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as trustee for Wells Fargo Asset Securities Corporation Home Equity Asset Backed Certificates Series 2006-3, Plaintiff,

v.

Albert R. Polanco; Cindy Polanco, Defendants.

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NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 24, 2010 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 and the South 10 feet of Lot 25, Block C, College Place Subdivision No. Two, 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 24, 1957, in Book 1 Page 34 of Plat Records. The address of the real property is 2170 Turrentine Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on December 10, 2009, 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 $118,048.95 plus interest from November 30, 2009 to the date of sale at the rate of 8.7500% 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: , 2009.

Pamela Carmody
Special Master
c/o Castle Meinhold & Stawiarski
999 18th St., Suite 2201,
Bin 1
Denver, CO 80202
09-0598 P658220 01/22, 01/29, 02/05, 02/12/10

Pub #9335
Dates 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2010

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D0307CV200902923

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A, Plaintiff,

v.

Sonia D. Crose; Damon Dwiggins; Suzanne Tent; Rodolfo Lopez; Claudette Lopez; Occupants, whose true names are unknown, Defendants. Notice of Suit State of New Mexico to the above-named Defendant Damon Dwiggins.

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 4614 Rimrock Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88012, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as: Lot numbered 1 in Block numbered 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 May 18, 2006 in Plat Book 21, Folio 623-624. Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before March 19, 2010, judgement by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted,
Castle Meinhold & Stawiarski
By: Sharon Hankla
D. Renae Richards Charney
Keya Koul
LeNatria Holly
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Attorneys for Plaintiff
Witness the Honorable Jerald A Valentine, District Court Judge, of the Third Judicial District of New Mexico Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, this day of , 2009.

Gregory Toomey
Clerk of the District Court

By: Deputy

09-0044FC01 P658278 1/22, 1/29, 02/05/2010

Pub #9337
Dates 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2010

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

NO. CV-2010-106
Judge Jerald A. Valentine

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF RAY MALDONADO FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ray Maldonado, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein he seeks to change his name from Raymond Maldonado to Reymundo Sanchez, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Jerald A. Valentine, District Judge, on the 1st day of March, 2010, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho Ave., Las Cruces, New Mexico.
Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ray Maldonado
1900 Louise Ct.
Las Cruces, N.M. 88001
575-642-3837

Pub #9345
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2010

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D0307CV200902926

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., Plaintiff,

v.

RICHARD PAUL FLAMM; HAYLEY N. FLAMM; KATHIE JETER; CASA MEXICANA ENTERPRISES; THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION & REVENUE; GMAC; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RICHARD PAUL FLAMM; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF HAYLEY N. FLAMM, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendants Richard Paul Flamm; The Unknown Spouse Of Richard Paul Flamm. 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 3394 Chimney Rock Road, Las Cruces, NM 88011, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as: Lot 13, FOOTHILLS SUBDIVISION NO.2, located in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the Plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on April 9, 1997, and recorded in Book 18 at Pages 667-668 of the Plat Records. Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before March 15, 2010, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted,
CASTLE MEINHOLD & STA WIARSKI
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(303) 285-2222
Attorneys for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable MANUEL I ARRIETA, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, of the Third Judicial District of New Mexico Judicial District Court, DOÑA ANA County, New Mexico, this day of, 2009.

Gregory Toomey
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Deputy

09-0724 FC01 P659337
01/29, 02/05, 02/12/2010

Pub #9346
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2010

H I G H L A N D ENTERPRISES INC. is interested in receiving quotes from MBE/WBE/SBRA/DBE firms for the Onate HS Play Field Improvements Bid No. 09-10-15. Firms interested in subcontracting or suppliers may quote the various types of work such as concrete, asphalt, base course, material testing, fencing, construction staking, SWPPP. Please furnish all quotes by or prior to Tuesday, February 16, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. Project bids February 16, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. If interested please contact Highland Enterprises Inc. by phone 575-524-3551, fax 575-526-0835 or e-mail hei@highlandnm.com.

Pub #9347
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2010

H I G H L A N D ENTERPRISES INC. is interested in receiving quotes from MBE/WBE/SBRA/DBE firms for the Revised Drainage Improvements Bid No. 09-10-10. Firms interested in subcontracting or suppliers may quote the various types of work such as pipe, concrete, asphalt, base course, material testing, fencing, construction staking, construction signing, permanent signing, SWPPP. Please furnish all quotes by or prior to Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. Project bids February 9, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. If interested please contact Highland Enterprises Inc. by phone 575-524-3551, fax 575-526-0835 or e-mail hei@highlandnm.com.

Pub #9348
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2010

H I G H L A N D ENTERPRISES INC. is interested in receiving quotes from MBE/WBE/SBRA/DBE firms for the Utilities Sewer Rehab Bid No. 09-10-164. Firms interested in subcontracting or suppliers may quote the various types of work such as concrete, asphalt, base course, material testing, fencing, construction staking, construction signing, permanent signing, SWPPP. Please furnish all quotes by or prior to Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. Project bids February 9, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. If interested please contact Highland Enterprises Inc. by phone 575-524-3551, fax 575-526-0835 or e-mail hei@highlandnm.com.

Pub #9349
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2010

H I G H L A N D ENTERPRISES INC. is interested in receiving quotes from MBE/WBE/SBRA/DBE firms for the El Molino Phase V Reconstruction Bid No. 09-10-468. Firms interested in subcontracting or suppliers may quote the various types of work such as concrete, asphalt, base course, material testing, fencing, construction staking, construction signing, permanent signing, SWPPP. Please furnish all quotes by or prior to Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. Project bids February 11, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. If interested please contact Highland Enterprises Inc. by phone 575-524-3551, fax 575-526-0835 or e-mail hei@highlandnm.com.

Pub #9350
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2010

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D0307CV200902422

US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR CSAB MORTGAGE-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-2, Plaintiff,

v.

LYDIA GARCIA; OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN, IF ANY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LYDIA GARCIA, IF ANY, Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SUIT

State Of New Mexico to the above-narned Defendants Lydia Garcia and Unknown Spouse of Lydia Garcia, if any. Greetings: You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 9667 Embarcadero Road, Las Cruces, NM 88007, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as: Legal Description as Exhibit A Exhibit "A" Parcel 1 A tract of land situate at Leasburg. Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 30, Township 21 South, Range 1 East of the New-mexico Principal Meridian, being and comprising U.S.R.S. Tract 2-10C1, being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit: Beginning for a tie, at the original Southeast corner of U.S.R.S. Tract 2-10C, being a point on the westerly right of way line of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway and common easterly right of way line of Doña Ana County Road D-0567; Thence due West 31.82 feet to the Southeast and true beginning corner of the tract herein described, being a point on the westerly right of way line of a 20 foot wide road known as said Doña Ana County Road D-056; Thence N.88º11'36"W., 314.41 feet along the southerly line of said U.S.R.S. Tract 2-10C1 to the Southwest corner thereof and identical Southwest corner of the tract herein described; Thence N.29º42'52"E,. 151.81 feet along the westerly boundary of said U.S.R.S. Tract 2-10C1 to an angle point therein; Thence N.40º34'40"E., 39.00 feet continuing along said westerly boundary of U.S.R.S. Tract 2-10C1 to the intersection with said westerly right of way line of Doña Ana County road D-056, being the Northwest corner of the tract herein described; Thence S.51º03'20"E., 273.85 feet along said westerly right of way line of Doña Ana County Road D-056 to the Southeast corner and true beginning corner of the tract herein described, containing an area of 0.610 acre of land, more or less. Parcel 2 A tract of land Southeast of Radium Springs, Doña Ana County, New Mexico being part of U.S.R.S. Tract 2-10C, located in Section 30, Township 21 South, Range 1 East, N.M.P.M. and being more particularly described as follows, to wit: Beginning at the Northwesterly corner of the tract herein described, marked by an iron pipe set for the Northwest corner of U.S.R.S. Tract 2-10C, whence the centerline of the A.T. & S.F. Railway at mile post 1101 bears S.81º13'45"E., a distance of 198.96 feet; thence from said point of beginning; S.51º03'20"E., 80.00 feet along the West line of said Railway to the northeasterly corner of the tract herein described; Thence S.40º34'40"W., 60.00 feet to a point; Thence S.29º42'52"W., 151.81 feet to the southeasterly corner of the tract herein described; Thence West 61.50 feet to the Southwest corner of U.S.R.S. Tract 2-10C, and the Southwest corner of the tract herein described, marked by an iron pipe; Thence N.26º30'20"E., 254.45 feet along the West line of said U.S.R.S. Tract 2-10C to the northwesterly corner and place of beginning containing 0.334 acre of land more or less. Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before March 19, 2010, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted,
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Attorneys for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable James Thomas Martin, District Court Judge, of the Third Judicial District of New Mexico Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, this day of , 2010.

Gregory Toomey
Clerk of the District Court

By: Deputy

09-2802 FCO1 P659972 1/29, 2/5, 02/12/2010

Pub #9351
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2010

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 30, 2009, Norma Garcia, 1411 W. Taylor Rd., Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-10336 with the State Engineer for Permit to Use Supplemental Well to supplement ground and surface waters within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by using well LRG-10336, located within the NE 1/4 Section 7, Township 19 South, Range 3 West NMPM at X=1,353,532 Y=610,323 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) on land owned by Robert Franzoy, for use in conjunction with well LRG-13444-POD1, located within the NE 1/4 of said Section 7 at X=1,353,492 Y=611,526 feet on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of shallow groundwater in that amount required for beneficial use for the irrigation of 13.24 acres of land, located in the Pt. NE 1/4 of said Section 7 of which groundwater is combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District. LRG-13444-POD 1 is located approximately 1,500 feet northeast and LRG-10336 is located approximately 1,100 ft. west of the intersection of West Canal Rd. and NM Highway 187, northwest of Hatch, 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 protests 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 #9354
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2010

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA IN THE PROBATE COURT

No. PB-10-0016

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FRANCIS J. FORESTAL, 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 arc 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: January 21, 2010.

Kenneth M. Forestal
Personal Representative
of the Estate of Francis J. Forestal, Deceased
JOSEPH M. HOLMES, P .A.
Attorney at Law
P. O. Box 366
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0366
(575) 524-0833
(575) 526-0960 (fax)
Joseph M. Holmes
Attorney for the Estate

Pub #9355
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2010

Stull Storage Units #2
960 Triviz
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To:
Randy Lynch
3377 Elkridge
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 0277 at Stull Storage Units #2 will be SOLD at AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of $336.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: boxes, refrigerator, misc.

Date of Auction:
February 15, 2010

Time:
10 a.m.

Place:
Stull Storage Units #2
960 Triviz
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Stull Storage #2 – Agent
Laura Stull Kaczmarek,
Manager
(575) 525-2927

Pub #9356
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2010

Stull Storage Units #2
960 Triviz
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To:
Erica Alkire
2330 E. Nevada Ave.
Apt 416
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 0057 at Stull Storage Units #2 will be SOLD at AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of $286.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: boxes, small tv

Date of Auction:
February 15, 2010

Time:
10 a.m.

Place:
Stull Storage Units #2
960 Triviz
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Stull Storage #2 – Agent
Laura Stull Kaczmarek,
Manager
(575) 525-2927

Pub #9357
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2010

Stull Storage Units #2
960 Triviz
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To:
Marco Morales
P.O. Box 1674
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 0346 at Stull Storage Units #2 will be SOLD at AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of $276.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: television

Date of Auction:
February 15, 2010

Time:
10 a.m.

Place:
Stull Storage Units #2
960 Triviz
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Stull Storage #2 – Agent
Laura Stull Kaczmarek,
Manager
(575) 525-2927

Pub #9358
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2010

Stull Storage Units #2
960 Triviz
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To:
Randy Larry
P.O. Box 14131
Las Cruces, NM 88013

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 0642 and 0680 at Stull Storage Units #2 will be SOLD at AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of $1,016.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

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The contents of the unit consists of: car, washer, dryer, misc.

Date of Auction:
February 15, 2010

Time:
10 a.m.

Place:
Stull Storage Units #2
960 Triviz
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Stull Storage #2 – Agent
Laura Stull Kaczmarek,
Manager
(575) 525-2927

Pub #9359
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2010

Stull Storage Units #2
960 Triviz
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To:
Richard & Robyn Kahle
1912 Bromilow St.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 0241 at Stull Storage Units #2 will be SOLD at AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of $526.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: treadmills, weight bench, misc.

Date of Auction:
February 15, 2010

Time:
10 a.m.

Place:
Stull Storage Units #2
960 Triviz
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Stull Storage #2 – Agent
Laura Stull Kaczmarek,
Manager
(575) 525-2927

Pub #9360
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2010

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA

No: 09-0161

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MILDRED MAE DEMIRJIAN, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the John Lewis Demirjian 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 any published notice to creditors 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 845 N. Motel Blvd, Las Cruces, NM 88007

Dated: 29 December, 2009.

Jacqueline Bennett,
Attorney for Personal Representative
136 S. Water St.
PO Box 849
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0849
(575) 527-0225

Pub #9364
Dates 1/29, 2/5, 2010

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

Cause No. PB-09
Judge xxxxx

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LELAND H. GILE, JR., DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Dr. H. Curtis Monger has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Leland H. Gile, Jr., deceased. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the Personal Representative at Department of Plant and Environmental Sciences, Dept. 3Q, P.O. Box 30003, Las Cruces, NM 88003-8003, or filed with the District Court of Dona Ana County, 201 W. Picacho Ave., Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88005.

DATED: November, 2009

Dr. H. Curtis Monger
Personal Representative of the Estate of Leland H. Gile, Jr. Department of Plant and Environmental Sciences, Dept. 3Q, P.O. Box 30003, Las Cruces, NM 88003-8003

THE WOOD LAW FIRM P.C.
Bv /s/ D. Lyle Wood
P.O. Drawer 16288
Las Cruces, NM 88004
(575) 524-4000

Pub #9366
Dates 2/5, 2/12, 2010

AAA Affordable Self Storage LLC
5495 Lassiter Rd.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

TO:
Lowell Aeschliman
2520 Tiffany Drive
Las Cruces, NM 88011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all the contents of your storage unit #E-43 at AAA Affordable Self Storage will be publicly disposed of to satisfy our lien in the amount of $595.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: furniture, boxes and misc.

Date of public disposal:
February 13, 2010

Time:
10:00 am

Place:
AAA Affordable Self Storage,
5495 Lassiter Rd.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Sherry Owens
LLC member

Pub #9367
Dates 2/5, 2/12, 2010

AAA Affordable Self Storage LLC
5495 Lassiter Rd.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

TO:
Rachel Herrera
3005 Tortugas Dr.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all the contents of your storage unit #F 55 at AAA Affordable Self Storage will be publicly disposed of to satisfy our lien in the amount of $270.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: furniture, washer, grill, boxes and misc.

Date of public disposal:
February 13, 2010

Time:
10:00 am

Place:
AAA Affordable Self Storage,
5495 Lassiter Rd.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Sherry Owens
LLC member

Pub #9368
Dates 2/5, 2/12, 2010

AAA Affordable Self Storage LLC
5495 Lassiter Rd.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

TO:
Verenia Guardado
1115 Longoria
Anthony, NM 88021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all the contents of your storage unit #D 21 at AAA Affordable Self Storage will be publicly disposed of to satisfy our lien in the amount of $595.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: washer, dryer, mattress, boxes and misc.

Date of public disposal:
February 13, 2010

Time:
10:00 am

Place:
AAA Affordable Self Storage,
5495 Lassiter Rd.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Sherry Owens
LLC member

Pub #9369
Dates 2/5, 2/12, 2010

AAA Affordable Self Storage LLC
5495 Lassiter Rd.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

TO:
Gabrila Minjarez
P.O. Box 863
Las Cruces, NM 88047

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all the contents of your storage unit #F 7 at AAA Affordable Self Storage will be publicly disposed of to satisfy our lien in the amount of $740.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: car, toys, furniture, boxes and misc.

Date of public disposal:
February 13, 2010

Time:
10:00 am

Place:
AAA Affordable Self Storage,
5495 Lassiter Rd.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Sherry Owens
LLC member

Pub #9370
Dates 2/5, 2/12, 2010

AAA Affordable Self Storage LLC
5495 Lassiter Rd.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

TO:
Debbie Chafin
390 Manso Ave.
Las Cruces, NM 88005

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that your 2 vehicles stored at AAA Affordable Self Storage will be publicly disposed of to satisfy our lien in the amount of $745.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

Date of public disposal:
February 13, 2010

Time:
10:00 am

Place:
AAA Affordable Self Storage,
5495 Lassiter Rd.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Sherry Owens
LLC member

Pub #9371
Dates 2/5, 2/12, 2010

AAA Affordable Self Storage LLC
5495 Lassiter Rd.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

TO:
Cyndee Bourguet
P.O. Box 1066
Elephant Butte, NM 87935

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all the contents of your storage unit #A 34 at AAA Affordable Self Storage will be publicly disposed of to satisfy our lien in the amount of $520.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: furniture, boxes misc.

Date of public disposal:
February 13, 2010

Time:
10:00 am

Place:
AAA Affordable Self Storage,
5495 Lassiter Rd.
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Sherry Owens
LLC member

Pub #9372
Dates 2/5, 2/12, 2010

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-09-2897

CITIMORTGAGE, INC., successor in interest to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. by merger, Plaintiff,

vs.

LUZ SALMON; OMAR RUIZ; CANDIDA RUIZ; TAXATION and REVENUE DEPARTMENT of the STATE of NEW MEXICO; JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), Tenants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 3, 2010, 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 131 Festival Court, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:
UNIT SP 131, SUNRISE MESA HOME COMMUNITY, a Condominium, in the city of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, being situated on TRACT 7, SUNRISE MESA SUBDIVISION, PHASE IIA, filed on October 3, 2001, in Book 19 Pages 733 and 734 of Plat Records, being more fully described in DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM recorded December 13, 2001, in Book 306 Pages 345 through 405 of Official Records. Together with the undivided interest in the common area and facilities appurtenant to said unit.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 21, 2010, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $76,031.13 and the same bears interest at 7.000% per annum from January 1, 2010, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $904.03. 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 COURT

No. CV-2009-2706
Judge: Arrieta

BANK OF THE RIO GRANDE, N.A., a Banking Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD R. SALAZAR, JOHN DOE and JANE DOES 1-16, Tenants on the Property to be Foreclosed, 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 15th day of January, 2010 in the above-entitled cause, in which judgment the Plaintiff, Bank of the Rio Grande, N.A., was awarded a judgment against the Defendant, Edward R. Salazar, in the amount of $254,394.52, as of January 5, 2010, along with accrued interest to January 5, 2010 in the amount of $14,068.10, and interest accruing after January 5, 2010 at the rate of 18% per annum, for a per diem interest of $125.45 per day, together with all costs of this action in the amount of $371.13 and attorneys fees in the amount of $3,060.99, as set forth in said judgment, and by which decree I am, among other things, commanded to sell all the land and improvements thereon described in the real estate mortgage, 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 a promissory note from the Defendant Edward R. Salazar, and for foreclosure of the mortgage given to secure said note.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of March, 2010, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., at the front entrance of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico, I will, in obedience to said judgment and decree of foreclosure, sell, in bulk, as one unit, the following-described real estate, to-wit:

Lot 5B of Country Club Manor No. 3, Replat No. 4, Country Club Manor #3, Replat #4, Las Cruces, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat filed in the Office of the County Clerk, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, on June 1, 1994, in Plat Book 18, Folio 87, and having a common street address of 1150 Heather Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Together with the hereditaments and appurtenances belonging to said real estate in any way pertaining to said premises, to satisfy the Plaintiff's judgment and first mortgage in the amount of $268,462.62, together with interest thereon from January 5, 2010 to date of sale in the amount of $7,777.90, attorneys fees and costs of $3,432.12, and all costs of said sale.

Said sale shall be to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds; provided, however, that the Plaintiff Bank of the Rio Grande, N.A. 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 28th day of January, 2010.

/s/ JOSEPH HOLMES,
Special Master

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D0307CV200902901

BANK OF AMERICA, NA, Plaintiff,

v.

ROBERT D. ROUNTREE; LORENA T. RUIZ ROUNTREE; BANK OF AMERICA, NA, Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SUIT

NOTICE OF SUIT STATE OF New Mexico to the above-named Defendants Robert D. Rountree 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 4469 Hillsboro Loop , Las Cruces, NM 88012 , Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as: Lot 19 in Block F of Sandhill Center Heights Phase 5, located in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat thereof flied for record in the office of the County Clerk

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of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on November 2, 2005 and recorded in Book 21 at Pages 392-393, Plat Records Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before March 26, 2010, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted,
CASTLE MEINHOLD & STAWIARSKI
By: Sharon Hankla
D. Renae Richards Charney
Keya Koul
LeNatria Holly
Kelley L. Grosso
999 18th St., Suite 2201,
Bin 1
Denver, CO 80202
(800) 286-0013;
(303) 285-2222
Attorneys for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable JAMES THOMAS MARTIN, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, of the Third Judicial District of New Mexico Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, this day of 2009.

Gregory Toomey
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
By:, Deputy

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

Cause No.: CV-2009-3144
Judge Jerald A. Valentine

JAMES L. AND JOHNA MOORE, Plaintiffs,

v.

LAWRENCE AND KATHRYN MOORE Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF CIVIL ACTION PENDING
To: KATHRYN MOORE

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiffs, James L. Moore and Johna Moore, have 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, State of New Mexico.

The object of the action is for the collection of monies owed for breach of contract.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance or plead herein on or before the 29th day of March 2010, Judgment will be rendered in said cause against you by default.

The Plaintiffs' attorney is HOLT BABINGTON MYNATT, P.C. (Damian L. Martinez), P.O. Box 2699, Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88004. A copy of the Complaint may be requested by calling Damian L. Martinez at (575) 524-8812. If you file an Answer or any other pleading in this case, you must provide a copy to Plaintiffs' attorney at the foregoing address.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, this 29th day of January, 2010.

District Court Clerk
By: /s/ Elsa Gomez Deputy

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held during the Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Doña Ana County at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2010, in the Commission Chambers on the 1st floor of the Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces NM, on Liquor License Application number A-616022, requesting approval of the issuance of a Beer and Wine Restaurant License to PJH Properties, LLC, d/b/a Brigid's Cross, 1338 Picacho Hills Drive, Las Cruces NM 88007, which has received Preliminary Approval by the Director of the Alcohol and Gaming Division of the New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department.

Pub #9377
Dates 2/5, 2010

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-09-2576

ONEWEST BANK, FSB, Plaintiff,
vs.

MICHAEL TREMONT; and JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), tenants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 3, 2010, 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 6119 Blue Mountain Drive, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:
Lot 18 in Block D of Vista De La Montana, Phase III, located in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat thereof filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on October 21, 2005 and recorded in Book 21 at Pages 381-382, Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 21, 2010, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $171,119.85 and the same bears interest at 6.875% per annum from December 31, 2009, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $2,030.58. 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.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-09-2651

NATIONWIDE ADVANTAGE MORTGAGE COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs.

LUIS A. ROMERO; BERTHA ROMERO, and if married, JOHN DOE A (true name unknown), her spouse; NEYMA ROMERO-VALLES, and if married, JOHN DOE B (true name unknown), her spouse; and JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), tenants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 3, 2010, 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 2986 W Crocus Court, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:
LOT NUMBERED 12 OF RILLITO ACRES SUBDIVISION PHASE II, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID RILLITO ACRES SUBDIVISION PHASE II, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON OCTOBER 3, 2001 IN PLAT BOOK 19 AT PAGES 729-731,

and all improvements, including, but not limited to, the manufactured home permanently attached thereto, title to which has been deactivated in the records of the Motor Vehicle Department of the State of New Mexico.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 21, 2010, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $113,164.56 and the same bears interest at 6.500% per annum from December 16, 2009, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $1,571.90. 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.

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO. 2010 - 19

PROCLAMATION CALLING FOR AN ELECTION ON APRIL 13, 2010, IN THE CITY OF ANTHONY, NEW MEXICO, TO ELECT MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

WHEREAS, pursuant to NMSA 1978, §3-2-8, if a majority of the votes are cast in favor of incorporating an unincorporated area of a county into a municipality, the Board of County Commissioners is required to call a municipal election within 15 days of certifying such election results; and

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners certified the results of the election held on January 5, 2010, approving the incorporation of a portion of that unincorporated area of Doña Ana County known as Anthony, New Mexico, as the City of Anthony, New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NMSA 1978, §3-2-8, the election of municipal officers of the City of Anthony shall be called and conducted in the manner provided in the Municipal Election Code for regular municipal elections; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NMSA 1978, §3-2-8, the Board of County Commissioners shall perform the duties imposed by the Municipal Election Code upon the governing body of the muncipality, and the county clerk shall perform the duties imposed by the Municipal election code upon the municipal clerk,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, that on April 13, 2010, there shall be held in the newly incorporated City of Anthony a municipal election for the purpose of electing municipal officers, consisting of a Mayor, Municipal Judge, and four City Trustees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Manager and Bureau of Elections staff of the County Clerk's Office are hereby directed to take all steps necessary to conduct the election called for herein.

A person is a qualified elector of the City of Anthony, New Mexico if, on the day of the municipal election, he or she is a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age, and a resident of the City. In order to vote, qualified electors of the City must have previously registered with the Doña Ana County Clerk or any other voter registration agent in accordance with the law. Any qualified elector of the City who is not registered and who wishes to vote at the special election should register at the Doña Ana County Clerk's office, Las Cruces, New Mexico, during regular office hours prior to 5:00 p.m. on March 16, 2010 that being the twenty-eighth day immediately preceding the municipal election or register at a designated agency as provided in NMSA 1978, § 1-4-1 et. seq.

The polls for the special election will be open between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the day of the election. Voting on the day of election shall be by a voting system defined in NMSA 1978, § 1-9-1(B). At least one voting system shall be used at the polling place in each voting location.

Pursuant to the Absent Voter Act, NMSA 1978, §§ 1-6-1 through 1-6-18 (except §§ 1-6-4.2), and the Absent Voter Precinct Act, NMSA 1978, §§ 1-6-19 through 1-6-25 and by § 1-6-5, qualified electors may also vote absentee at the office of the Doña Ana County Clerk during regular hours and days of business from 8:00 a.m. on March 24, 2010, until 5:00 p.m. on April 9, 2010. Absentee voting shall be by paper ballot pursuant to NMSA 1978, §§ 1-6-7 and 1-6-9.

The consolidated voting precincts for the special election are as follows:

POLLING PLACES
Anthony Water & Sanitation District
1155 Fourth Street
Anthony, NM
Anthony Elementary School
600 Church Street
Anthony, NM

ELECTION PRECINCTS
That portion of Precinct 12 lying within the incorporated area of the City of Anthony
Precinct 80 and that portion of Precinct 11 lying within the incorporated area of the City of Anthony

Pursuant to the Absent Voter Precinct Act, NMSA, § 1-6-19 et. seq., there is hereby created an absent voter precinct for the City located in the office of the Clerk of Doña Ana County, members of which shall be appointed by the County Clerk of Doña Ana County.

As required by law, the date and time of closing registration shall be at 5:00 p.m. on March 16, 2010, that being the twenty-eighth day immediately preceding the day of the municipal election.

PASSED AND APPROVED January 26, 2010.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Oscar Vásquez Butler
Chair, District 1
For/Against

Dolores Saldaña-Caviness
Vice Chair, District 2
For/Against

Karen G. Perez
District 3
For/Against

Scott Krahling
District 4
For/Against

Leticia Benavidez
District 5
For/Against

Attest:
Lynn J. Ellins
County Clerk

DIRECCIÓN DE COMISIONADOS DEL CONDADO DE DOÑA ANA

RESOLUCIÓN No. 2010 -

PROCLAMACIÓN PIDIENDO UNA ELECCIÓN EL 13 DE ABRIL DEL 2010, EN LA CIUDAD DE ANTHONY NUEVO MÉXICO, PARA ELEGIR A FUNCIONARIOS MUNICIPALES

CONSIDERANDO QUE, de acuerdo con la ley NMSA 1978, §3-2-8, si la mayoría de los votos emitidos a favor de la incorporación de un área no incorporada del condado en un municipio, la Junta de Comisionados del Condado está obligado a convocar elecciones municipales dentro de 15 días de la certificación de los resultados de dicha elección, y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, el 12 de enero del 2010, la junta de comisionados del Condado certifico los resultados de la elección que se llevo acabo el 5 de enero del 2010, aprobado de la incorporación de parte de una parte de esa zona no incorporada del Condado de Doña Ana conocido como Anthony, Nuevo México, en la Ciudad de Anthony Nuevo México, y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, de acuerdo con la ley NMSA 1978, §3-2-8, de la elección de oficiales municipales de la Ciudad de Anthony será llamado y llevo a cabo en la forma prevista en el código electoral municipal para las elecciones municipales regulares, y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, de acuerdo con la ley NMSA 1978, §3-2-8, la junta de comisionados del Condado ejercerá las funciones impuestas por el código de las elecciones municipales en el Consejo de Administración de la munici-

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INVITATION
B/P/RFQ (BID/PROPOSAL/REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION)

Description	Number	Informational Meeting	Opening
South Central Solid Waste Authority Temporary Labor Price Agreement www.las-cruces.org/ financial_srvs/Purchasing/bids/ downloads/B09-10-459/	Bid 09-10-459	None	February 16, 2010 @ 11:00 a.m.
Street Light Poles and Fixtures (Re-bid) www.las-cruces.org/ financial_srvs/Purchasing/bids/ downloads/B09-10-491/	Bid 09-10-491	None	February 16, 2010 @ 2:00 p.m.
Curbside Collection Program Management for Recyclable Materials www.las-cruces.org/ financial_srvs/Purchasing/ bids/downloads/P09-10-385/	RFP 09-10-385	MANDATORY February 4, 2010 @ 10:00 a.m.	February 23, 2010 @ 4:00 p.m.
South Fork LC Arroyo Improvements www.las-cruces.org/ financial_srvs/Purchasing/ construction_bids/downloads/B09-10-450/	Bid 09-10-450	MANDATORY February 10, 2010 @ 10:00 a.m.	February 24, 2010 @ 11:00 a.m.
Solano Drive ADA Improvements from Cactus Street to Spruce Avenue www.las-cruces.org/ financial_srvs/Purchasing/ construction_bids/downloads/B09-10-302/	RFP #09-10-441A	None	March 1, 2010 @ 4:00 p.m.
Appraisal Services (Re-solicitation) www.las-cruces.org/ financial_srvs/Purchasing/bids/ downloads/P09-10-441A/	RFP 09-10-441A	None	March 2 (Corrected), 2010 @ 4:00 p.m.
Drill and Construct Landfill Monitoring Wells www.las-cruces.org/financial_srvs/Purchasing/ construction_bids/downloads/P09-10-196/	RFP 09-10-196	MANDATORY February 17, 2010 @ 2:30 p.m.	March 2, 2010 @ 4:00 p.m.

Sealed bids/proposals will be received by the City of Las Cruces Purchasing Department, at 1501 E. Hadley, Las Cruces, NM 88001.

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 1501 E. Hadley, Las Cruces, NM 88001.

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palidad, y el secretario del condado se encargara de las obligaciones impuestas por el Código Electoral Municipal sobre el secretario municipal,

AHORA, POR CONSIGUIENTE, QUEDA RESUELTO que por decisión de la Dirección de Comisionados del Condado de Doña Ana, Nuevo México, que el 13 de abril del 2010, deberá de llevarse a cabo en la cuidad recién incorporada de Anthony una elección municipal con el propósito de elegir a los funcionarios municipales, constituidos de un alcalde, juez municipal de la cuidad y cuatro consejeros

ADEMÁS QUEDA RESUELTO que el Manejador del Condado y el personal del Buró de Elecciones de la Oficina de el Escribano del Condado, por medio del presente indica que se tomen todos los pasos necesarios para llevar a cabo las elecciones.

Una persona cumple con los requisitos de elector de la Cuidad de Anthony, Nuevo México si el día de la elección municipal el o ella es ciudadano de los Estados Unidos, tiene al menos 18 años de edad, y es residente de la cuidad. Para poder votar, los electores calificados de la Cuidad deberán de haberse registrado anteriormente en la Oficina del Escribano del Condado de Doña Ana o con cualquier otro agente que registre votantes de acuerdo con la ley. Cualquier elector calificado de la Cuidad que cumpla con los requisitos que especifica el Condado y quien no este registrado y desee votar en las elecciones especiales, deberá de registrarse en la Oficina del Escribano del Condado de Doña Ana en Las Cruces, Nuevo México, durante horas de oficina antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 16 de Marzo del 2010, este siento el día veintiocho que antecede a las elección municipal, o registrarse en la agencia designada como lo establece la ley en NMSA 1978, § 1-4-1 et. seq.

Las casillas para la elección especial se abrirán de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. el día de la elección. La votación el día de la elección se realizará por un sistema de votación que se define en el NMSA 1978, § 1-9-1(B). Por lo menos un sistema de votación se utilizará en el lugar de votación en cada lugar de votación.

De Acuerdo con la Ley de Voto en Ausencia, NMSA 1978, §§ 1-6-1 hasta 1-6-18 (excepto §§ 1-6-4.2), y la Ley del Precinto por Voto en Ausencia, NMSA 1978, §§ 1-6-19, hasta e incluso-6-25 y por § 1-6-5, los electores calificados que cumplan con los requisitos pueden votar en ausencia en la oficina del Escribano del Condado de Doña Ana durante el horario regular y los días hábiles 8:00 a.m. el 24 de Marzo del 2010 hasta las 5:00 p.m. el 9 de abril del 2010. El voto en ausencia deberá de ser por medio de una papeleta/ boleta de acuerdo con la ley NMSA 1978, §§ 1-6-7, 1-6-9.

Se consolidaron los precintos de votación para la elección especial de la manera siguiente:

LUGAR DE VOTACIÓN
Distrito de Agua y
Saneamiento de Anthony
1155 Fourth Street
Anthony, NM
Escuela Primaria de
Anthony
600 Church Street
Anthony, NM

PRECINTO ELECTORAL
Parte del distrito 12 electoral situada en el área incorporada de la cuidad de Anthony
Distrito 80 y la parte del distrito 11 situada en el área incorporada de la Cuidad de Anthony

De Acuerdo con la Ley de Votos por Ausencia, NMSA, § 1-6-19 et. seq., por medio del presente se ha creado un precinto para votación en ausencia para la Ciudad ubicado en la Oficina de el Escribano del Condado de Doña Ana cuyos miembros serán nombrados por el Escribano del Condado de Doña Ana.

Como lo requiere la ley, la fecha y hora para el cierre de registros deberá de ser a las 5:00 p.m. el 16 de Marzo del 2010, siendo este el día veintiocho que antecede al día marcado para la elección municipal

ADMITIDO Y ACEPTADO el 26 de Enero del 2010.

DIRECCIÓN DE
COMISIONADOS DEL
CONDADO DE DOÑA ANA,
NUEVO MÉXICO

Oscar Vasquez Butler
Por/Contra
Vice-Chair, Distrito 1

Dolores Saldaña-Caviness
Por/Contra
Distrito 2

Karen G. Perez
Por/Contra
Distrito 3

Scott Krahling
Por/Contra
Distrito 4

Leticia Benavidez
Por/Contra
Distrito 5

DOY FE:
Lynn Ellins
Escribano del Condado

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Dates 2/5, 2010

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held during the Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Doña Ana County at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2010, in the Commission Chambers on the 1st floor of the Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces NM, on Liquor License Application Number 62479, requesting approval of the issuance of a Wholesaler Liquor License to Admiral Beverage Corporation, d/b/a Admiral Beverage Corporation, 6000 South Main Street, Mesilla, NM 88047, which has received Preliminary Approval by the Director of the Alcohol and Gaming Division of the New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department.

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1. Council Bill No. 10-029; Ordinance No. 2558: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2548, Which Concerns the Use of a Mobile (Cell) Telephone While Driving, to Add Penalties, Sentencing, and Fines for First, Second, Third and Subsequent Convictions Under the Las Cruces Municipal Code, Section 27-12-6-12.18(F).

Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk.

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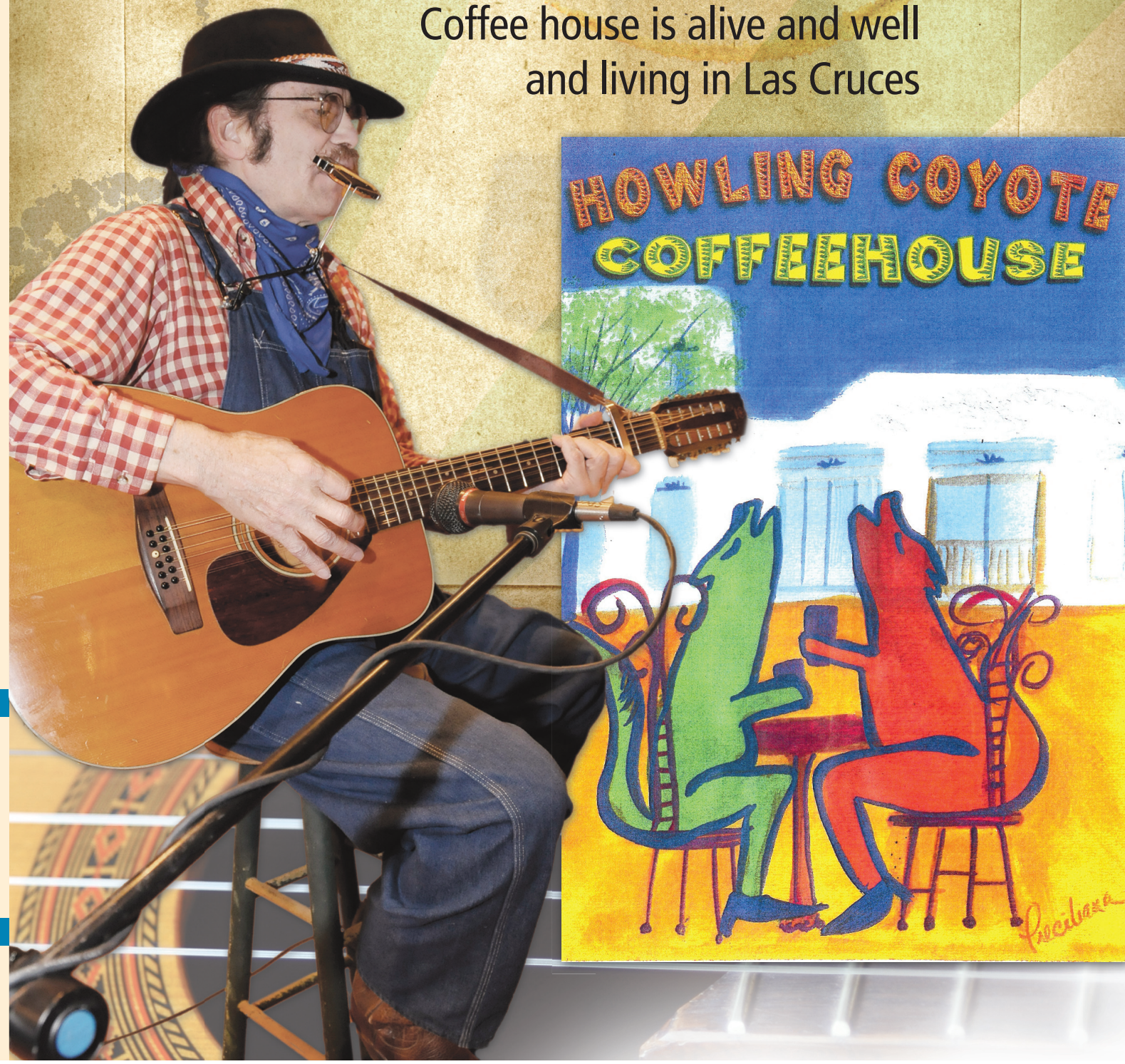
Let's dance
Ballroom dancing is good for all ages

Sing along at the HOWLING COYOTE

Coffee house is alive and well and living in Las Cruces



Mic's open at the Howling Coyote

Sing, play or just listen at an old-fashion hootenanny

By Kristine Sandrick
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Every other Friday there's a cozy place in town where you can take your guitar, poem or song and perform for a very friendly crowd. All you need is the gumption to show up, sign up and give voice to your talent. Bob and Melody Burns will provide all the encouragement you need.

The place is the Howling Coyote – also called just Coyote – an open mic café that's a throwback to the coffee houses of the 1960s. It comes to life at 7 p.m. the first and third Fridays of the month at the First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road, across from Las Cruces High School.

"We were lacking a place where singing songwriters or anybody could play," Bob Burns said. "The coffee houses used to give us a place to sing and perform or try out a new act, like a kind of lab. Howling Coyote is a place for people who are good performers, or not, but don't get the chance to perform because they have other jobs."

Burns has other jobs too. In addition to collaborating with others to orchestrate the Coyote for the past five years, beginning with For the Love of Art Month in 2005, Burns conducts and plays trumpet with the Bob Burns-Mike Caranda Orchestra and the group's combo. He and Melody Burns play at the Coyote and at churches around town. They've taken their musical act on the road, playing for many children's groups over the years.

If you think you've heard his name somewhere else, he hosts Burnsland from 9 to midnight Mondays and Tuesdays on KRWG FM 91.7.

With roots in Tucson and El Paso, Burns comes from a musical family that spawned a couple of traveling shows. He went to Austin High School then the University of North Texas-Denton, because it was the only school at the time that offered a degree in jazz, he said.

"Then my sophomore year, I transferred to New Mexico State and really connected with a lot of folks who got into doing jam sessions in local bars," he said.

When he changed to the University of Texas-El Paso for a degree in broadcasting he found even more musicians.

"I knew three or four chords on the guitar and that's when the Kingston Trio and Peter, Paul and Mary were hot. We started playing for the TKE (fraternity) rush and ended up playing for 10 years," he said.

They played at the Don Quixote coffee house in El Paso and brought in a lot of other local talent. The word got out that this was the place to be.

"The place didn't pay much, but the word got out about how much fun we were having in Juárez after the club closed," he said.

Over the years they attracted folks who went on to be major talent including Eric Howard, the original guitarist for the Mamas and Papas, and Michael Brewer of Brewer and Shipley who recorded "One Toke Over the Line." Other performers came in unannounced after their other gigs, including Hoyt Axton and Joan Baez.

The Burns met in 1992 during a peace meditation two days before the first Gulf War broker out.

"We had so much fun playing and singing, we decided to do it again the next Sunday and ended up doing it every Sunday for the next four years," he said.

Those Sunday folk fests became the Howling Coyote. The sing-along with the coffee house feeling was what Burns and company set out to recreate.

Their first venue was the former Mastery in Life Center on the North Downtown Mall.

"There was such a great stage, sound system and lights," he said. "We had about 40 people that first night but it quickly grew to 75 or more each week."

Burns said the other idea was to have a place where people can hear good entertainment and not be surrounded by alcohol, so they serve hot beverages and snacks. The music is free but guests throw in a buck or five, depending on what moves them. Today, the Howling Coyote attracts people from throughout the region to be entertained or to entertain.

"We've had more than 200 performers over the years. Some come every time and some have only been here once," he said.

The list of local performers includes Bob Diven, Benjy Rivas, Monica Gomez and Gene Keller. It also includes a bunch of regular folks who simply want to share their talent after a hard day's work.

One of those is Larry Stocker, who Burns said just showed up with his instrument in his hand.

"His guitar had been in the closet for a few years, and it came back to life," Burns said. Now the former Oñate and Gadsden high school special ed teacher has a band that plays around town and has spawned several other open mics.

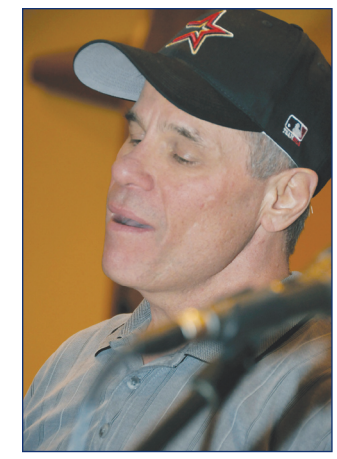
"Which I'm very happy about," Burns said.

The folks at the Howling Coyote are willing to help people get started in music. Burns even offered to help a rookie learn basic guitar chords.

"I'm just amazed at the level of talent that has shown up. One of the things we encourage is collaborations and getting people together," he said.

Burns said he's happy about the new location because the acoustics are better at this church and "the chairs are more comfortable."

For anyone with an ounce of talent to sing, play a song or read a poem, the Howling Coyote is the place to go.



Mike Weichmann sings a John Denver song for the audience filled with listeners and performers Friday, Jan. 15.

Bob and Melody Burns kick off a Friday night of singing at the Howling Coyote.

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Cover photo features J. D. Schultz playing the guitar and harmonica.

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At the Shanghai Circus

Mingyong Yuan stretches before the start of the show. The athleticism of the movement-based art makes it very important to stretch so the performers don't sprain or tear any muscles.

The male performers show off a dance using a traditional dragon.

Shanghai Circus members balance on each other during what seems like an impossible feat.

Acrobat Qingqing performs an act of contortion.

Xingyong Tang performs a plate comedy act.

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CALENDAR

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10 a.m. to noon, Sit and Stitch, St. Paul's Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave. Free to all handcrafts. Call 922-2984 or email susana50@comcast.net.

5 to 7 p.m. Downtown Art Ramble and Love of Art Month Kickoff, various locations in and around the Downtown Mall. Enjoy art exhibits, music, entertainment, shopping, refreshments and more. Free. Call 527-5018.

7 p.m. Howling Coyote Coffeehouse/ Open Mic, First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. Event features acoustic musicians, poets and storytellers on a lighted stage with professional sound provided. Sign up beginning at 6:30 p.m. Light snacks and coffee provided. Free. Call 525-9333 or 915-799-5684.

7 to 11 p.m. Mardi Gras Gala Benefit for American Southwest Theatre Company, New Mexico State University Golf Course Clubhouse, 3000 Herb Wimberly Drive, Banquet Room. ASTC presents its annual gala featuring entertainers, music, dancing, food and more. Cost $30. Call 646-4515.

SATURDAY 2.6

8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market, Downtown Mall, along Main Street. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh fruit and vegetables and unique fine art, along with much more. Free. Email staff@lascrucesfarmersmarket.org.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Stitch in Public Day, Mesilla Valley Mall, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Sponsored by the Embroiderers Guild of America, Las Cruces Chapter. Part of an event taking place across the country where members demonstrate and exhibit their work including counted cross stitch, needlepoint, beadwork and quilting. The group also meets from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. the second Saturday and the fourth Wednesday of each month at The Village at Northrise Hallmark Building, 2880 North Roadrunner Pkwy. Free. Call 521-1981.

10 a.m. An Old-Fashioned Valentine's Day, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Children ages 7 to 12 can create vintage-inspired keepsake boxes, paper flowers, hearts and cards for friends and family. Participants are encouraged to bring photographs to use in their crafts. Snacks will be provided. Pre-registration is required and the fee includes admission to the museum for one child and one adult. Cost $10 per child. Call 522-4100.

10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Greenhouse Gardening Class, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Topics include amending soils, applying herbicides and pesticides, water conservation and fertilizing. Limited to the first 25 people who pre-register. Cost is $5 for adults, $3 for senior citizens and $2 for children ages 5 to 17. Call 522-4100.

10:30 a.m. Children's Stories, Coas Bookstores, 317 S. Main St. and 669 S. Solano Drive. Douglas Jackson will be the storyteller at the Downtown location, and Pat Gill will be the storyteller at the Solano Coas store. Coas will give coupons for free books to all children who attend the storytelling sessions. Free. Call 524-8471.

The Big Band Dance Club adds Saturday evenings to the dance card beginning Feb. 6 at the Las Cruces Country Club, 2700 N. Main St. Pictured are members Dave and Janet Clements.

1 to 5 p.m. Farmers and Crafts Market, Las Cruces Events Center, 522 E. Idaho Ave. Hand made crafts, farm products and snack bar. Call 680-6515.

2 p.m. "Strings and Stories," Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Downtown Mall. Annual guests from the Piatigorsky Foundation – violinist Linda Rosenthal and actor Bill Blush – present a treat for the whole family as part of the Amazing Magical Musical Adventures series, a collaboration between the Friends of Chamber Music and the Black Box Theatre. Doors open at 1:30 p.m. Cost $5. Call 523-1223 for reservations.

2 p.m. Mesilla Valley Writers, Good Samaritan Village, 3025 Terrace Drive, Social Lounge, 1st floor, rear, Building E. Participate in a writing exercise on love. Read a short tale or poem aloud. Mesilla Valley Writers meet the first Saturday of every month. Cost is $15 for annual dues. Call 523-4196. 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Middle Eastern ethnic drum class, My Place, 140-A Wyatt Drive. $2 donation. Call 526-9509.

7 to 9 p.m. Swinging Dancers of Munson Center, will meet at the Mesilla Park Recreation Center 304 W. Bell Ave. Couples and singles ages 50 and older are invited to dance to the music of Mark Coker. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Cost $6. Call 523-1871.

7 to 9 p.m. The Big Band Dance Club, Las Cruces Country Club, 2700 N. Main St. Dance ballroom, swing and Latin styles to the music of Don LaValley. Singles and couples over 21 are welcome. Dress code. Country Club membership is not required. Cost $7. Call 642-2002 or 525-9227 or visit www.bigbanddanceclub.org.

7:30 p.m. The Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra, New Mexico State University's Atkinson Recital Hall. The LCSO presents its fourth concert this season, featuring Jon Manasse on clarinet and the works of Torke, Liebermann, Copland and Gershwin. Tickets $35, $40 and $45. Call 646-3709.

8 p.m. "Godspell," Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Downtown Mall. Tickets $10, $9 and $7. Reservations strongly recommended. Call 523-1223.

SUNDAY 2.7

Noon, "The Collaborator of Bethlehem," Temple Beth El library, 3380 Sonoma Springs Ave. A book discussion based on a mystery by Matt Beynon Rees, set in contemporary Bethlehem. Bring a brown bag lunch. Beverages will be provided. Free. Call 524-3380.

1:30 to 5 p.m. Continuous Strand Weaving, Tea Cup Garden Studio, 1955 Rincon de Amigos. Work on triangular looms, equipment provided. One-time $60 fee. Call 680-0791.

2 p.m. Chamber Music, St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave. Featuring Nathaniel Berman and Alex Aguirre-Berman. Free, although love offerings for the performers will be accepted.

2 to 4 p.m. Bluegrass, Country, Folk Music Jam, Doña Ana Community College, 3400 S. Espina St., Room 129. Held the first and third Sundays of the month. Park in the back of the building on Gregg Street. Free. Call 526-5174.

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TUESDAY 2.9

10 a.m. to noon, Sit and Stitch, St. Paul's Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave. Free to all handcrafts. Call 922-2984 or email susana50@comcast.net.

5:30 p.m. Every Other Tuesday presents Blues Messiah, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Local legends Blues Messiah features founder and lead singer Lawrence Montes, his son Michael Montes on drums, Baldomero Garcia on rhythm guitar and Jesse Gutierrez on bass. They've played the Silver City and Ruidoso Blues Festival. Though much of their music is original, they also celebrate their roots by dropping in hits by the likes of the Allman Brothers and the Isley Brothers, among others. Free. Call 523-6403 or visit www.riograndetheatre.com.

7 to 9 p.m. Continuous Strand Weaving, My Place, 140-A Wyatt Drive. Work on triangular looms, equipment provided. One-time $60 fee. Call 680-0791.

WEDNESDAY 2.10

8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market, Downtown Mall, along Main Street. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh fruit and vegetables and unique fine art, along with much more. Free. Email staff@lascrucesfarmersmarket.org.

11 a.m. Rail Readers Book Club, Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Discussion: "Deadman's Switch" by Barbara Seranella. Call 647-4480.

1:30 p.m. Reading Art Book Club, Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Downtown Mall. View the documentary "Andy Warhol: Fame: The Ultimate Performance Piece" before the regular meeting at 2:30 p.m. The meeting will focus on "The Painter from Shanghai: A Novel" by first-time novelist Jennifer Cody Epstein. Call 541-2137 or visit http://museums.las-cruces.org

6:30 p.m. Stitch 'n' Visit, Hastings, 2350 E. Lohman Ave. The focus of the group is sharing creative ideas and good conversation. To participate, bring a portable craft such as knitting, crochet, cross-stitch or embroidery. Free. Call 525-1625, email meadows@zianet.com or visit http://lascrucesstitches.multiply.com.

6:30 p.m. Drum class for women, Mikey's Place – A Workshop for the Arts, 3100 Harrelson Street at Conway Avenue in Mesilla Park. Hand drums, all levels. Cost $5. Email mvalverde@zianet.com.

THURSDAY 2.11

9 a.m. to noon, Continuous Strand Weaving, My Place, 140-A Wyatt Drive. Work on triangular looms, equipment provided. One-time $60 fee. Call 680-0791.

1 to 2 p.m. History Notes, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Program will focus on the Doña Ana Bend Colony Land Grant including an overview of the founding families, elements of the land grant that remain today, the platting of Las Cruces within the original land grant. Free. Call 541-2154 or visit www.las-cruces.org/museums.

7 p.m. New Mexico Music Legends Lecture/Film Series, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Nancy Laflin, executive director of the New Mexico Music Commission, will speak briefly about the commission and its work, followed by a screening of the documentary, "New Mexico Music Legends: Norman Petty Studios," where artists Buddy Holly, Roy Orbison, Leann Rimes and the Fireballs all recorded some of their early music hits. Suggeested donation $2. Call 522-4100.

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FRIDAY 2.12

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SATURDAY 2.13

8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market, Downtown Mall, along Main Street. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh fruit and vegetables and unique fine art, along with much more. Free. Email staff@lascrucesfarmersmarket.org.

10:30 a.m. Children's Stories, Coas Bookstores, 317 S. Main St. and 669 S. Solano Drive. Nancy Jenkins will be the storyteller at the Downtown location, and Judith Ames will be the storyteller at the Solano store. Coas will give coupons for free books to all children who attend the storytelling sessions. Free. Call 526-8377.

1 to 5 p.m. Farmers and Crafts Market, Las Cruces Events Center, 522 E. Idaho Ave. Hand made crafts, farm products and snack bar. Call 680-6515.

7:30 p.m. La Catrina String Quartet in Concert, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Downtown Mall. Enjoy an evening of music by these fine musicians known locally for their superior level of musicianship and energetic performances. All proceeds will benefit Las Cruces Friends of Chamber Music, to help the organization continue its work in the community. Tickets: $10; $8 for students. Order tickets in advance at 523-6403.

GALLERIES & OPENINGS

CONTINUING

PRESTON CONTEMPORARY ART CENTER

The center is showcasing five artists of various media in the gallery's 2010 Winter Exhibition through Sunday, March 28. The show, which has an international flavor, includes works by Malaika Zbesheski Charbonneau, Dan Davidson, Amy M. Lam Wai Man, Alan Weinstein and Peter Zelle. PCAC is located at 1755 Avenida de Mercado, Mesilla. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday, and by appointment. Call 523-8713 or visit www.prestoncontemporaryart.com.

MAIN STREET GALLERY

Watercolorist Marie Siegrist is exhibiting her original watercolors at the Main Street Gallery, 311 N. Downtown Mall, through February. Siegrist's realistic style encompasses a wide variety of subjects including close nature studies. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. Call 647-0508.

LAS CRUCES PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

The art of Las Cruces Public Schools middle school students is now on display in the gallery lobby of the LCPS Administration Building, 505 S. Main St., Loretto Towne Center, Suite 249. The middle school art show will hang throughout February. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 527-5860 or email bhosie@lcps.k12.nm.us.

NMSU ART GALLERY

The New Mexico State University Art Gallery is featuring Colombian artist Luis Roldan and "Testimonios," a mixed-media installation, through Feb. 26. The gallery is in D.W. Williams Hall on University Avenue east of Solano Drive on the NMSU campus. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday. Call 646-2545.

GALERÍA TEPÍN

Galería Tepín is featuring work by Santa Barraza, Daniel Zolinsky, Jean Buchanan and César Ívan in an exhibition called "Entre Mundos/Between Worlds," at 2220 Calle de Parian in Mesilla. Call 523-3988, email bbf@borderbookfestival.com or visit www.borderbookfestival.org.

OPENING

CORBETT CENTER AT NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY

Mountain Mysteries is the theme of the Las Colcheras Quilt Guild 10th Judged Quilt Show on Saturday, Feb. 6 and Sunday, Feb. 7. More than 200 quilts will be on display created by guild members and others in many styles and techniques. Traditional, handmade quilts will share the floor with contemporary art quilts. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Cost $5. Call 522-4902.

BRANIGAN LIBRARY

The Las Cruces Arts Association is participating in the Art Ramble from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Friday, Feb 5. The theme is "Under the Big Top." The show runs through Feb. 26, at the Terrace Gallery, second floor of the Branigan Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Hours are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

M. PHILLIP'S FINE ART GALLERY

M. Phillip's Fine Art Gallery celebrates For the Love of Art Month with an exhibit by Luiz Fuentes from Peru. Artist reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, during the Art Ramble. M. Phillip's is located at 221 N. Main St. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday; and 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Call 525-1367.

RIO GRANDE THEATRE GALLERIES

Doña Ana Arts Council welcomes internationally renowned visually impaired artist George Mendoza to both the El Paso Electric and Carolene de Mesilla galleries, beginning with an artist reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5 and running through February. The Rio Grande Theatre galleries are located in the historic Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Downtown Mall. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 523-6403.

LAS CRUCES MUSEUM OF ART

The new exhibition, "Warhol & Pop Art," opens Friday, Feb. 5 and runs through Saturday, April 3. The museum is hosting Warhol Factory Weekends in February and March for children to explore Andy Warhol's art-making process. Young artists ages 9 to 12 will create silk-screen prints with ink on paper using the same methods as Andy Warhol. Registration begins at 9 a.m. on the day of each workshop and class space is available for 10 participants. Cost is $5 per class. Warhol Factory Weekends will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m on the following Saturdays: Feb. 13 and 20, and March 13 and 20. The museum is located at 491 N. Downtown Mall. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Call 541-2137 or visit www.las-cruces.org/museums.

THETHEATREGALLERY AT THE BLACK BOX THEATRE

Showing "Free Range Art" by Meredith Loring. Loring combines her lifelong love of fabric and needlecraft and her artistic vision with a desire to see objects and materials reborn in new forms. There will be a wine and cheese reception in conjunction with the Art Ramble from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5. The exhibit runs through Feb. 14. The theatregallery is open one hour before performances and by appointment. Call 523-1223.

BRANIGAN CULTURAL CENTER

Branigan is hosting the 12th Annual ArtForms Membership Exhibit, opening with a reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, and running through Saturday, Feb. 27. Along with the ArtForms Membership Show, Wayne Crawford will host "For the Love of Lit" at the center from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, featuring readings by area poets and writers. The Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St., is located at the north end of the Downtown Mall. Galleries are open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Free. Call 541-2154 or visit http://las-cruces.org/museums.

BLUE GATE GALLERY

Blue Gate is featuring "Endangered Animals," 26 oils by Connecticut-Las Cruces snowbird Linda Miller, of close up images of animals that are endangered or threatened. The show opens with a reception on Friday, Feb. 5, during the Downtown Art Ramble and runs into March. The gallery is located at 311 N. Downtown Mall. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. Call 523-2950.

JOYCE MACRORIE GALLERY

Linda Gendall has joined the Joyce T. Macrorie Gallery. A show celebrating Gendall opens at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, and will continue through February as part of For the Love of Art Month studio tours. The gallery is located at 639 S. San Pedro St., two blocks South of Lohman Ave. at the corner of Soledad Ave. and San Pedro Street. Hours are 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. Call 571-8349.

UNSETTLED GALLERY

The Society of Layerists in Multi-Media (SLMM) will have a reception from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6 for its "Black & White & Red All Over" show as part of For the Love of Art Month SLMM, also known as Layerists, are mature, proficient artists who express a holistic worldview through diverse approaches. The show will run throughout February. The gallery is located at 905 N. Mesquite St., one block south of Spruce Avenue. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and by appointment. Call 635-2285

TOMBAUGH GALLERY

The gallery unites local artists Margaret Berrier, Peggy Brown and Sherry Gara incorporating photography, silversmithing, cast handmade paper, hand-dyed silk and mixed media work. "Touching Lightning in the Land of Oz: A Response to Place" opens from noon to 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb 7, and runs through March 5. The local artists. The Tombaugh Gallery of the Las Cruces Unitarian Universalist Church is located at 2000 S. Solano Drive. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Call 522-7281.

"Sea Feathers" by Jolene Ficklin, Las Colcheras Quilt Guild

PAISANO CAFÉ

Paisano Café,1740 Calle de Mercado, Mesilla, is featuring Ed Breeding's oil and acrylic paintings with a western theme. Call 524-0211.

MESILLA VALLEY FINE ARTS GALLERY

The Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery, 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla, features the artwork of Helga DeLisle and Ruth Ann Sugarman. There will be a reception at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13. The gallery welcomes Jim Kimball, a retired shop teacher who specialized in welding and woods. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 on Sunday. Call 522-2933.

TIERRA MONTANA GALLERY

The gallery is displaying the work of Akira and Larry Blount. The energy and beauty of nature has always sustained Akira Blount and her husband/collaborator, Larry Blount. Woodlands are particularly compelling to the pair. Most recently, in conjunction with Larry Blount's love of working in wood, Akira Blount's love of natural materials has stimulated an exploration of the spirit of nature and personification of images of the playful, creative forces in nature. The gallery is located at 535 N. Main St. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

MILAGRO COFFEE Y EXPRESSO

Milagro Coffee y Expresso, 1733 E. University Ave., is featuring Ed Breeding's oil and acrylic paintings with a western theme Mesilla. Hours are 6:30 a.m to 10 p.m. seven days a week. Call 532-1042.

ONO GRINDZ

Kurt Van Wagner's digitally exotic display of the Hawaiian Islands is on exhibit at the restaurant Ono Grindz (Hawaiian restaurant), 300 N. Downtown Mall. Van Wagner's tropical-themed show features his new Aloha creations depicting luscious swaying palms, magnificent coastlines and all the delights that make Hawaii such a wondrous place. Ono Grindz is open during lunch and dinner hours Monday through Friday and on Saturday for lunch. Call 541-7492.

CUTTER GALLERY

Cutter Gallery continues showing an exhibit by Susi and Richard Bergquist. The Bergquists are ceramic artists and each does a special category of folk art. Cutter Gallery is located at the corner of El Paseo Road and University Avenue. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

NEW MEXICO FARM & RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM

On Feb. 11, the museum opens a new exhibit, "What in the World?" The interactive exhibit features some of the most unusual objects in the museum's

Collections Room. Visitors will get to guess what each object is and how it is used. Continuing through July 18 is "Building for the Future: Rural Schoolhouses of New Mexico: 1880-1965," which takes visitors on a tour of the state where they will encounter more than 30 schoolhouses from various small communities. The exhibit will be on display. 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. on Sunday. Cost: $5 for adults, $3 for senior citizens and $2 for children ages 5 to 17. Children 4 and under are admitted free. Call 522-4100.

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Andy Warhol's pop art comes to Las Cruces

Museum foundation celebrates For the Love of Art Month

CHERYL FALLSTEAD
President, Foundation for the Las Cruces Museums

February promises to be a month filled with a hint of spring and big choices of what to do with our free time. That is because February is not only For the Love of Art Month, with numerous exhibits and events all around Las Cruces, but a month with exciting exhibits being offered at our city museums.

Las Cruces Museum of Art

The long-awaited "Warhol and Pop Art" exhibit opens at 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, at the Museum of Art, 490 N. Water St. on the Downtown Mall. This exhibit is comprised of pieces loaned to the museum from the De La Vega family and the New Mexico State University Art Gallery permanent exhibit.

Featured are numerous iconic pieces from the '60s created by a man who himself is an icon of that era, Andy Warhol. Works by his contemporaries Robert Rauschenberg, Jim Dine and Roy Lichtenstein are also included. You'll want to take your family and friends to see this exhibit, which will draw visitors from around the state and surrounding areas. In short, it is not to be missed.

If you attend during the opening, you will also have the opportunity to enjoy wonderful music performed by La Cella Bella, a cello quartet that plays a variety of popular tunes, from Beatles pieces to Metallica. In addition, portions of Andy Warhol's film "Empire" will be screened on the evening of Feb. 5.

The staff of the Museum of Art has worked for more than a year developing this exhibit. Since it was curated here, this particular collection of pop art has never before been seen. Along with pop art, including famous works such as Warhol's images of the Campbell's Soup can and Marilyn Monroe, visitors can enjoy photographs taken by Billy Name, who documented life at Warhol's studio, The Factory.

Plenty of special Warhol and pop art-related events are scheduled through the run of this exhibit, from lectures and documentary screenings to Warhol Factory Weekends for the kids. For a complete list of events, pick up a program at the Museum of Art or visit www.las-cruces.org/museums.

"Warhol and Pop Art" will remain on display through April 3, giving Las Crucens plenty of time to see the exhibit more than once. Take your kids and grandkids and try to explain life as it was in the '60s.

The Andy Warhol Foundation, Inc./Art Resource, NY

Andy Warhol's "Marilyn Monroe," 1967, is now on display at the Las Cruces Museum of Art.

Museum of Natural History

If you want a different perspective of life on Earth, visit the Museum of Natural History to see "A View from Space." Satellites circling the Earth captured these images of our planet. Visitors will be able to track a hurricane from space, send a satellite spinning into orbit around a model Earth, study images of our planet captured by NASA's Earth Observing system and more. This exhibit continues through May 9. The Museum of Natural History is located near J.C.Penney Co. in Mesilla Valley Mall, 700 S. Telshor Blvd.

Branigan Cultural Center

Since February is For the Love of Art Month, the Branigan Cultural Center will celebrate this 12th annual event with works by local artists. The ArtForms Artists Association For the Love of Art Month Member Exhibit features works by more than 40 artists working in a variety of media.

In another gallery, enjoy art created by members of the New Mexico Watercolor Society, Southern Chapter, in the "Around the Year in Las Cruces." Twelve watercolors will depict a year in the life of the City of Crosses.

The Branigan Cultural Center is celebrating 75 years. In honor of that occasion, monthly History Notes programs are being held from 1 to 2 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month. The programs are informal discussions focusing on local and regional history. The Branigan is located on the Downtown Mall at 501 N. Main St., just across from the Museum of Art. Parking for both facilities is available on Water Street.

Railroad Museum

The Railroad Museum located at Mesilla Street and Las Cruces Avenue, celebrating 100 years of the depot's opening, is offering a series of lectures about what life was like in 1910. A different topic will be explored at noon on the second Tuesday of each month. On Feb. 9, herbalist Deborah Brandt will talk about traditional garden herbs of New Mexico. Visitors are welcome to bring lunch to these lectures.

The city museums are supported by the Foundation for Las Cruces Museums, a nonprofit volunteer organization. A major source of funding for FLCM is the El Mercado de los Museos shop located in the Museum of Art. The shop is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. We are actively seeking more volunteer shop clerks. If you are interested in volunteering, call Jan Snyder at 521-3468 or email friendsoflcm@gmail.com. For more information visit www.flcm.blogspot.com.

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THEATRE

Piatigorsky players set to perform at the Black Box

'Strings & Stories' makes music more fun

The Piatigorsky Foundation of New York City returns to Las Cruces at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, with "Strings and Stories," a musical theater show featuring violinist Linda Rosenthal and actor Bill Blush.

The show will be held at the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St., as part of the Las Cruces Friends of Chamber Music monthly Amazing Magical Musical Adventures family series. The tour will also include a performance for the children and families of Jardin de los Niños.

The Piatigorsky Foundation, a nonprofit organization founded by cellist Evan Drachman, grandson of famed Russian cellist Gregor Piatigorsky, presents concerts across the country in schools, nursing homes, homeless shelters and more traditional settings.

"Strings & Stories" combines music and theater in a delightful kaleidoscope of favorite children's stories, classical music, whimsical mime and improvisation. It is fast-paced, interactive, educational and fun for audiences of every age.

Since Rosenthal created and premiered "Strings & Stories" at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., in 1995, she and Los Angeles actor Bill Blush have performed for thousands of children in schools, libraries and theaters across the country under the auspices of the foundation.

Violinist Linda Rosenthal created "Strings & Stories."

The artists' honorarium for the Las Cruces performance is being sponsored in part by Las Cruces Friends of Chamber Music, and the full honorarium for the concert at Jardin de los Niños is being provided by Temple Beth El. Tickets are $5. Call 523-1223.

Let the readings begin

Join writers and readers for the Love of Lit month

Poets and short-story writers take to the stage throughout February to share readings in conjunction with ArtForms' For the Love of Art month. For the Love of Lit, organized by poet Wayne Crawford, "features readings from a diverse group of writers and poets, including a few extraordinary students from New Mexico State University and several well-established poets and writers in the community."

"Guests can expect to hear both light and serious readings of both poetry and short fiction, and exceptionally good readers," he said.

Each reader will have only five minutes, so the program will move quickly.

"Overall, the diversity of voices and forms should make this highly entertaining," Crawford said. "The 'Warholed' reading should also be very entertaining with familiar subjects, and I expect a lot of humor."

Love of Lit month kicks off from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, with Literary Night Open Mic on stage at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Crawford is the emcee and everyone is welcome to participate. Each reader will be limited to five minutes.

Love of Lit month schedule

7:30 to 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5 – Essayist and poet Eula Biss will read as part of the La Sociedad Series at New Mexico State University. Graduate student reading is Krystal Languell. NMSU campus, Hardman Hall, Room 206

All day Tuesday, Feb. 9 – This date marks the release of Rus Bradburd's new book, "Forty Minutes of Hell: The Extraordinary Life of Nolan Richardson." Bradburn will also be reading as a part of the La Sociedad reading series on Friday, March 5.

4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14 – Hymn Festival Concert featuring nationally known guest organist, choir director and composer Michael Burkhardt, Doña Ana Youth Choir, NMSU University Singers and additional instrumentalists. First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Boutz Road

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16 – Open Mic, featuring poet Connie Wanek. Her third book, "On Speaking Terms," has just been released from Copper Canyon Press, and is a Lannan Literary Selection for 2010. Wanek's poems have been called "incomparably lovely" by U.S. Poet Laureate Ted Kooser, who named her a Witter Bynner Fellow of the Library of Congress in 2006. She was raised in Las Cruces and makes her home in Duluth, Minn. Palacio Bar, 2600 S. Avenida de Mesilla, Mesilla

7:30 to 9 p.m. Friday, Feb.19 – Writer Kevin Prufer is featured in the La Sociedad Reading Series. Graduate student is Mac McCormick. NMSU Hardman Hall, Room 206

11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20 – "Warholed: Poetry and Pop Culture" is a poetry reading about Andy Warhol, Warhol's iconic images (Marilyn, Elvis, Sigmund, Einstein, Campbell's Soup, etc.) and more generally, popular culture. Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St.

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27 – For the Love of Lit reading hosted by poet Wayne Crawford. Featuring poets and writers. Branigan Cultural Center, 500 N. Water St.

Monique Harrison plays a piano solo at the 2009 Rotary Club talent show.

Sign up for the talent show

Ages 6 through 18 are invited to perform

The Mesilla Valley Rotary Club ninth annual youth talent show competition will begin at noon Saturday, March 6, at the Court Youth Center.

Entries are now being accepted for individuals and groups in two divisions: junior ages 6 to 12, and senior ages 13 to 18. Any talent will be considered for entry. Prizes will be awarded for first-, second- and third-place and honorable mention in each division.

"The purpose of the annual event is two-fold," said Ann Morgan, talent show committee chair. "It provides an opportunity for young people ages 6 to 18 to demonstrate their talents and compete for prizes and provides an even greater opportunity, during an unprecedented economic crisis, to raise funds for youth-oriented community service projects with proven track records of success."

There are several levels of sponsorship available ranging from $100 to $1,000. All contributions are tax deductible and proceeds from the talent show go to community service projects in Doña Ana County aimed at serving the youth in our community.

Contestant applications and sponsorship packages can be obtained by calling 646-2066 during the day and 522-6411 during evenings.

Event tickets are available for $3 per person.

For more information call Ann Morgan at 646-2066 daytime or 522-6411 evenings, or Talent Show Publicity Chair, John Bacon at 640-8544.

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Margaret Berrier:
Interprets and preserves pictographs through art
Jeweler finds inspiration in ancient rock designs to create works in silver, paper

By Kristine Sandrick
The Las Cruces Bulletin

When Margaret Berrier speaks about studying rock art painting, she's not talking about Elvis on suede or Madonna in acrylic. She is referring to ancient pictographs and petroglyphs that were painted on and carved into mountainsides and cave walls thousands of years ago.

Pictographs are images painted on stone using natural pigments. There are examples throughout the world, but closer to home, the Three Rivers, N.M., pictographs convey ideas about the sun, animals and other things in nature, including man.

Petroglyphs are carvings or otherwise picking away rock. Both methods were used to leave messages. Who knew the messages would speak to us, in some cases, 6,000 years later?

Berrier uses these ancient messages to create jewelry and paper sculptures, which she also interprets so people today can learn what others so long ago wanted to convey.

Growing up in northwest Indiana, where overpasses are the highest points on the terrain and the caves are called basements, Berrier was not always looking for ancient markings. She grew up in an artistic family and enrolled at Indiana University to study fine art, especially jewelry and silversmithing.

"When I was married I had not been west of Kansas until my husband and I went trekking out west," she said.

Berrier learned quickly to appreciate the change in terrain and also got her first gander at rock art.

"That's when I first got a taste of it," she said, falling in love with changes in elevation, and soon falling in love with the ancient messages.

"They represent the thoughts of the ancient people, so in my mind they are even more important than the pottery and the architecture," she said. "They aren't 'art' in the Western sense, but they are the creative work done by ancient people."

Berrier said as an artist she feels a connection with the images. She believes a place isn't necessarily important because there is rock art, but rather the ancient peoples recognized the importance of a place for its nature, geography or weather, for instance.

"I got hooked," she said. "I fell in love with the petroglyphs and pictographs for the graphics, but then I got interested in the stories."

In addition to creating art, Berrier said she spends about 40 percent of her time recording rock art on architectural projects. She has traveled all over the world to study ancient symbols and she said was especially influenced by trips to the Sahara Desert and the Australian Outback.

This past summer, she again traveled to Australia, this time to the northern territories. She went with a friend who has been recording the stories of the Wardaman aboriginal tribe. They spent time with a man who goes by the name of Bill Harney, an aborigine elder.

"It was an amazing place," she said. "Like another planet – this trip was very special because all my work is based on rock images. It adds a whole other level when you're there with people who know the story."

She said the images she uses in her art don't just include the design but also the landscape, the people she's with and their interaction, the sun on her face and how they all relate to become art.

"Many of these images were also probably part of rituals and so important to the spiritual development and well being of those people. As one who values diversity I want to respect all of that. They are a limited resource, once they are destroyed or vandalized they are gone forever."

Berrier said she didn't have a choice in making these ancient messages part of her art.

"They decided to be part of it," she said.

Berrier has been making jewelry since 1969. To that collection she has been diligently working to add sculpted paper pieces.

Beginning at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, Berrier along with two other artists – Peggy Brown and Sherry Gara – will be presenting "Touching Lightning in the Land of Oz: A Response to Place" at the Tombaugh Gallery of the Unitarian Universalist Church, 2000 S. Solano Drive. It's a chance to take a peak into the past and delve into the land down under.

"Red Rocks Dreaming" by Margaret Barrier

Berrier took this photo of "Creation Lady" while on a trip to Inyalak Hill in Northern Australia.

Berrier's paper montage of "Creation Lady"

Margaret Berrier
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Wearing a necklace she created, Berrier poses next to her photographs.
KRISTINE SANDRICK | The Las Cruces Bulletin

Bulletin Restaurant Guide

Abraham's Café: The legend lives on

Everything is from scratch and tastes like mom made it

By Jeff Barnet
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Abraham's Café on the fourth floor of the Wells Fargo Tower is more than a restaurant: It is a legendary place that has become a second home to generations of Las Crucens. The food is homemade and tastes great, the prices can't be beat, the service is fast and friendly and all this with a magnificent view of the city.

"We're not five-star chefs," Brian Abraham said. "Everything Debbie and I make here is homemade from scratch, and tastes like your mom's cooking."

Abraham's Café has been at the fourth floor bank tower location since 1985.

"People said we'd never make it in the restaurant business," Debbie Abraham said with a laugh. "Starting out, we had to make a lot of sacrifices. We work together to make it work."

Abraham's does a brisk breakfast business. Burritos start at $2.85 and egg plates at $4.95. Of the many omelettes (starting at $5.95), Brian Abraham said the Denver and Machaca omelettes are the most popular. The Machaca is made with Philly steak meat. Brian Abraham, a former Pennsylvania steelworker, said the thinly sliced rib eye is done just right. Abraham's also serves pancakes and various skillets.

Lunches at the café are very busy, yet Brian Abraham said his goal is to get every plate out in seven or eight minutes.

"A lot of people come here to do business," he said. "I want them to be able to get their food fast and then have time to meet."

Brian Abraham's gourmet sandwiches and burgers start at $5.50 and include the green chile cheeseburger, the Mesilla Valley patty melt and the Veracruz chicken breast (a variation on a recipe the Abrahams picked up in Mexico).

Debbie Abraham makes several fresh soups and there are also salads. Many entrees are low-carb heart-healthy. Abraham's is known for its Friday fish specials: shrimp and Gulf of California fresh flounder.

Customers in a hurry may call ahead with their orders.

A special highlight of Abraham's is Debbie Abraham's homemade pies – banana crème, lemon meringue, Oreo cookie and shoo fly. She said she doesn't make the pies according to a schedule, but decides each day what she wants to bake.

"I like to keep it interesting," she said.

Her homemade meat loaf is completely fresh and all-meat and with a perfect blend of spices. It has made many people understand for the first time what real meat loaf is, and it is served with real mashed potatoes.

The Abraham's children and grandchildren have grown up in the café. So have many Las Crucens, whose children and grandchildren are customers. Abraham's has served several governors of New Mexico, lawyers, doctors and bankers, but Brian and Debbie Abraham hold a special fondness for all their customers – city employees, construction workers, college students, retirees and others.

"Whether you are wearing blue jeans or a suit and a tie, we treat everyone the same," Brian Abraham said.

Brian said he survived a health scare four years ago. He stayed in the hospital a few days, but returned to the kitchen immediately.

"Thank God I'm here," he said. "I love to be here."

Generations of Abraham's customers are glad he is here too.

JEFF BARNET | The Las Cruces Bulletin
Brian and Debbie Abraham have owned and operated the café on the fourth floor of the Wells Fargo Tower since 1985.

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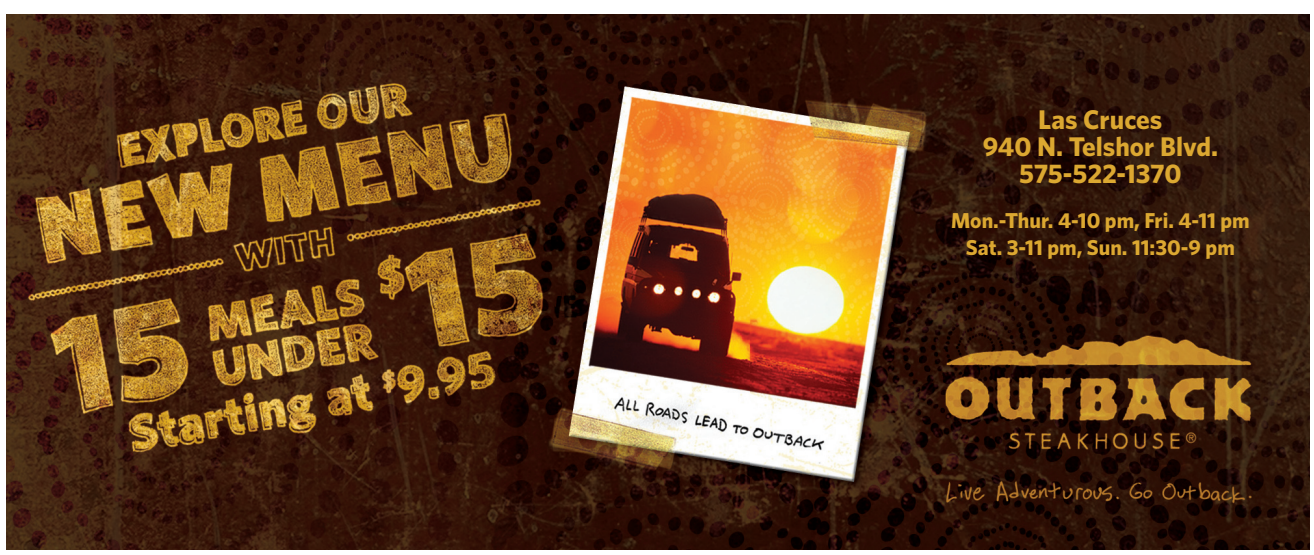

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GET IT TOGETHER

ENGLISH	SPANISH
COMMON SENSE	SENTIDO COMÚN
METHODICAL	METÓDICO
ORDERLY	ORDENADO
TO ALPHABETIZE	ALFABETIZAR
TO ARCHIVE	ARCHIVAR
TO CLASSIFY	CLASIFICAR
TO DECIDE	DECIDIR
TO ORGANIZE	ESTRUCTURAR
TO PILE UP	AMONTONAR
TO PREPARE	PREPARAR
TO RESOLVE	RESOLVER
TO TIDY UP	ASEAR

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CROSSWORD PUZZLES

Diagramless, 21 x 21

Like a regular crossword but with an added challenge. Sleuths must also create the diagram and figure out where the numbers and black squares go.

ACROSS

1 Fitness facility
4 Actor Holbrook
7 Waterholes
9 "Water Lilies" painter
11 Began with preliminary remarks
13 Buster and Diane
15 Sri Lanka export
16 Valerie Harper sit-com
18 Military group
19 Rolodex info
21 Vue or Bronco
22 Beer picks
23 "Mila 18" author
24 Quid pro __
26 Assist a bad guy
28 Seriously chubby
29 Picnic games
31 Being as stated
32 Longtime Yankee sports-caster
34 Mike Myers role
37 Meal
38 __-whiz!
39 Figure of speech
40 Interlock anew
42 Like MacDonald?
43 Photog's strips
44 Giving up
47 Camera element
48 Component piece
49 Continental cash
51 Stinging insect
54 Measure up
59 NaCl
60 Is down with
61 Hamburg native
63 Columbus native
65 Come by
66 Fort near Charleston
68 Sidewalk surfer?
71 Beset
73 Acorn trees
74 Kind of system
75 Pluto's path
77 Norway's capital
78 Ta-ta!
79 Star burst
80 Magician Henning
81 Type of grass
82 Overflow letters
84 Lucy's friend
85 Japanese entree
87 Even one
88 Plath and Pankhurst
90 Sets of four
92 Yorkshire city
93 Cavorts
94 Choler
95 Dieter's concern

DOWN

1 Fenway layer
2 Come down in buckets
3 Readable lunch?
4 Becomes more grating
5 Poker fee
6 Name for a lion
7 Sphere in a pod
8 Hot
9 Florence family
10 Explosive letters
11 Tool for evening
12 Pindar's output
13 Japanese form of self-defense
14 Followup films
15 Edible root
17 Under sail
18 Wicked state
20 Moolah
21 U.S. Uncle
25 Expressions of surprise
27 Come to a point
28 Actor Merlin
30 Backbone
31 Pulls from a jug
33 Feeble
35 Wrinkled fruit
36 Seer's sign
41 Attila follower
42 Having eight plane surfaces
45 Itty-bitty bite
46 Chewy treat
47 Gets off track, in a way
50 Obvious toupee
51 Stands by
52 __ vera
53 Piercing pains
55 Overfill
56 Reliance
57 Thompson of films
58 Relative degree
59 Movers' partners
62 Ozzie and Harriet
63 Authorizes
64 Midday
65 Peter of "Mission: Impossible"
67 Switch activator
68 Weep loudly
69 Hilo farewells
70 Fishing poles
71 Mistreater
72 Period
76 Decisive defeat
83 Popeye's Olive
84 In perpetuity
86 "__ la Douce"
87 Classified __
89 Island garland
91 On the mark

MVP

ACROSS

1 Jazz style
6 Wall hangings
13 Yield to gravity
16 Angel dust letters
19 Satellite of Jupiter
20 Daughter of King Minos
21 Jay Leno's former announcer
23 Super Bowl XIII and XIV MVP
25 Name on cakes
26 Play sections
27 Groups of eight
28 Winter mo.
29 Actor Connery
30 Urban rds.
31 City near Rawalpindi
32 Super Bowl XVI, XIX and XXIV MVP
35 You, to Yves
37 Afore
38 Military training unit
39 Moray catcher
40 Bergman's 1956 Oscar winner
43 Practice punching
44 Curmudgeonly
45 Leo of "The Bowery Boys"
46 Nostalgic song
48 Gridiron demarcations
50 Ancient country in Tuscany
52 Provide with a base
54 Tent stake
57 Ethel Mertz, e.g.
60 Orchestra member
61 A way away
62 Ring of plotters
65 "Auld Lang __"
66 Walesa of Poland
67 Bolivian capital
68 Exploiter
69 Presley hit of 1958
70 Painting, sculpture, etc.
72 "Peter __"
73 Rebelled against
75 Churned as if boiling
79 Jezebel's husband and others
80 Andes people
83 Chief city of ancient Thessaly
84 Spread open
87 Need
89 Maze
91 Lethal slipknot
92 Slackens
93 Pres. Coolidge
94 Highlands' denial
95 Super Bowl XXXIV MVP
97 Rocker Rucker
99 Old draft letters
102 Hungarian river
103 Designer of the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial
104 Plumber's concern
105 Popeye's __ Pea
106 Cape Tainaron
108 Super Bowl XXXI MVP
111 Astronomer of Alexandria
112 Property recipient
113 Chutzpah
114 Cookbook amt.
115 Island near Naxos
116 Mail by mistake
117 More bizarre

DOWN

1 Second star designations
2 Vote in
3 Super Bowl I and II MVP
4 Ben and Bobby
5 Remunerate
6 Makes thirsty
7 "Stabat Mater," e.g.
8 Stellar
9 Flavor
10 Old English letters
11 Genetic letters
12 Use needle and thread
13 "__ Street"
14 Hersey's bell town
15 Half of Ger., once
16 Beer choice
17 Charwoman
18 Fully attended
22 Accelerates
24 Amazon squeezer
28 Super Bowl XXIII MVP
31 Verbatim
32 Poked fun
33 Harem room
34 Like computer geeks
36 Pertaining to kissing
38 CBS drama series
40 Span of time
41 Alternative to ready?
42 Hebrew letter
44 Spoken
47 City slicker
49 Oahu hellos
51 Accumulate, as gas on liquid surface
53 Balanced
54 Rank below cpl.
55 Pitcher part
56 Coll. senior's test
58 Super Bowl X MVP
59 Feed the kitty
61 European nation
62 Coffee holder
63 Botanist Gray
64 Crenshaw or Hogan
66 "The Mod Squad" character
67 Thomas __ Eliot
69 Binary
70 Typefaces
71 Bank (on)
73 Tossed
74 Roadside restaurant
76 Super Bowl XL MVP
77 Superlative suffix
78 Lah-di-__
79 Southern
81 Chicago gangster
82 Architect Eero
84 Slovenly
85 Nutty confections
86 Bangs of a mane
88 Enzyme suffix
90 Struck sightless
92 Alecto or Megaera
96 Texas mission
97 Roosevelt coins
98 Sound of distaste
100 Wait on
101 Passover dinner
104 Greek letters
105 Country near Nor.
107 Canadian prov.
108 Aswan, e.g.
109 QB Manning
110 Lennon's love

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

Word Salsa

N	Ó	G	N	I	H	T	O	L	C	O	M	I	D	A
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Television Listings

Sports News Movies

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FRIDAY EVENING — FEBRUARY 5, 2010

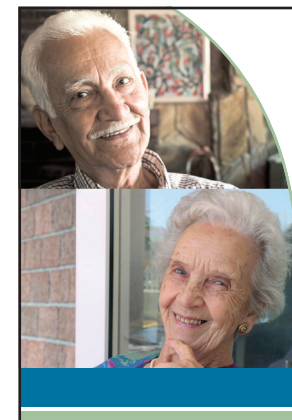
		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
PBS	2 22	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)		BBC	Wash.	McL'ghlin	NOW,	Wash	Bill Moyers Journal		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC	T. Smiley
CBS	3 3	CBS	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	Ghost Whisperer (N)		Medium (N) CC		NUMB3RS CC		News	Letterman		Late
ABC	7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	Supernanny (N)		Shark Tank (N)		20/20 (N) CC		News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
FOX	8 14	Dr. Phil (N) CC		News	Two Men	House CC		Kitchen Nightmares		KFOX News at Nine		Simpsons	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Frasier
NBC	9 9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Lopez	Law & Order "Fed"		Dateline NBC CC		The Jay Leno Show		News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
CW	14	Payne	Chris	The Dr. Oz Show (N)		Smallville "Absolute Justice" (N) CC				The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU		Access
WGN	15	Home Videos		⋆ "RoboCop 3" (1993) (In Stereo) CC				WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	S. Park	S. Park	Star Trek Gen.	
ESPN	26	Sport Sci.	NBA	NBA Basketball Chicago Bulls at Atlanta Hawks.					NBA Basketball: Nuggets at Lakers					SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2	27	High School Basketball			College Football All-Star Challenge (N)				Boxing Friday Night Fights. CC				SportsCenter Spec.		NASCAR
USA	31	NCIS "Once a Hero"		NCIS CC		⋆⋆ "Bruce Almighty" (2003) Jim Carrey.				(:02) ⋆⋆ "Liar Liar" (1997) Jim Carrey.				"Bruce Almighty"	
TNT	32	Bones CC		Bones CC		⋆⋆⋆ "A Time to Kill" (1996) Sandra Bullock. CC				(:45) ⋆⋆⋆ "The Client" (1994) Susan Sarandon.					
TBS	33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	⋆⋆⋆ "Twister" (1996) Helen Hunt, Bill Paxton.				(:25) ⋆⋆⋆ "Music and Lyrics" (2007)					Laws
COM	35	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	Martin	Presents	Presents	Comedy	Presents	John Oliver		Presents	Presents	⋆ "Scary Movie 2"	
LIFE	39	Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Project Runway		Project Runway		Models	Will	Frasier	Medium CC		Medium
FOOD	40	Challenge		Chopped		Diners	Diners	Best	Best	Good Eat	Rachael	Diners	Diners	Best	Best
HGTV	41	House	House	Property	Property	House	Buck	House	House	Unsella	First	House	Buck	House	House
A&E	43	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		(:01) Criminal Minds		(:01) Criminal Minds	
HIST	44	Gangland CC		Gangland CC		Gangland CC		American Pickers		That's Impossible		(:01) Gangland		(:01) Gangland	
TLC	45	What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		Say Yes	Dress	What Not to Wear		Say Yes	Dress	What Not to Wear	
DISC	47	Dirty Jobs CC		Dirty Jobs CC		Swamp Loggers		Swamp Loggers (N)		Dirty Jobs CC		Swamp Loggers		Swamp Loggers	
ANPL	50	Behaving Badly		I'm Alive "Saved"		I Shouldn't Be Alive		The Haunted (N)		I Shouldn't Be Alive		The Haunted		I'm Alive "Saved"	
FAM	51	Home Videos		Home Videos		Home Videos		Home Videos		The 700 Club (N)		70s Show	70s Show	Paid	Paid
DISN	52	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards-Place		Wizards	Montana
NICK	54	iCarly	Sponge	iCarly (N)	Big Time	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Lopez	Lopez
AMC	57	"The Untouchables"		⋆⋆⋆ "Space Cowboys" (2000) Clint Eastwood. CC						⋆⋆⋆ "Space Cowboys" (2000) Clint Eastwood. CC					
SYFY	59	(4:00) Caprica CC		Caprica "Rebirth"		Caprica (N)		Warehouse 13		Caprica		Warehouse 13		Stargate Atlantis	
CNN	62	Situation Room		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper	
CNBC	63	Kudlow Report (Live)		Fast Mny	Options	Swoosh! Inside Nike		American Greed		Mad Money		Swoosh! Inside Nike		American Greed	
MSNBC	64	Hardball CC		Countdown		Maddow Show		Countdown		Maddow Show		The Surfer and the Bird Rock Bandits			

SATURDAY MORNING — FEBRUARY 6, 2010

		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	2 22	(Off Air)				Painting	Fine Art	Sews	Creative	Garden	Garden	Cultivating	Hometime
CBS	3 3	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	The Early Show (N) (In Stereo) CC				Busytown	Noonbory-7	Busytown	Sabrina	Busytown	Noonbory-7
ABC	7 7	Rangers	Reporter	Good Morning El Paso		Good Morning America		Good Morning El Paso		Emperor	Replace	So Raven	So Raven
FOX	8 14	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Gladiators	Sweeper	House	Paid Prog.	Weekend	Weekend	Weekend	Weekend
NBC	9 9	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Today Olympic athletes to watch; long lashes. (N)				Turbo	Shelldon	Penguins	Babar (El)	Action Sports CC	
CW	14	(2:30) Storm Track Weather 24/7				Winx Club	Winx Club	Dinosaur	Dinosaur	Yu-Gi-Oh!	Yu-Gi-Oh!	Sonic X	Sonic X
WGN	15	Paid Prog.	People	Paid Prog.	Rosetta	Heat Surge	Jillian 2wk	Pocket	Lifestyle	Paid Prog.	Rosetta	Law Order: CI	
ESPN	26	SportsCenter CC		SportsCenter CC		SportsCenter CC		SportsCenter CC		College GameDay (Live)		College Basketball	
ESPN2	27	Span. Fly	English Premier League Soccer Liverpool vs. Everton. (Live)					Super Bowl	Super Bowl	SportsCenter CC		College Basketball	
USA	31	Paid Prog.	Debt Cure	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Tom Brokaw Presents		Psych CC		⋆⋆ "Liar Liar" (1997, Comedy) Jim Carrey. CC			
TNT	32	Law & Order (In Stereo)		Law & Order "Expert"		Law & Order "Castoff"		Leverage CC		The Closer CC		⋆⋆⋆ "The Client"	
TBS	33	Harvey	Harvey	Yes, Dear	Yes, Dear	(:10) ⋆⋆ "Laws of Attraction" (2004)				(:10) ⋆⋆⋆ "Music and Lyrics" (2007)			
COM	35	Get Ripped	Insanity	⋆⋆ "Kingpin" (1996) Woody Harrelson. CC				⋆⋆ "RENO 911!: Miami" (2007, Comedy) CC				Scrubs	Scrubs
LIFE	39	ByeBye	Paid Prog.	ByeBye	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	"Lies He Told" (1997) Gary Cole, Ron Lea. CC			
FOOD	40	Simply	Nigella	Sandra Lee	E. Krieger	Tyler's Ult.	Mexican	Minute	Chef	Home	Paula	Cooking	Ingred. Fix
HGTV	41	Demo Men	Sweat	Holmes on Homes		Holmes on Homes		Sweat	Hammer	Over, Head	Carter Can	To Sell	Curb
A&E	43	Biography Tom Hanks.		Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Flip This House CC		"Striking Distance"	
HIST	44	Heavy Metal "Radar"		Mega Disasters CC		Mega Disasters CC		The Crumbling of America CC				Day After Disaster	
TLC	45	Designing	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Property Ladder CC		Property Ladder CC		Property Ladder CC		Home Made Simple (N)	
DISC	47	Paid Prog.	BodyMkvr	Discovery Channel CME		Dirty Jobs CC		Dirty Jobs CC		Howe & Howe Tech		I Was Bitten CC	
ANPL	50	(4:00) Animal Planet Dog Championships "2007"				Dogs 101 CC		Dogs 101 CC		Dogs 101 CC		Dogs 101 CC	
FAM	51	Sabrina	Sabrina	Sabrina	Sabrina	Full House	Full House	8 Rules	8 Rules	8 Rules	"Picture This!" (2008, Comedy) CC		
DISN	52	Halloween	Mermaid	Lilo Stitch	Lilo Stitch	Einsteins	Charlie	Tigger	Chugging	Agent Oso	Handy	Mickey	Mickey
NICK	54	Grown Up	Neutron	OddParent	OddParent	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Penguins	Fanboy	Barnyard	Parents	SpongeBob	SpongeBob
AMC	57	Ab Secrets	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	⋆⋆ "Buffalo Bill" (1944) Joel McCrea. Premiere.				⋆⋆⋆ "Broken Lance" (1954) Spencer Tracy.			
SYFY	59	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	"Rest Stop" (2006, Horror) Jaimie Alexander.				"Headless Horseman" (2007) Richard Moll. CC			
CNN	62	Saturday	Gupta	CNN Saturday Morning			Bottom	Newsroom		Newsroom		Newsroom	
CNBC	63	Paid Prog.	Profit-Town	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	HAAN's	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
MSNBC	64	MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		The Hitman Tapes	

SATURDAY AFTERNOON — FEBRUARY 6, 2010

		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	2 22	Wdwright	MotorWeek	NMSU	This Old House Hr		Gourmet	Mexico	Taste This	Julia	New York	Lawrence Welk	
CBS	3 3	Skiing		Mis-tackular		History of the AFL		College Basketball California at UCLA. CC				Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
ABC	7 7	Brainpower	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	At-Movies
FOX	8 14	NASCAR Racing Sprint Cup: Daytona 500, Qualifying. CC						House "Ugly" CC		⋆⋆⋆ "Liberty Heights" (1999) Adrien Brody.			
NBC	9 9	(10:00) Action Sports From Mt. Snow, Vt. CC				PGA Tour Golf Northern Trust Open, Third Round. (In Stereo Live) CC						Paid Prog.	Raymond
CW	14	Turtles	Chaotic	Into Wild	Wild Amer	Edgemont	Edgemont	Adventures	Adventures	WHAD	Edgemont	Edgemont	Edgemont
WGN	15	Law Order: CI		Law & Order: Intent		Law & Order: Intent		Legend of the Seeker		Legend of the Seeker		Bones (In Stereo) CC	
ESPN	26	College Basketball		College Basketball Duke at Boston College. (Live)				College Basketball Texas at Oklahoma. (Live)				College Basketball	
ESPN2	27	College Basketball		College Basketball Kansas State at Iowa State.				College Basketball Gonzaga at Memphis. (Live)				College Basketball	
USA	31	NCIS "Shalom" CC		NCIS "Bury Your Dead"		NCIS "Family" CC		NCIS "Identity Crisis"		Truth in Motion		NCIS "Ex-File" CC	
TNT	32	(10:00) ⋆⋆⋆ "The Client" (1994)			⋆⋆⋆ "Ransom" (1996) Mel Gibson, Rene Russo. CC					⋆⋆⋆ "A Time to Kill" (1996) Sandra Bullock.			
TBS	33	(:15) ⋆⋆⋆ "Twister" (1996) Helen Hunt, Bill Paxton. CC					Jim	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	The Office
COM	35	Scrubs	Scrubs	⋆⋆ "Major League" (1989, Comedy) Tom Berenger. CC					⋆ "Scary Movie 2" (2001) Shawn Wayans. CC				Beerfest
LIFE	39	"Student Seduction" (2003) Elizabeth Berkley.				"The Tenth Circle" (2008) Kelly Preston. CC				"Like Mother, Like Daughter" (2007) CC			
FOOD	40	Giada	Contessa	Worst Cooks		Worst Cooks		Dinner: Impossible		Iron Chef America		Challenge	
HGTV	41	Curb/Block	Outdoor	Outside	Design	Design	Dime	Colour	Colour	HGTV Dream Home		Designed	To Sell
A&E	43	"Striking Distance"		⋆⋆⋆ "Shanghai Noon" (2000, Comedy) Jackie Chan. CC					Seagal	Seagal	Seagal	Seagal	Seagal
HIST	44	Day After Disaster		MonsterQuest CC		MonsterQuest CC		MonsterQuest CC		Vampire Secrets The legend of the vampire.			
TLC	45	What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		Dress	Yes-Dress	Dress	Dress	Dress	Dress	Toddlers & Tiaras	
DISC	47	I Was Bitten CC		I Was Bitten CC		Nature's Deadliest		Nature's Deadliest		Nature's Deadliest		Dirty Jobs CC	
ANPL	50	Dogs 101 CC		Dogs 101 CC		Dogs 101 CC		Dogs 101 CC		Dogs 101 CC		Dogs 101 CC	
FAM	51	Picture	⋆⋆ "Ella Enchanted" (2004) Anne Hathaway.				⋆⋆ "Legally Blonde" (2001) Luke Wilson CC				⋆ "What a Girl Wants" (2003) CC		
DISN	52	Movers	Handy	Phineas	Phineas	"Get a Clue" (2002) Lindsay Lohan.			(:40) Jonas	(:05) Jonas	Jonas	Jonas	Jonas
NICK	54	iCarly	iCarly	The Fairly OddParents		Penguins	Penguins	Fanboy	Fanboy	iCarly	iCarly	iCarly	iCarly
AMC	57	⋆⋆⋆ "Two Mules for Sister Sara" (1970) Shirley MacLaine.					⋆⋆⋆ "Geronimo: An American Legend" (1993) Wes Studi.					"Blazing Saddles" CC	
SYFY	59	⋆ "Joy Ride 2: Dead Ahead" (2008) CC				"Wrong Turn 2: Dead End" (2007) Henry Rollins				"The Bone Eater" (2007) Bruce Boxleitner.			
CNN	62	Your Money		Newsroom		Newsroom		Newsroom		Newsroom		Situation Room	
CNBC	63	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
MSNBC	64	Taking the Bait		Dead Men Talk		Coroner: Street		The Confessions of a Serial Killer				A Killer in the Family	



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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	2 22	News	America	Chroni	World	Monarch of the Glen		Wait God	Red	Austin City Limits		Legends & Lyrics		New	Life
CBS	3 3	News	News	Jeopardy	Fortune	"Front of the Class" (2008) (In Stereo)				48 Hours Mystery		News	CSI: NY CC		Cold
ABC	7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Insider	★★★ "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" (2001) CC						News (N)	(:35) Cheaters (N)		Wired
FOX	8 14	Legend Seeker		NASCAR Racing				Simpsons	Simpsons	News	Seinfeld	Wanda Sykes		Sit Down	Office
NBC	9 9	Foods	NBC	News (N)	Lopez	Mercy CC		Law & Order CC		Law & Order: SVU		News (N)	(:35) Saturday Night Live (N)		
CW	14	★ "Johnny Mnemonic" (1995) Takeshi				★ "Clifford" (1994) Martin Short.				The Hills	The Hills	Payne	Chris	Eye Eye	Eye Eye
WGN	15	Bones CC		NBA Basketball Miami Heat at Chicago Bulls. CC					News	Scrubs	Scrubs	★★★ "Bounce" (2000) Gwyneth Paltrow.			
ESPN	26	College Basketball		College GameDay		College Basketball				SportsCenter CC		Final	Fast	SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2	27	College Basketball		College Basketball Wright State at Butler.				College Basketball				College Football All-Star Challenge			
USA	31	NCIS CC		NCIS CC		NCIS CC		NCIS CC		Law & Order: SVU		Action Sports CC		White Collar CC	
TNT	32	"A Time to Kill"		★★ "The Da Vinci Code" (2006, Mystery) Tom Hanks. CC						★★★ "Runaway Jury" (2003) John Cusack. CC					Da Vinci
TBS	33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	★★★ "Mean Girls" (2004)			(:45) ★★ "The Wedding Planner" (2001)			(:45) ★ "Bring It On Again"			
COM	35	(4:30) ★★ "Beerfest" (2006) CC				★★ "Balls of Fury" (2007) Dan Fogler.				Tosh.0	Martin	"Jackass 2.5" CC		★★ "Beerfest"	
LIFE	39	"A Stranger at the Door" (2004) CC				"You Belong to Me" (2008) CC				Project Runway		"You Belong to Me" (2008) CC			
FOOD	40	B. Flay	B. Flay	Challenge		Challenge (N)		Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America		Challenge		Iron Chef America	
HGTV	41	For Rent	House	D. Design	Sarah	Outdoor	Block	House	House	House	House	Outdoor	Block	House	House
A&E	43	CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami "Rio"		(:01) CSI: Miami		(:01) CSI: Miami	
HIST	44	Modern Marvels		Holy Grail in America CC				The Templar Code CC				(:01) Holy Grail in America CC			
TLC	45	Toddlers & Tiaras		Toddlers & Tiaras		Toddlers & Tiaras		Toddlers & Tiaras		Toddlers & Tiaras		Toddlers & Tiaras		Toddlers & Tiaras	
DISC	47	Dirty Jobs CC		Dog Show From Long Beach, Calif. (N) (In Stereo) CC						Dog Show From Long Beach, Calif. (In Stereo) CC					
ANPL	50	Dogs 101 CC		Dog Show From Long Beach, Calif. (N) (In Stereo)						Dog Show From Long Beach, Calif. (In Stereo)					
FAM	51	"What a Girl"		★★★ "The Parent Trap" (1998, Comedy) Lindsay Lohan. CC						★★ "Heartbreakers" (2001) Sigourney Weaver. Premiere. CC					
DISN	52	Montana	Montana	Montana	Montana	★★ "The Cheetah Girls" CC		(:45) "The Cheetah Girls 2" (2006) Raven.				"Cheetah Girls: One World"			
NICK	54	iCarly	iCarly	iCarly	Jackson	Troop	Big Time	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Malcolm	Malcolm
AMC	57	"Blazing Saddles"		★★★ "Silverado" (1985, Western) Kevin Kline, Scott Glenn.						★★★ "Silverado" (1985, Western) Kevin Kline, Scott Glenn.					
SYFY	59	"House of Bones" (2010) Corin Nemec				"The Cursed" (2010) Costas Mandylor.				★★ "Dominion: A Prequel to the Exorcist" (2005)					Caprica
CNN	62	Newsroom		Investigations		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Investigations		Larry King Live		Newsroom	
CNBC	63	American Greed		Open	Open	Suze Orman Show		Debt Part	Debt Part	Open	Open	Suze Orman Show		Debt Part	Debt Part
MSNBC	64	Longest Night		Lockup: Pendleton		Lockup: Pendleton		Lockup: Raw		Lockup: Raw		Lockup: Raw		Lockup: Raw	

SUNDAY MORNING — FEBRUARY 7, 2010

		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	2 22	(Off Air)				Dinosaur	Mr Rogers	Sid	Santa Fe	Wash.	Legislature	Religion	McLaughlin
CBS	3 3	Home.	Paid Prog.	Copeland	Bondage	CBS News Sunday Morning (N)			The Nation	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Road to the Super Bowl	
ABC	7 7	Rangers	Wall Street	Good Morning El Paso		Good Morning America		Good Morning El Paso		This Week CC		Montana	Suite Life
FOX	8 14	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Faith	Paid Prog.	FOX News Sunday		Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Visions
NBC	9 9	Wine	Mtthws	Today (N) CC		Get Ripped	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Travel NM	Meet the Press (N)		NHL Hockey	
CW	14	(2:00) Storm Track Weather 24/7				Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
WGN	15	Paid Prog.	Facts	Key-David	Jillian 2wk	Jimmy Swaggart CC		Feed	Paid Prog.	Hollywood	Cultivating	WWE Superstars CC	
ESPN	26	SportsCenter CC		Outside	Reporters	SportsCenter CC		Sunday NFL Countdown From Miami. (Live) CC					
ESPN2	27	(4:00) Mike and Mike in the Morning With Mike Golic and Mike Greenberg.						SportsNation Colin Cowherd and Michelle Beadle.				SportsNation CC	
USA	31	Paid Prog.	Creflo Doll	In Touch		White Collar CC		Burn Notice CC		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	
TNT	32	Law & Order (In Stereo)		Law & Order "Divorce"		Law & Order "Carrier"		"The Librarian: Curse of the Judas Chalice"				Law & Order "Bitch"	
TBS	33	★★★ "Music and Lyrics" (2007) Hugh Grant.				"Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous"				★ "Bring It On Again" (2004) Bree Turner CC			
COM	35	Paid Prog.	Get Ripped	Martin		★★ "Meatballs" (1979) Bill Murray. CC				★★ "Major League" (1989, Comedy) Tom Berenger. CC			
LIFE	39	Ever Increasing Faith		Hour of Power CC		Ab Secrets	Health	"The Perfect Assistant" (2008) Rachel Hunter.				"Dark Beauty" (2007)	
FOOD	40	Emeril	Rescue	Chef	Ingred. Fix	Cooking	Italian	Contessa	Boy Grill	Guy's, Bite	Minute	Sandra Lee	Dinners
HGTV	41	Yard	Get Out	Curb	Dig In (N)	Yard	Holmes on Homes		Unsellable	Designed	Get It Sold	My House	House
A&E	43	Biography CC		Biography CC		Private Sessions CC		The Sopranos CC		The Sopranos CC		The Sopranos CC	
HIST	44	Victorians	Victorians	American Eats: History on a Bun CC				More American Eats CC				American Eats CC	
TLC	45	Fat Loss	Paid Prog.	Get Ripped	Paid Prog.	Moving Up CC		Moving Up CC		Moving Up New Jersey.		Moving Up CC	
DISC	47	magicJack	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Ant Wars CC		Killer Squid CC		Man vs. Wild "Iceland"		MythBusters CC	
ANPL	50	Me or Dog	Me or Dog	Bark Mad	Animals	Me or Dog	Me or Dog	Commercials		Dog Show From Long Beach, Calif. (In Stereo)			
FAM	51	Sabrina	Sabrina	Sabrina	Sabrina	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	★★★ "The Parent Trap" (1998)		
DISN	52	Buffalo Dr	Mermaid	Lilo Stitch	Lilo Stitch	Einsteins	Charlie	Tigger	Chugging	Agent Oso	Handy	Mickey	Mickey
NICK	54	Grown Up	Neutron	OddParent	OddParent	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Penguins	Fanboy	Mighty B	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob
AMC	57	(:15) ★★★ "Two Mules for Sister Sara" (1970) CC					(:45) ★★★ "Geronimo: An American Legend" (1993)					"Last of the Dogmen"	
SYFY	59	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Ghost Hunters CC		Ghost Hunters CC		Ghost Hunters CC		Ghost Hunters CC	
CNN	62	Newsroom	Gupta	CNN Sunday Morning		State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources CC		State of the Union	
CNBC	63	Paid Prog.	BodyMkvr	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Get Ripped	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
MSNBC	64	Hardball	Business	MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		In Cold Blood	

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		11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30
PBS	2 22	News	NOW, PBS	Bill Moyers Journal (N)		Christiane Northrup: Menopause and Beyond				Dr. Wayne Dyer: The Power of Intention CC			
CBS	3 3	Simms All-Iron		The Super Bowl Today (Live) CC								Kick-Off	Football
ABC	7 7	Brainpower	Paid Prog.	NBA		NBA Basketball Orlando Magic at Boston Celtics. (Live) CC				Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Entertainment Tonight	
FOX	8 14	Paid Prog.	Raceweek	★★ "Bandits" (2001, Comedy) Bruce Willis.				★★★ "The Truth About Cats and Dogs" (1996)				One Enchanted Evening	
NBC	9 9	NHL Hockey: Penguins at Capitals				PGA Tour Golf Northern Trust Open, Final Round. (In Stereo Live) CC						Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
CW	14	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Scrubs	Punk'd	Chris	Payne	American Chopper		Latino TV	LatiNation	Smash Cut	Smash Cut
WGN	15	Boston Legal "Do Tell"		★★ "He Said, She Said" (1991) Kevin Bacon.				★★★ "Bounce" (2000) Gwyneth Paltrow. CC				Becker	Becker
ESPN	26	NFL Countdwn		PBA Bowling			Madden	College Football All-Star Challenge From Miami.				30 for 30	
ESPN2	27	(10:00) SportsNation		Madden	Madden	Spanish Primera Division Soccer Teams TBA.				Madden	Madden	Track and Field	
USA	31	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	
TNT	32	Law & Order "Couples"		Law & Order "Smoke"		Law & Order (In Stereo)		Law & Order (In Stereo)		Law & Order (In Stereo)		Law & Order (In Stereo)	
TBS	33	★★★ "Mean Girls" (2004) Lindsay Lohan.				★★ "The Wedding Planner" (2001) CC				★★ "Failure to Launch" (2006) CC			
COM	35	★★ "Spaceballs" (1987) Mel Brooks. CC				★★ "Balls of Fury" (2007) Dan Fogler. CC				Larry/Cable		"Futurama: Bender"	
LIFE	39	(10:00) "Dark Beauty"		★★★ "Disclosure" (1994, Suspense) Michael Douglas, Demi Moore. CC						"Christie's Revenge" (2007) Danielle Kind. CC			
FOOD	40	Home	Big Daddy	Ace of Cakes		Cakes	Cakes	Cakes	Cakes	Cakes	Cakes	Cakes	Cakes
HGTV	41	First Place	What Get	Bang, Buck	Potential	Holmes on Homes		Holmes on Homes		House	House	House	House
A&E	43	Hoarders CC		Hoarders "Tara; Betty"		Hoarders CC		Hoarders CC		Hoarders "Augustine"		CSI: Miami CC	
HIST	44	Modern Marvels CC		Modern Marvels CC		Modern Marvels CC		Modern Marvels CC		Food Tech CC		Food Tech CC	
TLC	45	BBQ Pitmasters CC		Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss
DISC	47	MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC		Destroyed	Destroyed
ANPL	50	(9:00) Dog Show		Dogs 101 "Puppies"		Puppy Bowl VI Puppies play. (N) (In Stereo)				Puppy Bowl VI Puppies play. (In Stereo)			
FAM	51	(9:30) ★★★ "The Parent Trap"				★★ "Nanny McPhee" (2005) Emma Thompson.			★★ "Stepmom" (1998) Julia Roberts, Susan Sarandon. CC				
DISN	52	Movers	Handy	Phineas	Phineas	Wizards	Suite/Deck	Montana	Suite/Deck	Wizards	Montana	Montana	Phineas
NICK	54	iCarly	iCarly	Drake/Josh	Drake/Josh	Penguins	Penguins	Penguins	Penguins	Ned's	Ned's	iCarly	Jackson
AMC	57	(10:15) ★★ "Last of the Dogmen" (1995) CC				★★★ "Blazing Saddles" (1974) Cleavon Little.				★★★ "Silverado" (1985, Western) Kevin Kline.			
SYFY	59	Ghost Hunters CC		Ghost Hunters CC		Ghost Hunters CC		Ghost Hunters CC		Ghost Hunters CC		Ghost Hunters CC	
CNN	62	Fareed Zakaria GPS		Amanpour.		Your Money		Newsroom		Amanpour.		Newsroom	
CNBC	63	Profit-Town	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Hair Loss	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
MSNBC	64	Murder on Lovers Lane		Meet the Press CC		To Catch a Predator		To Catch a Predator		To Catch a Predator		To Catch a Predator	

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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	2	22	Dr. Wayne Dyer		Magic Moments: The Best of 50's Pop				Masterpiece Classic		Evening-Smokey		Inside CC		Rudy	(Off Air)
CBS	3	3	NFL Football: Super Bowl XLIV -- Colts vs. Saints						NCIS: Los Angeles		Undercover Boss		News	CSI: NY CC		Ripped
ABC	7	7	News (N)	ABC	Funny Home Videos		Family	Middle	Family	Cougar	Family	Family	News (N)	News	Movies	Desper
FOX	8	14	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	'Til Death	'Til Death	Simpsons	Cleve	Fam. Guy	American	KFOX News at Nine		Seinfeld	Office	Deadliest Catch	
NBC	9	9	NBC	News	The Biggest Loser (In Stereo) CC				(:04) The Biggest Loser (In Stereo) CC				News (N)	Lopez	Paid	CSI Mi
CW	14		★★ "Sleepover" (2004) Alexa Vega.				"Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story"				Housewives		Access Hollywood		Stargate Atlantis	
WGN	15		Cosby	Cosby	Newhart	Newhart	BarneyM	BarneyM	News	Replay	4th Annual DirecTV Celebrity Beach Bowl (In Stereo) CC					
ESPN	26		(4:00) 30 for 30		30 for 30 CC		Tyson's Hits		SportsCtr	NFL	SportsCenter (Live) CC			NFL	SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2	27		Track and Field		Poker - Europe		Poker - Europe		Poker - Europe		Poker - Europe		Poker - Europe		Bowl	NFL
USA	31		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		House "Remorse"		Law & Order: SVU		Tom Brokaw	
TNT	32		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		★★★ "Fracture" (2007, Suspense) CC			
TBS	33		★★★★ "Titanic" (1997, Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet, Billy Zane. CC								★★★★ "Titanic" (1997) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet. CC					
COM	35		"Futurama: Bender"		Larry/Cable		Jeff Dunham		South Pk	S. Park	Martin	Tosh.0	Sarah	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama
LIFE	39		"Widow on the Hill" (2005, Drama) CC				"Identity Theft" (2004, Docudrama) CC				"Identity Theft" (2004, Docudrama) CC				Mother	Mother
FOOD	40		Cakes	Cakes	Challenge		Iron Chef America		Chopped		Flay	Flay	Iron Chef America		Chopped	
HGTV	41		House	House	House	House	House	House	House	House	Holmes on Homes		House	House	House	House
A&E	43		CSI: Miami CC		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		(:01) Criminal Minds		(:01) Criminal Minds	
HIST	44		Food Tech CC		Decoding the Past		Caligula: Reign		Sex in the Bible CC			Hist./Sex	Decoding the Past		Caligula: Reign	
TLC	45		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear	
DISC	47		De	De	De	De	De	De	Destroy	Destroy	De	De	De	De	Destroy	Destroy
ANPL	50		Puppy Bowl VI Puppies play. (In Stereo)				Puppy Bowl VI Puppies play. (In Stereo)				Puppy Bowl VI Puppies play. (In Stereo)				Puppy Bowl VI	
FAM	51		★★★★ "The Sound of Music" (1965) Julie Andrews, Christopher Plummer. CC								Home Videos		J. Osteen	Feed	Zola Lev	Thin
DISN	52		Montana	Wizards	Wizards-Place		Sonny	Deck	Deck	Montana	Sonny	Jonas	"Stuck in the Suburbs" (2004)			Montana
NICK	54		Troop	Big Time	Malcolm	Malcolm	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Malcolm	Malcolm
AMC	57		(3:00) "Silverado"		★★★★ "Dances With Wolves" (1990) Kevin Costner, Mary McDonnell. CC								★★★★ "Dances With Wolves" (1990)			
SYFY	59		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		"Ghost Voyage"	
CNN	62		Newsroom		Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Newsroom		State of the Union		Larry King Live		State of the Union	
CNBC	63		Diabetes	Wall St.	Marijuana Inc.		Coca-Cola Stry		Mind of Google		Porn: Business		American Greed		Big Mac: Inside	
MSNBC	64		To Catch a Predator		To Catch a Predator		To Catch a Predator		Predator Raw		Predator Raw		Predator Raw		Predator Raw	

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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	2	22	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)		BBC	Antiques Roadshow		For Love-Liberty: Story-America				Charlie Rose (N)		BBC	T. Smiley
CBS	3	3	CBS	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	Mother	Purpose	Two Men	Big Bang	CSI: Miami (N)		News	Letterman		Late
ABC	7	7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	The Bachelor: On the Wings of Love (N)				Castle (N) CC		News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
FOX	8	14	Dr. Phil CC		News	Two Men	House "5 to 9" (N)		24 (N) CC		KFOX News at Nine		Simpsons	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Frasier
NBC	9	9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Lopez	Chuck (N) CC		Heroes CC		The Jay Leno Show		News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
CW	14		Payne	Chris	The Dr. Oz Show		One Tree Hill (N)		Life Unexpected (N)		The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU		Access
WGN	15		Home Videos		Home Videos		Home Videos		WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	S. Park	S. Park	Star Trek Gen.	
ESPN	26		College Basketball				College Basketball Kansas at Texas.				SportsCenter CC		NFL Live	Final	SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2	27		Women's College Basketball				Women's College Basketball				Homecoming		SportsNation CC		NASCAR Now CC	
USA	31		NCIS "Smoked"		NCIS "Driven"		WWE Monday Night RAW CC				(:05) Psych CC		(:05) White Collar		(:05) Burn Notice	
TNT	32		Bones CC		NBA Basketball: Hornets at Magic						NBA Basketball: Spurs at Lakers				Inside the NBA	
TBS	33		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Lopez Tonight (N)		Name	Name	Sex &	Sex &
COM	35		RENO	RENO	RENO	RENO	Tosh.0	Aziz Ansari		South Pk	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	Martin	Futurama	Daily
LIFE	39		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		"The Secret Lives of Second Wives" CC				Will	Will	Frasier	Medium CC		Medium
FOOD	40		Challenge		Good	Good	Unwrap	Unwrap	Diners	Diners	Good	Unwrap	Unwrap	Unwrap	Diners	Diners
HGTV	41		House	House	Property	Property	House	First	House	For Rent	Unsella	First	House	First	House	For Rent
A&E	43		Criminal Minds		Intervention "Greg"		Intervention (N)		Hoarders (N) CC		Paranor	Paranor	(:01) Intervention		(:01) Intervention	
HIST	44		American Pickers		Pawn	Pawn	American Pickers		Pawn	Pawn	American Pickers		Pawn	Pawn	American Pickers	
TLC	45		Ultimate Cake Off		Cake	Cake	Cake	Cake	Ultimate Cake Off		Cake	Cake	Cake	Cake	Ultimate Cake Off	
DISC	47		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC	
ANPL	50		Swimming Lions		Animal Cops Miami		Pit Boss (In Stereo)		Pit Boss CC		Pit Boss (In Stereo)		Pit Boss CC		Animal Cops Miami	
FAM	51		Secret-Teen		Secret-Teen		Make It or Break It		Greek (N) CC		The 700 Club CC		Make It or Break It		Paid	Insanity
DISN	52		Sonny	Sonny	Sonny	Sonny	Phineas	Deck	Wizards	Montana	"Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement"				Phineas	Montana
NICK	54		iCarly	Sponge	G. Martin	Malcolm	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny
AMC	57		"Secret-Success"		★★ "The Bodyguard" (1992) Kevin Costner. Premiere. CC						★★ "Never Been Kissed" (1999) Drew Barrymore.					★ Jack
SYFY	59		Ghost Whisperer		Ghost Whisperer		Ghost Whisperer		Ghost Whisperer		Monster	Monster	Darkness	Darkness	Highlander CC	
CNN	62		Situation Room		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper	
CNBC	63		Kudlow Report (Live)		Planet of the Apps		"Welcome to Macintosh"			Put It	Mad Money		MacHEADS		Planet of the Apps	
MSNBC	64		Hardball CC		Countdown		Maddow Show		Countdown		Maddow Show		Hardball CC		Countdown	

TUESDAY EVENING — FEBRUARY 9, 2010

			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	2	22	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)		News 22	NOVA (N) CC		Frontline (N)		Independent Lens (N) CC			Charlie Rose (N)		T. Smiley
CBS	3	3	CBS	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	NCIS "Jack Knife"		NCIS: Los Angeles		The Good Wife "Hi"		News	Letterman		Late Late
ABC	7	7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	Lost "LA X (Part 2)"		Lost (N) CC		the forgotten (N)		News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
FOX	8	14	Dr. Phil CC		News	Two Men	American Idol (N)		Past Life "Pilot" (N)		KFOX News at Nine		Simpsons	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Frasier
NBC	9	9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Lopez	The Biggest Loser Olympic training facility.				The Jay Leno Show		News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
CW	14		Payne	Chris	The Dr. Oz Show		90210 CC		Melrose Place		The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU		Access
WGN	15		Home Videos		★★★ "O Brother, Where Art Thou?"				WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	South Pk	S. Park	Star Trek Gen.	
ESPN	26		College Basketball				College Basketball				SportsCenter CC		NFL Live	Fast	SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2	27		College Basketball				NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live) CC				Homecoming-Reilly		Final	SportsNation CC		NASCAR
USA	31		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		White Collar (N)		Psych CC		Burn Notice CC		White Collar CC	
TNT	32		Bones CC		Bones CC		Bones CC		Southland CC		CSI: NY CC		CSI: NY CC		Southland CC	
TBS	33		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Lopez Tonight (N)		Name	Name	Sex &	Sex &
COM	35		Daily	Colbert	Scrubs	Scrubs	S. Park	South Pk	S. Park	South Pk	Daily	Colbert	S. Park	S. Park	Futurama	Daily
LIFE	39		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		★★ "I Love Trouble" (1994) CC				Will	Will	Frasier	Medium CC		Medium
FOOD	40		Challenge		Cakes	Cakes	Unwrap	Best	Chopped		Good	Unwrap	Unwrap	Best	Chopped	
HGTV	41		House	House	First Pla.	First	House	Buck	House	House	Property	First Pla.	House	Buck	House	House
A&E	43		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Psychic Kids		Paranor	Paranor	Paranormal State		(:01) Criminal Minds		Psychic Kids	
HIST	44		How the Earth		Earth-Made		How the Earth		Life After People (N)		Life After People		Earth-Made		How the Earth	
TLC	45		Little	Little	Cake	Cake	19 Kids	19 Kids	Little	Little	Cake	Cake	19 Kids	19 Kids	Little	Little
DISC	47		Dirty Jobs CC		Dirty Jobs CC		Dirty Jobs (N) CC		Howe & Howe Tech		Dirty Jobs CC		Dirty Jobs CC		Howe & Howe Tech	
ANPL	50		Wild Recon CC		Venom in Vegas (N) (In Stereo)				Wild Recon (N)		Venom in Vegas (In Stereo)				Wild Recon	
FAM	51		Home Videos		Home Videos		America's Funniest Home Videos CC				The 700 Club CC		Secret-Teen		Thin	Paid
DISN	52		Montana	Montana	Montana	Montana	Phineas	Deck	Wizards	Montana	"Dadnapped" (2009, Comedy)			Phineas	Phineas	Montana
NICK	54		iCarly	Sponge	Malcolm	Malcolm	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny
AMC	57		"Antwone Fisher"		★★ "Pitch Black" (2000) Radha Mitchell. CC					★★ "Daylight" (1996, Action) Sylvester Stallone.					"Antwone Fisher"	
SYFY	59		"Meteor Storm" (2010) Michael Trucco.				Caprica		ECW (Live)		"Timber Falls" (2007) Josh Randall.				Caprica	
CNN	62		Situation Room		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper	
CNBC	63		Kudlow Report (Live)		Marijuana Inc.		SI Swimsuit Issue		SI Swimsuit Issue		Mad Money		SI Swimsuit Issue		SI Swimsuit Issue	
MSNBC	64		Hardball CC		Countdown		Maddow Show		Countdown		Maddow Show		Hardball CC		Countdown	

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PBS	2 22	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)		News 22	Faces of America		The National Parks: America's Best Idea				Charlie Rose (N)		BBC	T. Smiley
CBS	3 3	CBS	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	Chris	Gary	Criminal Minds (N)		CSI: NY (N) CC		News	Letterman		Late Late
ABC	7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	Charlie B.	Middle	Family	Cougar	(:01) Ugly Betty (N)		News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
FOX	8 14	Dr. Phil CC		News	Two Men	Human Target (N)		American Idol (N)		KFOX News at Nine		Simpsons	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Frasier
NBC	9 9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Lopez	Mercy (N) CC		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
CW	14	Payne	Chris	The Dr. Oz Show		Life Unexpected		Gossip Girl CC		The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU		Access
WGN	15	Home Videos		★★ "Caddyshack" (1980) Chevy Chase.				WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	South Pk	South Pk	Star Trek Gen.	
ESPN	26	College Basketball				College Basketball				SportsCenter CC		NFL Live	Fast	SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2	27	College Basketball				College Basketball Baylor at Nebraska.				College Basketball Nevada at Idaho. (Live)				Final	NASCAR
USA	31	NCIS "Skeletons"		NCIS "Chimera"		NCIS "Nine Lives"		Psych (N) CC		Burn Notice CC		White Collar CC		Psych CC	
TNT	32	Bones CC		Bones CC		Bones CC		Leverage (N) CC		CSI: NY CC		CSI: NY "Hush"		Leverage CC	
TBS	33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Payne	Payne	Browns	Browns	Browns	Browns	Lopez Tonight (N)		Name	Name	Sex &	Sex &
COM	35	Daily	Colbert	Chap	Chap	Futurama	Futurama	South Pk	Tosh.0	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	South Pk	Futurama	Daily
LIFE	39	Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		★★★ "Things We Lost in the Fire" (2007) CC					Will	Frasier	Medium CC		Medium
FOOD	40	Challenge		Challenge		Flay	Flay	Dinner: Impossible		Good	Unwrap	Flay	Flay	Dinner: Impossible	
HGTV	41	House	House	Property	Property	House	House	Holmes on Homes		Income	First	House	House	Holmes on Homes	
A&E	43	Criminal Minds		Dog	Dog	Dog Bounty Hunter		Dog Bounty Hunter		Seagal	Seagal	Dog	Dog	Dog Bounty Hunter	
HIST	44	MonsterQuest CC		MonsterQuest CC		MonsterQuest (N)		MonsterQuest CC		MysteryQuest CC		(:01) MonsterQuest		(:01) MonsterQuest	
TLC	45	Mystery Diagnosis		Pregnant-Peril		Pregnant	Pregnant	Toddlers & Tiaras		Pregnant-Peril		Pregnant	Pregnant	Toddlers & Tiaras	
DISC	47	Man vs. Wild CC		Man vs. Wild CC		Man vs. Wild (N)		Solv.History		Man vs. Wild CC		Man vs. Wild CC		Solv.History	
ANPL	50	Animal Planet		Wild Recon		I Shouldn't Be Alive		I Shouldn't Be Alive		Wild Recon		I Shouldn't Be Alive		I Shouldn't Be Alive	
FAM	51	70s Show	★★ "Miss Congeniality" (2000) Sandra Bullock.					Home Videos		The 700 Club CC		Greek CC		Ripped	Paid
DISN	52	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Phineas	Deck	Wizards	Montana	★★ "Ella Enchanted" (2004) (In Stereo)				Phineas	Montana
NICK	54	iCarly	Sponge	Malcolm	Malcolm	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny
AMC	57	(3:30) "Daylight"		★★★ "The Fugitive" (1993, Suspense) Harrison Ford. CC						★★ "The Bone Collector" (1999, Suspense) CC					Bram
SYFY	59	Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters Inter.		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters Inter.		Scariest Places		Highlander CC	
CNN	62	Situation Room		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper	
CNBC	63	Kudlow Report (Live)		American Greed		American Greed (N)		Secrets-Knight		Mad Money		American Greed		Secrets-Knight	
MSNBC	64	Hardball CC		Countdown		Maddow Show		Countdown		Maddow Show		Hardball CC		Countdown	

THURSDAY EVENING — FEBRUARY 11, 2010

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CBS	3 3	CBS	News	Jeopardy	Wheel	Survivor: Heroes vs. Villains CC				The Mentalist (N)		News	Letterman		Late Late
ABC	7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Ent	The Deep End (N)		Grey's Anatomy (N)		Private Practice (N)		News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
FOX	8 14	Dr. Phil CC		News	Two Men	Bones CC		Past Life CC		News	Simpsons	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Frasier
NBC	9 9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Lopez	Commun	Parks	Office	30 Rock	Office	Office	News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
CW	14	Payne	Chris	The Dr. Oz Show		The Vampire Diaries		Supernatural (N)		The Hills	Punk'd	Cheaters	Law & Order: SVU		Access
WGN	15	Home Videos		WWE Superstars		Home Videos		WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	WWE Superstars		Star Trek Gen.	
ESPN	26	College Basketball Teams TBA. (Live)				College Basketball Teams TBA. (Live)				SportsCenter CC		NFL Live	Final	SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2	27	College Basketball Teams TBA. (Live)				College Basketball Teams TBA. (Live)				College Basketball St. Mary's at Gonzaga.				SportsNation CC	
USA	31	NCIS "Blowback"		House CC		House "Painless"		Burn Notice (N)		White Collar CC		Psych CC		Burn Notice CC	
TNT	32	Bones CC		NBA Basketball: Magic at Cavaliers					NBA Basketball: Spurs at Nuggets					Inside the NBA	
TBS	33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	★★ "You, Me and Dupree" (2006)				Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Lopez Tonight (N)		Name	Name	Sex &	Sex &
COM	35	Daily	Colbert	★★ "Balls of Fury" (2007) Dan Fogler.				Martin	Sarah	Daily	Colbert	Martin	Sarah	Futurama	Daily
LIFE	39	Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Project Runway		Project Runway (N)		Models	Project Runway		Models	Project Runway	
FOOD	40	Challenge		Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America		Cakes	Cakes	Good	Unwrap	Iron Chef America		Cakes	Cakes
HGTV	41	House	House	First Pla.	First	House	House	House	Income	Property	First Pla.	House	House	House	Income
A&E	43	The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		The First 48 (N)		Manhun	Manhun	Manhun	Manhun	(:01) The First 48		(:01) The First 48	
HIST	44	Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels (N)		Gangland CC		Gangland CC		Weird Weapon		Modern Marvels		(:01) Gangland	
TLC	45	American Chopper		American Chopper		American Chopper		Trashmen (N) CC		American Chopper		Trashmen CC		American Chopper	
DISC	47	MythBusters CC		Brace for Impact		Haiti's Killer Quake		60 Minutes		Brace for Impact		Haiti's Killer Quake		60 Minutes	
ANPL	50	Amazing Animals		Dog Show From Long Beach, Calif. (In Stereo)						Dog Show From Long Beach, Calif. (In Stereo)					
FAM	51	70s Show	★★★ "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" (2005)					Home Videos		The 700 Club CC		Whose?	Whose?	Paid	Thin
DISN	52	Sonny	Sonny	Sonny	Sonny	Phineas	Deck	Wizards	Montana	"Camp Rock" (2008) CC			Phineas	Phineas	Montana
NICK	54	iCarly	Sponge	Malcolm	Malcolm	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny
AMC	57	"The Fugitive" CC		★★★★ "Pulp Fiction" (1994) John Travolta. CC						(:15) ★★ "Escape From L.A." (1996)				"Cutthroat Island"	
SYFY	59	"War Wolves" (2009) John Saxon. CC				"Thor: Hammer of the Gods" (2009) CC				★★★ "Dog Soldiers" (2002, Horror)				Highlander CC	
CNN	62	Situation Room		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper	
CNBC	63	Kudlow Report (Live)		Coca-Cola Stry		Big Mac: Inside		Biography on CNBC		Mad Money		Big Mac: Inside		Biography on CNBC	
MSNBC	64	Hardball CC		Countdown		Maddow Show		Countdown		Maddow Show		Hardball CC		Countdown	

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Complete the grids below so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively. It is a game of logic, not math, and there is only one solution per puzzle. Have fun and exercise the grey matter.

BEGINNER

			5	3		2		6
2	8	1				3		7
		5	1				4	
6		8			9			4
	4		2		5		3	
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	3				1	7		
4		6				9	8	3
9		7		6	3			

Difficulty rating: Easy

CHALLENGER

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3	1						4	8
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2	6						7	1
		7				3		
5	3						8	2
	8		6		2		1	
7	5						2	6
			9		5			

Difficulty rating: Moderate

EXPERT

9			6		4			8
		3				7		
	5			7			9	
	8		7		5		2	
		5				3		
	6		4		2		1	
	1			2			5	
		4				2		
6			5		1			3

Difficulty rating: Very difficult

Last week's solutions:

BEGINNER

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6	1	2	9	7	4	8	3	5
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1	8	5	7	3	9	6	2	4
2	7	6	8	4	1	9	5	3
4	6	3	2	1	5	7	9	8
9	2	7	3	6	8	5	4	1
8	5	1	4	9	7	3	6	2

CHALLENGER

2	8	3	7	4	5	6	1	9
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EXPERT

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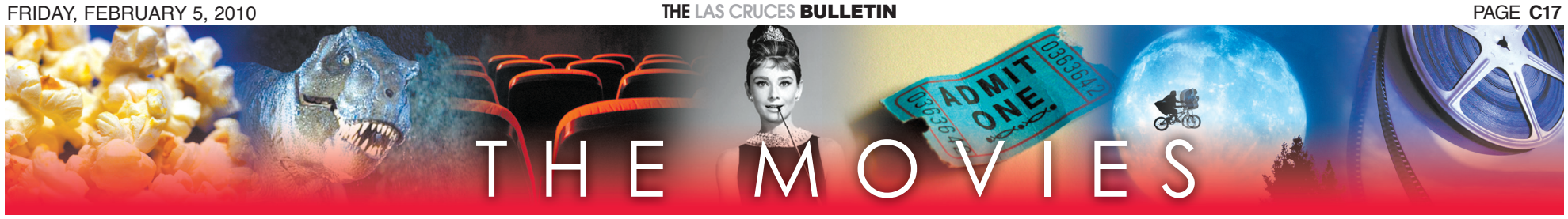

Teen learns the value of making choices

'An Education' reminds us of those who opened doors for us

Review by Jeff Berg
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Is she too smart for her own britches, as the old saying once asked? Or is she just a young woman way ahead of her time?

Such are the questions that came to mind for me after seeing "An Education," a London-based "dramacomrom" (a word I just made up, which will forever mean a movie that is part drama, part romance, part comedy) that takes place in the early '60s.

A slightly miscast Peter Skarsgaard plays David, whose age is 35 in this movie, happens by 16-year-old Jenny as she totes her cello home in the pouring rain. A possible cad and certainly a sweet talker, it only takes David a moment to talk Jenny into placing her cello and herself into his magnificent little sports car, a Bristol (a handmade car, first built in 1946).

It is not long before he has insinuated himself into her life, into her parents' lives and, soon he hopes, into her knickers. But this film is much more than that.

Certainly, David by happenstance and careful planning (being where she is when he shouldn't be) is infatuated and taken by Jenny. Same goes for her, but her part of the romance is much more involved. It is with life itself and the doors that David opens for her, introducing her to the arts, dining on new foods and double dating with David's somewhat misogynistic friend and his not overly bright girlfriend. But even from the experiences with that couple, Jenny is easily introduced to a lifestyle she knows she'll not want any part of, that of a woman who relies on a man for everything. This is what David hints at, but does not receive. His life lessons (including those on "antique collecting") show her many different things, and the value of making your own life choices.

Jenny's parents, well played by Albert Molina and Cara Seymour, are good and loving parents, but also naïve and doting. David is easily able to sweep them into his corner, after dad's initial doubts about David's "maturity" and Jenny's perceived lack of same. A proposed weekend in Paris, always high on Jenny's to-do list, is at first strictly forbidden, but then allowed when David, using all of his wily caddish charm, insists that Jenny will be safe with him, as his "aunt" will be on hand as her chaperone. Indeed.

Carey Mulligan plays the part of Jenny, and even though it is her first major role, one would be inclined to think that she has been doing this for years. The film is based on a memoir by noted British journalist Lynn Barber.

With a screenplay by Nick Hornby, whose previous works include the wonderfully insightful and funny "About a Boy" and "High Fidelity," the story holds together well, and is deftly directed by Lone Scherfig, who also did the fun dark comedy, "Wilbur Wants to Kill Himself."

The movie stuck with me long after I saw it, and I must admit, when I first saw it, I thought it was mediocre at best. But then all of the pieces fell together for me, and I found myself thinking back on the people in my life who opened doors for me.

"An Education" is just that for Jenny, and we should all be so fortunate to have similar life experiences.

Jeff Berg is a board member of the Mesilla Valley Film Society. These reviews reflect his opinion of the movie only, not that of anyone else connected with the film society. Don't say it, I know what you're thinking … jeffberg@lascrucesbulletin.com has no point.

FILM REVIEW

Get "An Education" at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla from Feb. 5 through 11. Your lesson will be in English and only take about 95 minutes of PG-13 rated time.

GRADE A+

Since she is not a male, Pai – played by Keisha Castle-Hughes – suffers her grandfather's rejection when he determines she cannot inherit the Maori people's tradition.

'Whale Rider' flick makes spirits soar

Traditional roles fall to girl's bravery

The CineMatinee for Saturday, Feb. 6, is "Whale Rider" (2003, 101 minutes, rated PG-13).

One of the most charming and critically acclaimed films of 2003, the New Zealand hit "Whale Rider" effectively combines Maori tribal tradition with the timely "girl power" of a vibrant new millennium.

Despite the discouragement of her gruff and disapproving grandfather who nearly disowns her because she is female and therefore traditionally disqualified from tribal leadership, 12-year-old Pai is convinced that she is a tribal leader, and sets out to prove it.

Rather than inflate this story, based on a novel by Witi Ihimaera, with artificial sentiment, writer-director Niki Caro develops very real and turbulent family relationships, intimate and yet torn by a collision between stubborn tradition and changing attitudes. The mythic whale rider – the ultimate symbol of the Maori's connection to nature – is also the harbinger of Pai's destiny, and the appealing Keisha Castle-Hughes gives a luminous, astonishingly powerful performance that won't leave a dry eye in the house.

With its fresh take on a familiar tale, "Whale Rider" is one from the heart. It's something the whole family can enjoy together.

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.

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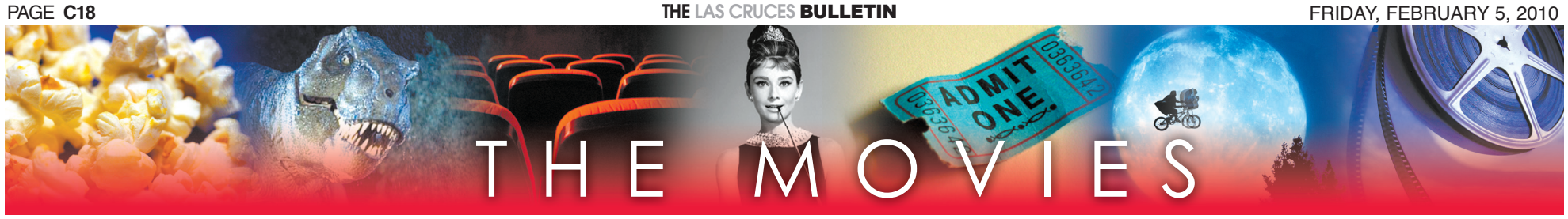


‘Edge of Darkness’

Mel Gibson’s latest movie might be more sad than suspenseful

By Carmen Frost
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

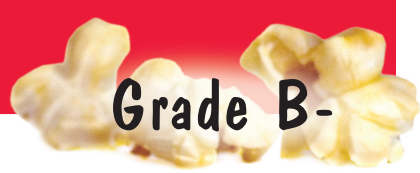
I went to the early show of “Edge of Darkness” to avoid the crowds.

Directed by Martin Campbell – “Casino Royale” and “Green Lantern,” scheduled for release later this year – “Edge of Darkness” is a remake of the film from an award-winning six-hour BBC mini series he directed 25 years ago.

At 54, Mel Gibson is grayer, grimmer and a little bit balder on top too. He plays Thomas Craven, a character that leaves little room for humor, but the wildness and fire that explodes in the unpredictability of this movie keeps one on the edge of their seat.

But because Gibson’s character is up against the reluctant and enthusiastic hero righteously battling corruption, this film might not be as edgy as one would believe.

EDGE OF DARKNESS
Director: Martin Campbell
Starring: Mel Gibson, Ray Winstone
Running time: 1 hour 48 min



Craven is a veteran homicide detective in the Boston Police Department. As Craven and his 24-year-old daughter Emma (Bojana Novakovic) are walking out the front door of his house, Emma is blown away by a shotgun blast.

Everyone assumes that Craven, who was standing next to her, was the killer’s intended target. However, he begins to suspect that his daughter was the real target. Emma Craven had been working as a researcher at Northmoor, a private energy company run with government assistance that may be secretly involved with nuclear weapons.

Grief-stricken, Craven initiates his own private investigation to uncover his daughter’s secret life and the reason for her murder. His investigation leads him down the path of corporate and government cover-ups, which resulted in his daughter’s elimination. He receives some help from a government operative, Darius Jedburgh, played by Ray Winstone, who has been sent in to clean up the situation.

Despite the dark and dreary theme of this movie, Craven and Jedburgh exchange a few words that just might make the viewer smile.

“Public drinking is illegal in Massachusetts,” Craven said. Followed by Jedburgh’s, “Everything is illegal in Massachusetts.”

I don’t really care what people say about Mel Gibson.

Yes, throughout much of his career he has directed some questionable films, and built a poor reputation on his own, but sometimes the oldie-but-goodie actors come back and present an award-winning show.

Mel Gibson plays Thomas Craven, a homicide detective with the Boston Police Department, who witnessed his daughter’s murder.

As a suspense-thriller flick, I thought it was a little more sad than thrilling or suspenseful. The daughter gets shot in the beginning and from then on it becomes a shooting spree.

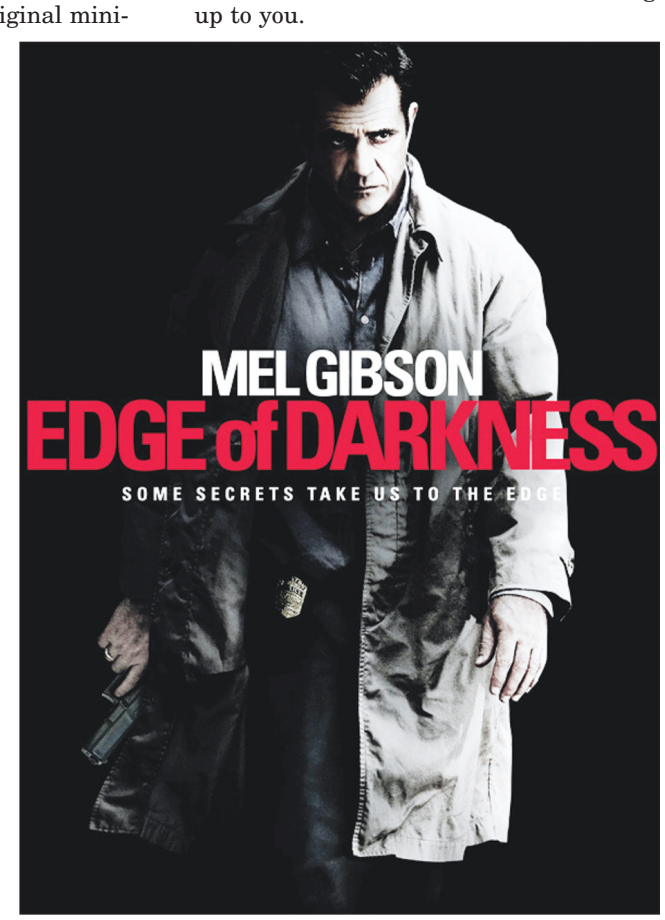
I would like to be able to say bravo to Gibson, but I’ve seen better films – Gibson’s “Braveheart” and “Signs” being two of them – that were not as predictable as this one.

I’d also like to see the original mini-series and how well the series was made into this movie.

One also has to wonder if there is a current theme running through Hollywood with three dads recently having to come to grips with their daughters’ deaths.

As one comes out of the darkness of the movie theater and into the light they might be left talking to friends or family about this movie and even trying to convince them to see it.

But I will have to leave the convincing up to you.



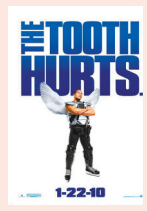
Another dad is left to investigate the death of another daughter in “Edge of Darkness,” now playing at Telshor 12.

Picking the Flicks

Movie information from www.rottentomatoes.com. Thumbs-up based on a 5-point scale.

The Tooth Fairy

Rated: PG
Plot Overview: The brawny ex-wrestler is forced to be a tooth fairy. Kids and parents alike will surely giggle at the thought of The Rock in a tutu.
Starring: Dwayne Johnson, Ashley Judd
Director: Michael Lembeck

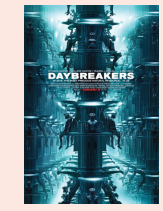


Book of Eli

Rated: R
Plot Overview: Some 30 years after the final war, a solitary man walks across the wasteland that was once America. The roads belong to gangs that would murder a man for his shoes, an ounce of water ... or for nothing at all.
Starring: Gary Oldham, Denzel Washington
Director: Albert Hughes

Daybreakers

Rated: R
Plot Overview: It's 2017 and the undead far outnumber the living. A virus has spread across the Earth, turning its inhabitants into vampires.
Starring: Ethan Hawke, Willem Dafoe
Director: Michael Spierig, Peter Spierig



Edge of Darkness

Rated: R
Plot Overview: Thomas Craven spent years as a detective in Boston. When his daughter is killed near his home, he realizes that her death is only one piece of the puzzle.
Starring: Mel Gibson, Ray Winstone
Director: Martin Campbell

Extraordinary Measures

Rated: PG
Plot Overview: Finally tasting corporate success, John Crowley walks away from it all when his two youngest children are diagnosed with a fatal disease.
Starring: Harrison Ford, Brendan Fraser
Director: Tom Vaughan

When in Rome

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: A young woman with multiple men after her heart takes a trip to Italy to escape and makes the decision to take coins from a fountain of love, making things tougher.
Starring: Kristen Bell, Josh Duhamel
Director: Mark Steven Johnson

Lovely Bones

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: Oscar winner Peter Jackson directs this adaptation of Alice Sebold's beloved novel. After she is killed, young Susie Salmon looks down from heaven on her parents and her murderer.
Starring: Mark Wahlberg, Rachel Weisz
Director: Peter Jackson

The Blind Side

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: A poor, oversized and under-educated teenager is recruited by a major college football program where he is groomed into an athletically and academically successful NFL prospect.
Starring: Sandra Bullock, Tim McGraw
Director: John Lee Hancock

Sherlock Holmes

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: Revealing fighting skills as lethal as his legendary intellect, Holmes will battle as never before to bring down a new nemesis and unravel a deadly plot that could destroy the country.
Starring: Robert Downey, Jude Law
Director: Guy Ritchie

To Save a Life

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: Jake has it all: friends, fame, a basketball scholarship and the hottest girl in school. Enter Roger who has nothing – no friends, no hope.
Starring: Randy Wayne, Deja Kreutzberg
Director: Bryan Baugh

Avatar

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: An ex-Marine finds himself thrust into hostilities on an alien planet filled with exotic life forms. As an Avatar, a human mind in an alien body, he finds himself torn between two worlds.
Starring: Sam Worthington, Zoe Saldana
Director: James Cameron

Legion

Rated: R
Plot Overview: In the supernatural action thriller Legion, an out-of-the-way diner becomes the unlikely battleground for the survival of the human race.
Starring: Paul Bettany, Dennis Quaid
Director: Scott Stewart

Dear John

Opening Feb. 5

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: An adaptation of a Nicholas Sparks novel about a young soldier who falls for an idealistic college girl.
Starring: Channing Tatum, Amanda Seyfried
Director: Lasse Hallstrom

From Paris with Love

Opening Feb. 5

Rated: R
Plot Overview: A personal aide to the U.S. Ambassador in France has an enviable life in Paris and a beautiful French girlfriend, but his real passion is his side job with the CIA.
Starring: John Travolta, Jonathan Rhys Meyers
Director: Pierre Morel

Young Victoria

Opening Feb. 5

Rated: PG
Plot Overview: Victoria's uncle is dying, which leaves her in line for the thrown. Everyone is vying to win her favor, but her overbearing mother keeps her from courting.
Starring: Emily Blunt, Jim Broadbent
Director: Jean-Marc Vallee

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Starring: Vince Vaughn, Kristen Bell
Director: Peter Billingsley

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Rating: PG-13
Genre: Romance, Science Fiction
Starring: Eric Bana, Rachel McAdams
Director: Robert Schwentke

A Serious Man

Rating: R
Genre: Comeda, Drama
Starring: Michael Stuhlbarg, Richard Kind
Director: Joel Coen, Ethan Coen

TOP GROSSING

• Jan. 29-31 •

Rank	Movie Title (Week No.) Weekend Gross
1.	**Avatar** (7) $31,280,029
2.	**Edge of Darkness** (1) $17,214,384
3.	**When in Rome** (1) $12,350,041
4.	**The Tooth Fairy** (2) $9,998,109
5.	**The Book of Eli** (3) $8,908,286
6.	**Legion 2010** (2) $7,176,375
7.	**The Lovely Bones** (3) $6,400,000
8.	**Sherlock Holmes** (6) $4,515,344
9.	**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (6) $3,997,136
10.	**It's Complicated** (6) $3,804,215

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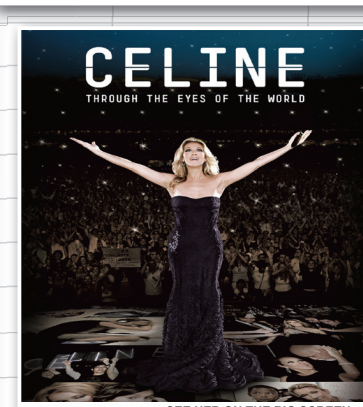

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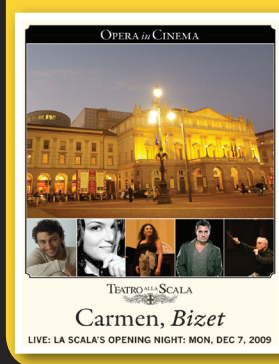

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A contemporary Southwest residence

Clean lines, traditional elements make this home stand out

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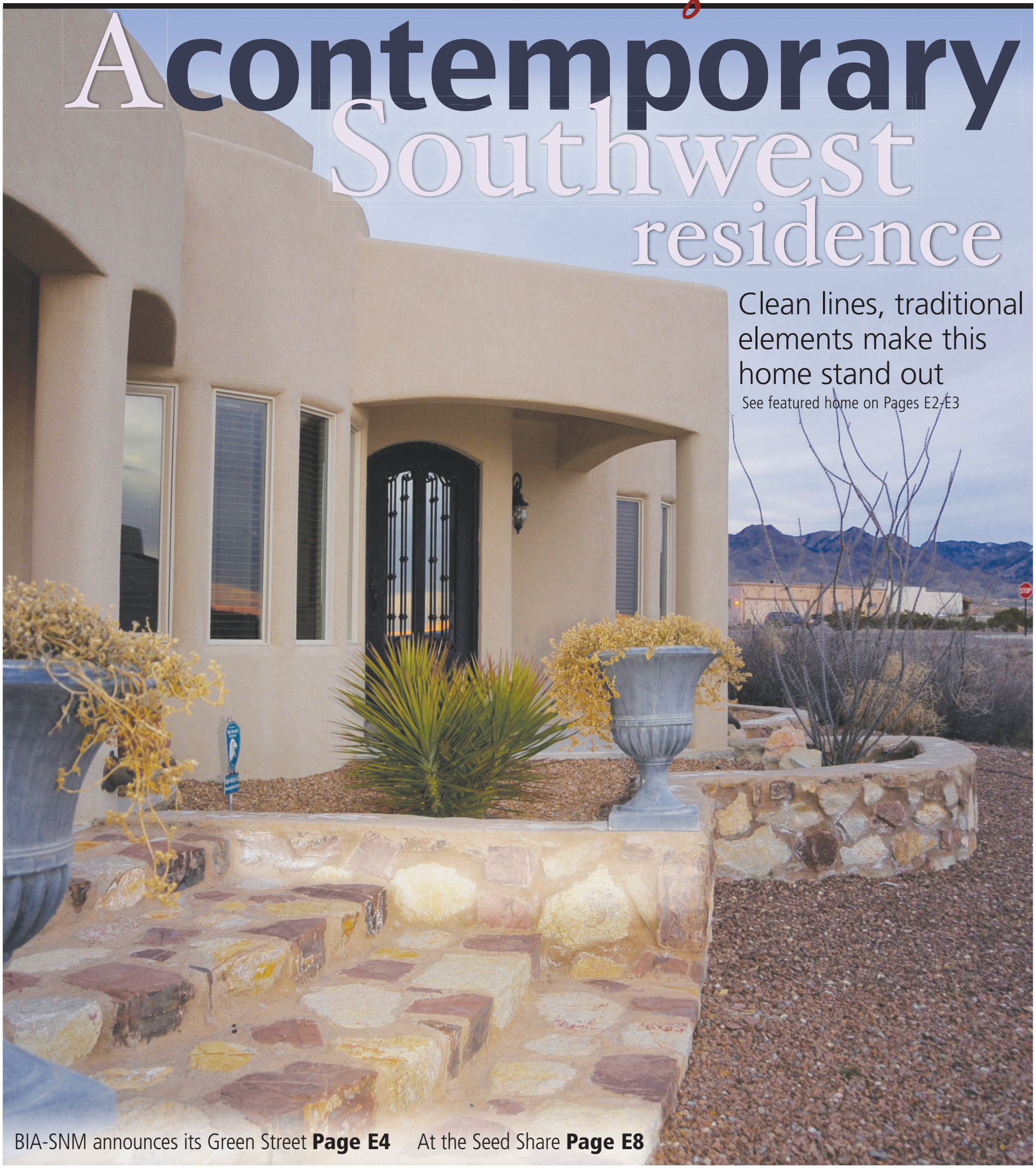

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Featured home: 8803 Silk Oak Court

The home at 8803 Silk Oak Court is located directly off of Dripping Springs Road.

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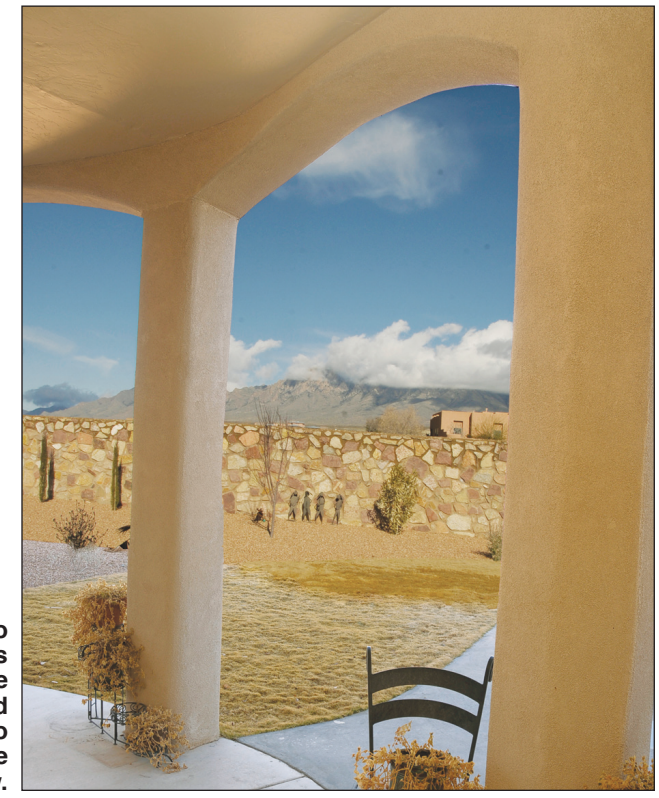

The patio arches had to be shortened so as not to block the view.

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Not your traditional Southwest home

Contemporary design elements add to elegant Dripping Springs Road home

By Beth Sitzler
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Near the base of the Organ Mountains, off of Dripping Springs Road, lies a Southwest-inspired home with a contemporary flare.

Sandra and Chris Mount hired Davie Salas in 2005 to build their spacious abode on a 1-acre lot at 8803 Silk Oak Court.

"You have some elbow room out here," Chris Mount said. "I grew up on the west side of town and I always liked this area. The view from (this lot) is what sold me. … The mountains change colors every 10 minutes."

"They literally have the mountains in their backyard," said Sandra Espiritu of Enchanted Sun Realty, who represents the listing.

"I wasn't used to the quiet, but now I appreciate it," Sandra Mount said.

Along with the unobstructed view and the peace and quiet that comes with living in the area, the Mounts said they have easy access to the main road and are just a hop, skip and a jump away from town.

"You're still really close to town, but you feel like you're far away," Espiritu said.

With their dream location chosen, the couple went to work planning the layout of their home.

"Originally, the floor plan evolved from a list on paper of things we did and didn't want," Sandra Mount said, explaining that this list included not seeing a toilet from a living area and no straight hallways. "I didn't want square rooms. In one given room, there are a lot of different angles."

After the floor plan was completed for the 2,529-square-foot home, designer Maureen Villmer reviewed the layout, tweaking it to add more storage space and increase the home's comfort.

"She found space everywhere," Sandra Mount said.

The home's elegance begins at the flagstone path and stairs, which leads to the large iron and glass door surrounded by exposed rock. There is also a separate entrance to the office, perfect for Sandra Mount, who works from home.

Once inside the foyer, which includes a skylight and cedar beams, a large nicho containing art directs guests to either the left or right.

The hallway to the left leads to two of the home's three bedrooms and a half bathroom, which includes an old drawer converted into a vanity. The bedrooms share a Jack and Jill bathroom and include walk-in closets.

The two-car garage is accessible from the end of the hallway and is the closest part of the home to the road, acting as a buffer to any road noise, Chris Mount said.

"The garage was built so two more spaces can be added on," Espiritu said.

At the center of the home is the kitchen and great room. Designed with an open floor plan, the kitchen includes low, granite countertops and maple cabinets with a chocolate glaze. Decorative tile surrounds the stove's hood.

"We have a lot of people over for the holidays and it works well," Chris Mount said.

"We've sat up to 26 people at one time," Sandra Mount said.

The great room features a fireplace, cedar beams, a 15-foot ceiling and windows that show off the view.

"Next to the fireplace, looking out this window is my favorite place," Chris Mount said.

"A lot of people who have seen the house say they absolutely love the great room," Espiritu said. "It has a more contemporary feel because of the clean lines."

Next to the great room is the office and master bedroom. As with all of the bedrooms, the master suite features a tray ceiling. The room also includes a door to the patio and a large picture window that frames the mountains.

The contemporary master bathroom contains an abundant amount of countertop space, a jetted bathtub, round skylights and a walk-in shower.

The backyard, which is enclosed in a 9-foot wall for privacy, features a wrap-around patio, a slab for cook outs and RV access. The Mounts said their landscaper chose low-maintenance plants, such as Mexican fan palms, sage and oleander.

"I asked for one Japanese plum tree for color," Sandra Mount said.

Espiritu said the backyard is large enough to house a pool, casita or whatever else the new owners want.

With solid wood doors, skylights, arches, nichos and floating wood floors throughout the home, the Mounts said they wanted their home to be Southwest-contemporary but remain versatile.

"There is some exposed wood and stone, but it's not traditional," Sandra Mount said, adding that they didn't want their home to be too overdone or too simple in either design or style. "We used neutral colors and earth tones."

"It's timeless," Espiritu said. "Ten years from now, it will still be a beautiful design."

The Mounts, who are relocating to another home in Las Cruces, said they hope the next owners will enjoy the home as much as they have.

Espiritu said an open house will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, and Sunday, Feb. 21.

Nichos throughout the home are perfect for displaying a variety of art.

Details

Featured home
8803 Silk Oak Court

Square footage
2,529

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Introducing the Green Street

Excitement surrounds new BIA-SNM home showcase

By Beth Sitzler
The Las Cruces Bulletin

In September, the Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico (BIA-SNM) will open its Green Street to the public, the first in the Street of Dreams series that will be held each year to replace the Fall Parade of Homes.

Green Street is a single-site showcase that will feature eight new homes built to New Mexico Green Build (NMGB) silver standards and will include active solar technology. BIA-SNM Executive Director David Roewe said it will help educate the public about building green.

"When I came down from Vancouver a year ago, I expected to see solar everywhere," Roewe said. "We weren't building to green standards. The community needs to be educated."

BIA-SNM President John Hadley added that several builders in the region use green building techniques without realizing they were building to NMGB or Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards. Also, banks and appraisers weren't recognizing the difference in value between green homes and traditional homes.

"The problem we're having is it takes four people to know the value of green building – the builder, Realtor, appraiser and the banks," Hadley said. "We're bringing education to that group. (Green building) is not a fad, it's the future."

The green subdivision

Wanting the Green Street to be at the heart of Las Cruces, the BIA-SNM teamed up with developers Gabriel Sandoval and Scott Bannister who own a subdivision located 1 mile from the Downtown area at the intersection of Brown and Compress streets.

"We wanted to make it special and be close to the new City Hall and federal courthouse," Roewe said. "People can now ride their bikes to work if they work Downtown."

"The subdivision fell into our lap," Hadley said. "It plays into the green revitalization of the city."

The 33-lot subdivision, which has yet to be named, will also comply with NMGB standards, Roewe said. Along with xeriscaping the surrounding landscape, building material waste will be ground up and used around the properties, such as filler under the driveways.

"This is the first time it has been mandated to put solar in in New Mexico, maybe in the Southwest, maybe in the nation," Roewe said. "It's the cutting edge of what we'll see in subdivisions in the next five years."

While the BIA-SNM has acquired 13 lots in the subdivision, Roewe said they will limit the numbers of homes built to between eight and 10.

The green homes

Each home must at minimum meet silver NMGB certification or the LEED equivalent, and must have at least one solar panel with the ability to accommodate more, Roewe said, adding that the builder can choose to follow NMGB or LEED standards.

"Each person can go about how to get to silver certification their own way," Hadley said, adding that this can range from using structural insulated panels (SIPs) or 2-by-12 walls. "It will be interesting to see what each builder does to meet the minimum silver standards."

Hadley added that each solar panel used will reduce the home's electric bill by $40 a month.

"We're showing that it is affordable to build green," he said. "With federal and state rebates, there is a lot of money coming back as incentives to do it."

The homes, Roewe said, will be from 1,300 to 1,800 square feet and will be in the $200,000 price range.

"They will look like any other home," Roewe said. "They will just be energy-efficient."

Roewe and Hadley said the builders are free to choose their own architectural design and style of the home.

"An architectural committee will approve the designs," said Gricel Mendoza, BIA-SNM special events director. "Each home has to be different."

Hadley said there are a hundred different ways to reach silver certification based on its seven different categories – lot design, preparation and development; resource efficiency; energy efficiency; water efficiency; indoor environmental quality; operation, maintenance and homeowner education; and global impact.

He added that a local Home Energy Rating System (HERS) rater will monitor the building process for each home to provide third-party certification.

With excitement building around the Green Street, Roewe and Hadley said they have been approached by several interested builders.

"We've already got people committed and ready to go," Roewe said. "They're spec homes, but I'm guessing a majority of them will be sold before the show begins."

Hadley said he thinks the homes will not only be of interest to the community, but also to those relocating to the area.

"It will attract people," he said. "We're building a home with a conscience. People are concerned about the environment here."

Green education, events

Mendoza said the groundbreaking will take place the beginning of April, giving builders six months to complete their green homes.

The Green Street event will take place over 17 days, from Sept. 17 through Oct. 3, and will be "an educational celebration," Roewe said.

Along with meet-the-builder and designer days, Roewe said there will also be a VIP night, senior day and Realtor day as well as guided tours. Displays will be set up throughout the homes to discuss their different green materials and building techniques.

"The vendors and manufacturers will be there as well to talk about their products," he said.

"They will show their latest and greatest," Hadley said about the vendors, adding that it will include everything from solar panels to foam insulation.

While the event will be a celebration, the ultimate goals of the Green Street are to spread public awareness and advance green building in Las Cruces.

"This is bringing Las Cruces into the 21st century," Roewe said. "This group of builders wants to be on the cutting edge. The retirement community coming here wants this. The market is demanding this stuff."

"The more green building we do, the cheaper things will be," Hadley said. "It's a work in progress."

It will also give high-end builders or builders who normally don't build green the opportunity to stretch their creative limbs.

"This is a new challenge to them," Roewe said. "It's not going to just be a box, so how are they going to make it special?"

Making the Green Street special is just what the BIA-SNM plans to do.

"There is excitement and interest about this even from people out side of the area," Hadley said.

Las Cruces can get a sneak peek of the building materials that will be used to construct homes of the Green Street during the BIA-SNM 2010 Home and Garden Show March 6 and 7 at Dickerson's Event Center.

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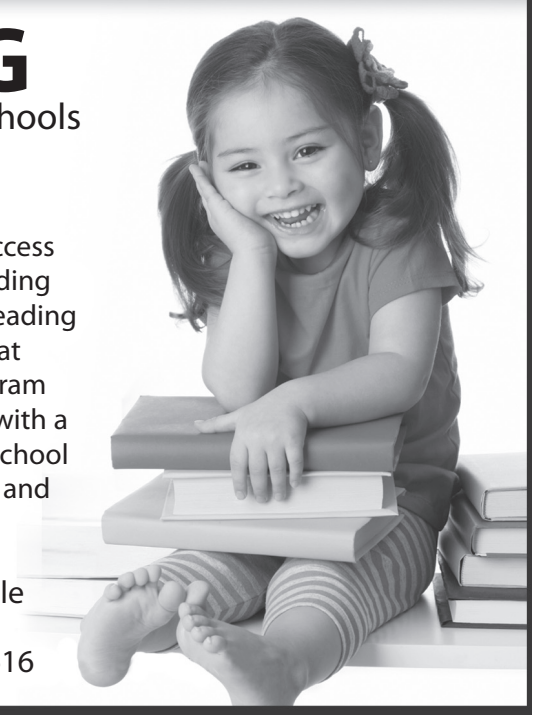

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Fabrics, paints and accessories can bring your spring garden into your home this winter.

Bring garden cheer into your residence

Color adds warmth during the winter

Even in the throes of winter, when most gardens are hibernating under a cold-weather blanket, it's easy to bring the warm, vibrant feelings of spring into the home with colors, textures and patterns.

From the saturated colors of fresh fruits and flowers to the neutral hues of pavers and fountains, the promise of new spring gardens can provide an endless source of decorating inspiration.

In fact, styling a home is much like planting a garden: Begin with a base color, then add pops of lively hues to complement the space. Reminiscent of violets in the garden, try purple vases on the fireplace mantel. Finally, add accents such as a green rug, as if there were freshly cut blades of grass underfoot.

The color experts at Sherwin-Williams have selected several botanical shades in the Refreshed palette of its Today's Colors collection. These bright hues look especially fresh when paired with light, natural wood tones.

"Our Refreshed palette is a playful exploration of a kaleidoscope of colors," said Jackie Jordan, director of color marketing for Sherwin-Williams. "It encourages the use of exuberant combinations like bright tangerine orange with sunny yellow – exactly what you would find in a springtime garden bouquet."

Using fabrics with botanical motifs is another way to reflect the cheery mood of spring renewal. Furniture upholstery, pillows and curtains can interweave organic elements into the home.

Experimenting with muted, natural colors is another twist on garden-style decorating. For example, neutral colors reminiscent of vintage, glazed pottery. Accent a room with an understated coral, yellow or green to give a home the feeling it has been well-loved for generations.

Relaxed neutrals are often at the center of nature's palettes, according to Jordan. Mixing in weathered browns or desert tans can add comfort and provide a serene backdrop for favorite flea market finds or energized colors, she said.

"To really bring a room to life, bring things that are living and growing into it; whether it be a beautiful orchid plant, magnolia leaves or a giant bowl of Granny Smith apples," said noted designer Larry Laslo, president of LL Designs.

> To really bring a room to life, bring things that are living.
>
> LARRY LASLO, LL Designs

Wonder whether a splash of spicy tomato red can add character to a living room or if weathered-stone grays can refine the walls of a master suite? Test colors without ever picking up a paint brush. The new Upload Your Own Photo feature at www.sherwin-williams.com allows do-it-yourselfers to experiment with the paint retailer's entire color spectrum, including interior and exterior facades.

To breathe easy while painting indoors in the midst of winter, try a low-odor, low-VOC paint. The paint's durability and ease of cleaning will keep a room looking as beautiful as the day it was painted.

To view the complete Sherwin-Williams Today's Colors collection, or to experiment with the new Upload Your Own photo feature on the Color Visualizer, visit www.sherwin-williams.com.

A room's beauty begins with a sleek countertop

Granite is one way to enhance kitchen, bathroom décor

MAUREEN VILLMER
Practical Design

The trend today is to go "green." Increasingly, more people are selecting natural stone to complement their décor and be green.

The beauty and depth of granite comes from veins, which makes them aesthetically pleasing. Granite is so durable that you can easily put a hot skillet or dish from the oven directly on top of it. The ease of cleaning with simple soap and water makes it perfect for a busy kitchen or bath. The beauty of each slab, with different colors and finishes, is it gives a very special one-of-a-kind appearance. Many people like the way granite countertops have small flecks of light present within the rock, which can be seen from the surface deep within the stone. There is no other material on earth quite like it.

If you have a large space or an island you might want to combine two different granites. The key to combining is finding one granite that is a "major" and another that is a "minor." Use about 80 percent of one and 20 percent of the other. In a kitchen, using a minor on an island is common. The larger your space, the more opportunity you have to combine two granites. Try to select one with more "movement" and one with less "movement."

Granite can give a more sophisticated look or a rustic look, depending upon what you select and how you finish the edges. The use of a straight edge gives a more contemporary look, while a chiseled edge will produce a rustic one. It comes in a huge selection of colors and patterns, as dictated by nature and the part of the world where it is mined.

Granite is priced by supply and demand. The more of a color/pattern there is, the less the price. The less there is available, the higher the price. Overall, granite can range from very expensive to very affordable. If you can't afford a slab of granite for your project, remember that there also are granite tiles. Tile can be installed to make a lovely countertop on a budget.

Many other countertop products try to duplicate the richness, durability, depth and naturally organic quality of granite. The beauty of granite sells itself.

Over the next two articles, I'll be discussing other possibilities for countertops.

Maureen Villmer is an interior designer in Las Cruces with 35 years of experience. If you have questions you would like answered in her column, email her at Maureen@environsonline.com, visit www.environsonline.com or call 496-7605.

Granite, a natural stone, creates a low-maintenance countertop in the bathroom as well as the kitchen.

Working behind the scenes

Laura Szalay makes real estate transactions 'seamless'

By Beth Sitzler
The Las Cruces Bulletin

You could say real estate is in her blood. Growing up in a family of Realtors, Laura Szalay brings a personal touch and dedication to her clients.

Born in Las Cruces and raised in Dallas, the third-generation Realtor said she would come back to the City of the Crosses to spend the summers with her grandparents before returning to Las Cruces, where she graduated from high school.

"My grandfather (Al Socolofsky) started one of the first real estate companies here in the 1940s," she said, adding that her mother Elaine Szalay is also a well-know Las Cruces Realtor.

She spent a few more years in Las Cruces before moving elsewhere. She said she ended up in Albuquerque, where she worked full-time as a legal assistant and earned her real estate license.

Szalay came back to southern New Mexico to finish her degree at New Mexico State University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in journalism and mass communications, with an emphasis in photography, and minored in Spanish and business.

To further her photo documentary skills and earn Spanish credit, Szalay ventured to Guatemala in the mid-'90s. During her six-week study program, she stayed in Quezaltenago by herself before traveling to the small mountain village of Todos Santos with a group of students.

Laura Szalay represents several listings around town, including this home at 1005 Armijo St.

While there, Szalay said she became ill from the unsanitary living conditions.

"But it was life-changing," she said. "We worked with the village people. It makes you appreciate and feel very fortunate for what we have here."

After returning from her excursion, Szalay said she finished her degree and continued to work as a legal assistant. She then went to work assisting her mother.

"My mom went out of town, I began selling and went, 'Wow, I like this,'" she said.

She said she spent six years working alongside her mother before moving to Colorado Springs, Colo.

Working for the client

In September 2008, the real estate broker returned to the warmer climate of southern New Mexico and joined RE/MAX Classic Realty. A former client Bonnie Thorkildsen works as her assistant.

Her first year back in the Las Cruces real estate market, Szalay hit the ground running, helping in the sale of 20 houses.

"I average about 31 a year," she said, "but it's not about the volume, it's about the quality of service."

One reason for her success is her devotion to personalized care.

"I treat every transaction as though it was my own," she said. "I do my best to extend the best professional service to them in all facets."

With the help of Thorkildsen, aka "her brain," Szalay said she works to make the real estate process as easy and seamless as possible.

"Transactions are so layered. If I do my job well, the client won't know half of what goes on in the background," she said.

Szalay said her background in law, especially bankruptcy, has taught her how money works and plays a big role as a real estate broker.

"I have better insight to help (my client)," she said. "Especially in this time of foreclosures and short sales, it has more of an application."

While Szalay said she likes to work with everyone, she especially enjoys collaborating with those who are new to the world of real estate.

"I love, love, love first-time home buyers and when they buy their first home. I love holding their hand," she said. "I go through every step with them. It's basically an education."

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Bonnie Thorkildsen, left, a former client, now works as Laura Szalay's assistant.

Her dedication has earned her a platinum rating with Quality Service Certification Inc., a third-party organization that surveys all of her customers about their experience.

By focusing her business on relationships and not transactions, she said 90 percent of her business comes from referrals and 90 percent of her friends are former clients.

"That's the premise of how I work," she said.

To ensure her clients are happy with their experience, Szalay goes the extra mile, from stocking a client's refrigerator with their favorite soda to housing the cat of a couple moving from Belgium.

"I really communicate with my folks. I keep in touch with them weekly," she said, adding that she sends out little gifts and holds client-appreciation events to let them know she cares. "Most of my clients become my friends. I'm very blessed. There are people who are complete advocates for me."

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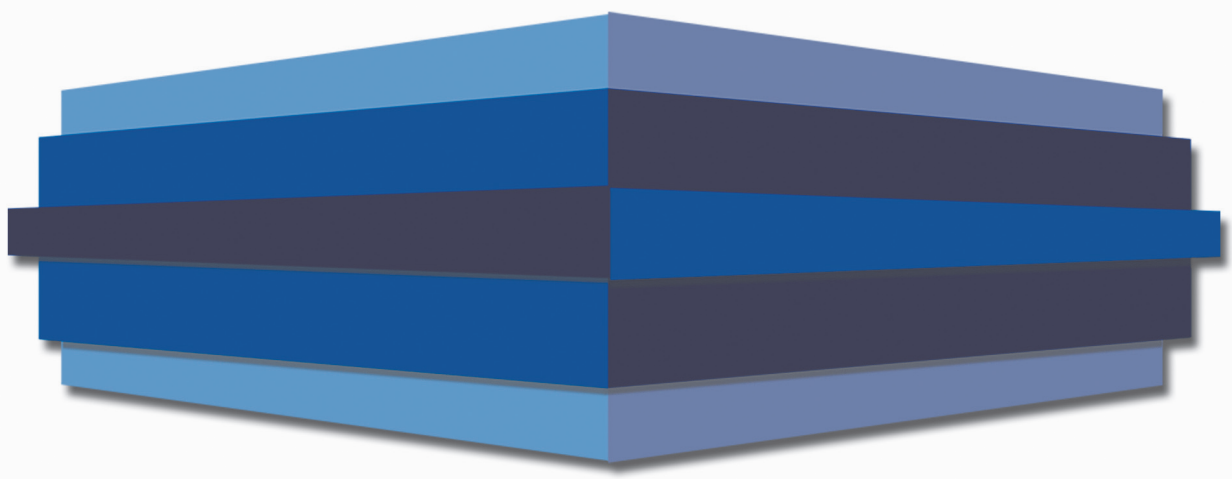

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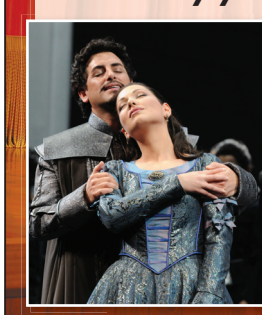

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Working for the elephants

Szalay said the biggest challenge of being a real estate broker is balancing work and home life.

"Being a type A person, I want to make sure everything is done properly before I take any personal time," she said.

She said she learned this characteristic from spending the summers with her grandparents.

"They instilled in me a good work ethic. My grandfather would say there was no sense in putting off to tomorrow what you can do today," she said.

To balance her life, Szalay said she often travels with her husband Eric Brown, a production manager for NeuStar out of Washington, D.C. While the couple has ventured to Italy, Morocco, France and Australia, one trip that has greatly impacted Szalay was to Thailand.

For Brown's 40th birthday, the couple sailed to Thailand, where they discovered the Golden Triangle Asian Elephant Foundation, a camp for elephants that have been abandoned as a result of the country banning their use in logging.

"They eat 20 percent of their body weight and the mahouts (elephant handlers) couldn't afford to feed them," she said. "The camp started with three elephants. Now there are 31."

Wanting to help the large creatures, Szalay said a percentage of her sales goes to the foundation.

"The more people that work with me, the more elephants I can help," she said.

While she hopes to one day retire in Thailand, she said she wants to continue to build her real estate business and watch it grow.

"The future holds good things," she said.

Szalay also represents the listing at 3004 Devendale Ave.

This listing, 202 W. Greening Ave., has natural landscape.

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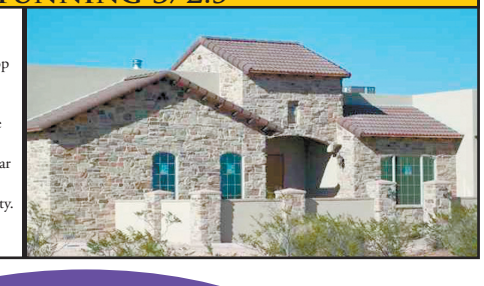

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At the Seed Share

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Columbus Elementary garden coordinator Helena Myers holds apricot seeds during the Mountain View Market Seed Share Sunday, Jan. 31.

Local gardener Theresa Westbrock looks at seeds for her gardener with her brother-in-law Lawrence Paxton. The event was designed to get Las Crucens excited about gardening in the spring and promote biodiversity.

Local gardener Charlotte Miller holds some sweet corn during the event. Leftover seeds were donated to various community gardens around town.

Local residents package seeds for their gardens during the first ever Seed Share at Mountain View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road.

New spin on decorating with sports memorabilia

HGTV designer offers tips on displaying sports team spirit in the home

The roar of the crowd, the thrill of a last-second victory – few things in life can evoke the excitement of a good sports competition. Passionately supporting the hometown team or proclaiming love for a favorite sport is an increasingly important activity in American culture.

Sports fans have grown to represent roughly 219 million Americans aged 12 and older, according to a recent ESPN research and analytics study. For these sports enthusiasts, the home is an ideal place to display their spirit and team pride.

"Whether sports are a time-honored tradition or a new family passion, there are always moments to remember and stories waiting to be told," said Erinn Valencich, a nationally recognized celebrity interior designer who has been featured on HGTV and in several publications, such as Good Housekeeping and House Beautiful. "Sports-themed wall decor is a great way to showcase team spirit and can serve as a fascinating conversation starter for guests."

Valencich said the first step to showcasing sports and school memorabilia in the home is to choose items that have personal meaning.

"When deciding what to display, remember that the items should tell a story about your personal interests or experiences, such as a game you attended or a moment you'll always remember," she said.

Valencich offers these additional tips for creating eye-catching and meaningful sports-themed wall displays.

Get creative with color

"First, work with your local custom framer, who will ensure pieces are framed to the highest quality," Valencich said. "Request matboard that matches the team's colors to immediately call the team to mind. The Crescent Select Impact Colors matboard line is ideal for this, as it features exact color matches for every college and professional sports team."

Mix sizes, shapes and materials

"When framing sports pictures, choose different shapes, textures and auxiliary elements in order to create a memorable gallery wall that can become a tribute to a favorite team," Valencich said. "I recommend choosing two to three primary pieces to be the focal point of the wall grouping and supplement them by also framing pennants, jerseys, trading cards, game programs and other meaningful memorabilia for a unique design. It's the mix of sizes, shapes and pieces that really make a collection sing."

Capture a personal sports experience

Valencich also suggests turning a picture of a sports fan's favorite player, team or stadium into a unique gift. She recommends incorporating several memorable pieces into a single custom-framed piece, such as a photo of the family from a game combined with a ticket stub or program.

"By personalizing with a photo, framed sports memorabilia can become a conversation piece that chronicles a special sporting event your family attended," she said.

Professional custom framers can bring individual pieces of memorabilia together in a high-quality, cohesive piece.

Find the perfect place for a sports display

Valencich believes that sports memorabilia makes a much bigger statement when grouped together in one area.

"When displaying sports pictures and memorabilia, choose a room that is the most personal to the family's sports enthusiast, such as a children's bedroom, an office, den or entertainment room," Valencich said.

Put the cell phone down

Hands-free devices allow you to chat and drive safely

By Beth Sitzler
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Effective Friday, Feb. 5, drivers who talk or text on their cell phones while driving will face punishment from the Las Cruces Police Department.

A citywide ban on using cell phones while driving was passed by the City Council in December 2009, making Las Cruces the sixth city in New Mexico to have such a restriction.

The ordinance prohibits sending or receiving calls; sending or receiving text messages; reading, selecting or entering a number or name; and sending or receiving emails. Those caught violating the ban can face fines of up to $500 and/or 90 days in jail. (See Page A1 for more information.)

There are exceptions to the ban, however, which include communication with certain offices or departments in an emergency and use by law enforcement personnel while performing their duties during an emergency.

Another exception is using hands-free devices. A hands-free device allows a user to operate their phone without holding it. There are several different types of hands-free cell phone devices available at electronic-specialty and auto supply stores. Here are a few.

Hands-free car kit

What is it, and how does it work?

As with the earpiece, the hands-free car kit is a Bluetooth-enabled gadget. This gadget, however, operates through your car's sound system and speakers.

After connecting the receiver to the car's power port or cigarette lighter, place the microphone above the rearview mirror. When you enter your car, the kit and cell phone will connect. While operating your car's sound system, the music will shut off and your phone will ring. With a touch of a button, you can answer your call and listen through your speakers.

How much does it cost?

Depending on its brand and features, the hands-free car kit can range in price from $80 to $250.

Radio transmitter

What is it, and how does it work?

If your cell phone doesn't have Bluetooth, one hands-free option is the radio transmitter. This device works with any cell phone in any car by transmitting sound through your car's speakers.

The radio transmitter is easy to use. Simply plug the device into your cell phone's headphone port and mount it on the car dashboard. Set your radio to the specified FM frequency and you'll be ready to chat on the go. Whenever you need to make or receive a call, change your radio to the frequency.

How much does it cost?

The radio transmitter can be found for as little as $10.

Earpiece

What is it, and how does it work?

Possibly the most popular hands-free device, the earpiece is a wireless, Bluetooth gadget that connects to the Bluetooth on your cell phone, also known as "pairing." Once the two devices are connected, they will be able to "talk" to each other and exchange information.

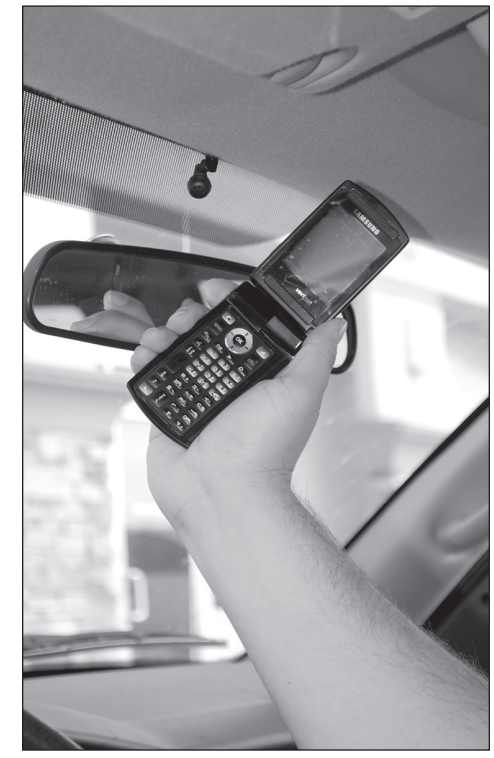
Simply touch the earpiece to answer incoming phone calls and use the voice-activation feature to make phone calls.

Earpieces are available in a variety of colors, shapes and styles. Be sure to consider its features and performances as well as compatibility with your cell phone when picking you perfect earpiece.

How much does it cost?

Earpieces range in prices depending on its brand and features, and can be found for as little as $30 and as much as $115.

Designed to sit in the ear, the earpiece is perfect for talking on the go.



The microphone allows you to talk and drive at the same time.

Bluetooth isn't required to operate this radio transmitter.

Sweet as honey

Natural sweetener has several uses outside of the kitchen

By Beth Sitzler
The Las Cruces Bulletin

For centuries, people have enjoyed the fruits of bee labor in the form of honey, an all-natural sweetener.

Created by honey bees, honey is produced from nectar and is stored as food in wax honeycombs inside the beehive to sustain the colony through the winter. Honey is sweet thanks to its monosaccharides fructose and glucose. It also contains several vitamins and minerals.

Along with feeding ancient civilizations, honey has been a symbol for sweetness, the new year and of feasting.

More than just a healthy sweetener, honey can be used around the house in a variety of methods. From beauty procedures to health supplements, honey can be employed in some unexpected ways.

1. Moisturize your skin: Create your own homemade skin moisturizer by mixing honey with egg whites and flour. Stir the mixture until it thickens, then use it as a hand or body lotion or as a moisturizing face mask. The honey mixture is gentle enough to be used on sensitive skin.

2. Gently scrub your face: In addition to creating skin moisturizer, honey can be used to create a facial scrub. Combine honey and oats and spread the concoction on your face, massaging it into your skin. The oats will gently exfoliate dull and dead skin cells without the risk of over-exfoliating or irritating sensitive skin while the honey will make your skin soft.

3. Enjoy bath time: Unwind at the end of a stressful day with a hot bath. Along with relieving aching muscles, adding some honey to your hot water will soften and moisturize your skin.

4. Condition your hair: Defeat frizz and flyaways with the help of honey. After shampooing, coat the ends of your hair with the natural syrup. Rinse it out after a few minutes and enjoy silky, smooth hair.

5. Get shiny hair: Use honey to get lustrous locks. Mix 1 tablespoon of honey with 1 cup of warm water in a spray bottle. Spritz the liquid onto damp hair and comb through. Style your glossy tresses as usual.

6. Make your own shaving cream: Want an all-natural shaving cream that will hydrate your skin more than soap or commercial creams? Use honey to create your own at home. Combine one part honey to two parts cream. Lather your legs and shave as normal. Not only will your legs be smoother, the honey shaving cream will also reduce razor burn and irritation.

7. Prep for a mani or pedi: Get a head start on your at-home manicure or pedicure with honey. Rub the sticky goodness into your cuticles and rough areas, such as heels and the balls of your feet, before beginning the beauty treatment. You will end up with extra soft feet and hands.

8. Eliminate acne: While honey is gentle on skin, it is tough on acne. Apply a small amount of the slow-moving syrup to a pimple and cover it with a bandage. Do this several times, and soon that pimple will be a thing of the past.

9. Boost your energy: Get a wake-up boost during those sluggish afternoons without resorting to chemically created energy drinks. Mix honey into water and drink the solution. The glucose in the honey will be absorbed by the brain and bloodstream, reducing fatigue.

10. Treat a sore throat: The next time you're suffering from a sore throat or a painful cough, skip the over-the-counter medicines and reach for the honey. For your sore throat, create a relieving serum by drinking a blend of honey and lemon juice. Continue this routine until your cough and sore throat are gone.

11. Soothe a wound: The pain of a burn can last several days. Speed up healing and soothe the mark by applying honey to the burn. The honey's hydrogen peroxide will clean the wound and diminish inflammation. Honey can also be applied as an antibacterial solution to other wounds. Along with killing germs and bacteria, the honey will also reduce the appearance of scars.

Old German Honey Cookies

1 cup white sugar
1 cup shortening
1 cup honey
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 teaspoon baking soda
4 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon ground ginger

In a saucepan over low heat, melt together sugar, shortening and honey. Let it cool.

Mix together eggs, vanilla, baking soda and ginger. Gradually add to cooled honey mixture.

Slowly add 4 cups of flour to mixture. Stir until well blended. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto cookie sheets about 2 inches apart. Bake at 350 degrees until golden, about 12-15 minutes. Makes 24 cookies. (Recipe adapted from http://allrecipes.com.)

Baked Chicken in Honey Sauce

1/4 cup butter
1/4 cup honey
1/4 cup orange juice concentrate
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 tablespoon mustard, prepared
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon curry powder
1 (3 to 4 pounds) broiler-fryer chicken, cut up
1 tablespoon water cold
1 teaspoon cornstarch

Preheat oven to 375 degrees.

Melt butter in a 13-by-9-by-2-inch baking dish. Add honey, orange juice, lemon juice, mustard, salt and curry powder. Mix well. Coat both sides of chicken pieces with honey mixture and place, skin-side down, in baking dish.

Bake for 30 minutes, basting occasionally. Turn chicken over and bake 30 minutes longer or until chicken tests done. Transfer chicken to a warm platter; cover and keep warm. Transfer honey mixture to a small saucepan. In a small bowl or cup, mix cold water and cornstarch until smooth. Pour into honey mixture. Stirring over medium heat, bring to a boil and boil for 1 to 2 minutes. Drizzle honey sauce over chicken. Makes 6 servings. (Recipe adapted from www.cdkitchen.com.)

Honey Almond Brittle

2 cups sugar
1 cup honey
1 tablespoon butter
1 cup water
1/8 teaspoon salt
2 cups slivered almonds, blanched

In a heavy bottom saucepan, stir together sugar, honey, salt and water. Stir until sugar has dissolved. Bring to a boil and continue to cook until mixture reaches 300 degrees on a candy thermometer.

Remove from heat and add butter and almonds, stirring only enough to mix them in.

Pour mixture out onto a well buttered or oiled marble slab or cookie sheet with sides. Using a spatula or the back of a large spoon, spread the mixture until it is very thin.

When the mixture is cold, break it into irregular shaped pieces (a hammer helps). Store in a cool dry place in air-tight containers. (Recipe adapted from www.cooks.com.)

Home Sales Scoreboard

LAS CRUCES AREA

	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Closed Sales New Homes	2	1	9
Closed Sales Existing Homes	22	4	20
Pending Home Sales (All)	182	175	181
Average Days on Market (All)	132	127	109

	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Median Price New	$167,890	$375,000	$151,000
Median Price Existing	$153,750	$241,250	$185,250
Total Homes on Market (All)	1,191	1,213	1,421
Real Estate Agents	448	448	623

"Homes" include detached single-family homes, townhomes and condominiums

Source: Las Cruces Multiple Listing Service (MLS)* for the period 1/25/10 - 1/31/10
* MLS is wholly owned by the Las Cruces Association of Realtors
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Valentine's Day is simply choco-chileous

Give the one you love a sweet and spicy treat

Why women should eat chocolate: *"If not for chocolate, there would be no need for control top pantyhose. An entire garment industry would be devastated. You can't let that happen, can you?"* – prnrn91.com

It's not too early to plan your Valentine's Day dinner with that special someone. Cupid highly recommends two offerings: Choco-Chileous Chili prepared with shakes of divine chile pepper powder and heavenly cocoa, and chile-chocolate truffles laced with sizzlin' habanero. Recipes infused with chile and chocolate tingle taste buds and keep hearts aflame – it's the perfect match.

Chocolate laced with habanero – it's the perfect Valentine's Day match.

Choco-Chileous Chili

Serve Choco-Chileous Chili with a goblet of mellow Merlot.

4 cups water
16 ounces tomato sauce
14 ounces salsa verde (green salsa)
1 cup pure ancho chile powder
1 1/2 tablespoons dried onion flakes
1 1/2 tablespoons dried minced garlic
2 tablespoons ground cumin
1 teaspoon ground dry cilantro, crushed
1 tablespoon Hungarian paprika
1 tablespoon salt
1/2 tablespoon ground black pepper
3 tablespoons cocoa powder (unsweetened)
1 tablespoon chipotle powder
2 pounds lean hamburger
1 (10-ounce) can diced tomatoes and green chile, drained
15 ounce can black beans, drained
16 ounces corn, cooked
1/2 cup warm water
1/4 cup fresh masa flour

Fill an 8-quart pot with the water, tomato sauce and salsa. Heat on low to slowly bring up the temperature. In a separate iron skillet, rapidly brown hamburger over high heat. Add the meat and dry spices to the heated water mixture and then bring the pot to a boil on high heat. Once the pot is boiling, lower heat to medium-low and cover. Cook for 2 hours, stirring every 15 minutes.

Just before the 2 hour mark, mix together the warm water and masa flour to make a pasty fluid. Then add it to the diced tomatoes and chile, black beans and corn. Cover and cook an additional 30 minutes, stirring at least once during this time. Serve with shredded cheese, coarse chopped raw onion and tortillas. Makes 1 gallon.

Chocolate Habanero Truffles

WARNING: These are highly addictive!

1/2 cup heavy cream
2 tablespoons softened unsalted butter
12 ounces semi-sweet chocolate chips, plus 8 ounces for dipping
1/2 cup cocoa powder, sifted
1 tablespoon habanero sauce

Heat the cream in a saucepan. Remove from heat. Add habanero sauce. Slowly add the 12 ounces of the chocolate chips until all of the chocolate has melted.

Transfer the mixture to a bowl and allow it to cool to room temperature. Stir occasionally for about 45 minutes. Pour the mixture into a food processor and add the softened butter. Purée on high for 3 to 4 minutes.

Pour the mixture out onto a work surface and work it with a pastry knife, cooling it down, until it begins to firm up. Using a small scoop (such as melon baller), form the mixture into 1-inch balls and place on a cookie tray lined with parchment paper. If the mixture is thick enough you can shape it with two spoons or fill a pastry bag to pipe them out.

Let the truffles set for 10 to 15 minutes. Melt just 6 ounces of the chocolate for dipping, remove from heat and add the remaining 2 ounces, stir until it melts and cools down.

Using tongs, put each truffle ball into the melted chocolate. Shake off excess and place on a clean sheet of parchment paper. Repeat until all of them are done. Roll each truffle in the cocoa and place on a cookie sheet lined with parchment. Allow the truffles to set, about 10 minutes. These will keep for about 2 weeks in an airtight container. Makes about 24 to 30 truffles.

Very Sweet Chocolate Tidbits

The word "chocolate" is said to be derived from the Mayan "xocolatl": cacao from the Aztec "cacahuatl." The Mexican Indian word "chocolate" comes from a combination of the terms choco ("foam") and atl ("water"); early chocolate was only consumed in beverage form. Chocolate is a vegetable. Chocolate is derived from cocoa beans. Bean is a vegetable. Sugar is derived from either sugar cane or sugar beets. Both are plants, which places them in the vegetable category. Thus, chocolate is a vegetable. Right? (From www.prnrn91.com/chocolate.html.)

Four hundred cocoa beans are required to make one pound of chocolate.

White chocolate isn't chocolate; rather, it's a blend of cocoa butter, milk solids, sugar and vanilla. Its used in candy bars, backing and coatings, but is not technically chocolate because it contains no chocolate liquor.

A natural aphrodisiac? As an elixir for love, chocolate has been believed throughout history to bring smiles to the broken-hearted and to prompt amorous feelings in both men and women. It is believed that Madame Du Barry served it to all her suitors, Casanova consumed chocolate instead of champagne to induce romance and Montezuma, the king of the ancient Aztecs, believed chocolate would make him virile. In the 1800s, physicians commonly advised their lovelorn patients to eat chocolate to calm their pining.

The Aztecs associated chocolate with Xochiquetzal, the goddess of fertility. In the New World, chocolate was consumed in a bitter and spicy drink called xocoatl, often seasoned with vanilla, chile pepper, achiote (which we know today as annatto) and pimento. Xocoatl was believed to fight fatigue.

Chocolate was an important luxury good throughout pre-Columbian Mesoamerica, and cocoa beans were often used as currency. Other chocolate drinks combined it with edibles such as maize gruel (which acts as an emulsifier) and honey.

Chocolate is America's favorite flavor. A recent survey revealed that 52 percent of U.S. adults said they like chocolate best. The second favorite flavor was a tie (at 12 percent each) between berry flavors and vanilla.

U.S. chocolate manufacturers use about 3.5 million pounds of whole milk every day to make chocolate.

Sixty-five percent of American chocolate eaters prefer milk chocolate.

The melting point of cocoa butter is just below the human body temperature (98.6 degrees), which is why it literally melts in your mouth.

Older children are significantly more likely to prefer chocolate than younger children (59 percent of 9- to 11-year-olds prefer chocolate versus 46 percent of 6- to 8-year-olds), according to a National Confectioners Association survey.

A survey conducted by the Chocolate Manufacturers Association revealed that 50 percent of women would likely give a gift of chocolate to a guy for Valentine's Day. This survey also found that 64 percent of men do not make plans in advance for a romantic Valentine's Day. (From www.candyusa.org.)

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Moths, beetles munch on fabric

Animal fibers a delicious treat for these pesky bugs

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Not so long ago, pulling a sweater from the closet after a long summer might reveal sizable holes made by hungry insects. Today, though, the problem isn't as severe – if only because our fabrics are so often man made.

But that doesn't mean there is no problem. The insects that are the biggest threats to fabrics are clothes moths and carpet beetles.

The moth itself doesn't do the damage, but the larva does. They will only eat fibers that come from animals, such as wool or fur, and they feed for up to three months, according to the University of Arizona. They and the carpet beetles can damage household items including clothing, wool rugs and blankets.

The damage these bugs caused has not only been reduced by the use of man-made fabrics, but also more frequent use of dry cleaning.

There are measures you can take to ensure that your animal-based fibers aren't damaged by bugs. Here are a few tips:

- Vacuum often
- Make sure to clean clothing and other materials before storing them
- Occasionally bring out stored fabrics to brush them and let them sit in the sun
- Tightly seal in boxes or chests materials that will be stored for a long time
- Throw away or dry clean fabrics that have been infested

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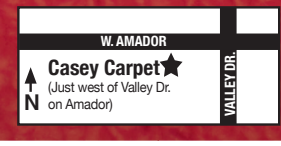

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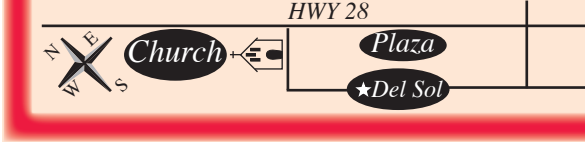
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