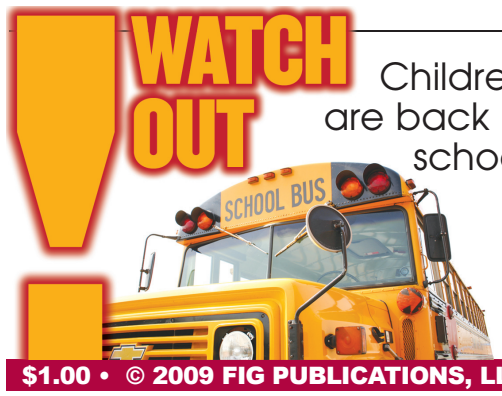
LOCAL NEWS AND ENTERTAINMENT SINCE 1969



THE LAS CRUCES
Bulletin

SalsaFest Saturday Downtown,
Arts & Lifestyles, Page **C2**

$1.00 • © 2009 FIG PUBLICATIONS, LLC FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2009 VOLUME 41 • NUMBER 34

West Nile kills Doña Ana man

45-year-old first '09 death in NM

By Jonathan Butz
The Las Cruces Bulletin

A Doña Ana County man died from West Nile Virus infection, Tuesday, Aug. 18, at the age of 45, according to a New Mexico Department of Health press release.

The county resident had a more severe form of the disease known as encephalitis and had been in the hospital since Aug. 1. Although more information on the man has not been disclosed, his death marks the first West Nile Virus death in New Mexico in 2009.

For more West Nile prevention tips, see Page A30

"We extend our sympathy to the man's family and friends who are grieving for their loss," said Health Secretary Alfredo Vigil, M.D., in a press release. "We all need to do our best to prevent mosquito bites so we're safe from West Nile."

A total of three human West Nile Virus cases have been recorded in the state this year, including the Doña Ana County man, a 39-year-old woman from Rio Arriba County who was not hospitalized and a 70-year-old man from Eddy County who is in critical condition at University of New Mexico Hospital.

In 2008, New Mexico recorded eight cases of the virus with no fatalities, while 60 cases were reported in

See **West Nile** on PAGE A4

WHAT'S INSIDE

Opinions.....A6-A9
Coming Up.....A11
Sports.....A17-A23
Health.....A29-A31
Business.....B1-B9, B16
Legals.....B10-B14
Restaurant Guide.....C11-C13
TV Listings.....C15-C18
Brain Games.....C19
Chile Knights.....E11

NEXT WEEK

White Sands gets new commander

Col. John S. Regan to command missile range as Brig. Gen. David Mann heads to Fort Bliss

Health Care Debate

TODD DICKSON | The Las Cruces Bulletin

U.S. Rep. Harry Teague faced a packed County Commission chamber during the Congressman's town hall meeting Wednesday, Aug. 19, in the Doña Ana County Government Center.

Teague survives town hall on health care without incident

By Todd G. Dickson
The Las Cruces Bulletin

To reform health care or not to reform health care?

That seems to be the question for the opposing sides of the health care debate with local residents from both camps showing up in force at U.S. Rep. Harry Teague's town hall meeting Wednesday, Aug. 18, in Las Cruces.

The public input reflected the national debate. Though more reserved than some town halls, it teetered on turning rancorous at times.

Those concerned that the government can't afford to reform health care during such a fragile time in the nation's economy was reflected by statements from Gen Mitchell. With the debt burden from government spending on programs such as Cash for Clunkers, she said she was worried about future generations. Her concerns were countered by pro-health care reform advocates who say an ill-advised war in Iraq started the deficit.

One person praised his private health care insurance plan and another would tell a horror story. One person touted the quality of his federal health care, only to be countered by tales of life-threatening bureaucratic bungling.

See **Teague** on PAGE A4

Bingaman: 'Now is the time to cure health care disease'

By Todd G. Dickson
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Jeff Bingaman, New Mexico's senior U.S. senator who's in the thick of the Senate's deliberations on health care reform, said the country can't afford not to tackle the problem of rising health care costs.

With those costs rising at a rate much greater than inflation, taking no action will result in rationed, "assembly line" health care and leave more people without health care insurance, Bingaman told a gathering of New Mexico AARP members Wednesday, Aug. 18, in Las Cruces.

Bingaman said he appreciated the AARP taking the lead in trying to keep people focused on the real issues of health care that need to be addressed by speaking out against misinformation about reforming the health care system.

For example, Bingaman said, there is no one single health care bill. There are three bills in the House, and the Senate committees are still in the process of trying to craft legislation.

Bingaman said the Obama administration learned the lesson of President Clinton's failure to reform health care by setting broad goals rather

See **Bingaman** on PAGE A4

Schools face challenges at the start

State funding, disappointing test scores sober educators

By Todd G. Dickson
The Las Cruces Bulletin

As the Las Cruces Public Schools opened its doors this week to more than 23,000 students, educators were grappling with how to make sense of unflattering student achievement results and the possibility of more budget cuts from the state.

At the district's first school board meeting Tuesday, Aug. 18, Superintendent Stan Rounds spent some time talking about the student achievement results, primarily the findings that only five schools of 35 in the district made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and that the district's cohort-based graduation rate was 43 percent compared to the state average of 52 percent.

Rounds said detailed data from those results have yet to be available to district officials to analyze, and some of the "big bucket" data is puzzling to administrators, who also dispute the graduation rate methodology.

The five schools that made AYP are Fairacres Elementary, Highlands Elementary, Hillrise Elementary, White Sands Elementary and White Sands Middle School. While many of the district's

See **Schools** on PAGE A4

ASHLEY FURNITURE HomeStore®

Back to SCHOOL

Double Tax Off Sale!

It's tax-free weekend in Texas, but we're helping you shop local for your back to school furniture & accessories!

Come See Us!

Ashley Furniture HomeStore

3299 Del Rey Blvd.

575.523.3933

Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-8 p.m. • Sunday noon-5 p.m.

Visit us online at www.ashleyhomestores.com

VISA MasterCard DISCOVER

The Bowmans Serving Las Cruces for more than 35 years!

ASHLEY FURNITURE HomeStore®

Financing available on CITI revolving charge to qualified buyers. Some pieces and fabric prints may vary by region. Selection may vary by store. Although every precaution is taken, errors in price and/or specification may occur in print. We reserve the right to correct any such errors. Price valid for a limited time only. Participation times may vary. Offer does not apply to previous purchases. Not valid with any other promotion. HomeStores are independently owned and operated. Photographs may not represent items exactly as shown. Advertised items may not be on display at locations. Expires 8/24/09. © 2009 Ashley Furniture HomeStore.

Dog dippin' days of August

Tyler Dallas, 12, and Corie Britton, 13, give Boger, a 9-month-old Lhasa Apso, a dog dip for fleas and ticks Saturday, Aug. 15, at the Feed Store, 5165 Doña Ana Road.

Corie Britton, 13, and Jaymin Jackson, 17, give Chad, a 4-year-old border collie, a dip for fleas and ticks at the flea dip held as a fundraiser for the 10X Youth Shooting Club. The club will hold another dog dip at the Feed Store on Saturday, Sept. 19.

PHOTOS BY STEVE MACINTYRE

American Legion Riders Stephen Quay and Larry Pugh and Girl Scouts Camille Debroux and Clare Smith accept donations for the yard sale from Georgia Christiansen and Joe Gummeringer.

Operation Wounded Warrior will benefit from yard sale

Girls Scouts, American Legion Riders team up to help disabled servicemen

Girl Scout Troop 97 and the American Legion Riders will to host a yard sale from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 29, at American Legion Post 10, 1185 E. Madrid Ave, to benefit Operation Wounded Warrior. Donations for the yard sale are currently being accepted at the Las Cruces Girl Scout Office at 225 E. Idaho Ave., Suite 9. Donations will also be accepted from noon to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Aug. 27 and 28, at the post. Anyone needing assistance with larger items or for pick up may call Dan Banks at 373-1193.

Hearing set for charter schools

The New Mexico Public Education Commission has scheduled a public hearing at 1 p.m. Monday, Aug. 24, at Milton Hall, Room 171, on the New Mexico State University campus to gain input into the charter school applications for Organ Mountain Community Charter School and the Sen. Dennis Chavez Academy.

During the public hearings, members of the PEC will listen to presentations from the charter schools. Following the presentations, local school district representatives and members of the public will have an opportunity to speak for or against the proposed schools. The PEC will then have an opportunity to question the applicants.

Public input about the charter school applications may also be submitted in writing to the PEC by sending letters or emails to New Mexico Public Education Commission, c/o Beverly Friedman, NMPED PIO & PEC Liaison, 300 Don Gaspar, Santa Fe, NM 87501 or Bev.Friedman@state.nm.us. The deadline for submitting public input is 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 1.

PEC members will vote to authorize or deny the applications at a meeting scheduled for Sept. 10 and 11, in Santa Fe.

Any questions about the hearings can be directed to the New Mexico Public Education Department's Charter School Bureau at 505-222-4762.

Esperanza
CHILDREN'S THERAPY
Now SERVING KIDS OF ALL AGES in our Community
APRENDAMOS
Intervention Team
Call for a Free Developmental Screening
526-6682 • 523-7254 (fax)
301 Perkins Drive Suite B

Come visit our new University branch!
Lobby Hours
Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Drive Up Hours
Mon.-Fri. 8:15 a.m.-6 p.m. • Sat. 9 a.m.-Noon
4 Teller stations/4 Drive up lanes
24 hour ATM
Safe deposit boxes
Personal deposit and loan products
Commercial deposit and loan products
Real Estate Lending
CITIZENS BANK OF LAS CRUCES
CITIZENS BANK
3065 E. University Ave. • 575-647-6700
www.citizenslc.com
Member FDIC Equal Housing Lender

Teague

Continued from PAGE A1

If there was one consistent request from both sides it was that people should have the freedom to choose their health care plans, which Teague said is the intent of lawmakers.

Teague made efforts to assuage concerns from both sides of the debate.

An audience member challenged Teague that if a public option became part of the health care reform, then that should be the health care coverage for all government workers. "Any program I vote for will be my insurance," Teague promised.

After hearing another voice mistrusting of government run health care because of fraud and abuse in the Medicare system, Teague said those caught cheating the system need to "put in some real jail time."

That concern was quickly countered by a pro-reform voice that noted that private health insurance also is rife with fraud.

One man attributed rising health care costs to doctors practicing "defensive medicine" to avoid lawsuits and proposed tort reform as key to the health care solution.

"I think health care is the most important reform we can have," Teague responded, "and there should be no sacred cows – and that includes tort reform."

Larry Stocker, a retired teacher, said he knows many people who aren't insured because they can't afford it.

"It's about time our country caught up with the rest of the civilized world," he said.

Rev. Joshua Anna, an orthodox Christian priest and monk, said the legislation as currently drafted is dangerously vague because interpretation will be dictated by whomever is in power. Depending on who's interpreting the legislation's intent, it could allow late abortions, he said. "I expect better out of our government."

Teague acknowledged the proposed legislation is too vague and has opened health care reform up to much misinformation, such as calling for rationing.

George Griffin ended the town hall meeting by telling Teague and the crowd that political "theology" has clouded what should be a deliberative debate about fixing health care. "Democracy doesn't cure colds or cancer," he said. "The question is, how do we take care of our folks?"

Bingaman

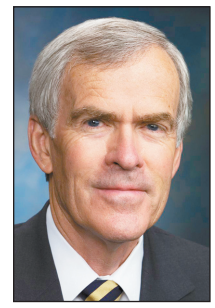
Continued from PAGE A1

than submitting legislation to Congress.

There are some general objectives that the Senate is trying to accomplish with the health care reform its lawmakers are trying to pass, he said.

First, the health care insurance market needs to be reformed, Bingaman said. People with pre-existing conditions shouldn't be refused coverage, or lose coverage if they get seriously ill.

Second, the "cost shifting" needs to stop, Bingaman said, in that people with health insurance are paying the cost of the uninsured through higher premiums spurred by health care providers trying to recover lost revenue.



BINGAMAN

Yet, it is estimated that people without health insurance use about 60 percent of the same medical services as those with insurance, he said.

"If we do nothing, we're heading for a real train wreck in this country," he said.

Las Cruces Mayor Ken Miyagishima – who owns an insurance agency – did raise one concern. Bingaman's list of objectives for reforming health insurance included eliminating health care spending limits for individuals. No limits give health insurance providers the need to know what their spending ceiling will be in order to calculate the cost of coverage, he said.

The limit for health care coverage used to be $1 million, but that industry standard has been raised to $5 million, Miyagishima said. Perhaps Congress could raise that spending ceiling to $10 million to essentially resolve that concern, he suggested.

Though the Obama administration wanted to move quickly on health care reform, Bingaman said prolonging the debate is helping lawmakers find answers to health care's very complex questions.

"I think the time we're taking – the extra time – is time well-spent and we need to take time to make sure it's done right," he said.

West Nile

Continued from PAGE A1

2007 with three deaths, one of which occurred in Doña Ana County according to the New Mexico Department of Health. Additionally, the Department of Health reported three cases of West Nile in Doña Ana County in 2006, one of which resulted in death.

Anyone experiencing fever, nausea, headache and muscle aches should contact his or her health care provider, as the symptoms are common among people with West Nile Virus. On rare occasions, West Nile can lead to meningitis or encephalitis, while people older than 50 are especially susceptible to the virus.

The department of Health reports that most people infected with West Nile have either mild symptoms or no symptoms at all, and less than 1 percent of the people infected develop meningitis or encephalitis. Encephalitis affects the brain, while meningitis is an infection of the lining around the brain.

West Nile is most commonly spread through mosquitoes, as their bites can infect humans with the virus.

For more information on West Nile Virus, visit www.nmhealth.org/epi/wnv.html.

Schools

Continued from PAGE A1

other schools had previously been making progress, Rounds said it wasn't enough for the "rising bar" of No Child Left Behind standards in which a school doesn't meet AYP if it doesn't hit the mark in any of 37 factors evaluated.

No Child Left Behind will continue to raise the level of outcome expectations each year until 2014 when all schools must be at 100-percent and Rounds predicted that every school in the United States will then fail to make AYP.

Although he acknowledged that there will be much to learn about improving what schools can do when the detailed data arrives, some of these initial results have surprised district educators. For example, schools such as MacArthur Elementary that had been making progress showed slippage despite no significant change in staff or curriculum. And previous progress at MacArthur was important, Rounds said, because it has all the factors that impede student success with many of its students coming from homes that are poor and where English isn't the primary language.

Rounds said the snapshot that only five schools made AYP overshadowed progress at many district schools in which deficiencies were greatly reduced. This was especially at Tombaugh, which changed from nine subject areas not making AYP to two and Hermosa Heights going from 11 areas not making AYP to just three.

Rounds said he is making an effort to recognize those schools better than 50 percent progress on AYP deficiencies.

Also, the community should take pride in the progress the district's schools have made in teaching mathematics, Rounds said.

While there are things to learn from the AYP results, Rounds has problems with the state's methodology for calculating the graduation rate. If the old graduation/dropout method of comparing the number of high school students at the start of classes to those in class by school year's end was still being used, the district's graduation rate would be about 97 percent.

But the graduation rate is now being calculated by following students through all four years of high school, which Rounds said should give a clearer picture of the actual dropout rate. The problem is the method being used rejects students who leave school to get their GED to begin community college classes. "That's not a dropout," Rounds said.

District officials should be able to give a clearer picture about what this all means in about a month when the more detailed data arrives, the superintendent said.

"So stay tuned," he said.

John Hamilton, the parent of a Mayfield High School freshman, said educators shouldn't be finding excuses for not meeting AYP or a better graduation rate.

"I see this AYP as an alarm to the community," Hamilton said. "We are not doing enough."

State funding crisis

Other problems looming on the horizon are the state's finances, which are facing a $738 million shortfall. The Legislature will likely be called into a special session in October to approve new state budget cuts and Rounds said lawmakers are saying that school funding could be cut by 5 percent to 7 percent. Such a cut, he said, would mean a $8.5 million hit to the district's budget, which carried over a reserve cash balance of about $7.7 million.

Rounds urged parents, teachers and others concerned about the schools to "enhance" the debate with state lawmakers.

Rewarding improvement

Las Cruces Public Schools

Las Cruces Public Schools Superintendent Stan Rounds surprised the staff at Tombaugh Elementary on the second day of school Tuesday, Aug. 18, with a banner recognizing the school's academic improvements. Principal Cindy Baker and Assistant Principal Dana Hamel look on. Seven LCPS schools received banners for their students' achievements during the 2008-09 school year.

Pumpkin Festival looking for a princess

Pumpkin Princess will be role model to other girls

The New Mexico Pumpkin Festival is looking for their 2009 Pumpkin Festival Princess. The Pumpkin Princess is an outgoing, positive fifth-grade girl who wants to be a part of a fun fall celebration and be a role model for younger girls.

The Pumpkin Princess will receive a unique prize pack including gift cards to local businesses, a pizza party for her and friends, a tiara necklace and bracelet, and, of course, the princess tiara and sash.

Lexi Barra will crown this year's princess and pass on her title as Pumpkin Princess.

The Pumpkin Princess will be the official representative of the Pumpkin Festival and must be present at the Maze Kick Off Party on Thursday, Sept. 24, ride the Pumpkin Festival Float in the Whole Enchilada Parade on Saturday, Sept.26, visit the Mesilla Valley Maze booth at the Southern New Mexico State Fair, attend both days of the festival to award prizes to contest winners and come back in 2010 to crown the new Pumpkin Princess.

Applications can be downloaded at www.mesillavalleymaze.com/nmpumpkinfestival or are available by calling Helping Hands Event Planning at 522-1232. Applicants must also submit a photo and short essay on why they want to be the Pumpkin Princess.

The application deadline is Saturday, Sept. 12.

Council puts EPE agreement on hold

Downtown market hits critical shade crossroads

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

The Las Cruces City Council Monday, Aug. 17, put on hold renewing the El Paso Electric franchise agreement to wait out the state Public Regulation Commission decision on whether to allow homes and buildings with solar generating units to sell power back to utilities.

Outside of that concern, the city and El Paso electric said they made great progress in changing the franchise agreement to better reflect its utility right-of-way purpose, while adding opportunities for regular discussions about adding renewable and other power generation.

Meanwhile, the city finds itself at a critical juncture with resolving the shade conflict with vendors at the Downtown Farmers & Crafts Market before it moves south along the re-opened Main Street to the other side of Las Cruces Avenue on Saturday, Sept. 5.

The original plan was to have the market also cross Griggs Avenue to the south end of the Downtown Mall where permanent shade structures were removed in anticipation of street construction to re-open Main Street. The popular twice-weekly market is moving from the north end of the Downtown Mall so that end of Main Street can be re-opened.

Another option presented at the meeting, however, would be to move the market to the city-owned parking lot off Water Street next to the El Paso Electric offices. The lot can accommodate two 80-by-100-foot tents to give vendors better shade.

With the heavily promoted move coming soon, city officials are looking at the best way this option can work. Renting the tent for a year is estimated to cost about $140,000. A benefit from moving the market to the El Paso Electric parking lot would be that it would allow work to re-open Main Street to be done simulaneously on the north and south ends of the mall, shortening the work from a three-year process to 18 months, said Assistant City Manager Robert Garza.

In other business, the council also approved vendors to furnish the new city hall, convention center and aquatics center, though some councillors objected to the bids going to out-of-town businesses. Maria Griego-Raby of the Albuquerque-based Contract Associations promised her company will still use many local subcontractors.

START YOUR CAREER IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

♦ Police Officer ♦ Border Patrol ♦ Federal Agent ♦ Game Warden

Earn Your Degree Online at Home.

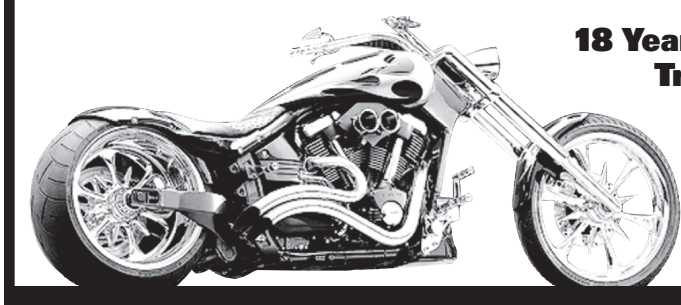
Are you looking to advance in your current job, or expand your career opportunities in law enforcement? UMFK offers online degrees in *Associate of Arts in Criminal Justice* and *Bachelor of Science in Rural Public Safety*.

FOR FURTHUR INFORMATION: http://www.umfk.maine.edu/psa/
Call us, toll-free, at 1-888-879-8635 or e-mail us: umfkadm@maine.edu

Accessible * Affordable * Accredited

Law offices of Kenneth G. Egan

MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENTS



18 Years Experience
Trial Work

Free Consultation

575-523-2222

1111 E. Lohman
(Next to Pep Boys)

Visit us at
www.eganlawoffices.com

Opinions

From the Publisher

Searching for NM's best green chile cheeseburger

Through Sept. 30, New Mexicans can nominate and vote for their favorite green chile cheeseburger

By **David E. McCollum**
The Las Cruces Bulletin

McCOLLUM

Finally, we have something to think about that has absolutely nothing to do with unemployment, partisan politics, recession, war, health care, real estate woes or excessive corporate salaries.

Thanks to the New Mexico Department of Tourism we now have something to debate and a chance to take positive action. Earlier this month, the creative folks at the "Visit New Mexico" offices in Santa Fe announced a statewide contest, the Governor's Green Chile Cheeseburger Challenge. The purpose of this contest is to identify our state's most popular green chile cheeseburger. Currently, the department is accepting nominations and votes from residents and restaurants across the state. As I understand, voters will determine the top-20 green chile cheeseburgers. These winners will be recognized by the tourism department and will become part of the inaugural Green Chile Cheeseburger Trail. Also, the most popular burger will be the winner of the Governor's Challenge.

The contest most likely was inspired by a recent episode of Bobby Flay's Throwdown on the Food Channel where Manny's Buckhorn Tavern's green chile burger in tiny San Antonio, N.M., was preferred by the judges over Bobby Flay's offering.

Nominations and votes for the Governor's Challenge are now being accepted at the tourism department's website at www.newmexico.org/greenchilecheeseburger. On this site, viewers can nominate the New Mexico restaurant where they have savored their favorite green chile cheeseburger. So far, more than 60 restaurants have been nominated and are on the online ballot. Additionally, live voting will be conducted at the State Fair in Albuquerque, Sept. 11 to 27, and in Las Cruces at The Whole Enchilada Fiesta, Sept. 25 to 27. Online voting ends Sept. 30.

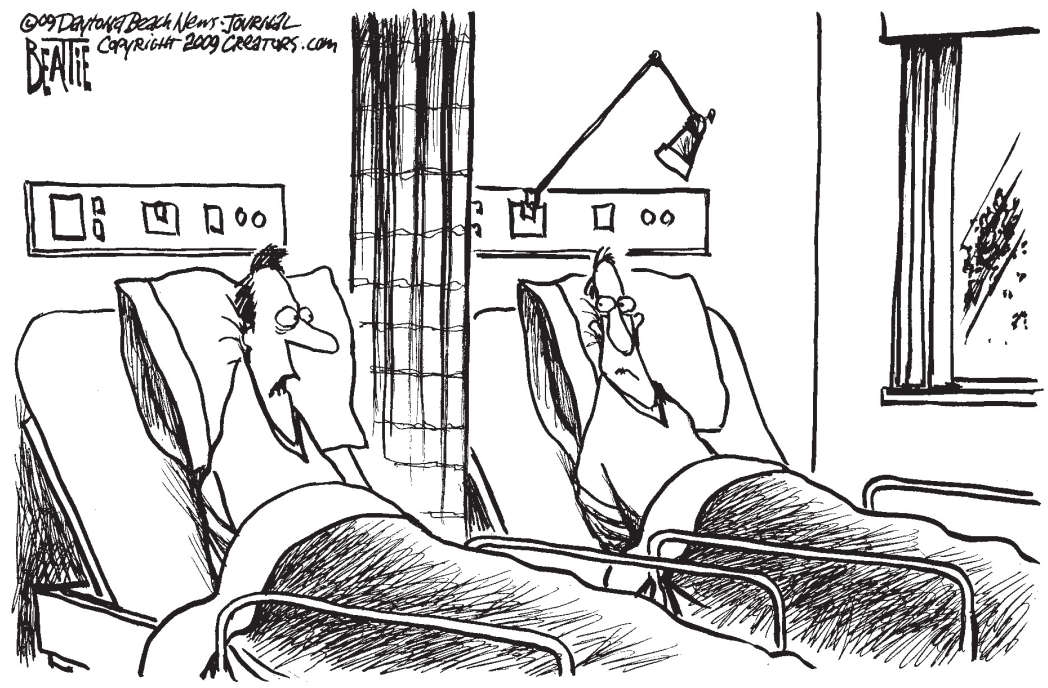
Readers should understand that Jaki and I are burger connoisseurs. We have been known to drive 100 miles out of our way to seek an alleged great cheeseburger. When we lived in Pennsylvania, we suffered greatly after being advised that the best burgers could be found at White Castle. (Obviously, Pennsylvanians did not understand what a great burger could be.)

When we moved to Las Cruces, we were puzzled at the term, "green chile cheeseburger." Being more familiar with "chili-burgers," we thought "chile" was more like the Texas-style "chili." We did not understand what the heck "green chile" was. We learned the difference very quickly at our first NMSU Aggie football tailgate event where we put these odd-looking "pickles" on our burgers, only to discover very quickly that these condiments were not pickles, but instead were fiery hot, roasted green chile peppers. It took a few hours and a gallon of liquids including water, Cokes, Coronas and a couple of margaritas plus a couple of dollops of sour cream to put out the fire in my mouth.

Of course, Jaki and I now have become experts in green chile cheeseburgers. Two of our preferred out-of-town burgers are found in San Antonio, N.M., at The Owl Bar and its across-the-street rival, Manny's Buckhorn Tavern. Another favorite place is the Outpost bar and grill in downtown Carrizozo. Our local favorite burger has been at the Burger Nook, complemented with crispy, fresh-cut French fries. However, Double Eagle's Peppers restaurant recent addition of green chile cheeseburgers to menus has caused us to consider their burger as our number one choice.

We encourage all Las Cruces area residents to take the time to vote online and in person for one of our local green chile cheeseburgers. Our recommendation is the Double Eagle's Peppers' giant offering that can easily feed a family of up to five people.

This is one opportunity you have to legally vote early and vote often.



"If we were as hard to kill off as these loony death panel rumors, we wouldn't need health insurance."

Letters to the Editor

Coach thanks community

Our team motto this year is "Invest in Us." It is a statement that is meant to remind our student-athletes of the sacrifices that need to be made in order to achieve our goals for this coming year. This is a theme that we constantly impress upon the players.

We are deeply committed to providing the fans a successful team that they can be proud of. We have encouraged the 2009 Aggies to give of their time and participate in events and to continue being good citizens in the community where they reside, Las Cruces.

Recently, we asked the community to support us by helping us feed our players a nightly snack. You responded positively. People from all walks of life and backgrounds contributed to help our young men. Our players are extremely appreciative of the contributions you have made to our program.

We thank you for your contributions to us. At this time, we are no longer in need of any further assistance in providing snacks for our players.

I was very pleased to see the community recognizes our team as one that embodies the ideals and values of our community by coming to our assistance.

We are touched by your generosity. We are moved by your commitment to us.

Thank you for welcoming me and my staff to Las Cruces. Thank you for supporting your Aggies. We look forward to seeing you at Aggie Memorial Stadium this fall. We are your team. We can't achieve our goals without you.

DEWAYNE WALKER
New Mexico State University
Head football coach

Medication needed

After reading some recent articles and letters to the editor about health care reform, my only concern with government-sponsored health care is that the proposals don't go far enough.

Judging from what I read in the Bulletin and elsewhere, there is a real need for coverage that includes extensive mental health benefits, something that Congress and the administration have yet to propose.

Think about it: Where under the current proposal will people who compare President Obama's efforts to cover millions of Americans – including millions of children – to Hitler's Germany get the medication they so desperately need?

And, how will the Bulletin reporter who thought that a health care forum with panelists who all oppose the administration's efforts was non-partisan ever get a grip on reality without costly long-term counseling?

Do we really want these folks walking around without some kind of assurance that they have access to a doctor?

I'm being a little tongue-in-cheek here, of course, but I am concerned that the cacophony of disturbed and irrational voices that have been raised in opposition to a public option are drowning out the reasoned debate that a government-sponsored health care plan deserves.

Should the future of health care in America be driven by the desperate lies and misrepresentations of crazed ideologues? I think not.

Citizens who want to learn the real facts about health care reform should forget the ranting of the few vocal and malicious opponents and visit the White House's health care reform webpage at www.whitehouse.gov/realitycheck.

Familiarity with the facts is the best prescription for a healthy debate.

GLENN LANDERS

THE LAS CRUCES
Bulletin

2009 "Small Business of the Year"
Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces
2008 "Spirit of Service Award"
New Mexico State University Foundation
2007 "VIVA Award"
N.M. Association of Commerce and Industry
2006 "Newspaper of the Year"
New Mexico Farm and Livestock Bureau
2005 "Business of the Year"
Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce

PRESIDENT
BUSINESS MANAGER
Jacqueline McCollum

PUBLISHER/EDITOR
David E. McCollum

PUBLISHER'S ASSISTANT
LEGALS/CLASSIFIED
Stephanie Griffin

ADVERTISING SALES
Claire Frohs, manager
Jaylene Watkins, manager
Chris Mitchell
Pam Rossi
Jorge Lopez

MANAGING EDITOR
Kristine Sandrick

COPY EDITOR
Jim Hilley

NEWS EDITOR
Todd G. Dickson

BUSINESS EDITOR
Gabriel Vasquez

ARTS & LIFESTYLES
Beth Sitzler

SPORTS EDITOR
John Keith

HOMES & SOUTHWEST LIVING
Jonathan Butz

REPORTERS
Craig Massey
Marvin Tessneer

GRAPHIC DESIGNERS
Rachel Courtney, manager
Marissa Barrio
Ramon Gonzalez
Phyllis Fleming

ART DIRECTOR
Theresa Montoya Basaldua

DISTRIBUTION MGR.
Steven Wheeler

OFFICE ASSISTANT
Malinda Lee

PHOTOGRAPHERS
A. Kurz
Steve MacIntyre

STILL LAS CRUCES NEW MEXICO RANKED the BEST
"One of the top 'Dream Towns' to retire to" 2006 AARP
"One of the top 2 small metro areas for business" 2004 Milken Institute
"One of the top 2 small metro areas for business" 2006 Forbes.com
"Top area in U.S. to retire" 2002 Money Magazine

DEFINING SUSTAINABLE PRINTING

COPYRIGHT: The entire contents of The Las Cruces Bulletin are copyright 2009 by FIG Publications, LLC. No portion may be reproduced in whole or in part by any means including electronic retrieval systems without the written permission of the publisher. EDITORIAL SUBMISSION: All letters and unsolicited materials are welcome; we will return only those with a self-addressed, stamped envelope. DISTRIBUTION: The Las Cruces Bulletin is complimentary at advertised locations in Las Cruces, limited to one copy per reader; $1 per copy elsewhere. Previous issues of The Las Cruces Bulletin may be purchased at the Bulletin office at 840 N. Telshor Blvd. at a cost of $1 for any issue from the past four weeks or $3 each for issues up to two years old. The Las Cruces Bulletin may be distributed only by Las Cruces Bulletin's authorized independent contractors or authorized distributors. No person may, without prior written permission of the Las Cruces Bulletin, take more than one copy of each Bulletin issue. Subscriptions available: $48 per year in Las Cruces or $75 per year through the U.S. Postal Service.

Leaders hoping for quick special session

Fix for financial shortfall will require some cuts – but where?

JAY MILLER
Inside the Capitol

With a special legislative session to balance the state budget now a sure thing, the big question is who takes the hit? Does the pain get spread evenly or will it be prioritized?

With state government more than $400 million further in the hole than predicted six months ago, Gov. Bill Richardson and legislative leaders have agreed that a special session is necessary, probably in October.

The governor had hoped to avoid the session, but the shortfall is big enough and it is dangerous to use all our reserves to plug the gap. The deficit would be even worse without the federal stimulus money the state has received and that won't be available next year.

The plan is for a task force, representing the governor and legislative leaders, to agree on a proposal to be presented to a one-day special session. Some lawmakers have expressed opinions that the plan is overly optimistic, unless the proposal is extremely simple.

But considering the number of proposed solutions voiced by legislators and interest groups, the solution may not be simple.

Gov. Richardson and legislative leaders have said everything is on the table but tax increases. To that, the governor has added his desire not to furlough or lay off any state employees.

Some legislative leaders who have addressed the subject aren't willing to rule out furloughs, layoffs and a reduced number of vacation days.

At least some lawmakers are upset that the state employees union and those representing county, municipal, school and university employees have filed suit challenging the constitutionality of docking their pay 1.5 percent to make up for a similar reduction in the public employer contribution to employee retirement.

The state employees' union and a child advocacy group have suggested numerous ways the state can generate additional revenue through increased taxes on high incomes, large corporations and removal of tax exemptions and deductions given to small interest groups.

The proposals are accompanied by compelling rationale but none will get anywhere because each proposal is opposed by a strong lobbying corps that would extend a legislative session much longer than a day.

That means sacred cows such as education may take a hit. Twice Senate Majority Leader Tim Jennings, D-Roswell has written to school superintendents and university presidents warning them education must be willing to share the pain.

Public schools comprise roughly 50 percent of the state budget. Colleges and universities add another 10 percent. So a small hit on them would raise significant revenue.

Educators argue that they already took a hit during the regular legislative session early this year. Federal stimulus funds are the only thing that got them close to last year's support level. They wonder if Jennings has sent warning letters to other departments of state government.

Schools are getting some editorial and community support around the state contending that they should be the last place to cut. What other recipient of state funds holds bake sales and collects box tops to make ends meet?

The most popular place to cut seems to be in areas controlled by the governor. Lawmakers argue that without the necessity of legislative mandate, Richardson could be reducing state agency spending, tightening his hiring freeze and cracking down on double-dippers who retire and then return to state government.

And the sorest point of all is the governor's hiring of hundreds of non-essential employees outside the state personnel system. The hiring freeze hasn't reduced those numbers at all.

The task force that will develop the plan to be presented to the one-day session is expected to work behind closed doors. Since it isn't a formal body, open-meeting laws may not apply.

So, when, during a one-day session, is there time for any public input into the final decisions? Lobbyists will be the only ones finding anyone's ear.

Jay Miller may be contacted at insidethecapitol@hotmail.com

Letters to the Editor

Reform needed

Why do people yell, scream, cry and disrupt meetings designed to discuss ideas?

They do it because they lack the language and intellectual skills to formulate a cogent question or discussion point. Rather than sparking a personal fire of curiosity to seek the truth by reading the proposed bill, or having civil discussion or debate, they offer themselves up as empty vessels to be filled by someone else's ideas and propaganda.

They do it because their convictions have been sacrificed on the slippery slope of external motivations, thereby they live in fear which is expressed in incivility.

They do it because they fear "socialized medicine" yet would not give up their Medicare – single payer/socialized medicine for seniors – or Social Security.

If your father who died at 90, married four different women and lived with each for more than 10 years, upon his death each of the four women would be eligible for survivor benefits on his Social Security account regardless of whether each did or did not contribute to the Social Security system. Socialism? Not!

They do it because they fantasize about the loss of "their" America governed by white men from the elite upper class and fear the "melting pot" that we espouse to believe in.

Never have the voices of sane people been more important.

I have taken care of business. My Mother and I will be fine regardless of which way the health care debate goes. However, I firmly believe that some reform is necessary. I do not begrudge people that have less than us to also have good health care and better lives.

I have no doubt you will infer from that statement that we are socialists. Whatever.

ELISA SANCHEZ

$6K for what?

I'm one of those many Americans who supposedly has health insurance. I'm counted as having it because I pay nearly $6,000 a year for my wife and myself to be insured by a major health insurance company in New Mexico.

For that premium each of us is covered for $400 in basic doctor bills – a year. That doesn't cover any prescriptions, any specialists (for example, a dermatologist), or any emergency room visits. Those things aren't covered. For all those things – things that most people assume are part of health insurance – we pay everything – 100 percent. Oh, yes, if I spend $5,000 out-of-pocket (our deductibles, per person), then the insurance kicks in, paying 80 percent. Whoop-de-doo – am I thankful or what? I get to pay $16,000 before the "insurance" covers anything over $800.

I get minimal, highly restricted, very controlled coverage. And it's restricted and controlled, not by the government – if it weren't for the government, it would be even more restricted and controlled – but by the whims of an insurance company, one of our capitalist entities whose products are the result of competition.

What a joke! How close to nothing can you get? All for a mere $6,000 a year. It may be good capitalism – they get money and I get nothing – but it's awful health care insurance.

Frankly, I can't wait to reach the age for Medicare. I crave a government-sponsored, single-payer plan. Please, please, please, get me something other than what exists now.

I would gladly pay the government my $6,000 in added taxes or premiums to get something approaching real health insurance.

MICHAEL WALSH

Doña Ana

I just read the story of state Sen. Mary Jane Garcia's work at restoring Doña Ana in the Las Cruces Bulletin and wanted to take a minute to thank her for her efforts to hold onto our past here in New Mexico.

I am so thankful to those people that feel the necessity to hold onto and to restore our wonderful New Mexico history and buildings, trails and heroes of the past. Thanks to them for all that they do and continue to do.

I have been here in Las Cruces for about 15 years ministering to Agape Christian Church on the west side of town. Socorro, in the middle valley, is my home.

Thanks to the Las Cruces Bulletin for being the most readable and enjoyable paper in the whole area. As other newspapers in the world are declining and going broke, the Bulletin just keeps expanding. One of the reasons, is their commitment to the facts, and to our history.

HERB PINNEY

20 years of providing quality women's health services.

OB/GYN Consultants

Obstetric and Gynecological care for women of all ages.
Call (575) 522-4767 today for your appointment.

OB/GYN CONSULTANTS
4351 E. Lohman Ave., Suites 401 & 402
Las Cruces, NM 88011
(575) 522-4767

Helen La Rose, C.N.M, Elma Gutierrez, M.D., Kristen Castillo, M.D., Guadalupe Telford, C.N.S.
Ismael Lopez, M.D., Joseph Ortiz, M.D.

Members of the Medical Staff at MountainView Regional Medical Center

MOUNTAINVIEW REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

(575) 522-4767
www.mountainviewregional.com

Government rooting for our deaths

New government order doesn't value longevity

By Michael Swickard
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Americans are, metaphorically, waxing deck furniture on the Titanic unaware they are sinking. Health care reform details are on everyone's mind while the change in philosophy that will have a large impact upon them and their families remains unexamined and unchallenged.

Obscured in the dust of political debate are philosophic changes in the government's role in health care that will leave no American untouched. Americans are distracted by the illusionist waving one hand while the other does the nefarious work.

When I was born in 1950, health care was predicated on a long-standing social contract with our government where its role was to enhance American lives in both longevity and quality. Through research and development, government-enabled medical advances were greeted enthusiastically by Americans.

My cardiologist started his practice in the early 1970s when it was uncommon for heart patients to live robustly past 70. With the advent of new research-developed procedures and drugs, his patients now live actively past 80. This increase in American longevity has been a source of pride up until now, but is at the core of our health care reform debate.

> "The forces of evil are enabled by the media and the public expending their energy on unproductive activities ..."

There were worldwide celebrations when polio was defeated. Medical researchers have gotten on top of smallpox, measles and rubella, to name a few. Many people are alive who would not be without modern medicine. What appears as a positive is a negative outcome in the new health care philosophy.

Researchers are working toward eradicating cancer and heart disease. Today's core debate wonders if the society should be curing cancer or is it a natural barrier to long life carrying attractive resource outcomes for our society as a whole.

In the folderol of political debate, the philosophic divide notes the outcome of curing cancer and heart disease is people live longer. Older people disproportionally get cancer and heart disease and, therefore, with a cure will live longer causing the government to pay Social Security and other medical costs longer. That is the rub.

The reform debate is not about saving money for consumers of health care, this is about changing how the government uses it resources based upon a radical change of philosophy. That new philosophy is social justice, which does not take from the young to give to the old. The philosophy of social contract supporting the elderly conflicts with the social justice philosophy, which in effect says to oldsters, you already got yours; we cannot expend resources on the old that could help the young. It is the core of health care decisions in England.

Adopting a social justice philosophy changes the role of government as to who gets government resources. This is the heart of contention in social justice countries where there are unreasonable delays or outright prohibition of resources for people who are considered too old or of not enough use to the society as a whole.

As a cancer survivor I see the effect of my cancer on the current health care system. Not good. But the new yardstick will reason keeping me alive is good money after bad. I might reacquire cancer, thereby wasting money that could go to young people.

Further, the new government order views my survival of cancer differently than the old government, which was thrilled I survived. The new order says, "Shuckins, if he had died we would not owe him Social Security."

Those people who are busy politically debating health care reform act as if the major issue is which political party wins this battle. They do not see what is in the belly of the beast. The forces of evil are enabled by the media and the public expending their energy on unproductive activities like debating the exact words in the legislation.

We do not need to debate health care details once it is decided to no longer push for longevity and quality of life for older Americans. The health care details do not matter when the government roots for your death.

Michael Swickard may be contacted at michael@swickard.com.

Letters to the Editor

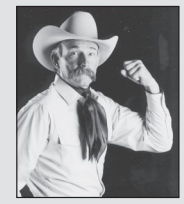
Assaulted by distasteful rants

My wife discovered your publication shortly after we moved to Las Cruces a little over a year ago, and we both used to enjoy reading The Bulletin.

But I truly don't understand why a usually well-balanced community newspaper continues to publish the extreme right wing views of Michael Swickard. We find him to be out of touch with what we value, if not in direct conflict with most of your content, and feel he should not be a part of your otherwise fine paper, or any quality publication.

So we will no longer be reading The Bulletin. The dread of opening another edition and having to be assaulted by this person's distasteful rants has outweighed the pleasure we once had reading your paper.

STEVE MARINO



BAXTER BLACK
ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

The mother of invention

Those of you who watch television appreciate the increasing presence of "hard-sell, direct-buy" commercials on the cable and satellite networks. The pitch involves an inventive but cheaply produced product such as squeegees, stick-on light bulbs, sunglasses, vegetable choppers, political promises and collision-chasing lawyers.

"Only $19.95! It will peel grapes, oranges, window trim, excess hair, heel scurf and tar off sidewalks ... etc, etc, etc!"

The ad companies are always on the lookout for new inventions they can market for millions. On a trip to Cedarville a while back, Rachael and James told me a story and I immediately recognized its mass-market advertising potential.

It seems Uncle Jack had diagnosed bilateral pink eye in one of his Black Angus bulls. (Note: before you say anything, I observed that I had rarely seen pink eye in black bulls, but Rachael stuck to her guns so I didn't quibble.) Uncle Jack decided to treat it with a big shot of LA 200. The bull was difficult to push, much less get into the corral. So, Uncle Jack figgered they could drive up next to him and administer the dose freehand. They tried, but the bull was too skittish.

What to do? What to do? Just as fear is the father of fence chargers and whacking your thumb is the stepfather of cussing, so is necessity the mother of invention.

Uncle Jack set about constructing the Plastic Syringe Injection Extender or PSIE. He used a 35 cc plastic disposable syringe, 4 feet of 1 and 1/4-inch PVC pipe, 4-feet 6-inches of 1-inch PVC pipe, and duct tape. He taped the big PVC to the syringe, then inserted the 1-inch PVC inside the larger to act as a plunger. Voila!

He practiced on apples, Styrofoam, a roasted chicken, an old car seat and his late grandfather's prosthesis. (Note: You can almost see the carnival barker demonstrating this PSIE on sliced cantaloupe or an anesthetized polar bear.)

For the maiden run, they took the pickup. Rachael was driving and James was coaching as Uncle Jack leaned out of the pickup bed shouting directions.

"Closer! Too fast! Drop back! Hard right! Go now!"

With the coolness of Captain Ahab harpooning a white whale, Jack drove home his PSIE javelin.

With the quickness of a maddened rhino, the blind bull pivoted perpendicular to the pickup, tore off the side mirror and jerked Uncle Jack overboard!

Epilogue: "Gosh," I asked James, "Was the mirror the only thing he broke?"

"No," said James, "but that was the one we fixed!"

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

Silver Assets
20th Anniversary | 20% off sale*
In appreciation of your 20 years of patronage
Lori and Ken are holding a 20% off storewide sale
* good through the month of August, 2009
sorry, no lay-a-ways
SILVER Assets
1948 Calle de Santiago
One Block East of Church
Mesilla • 523-8747

DISCOVER
why 15 million homeowners trust their homes to
STATE FARM.

STATE FARM Auto Life Fire INSURANCE
Mike Apodaca, Agent
1100 South Main, Suite 103 Las Cruces, NM 88005
Bus: 575-526-2409
www.mikeapodaca.com
LIKE A GOOD NEIGHBOR, STATE FARM IS THERE. ®
PROVIDING INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES
State Farm and Casualty Company. State Farm General Insurance Company - Bloomington Il
State Farm Florida Insurance Company - Winter Haven, Fl • State Farm Lloyds - Dallas, Tx

We can help you with your changing insurance or financial needs.
Ray Holguin, Agent
Personal Financial Representative
Darla Benusa
Personal Financial Representative
(575) 525-9645
324 W. Amador
Las Cruces
Allstate.
You're in good hands.
Subject to availability and qualifications. Insurance offered only with select companies. Allstate Insurance Company, Allstate indemnity Company, Allstate Property, and Casualty Insurance Company. and Allstate Life Insurance Company: Northbrook, Illinois ©2009 Allstate Insurance Company.

GUEST COLUMN

Lighting ordinance misunderstood

BY JOHN GILKISON
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

While the article in the Aug. 7, Bulletin covered most of the basics of the new outdoor lighting ordinance issues, as the chairman of the committee that wrote the original Outdoor Lighting Ordinance (OLO)in 1999, I felt some basic concepts needed explanation.

The first ordinance passed in August 2000 was essentially a full-cut-off ordinance. Full-cut-off (FCO) lighting fixtures limit the emission of light to below the horizontal plane and only allow a small percentage of the light to be emitted in the glare zone between the horizontal plane and 10 degrees below that plane. This keeps light out of the sky and the glare zone except for light that is reflected off of the ground, which little can be done about.

Limits on the amount of light that could be used, known as a foot candle (fc) cap, were introduced because at that time we were seeing gas station/convenience stores being built with up to 100 fc or more in an attempt to attract customers with brighter and brighter lighting. Such a lighting war not only endangers the public safety by literally blinding people with light, but it also increases ground reflectance, which puts more light into the sky.

Because this was controversial even in 2000, a compromise limit of 70 fc was finally picked over the originally proposed limit of 50 fc in our draft ordinance. The lower limit for requiring FCO lighting fixtures was set at 1,800 lumens of light output which is about the equivalence of a 100-watt incandescent light bulb's output. This was chosen because it covers all high intensity discharge (HID) lamps.

Furthermore, a 10-year grandfathering clause was inserted into the ordinance to give businesses a target date to make their outdoor lighting compliant. Without such a date a business could always claim that their outdoor lighting existed before the ordinance was passed, and no one could prove otherwise. Since HID lighting generally has a projected fixture life of only 30 years, this was felt to be a reasonable time period.

The point of a grandfathering clause is to stop entities from claiming their lighting is prior to the ordinance in ad finitum. For that reason, it should be kept as part of any new ordinance that is passed by the city.

One of the biggest complaints we have seen is the fc cap, which is generally misunderstood or sometimes willfully misunderstood. People who consider the lighting in their home to be perfectly adequate for their kitchen – lets say at 30 fc – will complain if the canopy gas pump lighting at their place of business is limited to 70 fc in the existing ordinance or to 50 fc under the new proposed ordinance. They don't seem to know or understand that 30 fc in their home is perfectly adequate for either application.

The problem is most people don't go around with a fc meter, they just rely on their eyes and their brain to make judgments about lighting, which they are ill-equipped to do.

Our eyes are completely unreliable because they are so adaptable as far as lighting is concerned. Our eyes adapt to the brightest lights in a scene. All lighting close by that is not as bright will seem dimmer.

This is why no one can win a brighter-lighting war. We can only lose with obtrusive and obnoxious glare from exceptionally bad lighting practices.

Any new outdoor lighting ordinance passed by the city needs to stick to fundamentally sound outdoor lighting principles. It needs to remain a FCO ordinance even if that is extended partially to residential lighting in the form of a 900 fc cap.

Home owners not wanting to purchase FCO fixtures can still use their non-cut-off fixtures, they just can't use bulbs larger then 60 watts incandescent or the equivalent. The 65 degree point-down rule for flood lighting should be kept, and a statement that such fixtures must be made the equivalent of a FCO fixture by shields if they are not pointed down to the correct angle included.

Just because the city is loath to enforce a rule, doesn't mean it should be gotten rid of, or that it is not correct. In this instance, the point-down rule has been completely misunderstood. The language calling for full-cut-off lighting should not be tampered with. The term has a specific meaning in the category of fixture types recognized by the Illuminating Engineers of North America (IESNA), that the words fully shielded do not.

Any traveler coming from a city like Deming, N.M., for example, with no outdoor lighting regulations, would find the night time vistas of Las Cruces remarkable in comparison. Our city streets are safer with less glare, obtrusive lighting and astronomy is being protected by mostly eliminating up-light. Such up light formerly represented wasted electricity costing over Las Cruces businesses over one quarter of a million dollars a year.

Arguing for your right to install excessive, unshielded lighting at night at your place of business simply makes no rational sense. What business model is it that says losing money to outdoor lighting, that never even strikes your property is justifiable? This is not good business sense, it is not even good capitalism.

All the Las Cruces outdoor lighting ordinance is designed to do is help people make rational decisions as if they were operating in their own enlightened self interest or at least understood that self interest. Like the electrical code or the plumbing code, not everyone understands every part of the code, nor do they need to for it work for the benefit of us all.

John Gilkison is the president of the national Public Observatory in Radium Springs, N.M.

A sheriff who cooks

TODD DICKSON | The Las Cruces Bulletin

Doña Ana County Sheriff Todd Garrison visits with Jerry Bekken at the Men Who Cook fundraiser for Mesilla Valley Hospice Saturday, Aug. 15, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum. Garrison's wife Kim, center, assisted the sheriff in serving up his squash medley. More photos from the event are on Page C14.

Who really owns Elephant Butte Dam?

Court to hear arguments over century-old dispute

By Marvin Tessneer
The Las Cruces Bulletin

District Judge Jerald A. Valentine will conduct a hearing on Wednesday, Aug. 26, in Third Judicial District Court to hear arguments on a water dispute that started more than a century ago.

Valentine will hear arguments by Scott Boyd who is taking up the charge launched by his great-grandfather Dr. Nathan Boyd that the United States government is not protecting irrigation farmers' water rights. He is arguing that the government had failed to comply with its own laws when it took over the administration of water in the Lower Rio Grande.

Boyd, who lives in Phoenix, said that his great-grandfather constructed the Leasburg Dam and had started to divert the Rio Grande into a channel to construct the Elephant Butte Dam. He started the project with the Rio Grande Dam and Irrigation Co., a group of community ditch owners that wanted to develop a large irrigation system, Boyd said.

Boyd is being supported by a new local organization, the Mesilla Valley Council of Community Acequias.

Boyd and the MVCCA are asking the court to adjudicate the pre-1906 water rights that had been granted under the Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty of 1848, which had ended the war with Mexico. Before 1906, water rights had been protected under the New Mexico Territory community ditch laws.

"The farmers claim that the government didn't comply with the Reclamation Act of 1902 that had recognized the early Mesilla Valley communities ditches," Boyd said. "The government just took over the administration of water (but) the farmers had paid for the Elephant Butte Dam."

The government contended that the Rio Grande was a river that could be navigated by ships, and therefore came under the jurisdiction of the U.S. War Department. The government used that to shut down the dam and irrigation company project, Boyd said.

"When the United States took over the administration of water, it made decisions based on its own rules, and it favored Texas over New Mexico," MVCCA President Rebecca Miller said. "Water rights belong to the farmers, but we have lost control. We believe in family farming here in the valley and we're trying to save it."

MVCCA member Sammy Singh Jr. charged that during the years of Bureau of Reclamation control, the EBID has lost one-third of its normal water allocation. His group wants to know why the water was lost and where it went, he said.

Proposed re-zone concerns Holman Road residents

Apartment complex sought on parcel facing two schools

By Todd G. Dickson
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Residents living along Holman Road opposed to a proposed apartment complex plan to be present at a Planning and Zoning meeting Tuesday, Aug. 25, when a zone variance request comes before the commission.

The 60-unit two-story apartment complex with a day care center would be located on a 5-acre parcel across from Sunrise Elementary School, which is adjacent to Cesar Chavez Elementary School.

Both schools are at capacity with about 600 students each, said area resident Kate Schultz. Residents are also worried about the additional traffic such a complex would bring to the road, which gets extremely crowded at the start and end of each school day.

But even more important to residents opposing the zone change is that many of them moved to the area because it was zoned for single-family homes away from the city.

"I could have chosen to build a house on Missouri (Avenue) if this is what I wanted," said Leaping Lizard Loop resident Michele Kratzer about the proposed apartments at a public hearing Wednesday, Aug. 19. "They bought it as R1, they should develop it as R1."

Kratzer was one of nearly 70 residents who showed up to the second public hearing on the zone change and the "they" of her statement is Johnny D. and Mary Helen B. Tapia. Representing the couple at the hearing was Greg D. Byres of Summit Engineering.

Byres asked the residents if they would be opposed to the lot being developed into homes and none raised their hands.

That's the crux of the objections by surrounding neighbors to the apartment complex.

In a letter to the city, Douglas Ramsey said he and his wife moved to the area for its proximity to U.S. Highway 70, the great views of the Organ Mountains and desert surrounding and that it was a quiet residential neighborhood.

"Our neighborhood consists of single-family residences that are currently mostly owner-occupied," he wrote. "After having lived outside any city limits during our home ownership in Anthony, (N.M.,) I am a supporter of the stability that properly enforced zoning provides. Many of my neighbors were also drawn by this same stability. The above-mentioned request for zone change injects a level of instability that I do not support."

Many of the opposing residents fear that allowing the apartment complex would open the door to developing several lots along nearby Peach Tree Hills Road that intersects Holman to the north. "We could be surrounded by apartments," Schultz said.

The "elephant in the room," Schultz said, is that single family homes are not selling well lately, but apartments are. While she said she understands the economic pressure to develop the lot into an apartment complex, it will hurt the existing home values.

The Planning and Zoning meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25, at City Hall.

CRIME OF THE WEEK
featured on page A12
Call 526-8000
or 1-800-897-2746
if you have information about this week's crime of the week or any other crime.
CRIME STOPPERS
LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO
Sponsored by Electric Company El Paso Electric

Biad Chili Products

Every pepper in our packages is fresh hand-picked.
No wonder they're hands-down delicious!
Frozen Hatch Green Chile
Retail & Wholesale
6060 S. Main, Mesilla Park, NM 88047 • Open Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
www.biadchili.com • 575-525-0034

Calista Animal Hospital
Proud Sponsor of our "Pet of the Week"
Pet of the Week

Cronus
Pitbull/Lab Mix
White/Black/Brown
Adult Male
Meet Cronus, one of our many dogs. He has been in since September of last year and it's time for him to find his forever home! He's a big boy, but he's all teddy bear. He's about 6 years old and is a lively, happy, fun loving dog! He gets along great with everybody, including other dogs! Come on out and meet the perfect new addition to your loving family!
Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley
3551 Bataan Memorial West
Help sponsor an adoptable animal!
To sponsor call: 524-8061
To adopt call: 382-0018
or visit petango.com/ascmv
Calista Animal Hospital
1889 Calle de Niños • www.calistaanimalhospital.com

Coming Up

Toastmasters meet

Las Aguilas Toastmasters is a Spanish speaking group that meets from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesdays, in the Immaculate of Heart of Mary Church, Room 106, at the corner of Espina Street and Idaho Avenue. The public is welcome and anyone interested need not be fluent in Spanish. The group meets in a friendly atmosphere and members at basic, intermediate and advanced levels of Spanish are included. The meetings are an opportunity to improve one's Spanish skills at any level.

Mayor hosts lunch

Las Cruces Mayor Ken Miyagishima will meet with the public for an open discussion over lunch from noon to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 21, at Lorenzo's Avanti restaurant, 3961 E. Lohman Ave. The cost is $11 per person, and includes the meal, a non-alcoholic beverage, tax and gratuity.

"This is an opportunity for anyone in the community to join me for lunch and discuss whatever's on their mind," Miyagishima said. Space is limited and anyone interested in attending is asked to RSVP by 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 21. For more information or to RSVP, call Trey Williams at 541-2192.

Animal adoptions

The Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley will conduct two pet adoption events this weekend.

Adoptions of dogs, puppies, cats and kittens are available from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Aug. 22, at the Las Cruces Downtown Farmers & Crafts Market in Downtown Las Cruces.

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22, adoptions also will be held at PetCo, 3050 E. Lohman Ave. Adoption fees are $75 for dogs and puppies and $50 for cats and kittens. The fee includes the first set of vaccinations, spay/neuter and microchip.

At the PetCo event, microchipping for pets that already have homes will be available to the public for $20, and city pet licenses will be available to neutered pets for $5 each. Proof of spay/neuter is required before a license will be issued. Pet owners also must bring current proof of rabies vaccination for each animal to be licensed.

For further information, call the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley at 382-0018. People who are hearing-impaired can call 541-2182.

Stars-N-Parks programs

The National Public Observatory (NPO) will hold three of its popular Stars-N-Parks astronomy programs in area state parks in August and September, allowing attendees to view highlights of the late-summer sky such as the Big Dipper, Sagittarius, Scorpius and Jupiter in a dark sky setting.

Stars-N-Parks programs will be held at Leasburg Dam State Park and the City of Rocks State Park at 8:45 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22. The programs begin with a night-sky tour lead by a presenter, and continue with the observation of the planet Jupiter and deep sky objects through a telescope. A third program will be held at the City of Rocks State Park at 8:20 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12.

Attendees should arrive at the parks before sunset so they can become familiar with their surroundings before nightfall. This is also an excellent time for informal instruction and a chance to get acquainted with other participants.

Visitors must pay the $5 day-use fee at the gate when arriving at the park or they may purchase a State Park Annual Day Use pass at any state park or online at www.nmparks.com. The $40 passes are good for one year from date of purchase and can be transferred to another vehicle.

The NPO is a nonprofit membership organization that sponsors the Stars-N-Parks programs. Donations can be made at the program and help pay the expenses of the presenters.

For more information, contact astronpo@wildblue.net or visit www.Astro-NPO.org.

Charter school hearings

The New Mexico Public Education Commission has scheduled a public hearing at 1 p.m. Monday, Aug. 24, at Milton Hall, Room 171, on the New Mexico State University campus to gain input into the charter school applications for Organ Mountain Community Charter School (OMCCS) and the Senator Dennis Chavez Academy.

OMCCS will be a tuition-free elementary school for students in kindergarten through fifth grade for children in Las Cruces and the surrounding area.

During the public hearings, members of the PEC will listen to presentations from the charter schools. Following the presentations, local school district representatives and members of the public will have an opportunity to speak for or against the proposed schools. The PEC will then have an opportunity to question the applicants on their charter application.

Public input about the charter school applications may also be submitted in writing to the PEC by sending letters or emails to New Mexico Public Education Commission, c/o Beverly Friedman, NMPED PIO & PEC Liaison, 300 Don Gaspar, Santa Fe, NM 87501 or Bev.Friedman@state.nm.us The deadline for submitting public input is 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 1.

PEC members will vote to authorize or deny the applications at their next PEC meeting scheduled for Sept. 10 and 11, in Mabry Hall in the Jerry Apodaca Education Building, 300 Don Gaspar, in Santa Fe. Each community public input hearing is scheduled for approximately 60 to 90 minutes.

Any questions about the hearings can be directed to the New Mexico Public Education Department's Charter School Bureau at 505-222-4762.

Water safety courses

The City of Las Cruces will hold a Water Safety Instructor class Tuesday, Oct. 13, to Thursday, Oct. 29, at Frenger Pool. Signsup for the class will begin at 8 a.m. Monday, Aug. 24, at the Meerscheidt Recreation Center, 1600 E. Hadley Ave.

The class will be from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays Cost is $185 per person, which includes all materials and books. Any proficient swimmer at least 16 years old can become an American Red Cross Water Safety Instructor. Learn to teach children and adults to swim and give water safety presentations to kids and their parents. It's a fun and meaningful job.

For more information, contact the Meerscheidt Recreation Center at 541-2563. The TTY number is 541-2661.

Garden lectures

The Fairlight Community Gardens and Mesilla Valley Community of Hope will presents "Garden Lecture Series No. 6 – Aquaponics, Growing Power Inc. style and Adapting it to Southern New Mexico" at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25, in the Resource Room at the Community of Hope, 999 W. Amador Ave.

The hour-long lecture will cover farmraised fish, vermiculture greenhouse heating systems, hydroponic water filtration and their adaptability for southern New Mexico.

The lecture will be given by Connie Falk, professor of agricultural economics at New Mexico State University and Joshua Rosenblatt, regulatory and environmental analyst. For more information, contact 523-2219 ext. 108 or hopegarden999@yahoo.com.

Observatory open house

The New Mexico State University Department of Astronomy will hold an observatory open house at the NMSU campus observatory at 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 28. Astronomy personnel on hand will be Dr. Jason Jackiewicz and graduate assistants Mike Sussman, Jessica Evans and Jim Norwood.

Weather permitting, sky viewing through telescopes will include the planet Jupiter, Alberio (Beta Cignus, a double star system), the M57 Ring Nebula, the M8 Lagoon Nebula and the M13 Globular Cluster.

Everyone is welcome to come and spend an evening stargazing. Admission is free and children are especially welcome to attend.

For more information, call the NMSU Astronomy Department at 646-4438.

Tech rescue meets

The Organ Mountain Technical Rescue Squad will have its monthly team meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 3, at MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4311 E. Lohman Ave., in the Community Education Room. Anyone interested is encouraged to join. For more information, contact 650-3725 or visit www.omtrs.org.

Diez y Seis in Mesilla

The Town of Mesilla will host its annual Diez y Seis de Septiembre celebration from noon to 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, and from noon to 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13. The holiday commemorates Mexican Independence Day.

Mesilla's annual celebration kicks off with a parade at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 12. along Avenida de Mesilla. The parade route begins at Four Points Gin, located at the corner of Avenida de Mesilla and Union Avenue, and the route ends at the Mesilla Town Hall parking lot just north of San Andres High School. The parade will feature floats, equestrian units, marching bands, color guards, spirit squads, antique vehicles, law enforcement vehicles, fire trucks and other groups. The deadline for parade entries is Tuesday, Sept. 1.

Opening ceremonies for the fiesta are at noon Saturday, Sept. 12, on the plaza. The colors will be presented by the Santa Teresa High School Navy JROTC. Sylvia and Ruben Corona will perform the national American and Mexican national anthems. Consul General Roberto Rodríguez Hernández from the Mexican Consulate in El Paso will take part in the opening ceremonies.

Banda de Guerra y Escolta, Cobach Plantel # 7 de Ciudad Juárez – a military marching band – will participate in opening ceremonies, as well as the parade.

Emily Guerra will serve as the master of ceremonies. Entertainment on Saturday includes Ballet Folklorico Tierra del Encanto, Mariachi Real de Chihuahua, Mariachi Espuelas de Plata, Mariachi Espuelas de Cobre, Las Perlitas del Pueblo and Lucilene de Geus and Paco Antonio Flamenco dance groups. The evening will conclude with the variety band Dulce from 6 to 10 p.m.

Sunday's entertainment includes Ballet Folklorico Tierra del Encanto, Mariachi Azcatitlan, Mariachi Manada de Lobos and Ballet Folklorico Diamantes del Valle. The fiesta will wrap up Sunday with Krucez band from 4 to 7 p.m.

Diez y Seis de Septiembre, the 16th of September, marks the launch of Mexico's struggle for independence from Spain. On Sept. 16, 1810, Miguel Hidalgo de Costilla led the first large revolutionary forces against the Spaniards. The holiday is similar to the Fourth of July in the United States.

About 30 vendor booths will surround the plaza offering a variety of products including art, crafts, games, drinks and food. There will also be a greased pole climb, sponsored by Andele Restaurant in Old Mesilla, and piñatas for kids. Attendees may bring folding chairs for their convenience. Alcohol, smoking and pets are not allowed on the plaza.

For more information, call the Town of Mesilla at 524-3262 ext. 116 or email kmedina_tom@comcast.net.

Fall convocation honors faculty members

New Mexico State University kicked off a new semester with its fall 2009 convocation ceremony, a semi-annual event where the university honors some of its top faculty members.

Yu-Feng "Winnie" Lee and Manoj Shukla were awarded the Patricia Christmore Teaching Award. The award recognizes and rewards superb junior tenure-track faculty members for excellence in teaching.

Lee, an assistant professor of economics and international business, consistently receives excellent teaching evaluations and high rankings from her students. She previously received the Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award from the College of Business.

Shukla, an assistant professor in the plant and environmental sciences department, has helped revive the soil physics program, which now attracts students from different programs of study.

The University Research Council Early Career Award was given to Eric Butcher, Jeremy Smith and Meghan Starbuck.

Butcher is an associate professor of mechanical and aerospace engineering and is the inaugural holder of the Dwight and Aubrey Chapman Endowed Professorship. Since coming to NMSU, he has been a principle or co-principle investigator on grants from NASA, the Air Force, Los Alamos National Laboratories, the U.S. Department of Education and other agencies.

Smith is an assistant professor in the chemistry and biochemistry department. His research focuses on the design, synthesis and reactivity of transition metal complexes as chemical models for important biological and industrial transformations.

Starbuck is an assistant professor in the Department of Economics and International Business. Currently, some of her projects focus on fossil fuels, water and economic development in New Mexico. She also is working with Luz-Elena Mimbela from NMSU's Institute for Energy and the Environment to create a dynamic model of an algae-based biofuel in New Mexico.

The University Research Council Distinguished Career Award was presented to Katherine Giles, the director of the Institute of Tectonic Studies. As director of the institute, Giles funds and performs research with a focus on salt tectonics in the U.S., Mexico and Australia.

NMSU's Outcomes Assessment II committee, which focuses on student life, awarded the Outstanding Outcomes Assessment Award to the NMSU Library. The NMSU Library has consistently performed assessments that focus on the needs of students and faculty.

J. Sean McCleneghan and Kathryn Fuller were awarded the Excellence in Academic Advising Award.

McCleneghan, a professor in the Department of Journalism and Mass Communications, has taught at NMSU since 1982, and served as department head for 12 years from 1982 to 1994. His innovative teaching, research productivity and contributions to public relations higher education have won him numerous awards.

Fuller began her career at NMSU in 2000. Currently, she is the admissions and records coordinator for NMSU Alamogordo. She says she appreciates the life-changing value of higher education, and is thankful for the opportunity to serve students and help them achieve their dreams.

Crime Stoppers: Missing woman

Las Cruces Crime Stoppers is offering a $1,000 reward for information that helps find a 21-year-old woman who has been missing since 2004.

Crystal Gomez was last seen five years ago, in August 2004, when she was only 16. Gomez had a history of being a runaway and, on more than one occasion, left her home on the 400 block of Augustus Road in Las Cruces.

Gomez was last seen five years ago.

On one of those occasions prior to August 2004, Gomez was found on the streets in Orange County, Calif., and was returned to Las Cruces. On another occasion, Gomez ran away to live with friends in El Paso, Texas. Her family believes Gomez may have returned to California or possibly is in Albuquerque, N.M.

Gomez, at the age of 16, was 5-feet-8-inches tall and weighed approximately 150 pounds. She has brown hair and brown eyes.

If you have any information regarding the whereabouts of 21-year-old Crystal Gomez, you are asked to call Las Cruces Crime Stoppers at 526-8000 or outside the Las Cruces area at 800-897-2746.

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

Kids turn 'warriors' at National Guard camp

How do you ensure 28 kids from the greater Las Cruces area have fun, stay safe and learn basic Army values?

Why, invite them to a Junior Warrior Camp run by the New Mexico Army National Guard, that's how.

This Saturday, Aug. 16, that's exactly what happened when children of service members from as far away as Alamogordo and Silver City came to participate in the First Annual Junior Warrior Camp held at the National Guard Armory in Las Cruces.

Hosted by the soldiers of the 1-200 Infantry Battalion and supported by many other agencies, the kids who joined said they had a blast.

Campers were able to try their hand at rock wall climbing, going for a cross country drive in a Humvee, marching with Army drill ceremonies and obstacle course competition. Campers even had a chance to climb onto an OH-58 Kiowa Army helicopter.

The day concluded with an awards ceremony, followed by a sumptuous barbecue dinner for the campers, their families and all the volunteers who helped make the event a tremendous success.

Catharine Hendrick, 8, was one of 28 kids who participated in the First Annual Junior Warrior Camp, held at the National Guard Armory in Las Cruces.

Junior Warrior Camp was hosted by soldiers of the 1-200 Battalion.

Skeet event slated

The Picacho Gun Club and the Bulls Eye 4-H Club are sponsoring a skeet-shooting competition beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 23, at the Butterfield Trail Shooting Range west of Las Cruces.

Proceeds from entry fees will go toward buying new trap and skeet machines for the range.

"This is a great opportunity for people to come out to the range to shoot or observe some friendly competition while money is raised for a good local cause," Garrison said

A variety of shot situations will be available for the event, including incoming, outgoing and overhead targets. Rabbit, single and pair competitions will be featured.

Cost is $30 for 50 clay pigeons, with additional rounds priced at $15.

The Butterfield Trail Shooting Range is located off of Interstate 10 west of Las Cruces.

For more information, call Cindy Pollack at 644-1579.

At NMSU move-in day

NMSU criminal justice student Nikki Hogan places items into a shopping basket to transport them from her car to her dorm room in the Chamisa Village Dormitories.

Aerospace engineering student Adam Duran, left, and mechanical engineering student Jason Rusk push a shopping cart from Duran's car to his apartment in the Chamisa Village Dormitory.

PHOTOS BY STEVE MACINTYRE

Nursing student Cathy Lewis arranges some school papers before moving them into her room in the ROTC Dormitory.

NMSU housing employee Clarissa Salcedo arranges the files of students checking into the Vista Del Monte Apartments.

Sophomore Enrique Jimenez checks into the Vista Del Monte Apartments with the assistance of NMSU housing employee Richard Garcia.

HARLEY-DAVIDSON MOTOR CYCLES
Barnett's Las Cruces Harley-Davidson
Buell AMERICAN MOTORCYCLES
I-10 @ Ave de Mesilla Las Cruces NM www.BarnettHarleyLasCruces.com 575.541.1440 or 866.789.7077

On Sale Now!!

$1000 FREE ACCESSORIES

on new 2009 SPORTSTERS*

40 New & Used TRIKES
Lehman™ · Harley-Davidson™ · Champion™

From $19,999 - $39,999

OIL & FILTER CHANGE
Standard H-D Oil & Black Oil Filter
Starting at only $49.99 plus tax

Tire Installation
$45 PER TIRE

*See dealer representative for details. No additional discounts or special offers apply.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwestern New Mexico

Fourth Annual
Little Moments Big Magic Banquet

September 18th at the NM Farm and Ranch Museum, 6pm-11pm

Dinner, dancing and silent auction

Guest speakers - Brigadier General David L. Mann and Terrance Moore, City of Las Cruces City Manager

Tickets are $50 per person. There are different levels of sponsorship you can participate in.

RSVP for tickets and sponsorship by Sept. 11th

For more information on sponsorship opportunities and to purchase individual tickets please contact Misty Snipes at 575-523-9530 or misty.snipes@bbbs.org

Freshman Whitney Fay of Albuquerque moves into her room at Garcia Hall.

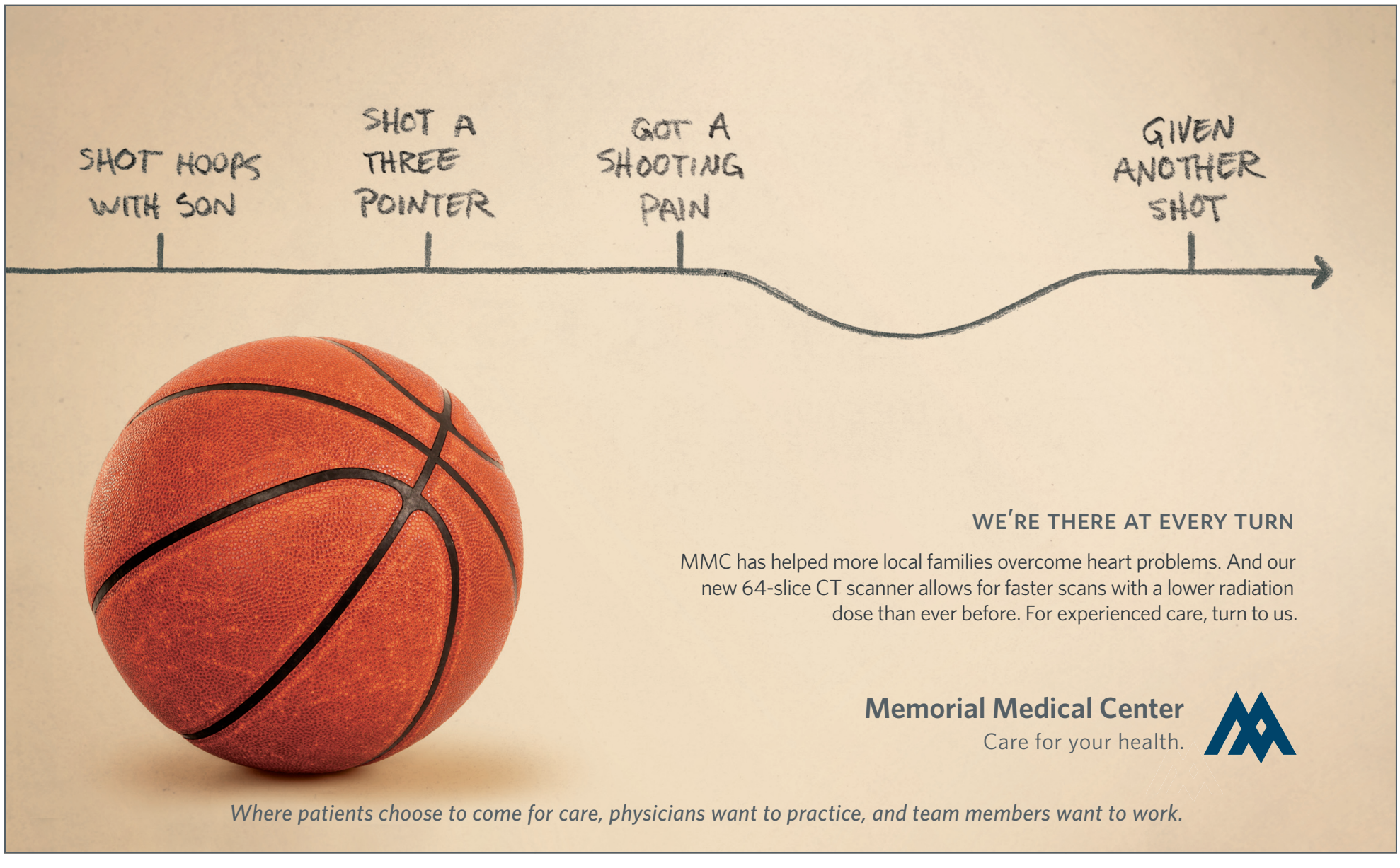
Freshman Peter Hornbecker of Farmington, N.M., carries boxes into his room at Garcia Hall.

PHOTOS BY RICHARD DAVIS

Sophomore Genifer Eskue of Albuquerque, waits to get into her room at Garcia Hall.

David Lewis helps his son Brandon Lewis move his TV into his room.

A student's belongings at Garcia Hall fill a shopping cart.



LCPS students, teachers head back to school

Students in more than 30 Las Cruces Public Schools returned to classes Monday morning, Aug. 17, as the 2009-10 school year began.

Students at the school district's two balanced-calendar schools, Booker T. Washington and MacArthur elementaries, returned to classes July 20.

About 24,000 students are expected to attend LCPS schools this year in Las Cruces, Mesilla, Doña Ana and White Sands Missile Range. Seven schools have new principals this year.

About 2,000 incoming sixth-grade students got an early start on the new school year as they visited their new middle schools and attended classes throughout the day, Aug. 12.

The fall semester ends Friday, Dec. 18.

Las Cruces Public Schools

Students gather at the playground at Valley View Elementary, 915 California Ave., shortly before the first bell.

Las Cruces Public Schools

Valley View Elementary's new principal Sharon Robinson with students as they arrive for the first day of the 2009-10 school year.

Las Cruces Public Schools

Valley View Assistant Principal Cynthia Gomez, far right, visits with parents and students before class.

FARMERS INSURANCE GROUP
Symbol of Superior Service

FARMERS®

THE FARMERS INSURANCE AGENTS OF LAS CRUCES PRESENT

Danielle Simmons Bilingual Education Teacher
Phil Karnes Farmers Agent

Adam Villegas Farmers Agent
Marine Sgt. Allen Marla U.S. Marines

Manuel Carrera Doña Ana County Deputy
Scott Yurcic Farmers Agent

Dennis Flores Farmers Agent
Maria Legarreta Memorial Medical Center / United Health Care

Paul Lujan LCPD
Bruce Buchman Farmers Agent

Arnold Diaz LCFD
Michelle Stecher Farmers Agent

COMMUNITY APPRECIATION AWARD

2RD QUARTER 2009

THE COMMUNITY APPRECIATION AWARD IS PRESENTED EACH QUARTER IN HONOR OF THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO SERVE US AND SELFLESSLY GIVE OF THEMSELVES EACH AND EVERY DAY!

OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE®
NO RULES. JUST RIGHT.™

THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTING SPONSORS

CRUCES TROPHY & Awards Center, Inc.

SANDOVAL
Sales & Service & Body Shop
Since 1969

Maintenance Plus Package
$19.95
Oil+Filter (Up to 5 quarts)
Tire Rotation & A/C Check
Free loaner while your vehicle is in service

Sandoval Philosophy:
Total satisfaction with purchase, honest courteous service.

955 S. Valley Dr. • Las Cruces, NM • 524-7721
Open Monday-Saturday • 7 a.m.-5 p.m.
Service Department open 6 days a week 7 a.m.-5 p.m.

Who said volleyball was easy?

JOHN KEITH
Sports Editor

Three days into pre-season volleyball practice, Krista Altermatt confirmed that coach Mike Jordan had yet to lose his temper.

"He hasn't blown up yet," she said.

Granted, that was almost two weeks ago. By now, Jordan has probably fallen off the wagon. Altermatt, New Mexico State's 6-foot-2 senior outside hitter, has been here long enough to realize that her coach is short on tolerance. I'm guessing that he seldom aims his wrath at her. Both Altermatt and teammate Kelli Goodan were recently picked for the all-WAC preseason team by the league's coaches. They don't throw rewards like that around recklessly.

Both will lead the Ags against the Alumni team at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22, in the Pan American Center.

Before Jordan ordered a recent afternoon practice, Altermatt sat down and talked about the taxing, two-a-day workouts the team endured through Wednesday, Aug. 19.

"I'm tired," she said. "I reported to the training room at 7 a.m. each day, got rubbed down and then we practiced from 8 to 11. Afternoon practices usually went from 3 to 5 p.m. It's tough on the body."

Jordan, she said, is working his young squad overtime, conducting teaching sessions, mostly. Seven freshmen and four sophomores took the floor for NMSU's first practice Aug. 8. "We have a lot of new faces," Altermatt said.

"Last year we didn't have as many freshmen. We were pretty much a veteran team. We have a lot to cover before the season opens. I think once we all get connected we'll be OK. We have depth. I think we can carry 21 players this season. Last year we carried 18. And we're bigger. Taller than at anytime I can remember."

Altermatt, Goodan – another outside hitter – and middle hitter Erin

See **Volleyball** on PAGE A23

Bulldawgs must reload for '09

State champions will try for repeat

Coach Jim Miller

By **Craig Massey**
The Las Cruces Bulletin

It may be a new football season, but carryover from last year's state championship run could be a real and positive thing for the Las Cruces High School Bulldawgs.

The returning players who were reserves got a lot of valuable playing experience last season because so many of the Bulldawgs' wins were lopsided. Also, those returning players are used to winning, carrying with them a confidence that is born out of success. They've seen – up close – the rewards of hard work.

The Bulldawgs begin defending their title on Thursday, Aug. 27, with a game at El Dorado High School in El Paso.

Good chemistry

LCHS Coach Jim Miller knows something about defending a state title. The Bulldawgs have won four championships during his time there, including back-to-back wins in 1999 and 2000.

"Having a state championship under your belt helps," said Miller. "These guys have a good work ethic. And a lot of them played last year so they got some good experience. They have good chemistry and they're working really hard."

The quarterback is always the key, especially in Miller's spread offense. Jeremy Buurma, the backup last year to all-star Dante Caro, takes over the reins of the Bulldawg attack.

"We won't have to change too much with him in there," Miller said of the 6-foot-1, 175-pound junior. "He's not as fluid a runner as Dante was, but he throws the ball well and has good vision. He's been on the varsity since he was a freshman."

While Caro has taken his game to the University of New Mexico, LCHS also will have to replace another all-star who signed a Division I scholarship. While running back James Hall Jr. joins the New Mexico State Aggies, there are four players who will be vying for playing time in his old position.

Miller said the Bulldawgs will probably employ a "running back by committee" approach. Competing for carries will be seniors Dante Ogas and Richard Duran, junior Daniel Martinez and sophomore Xavier Hall, the younger

See **LCHS** on PAGE A23

Mayfield: Deep, experienced

Perennial football powerhouse always in contention

By **Craig Massey**
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Mayfield High School football coach Michael Bradley said the 2009 team is "a typical Mayfield football team."

That's not good news for their opponents.

The Trojans, annual contenders for the Class 5-A state championship, finished with a 9-3 record last year after winning state titles in 2005, 2006 and 2007. Mayfield returns its starting quarterback and several other key players who gained experience last year.

Mayfield opens the season at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 27, with a home game against El Paso Chapin at the Field of Dreams.

Potential on offense

"We have more depth than last year, more speed on offense than last year and we have pretty good size," Bradley said. "We have the potential to be a pretty good team. We're right on the verge. We could go either way."

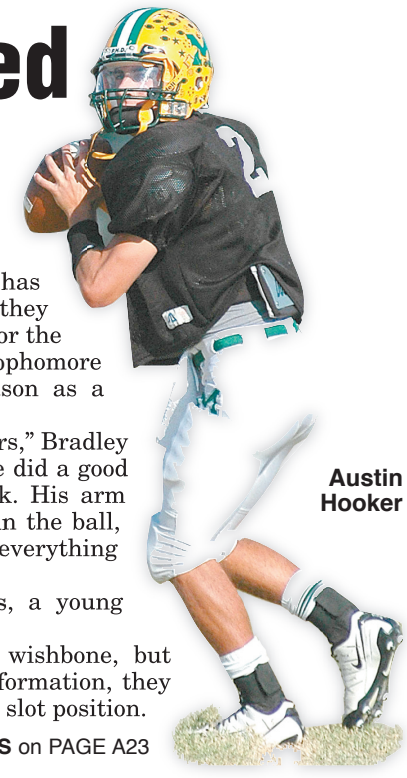
Coaches are always more optimistic when they return a quarterback that has talent and fully understands what they want. Austin Hooker was the starter for the junior varsity as a freshman and sophomore and started for the varsity last season as a junior.

"He has a good head on his shoulders," Bradley said of the 5-foot-11, 165-pounder. "He did a good job last year for a junior quarterback. His arm strength has improved and he can run the ball, too. He is fast and pretty tough. He is everything we want in a quarterback."

Hooker's backup is Steven Avalos, a young player the coaches are excited about.

The Trojans' base offense is the wishbone, but when they shift to more of a spread formation, they move one of their running backs into a slot position.

See **MHS** on PAGE A23



Austin Hooker

From one school to another

Warner finds home at NMSU

By John Keith
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Branden Warner's traveling circus began at Benjamin E. Mays High School in Atlanta, Ga.

From there, he attended Tusculum College, a Division II school in Gainesville, Tenn., then played football for two seasons at Compton, California College. His journey ended at New Mexico State University shortly before fall football practice began Aug. 5. Late, in other words.

There was an "almost" included in Warner's marathon travels. A gifted defensive tackle, he came within a whisker of playing at UCLA. Until, that is, DeWayne Walker left as defensive coordinator for the Bruins to become head coach at NMSU. Walker had recruited Warner at UCLA.

After short deliberation, Warner decided to follow the Aggies' coach to Las Cruces.

"Coach Walker is the reason I came here," Warner confirmed. "It was a last minute decision. I'm' still trying to catch up on everything."

The Aggies' junior tackle arrived on campus with no clue about NMSU's football program. He missed last spring's workouts and three months of summer conditioning.

Walker said that Warner, at 6-foot-2, 285 pounds, "definitely figures into our plans this year. He's coming along slow. He's learning new techniques and that takes time. He'll be a factor in our defense. He's our quickest and fastest defensive lineman.

"He needs to learn to get down and take a lower pad level when he's playing pass defense. He's a little better against the run."

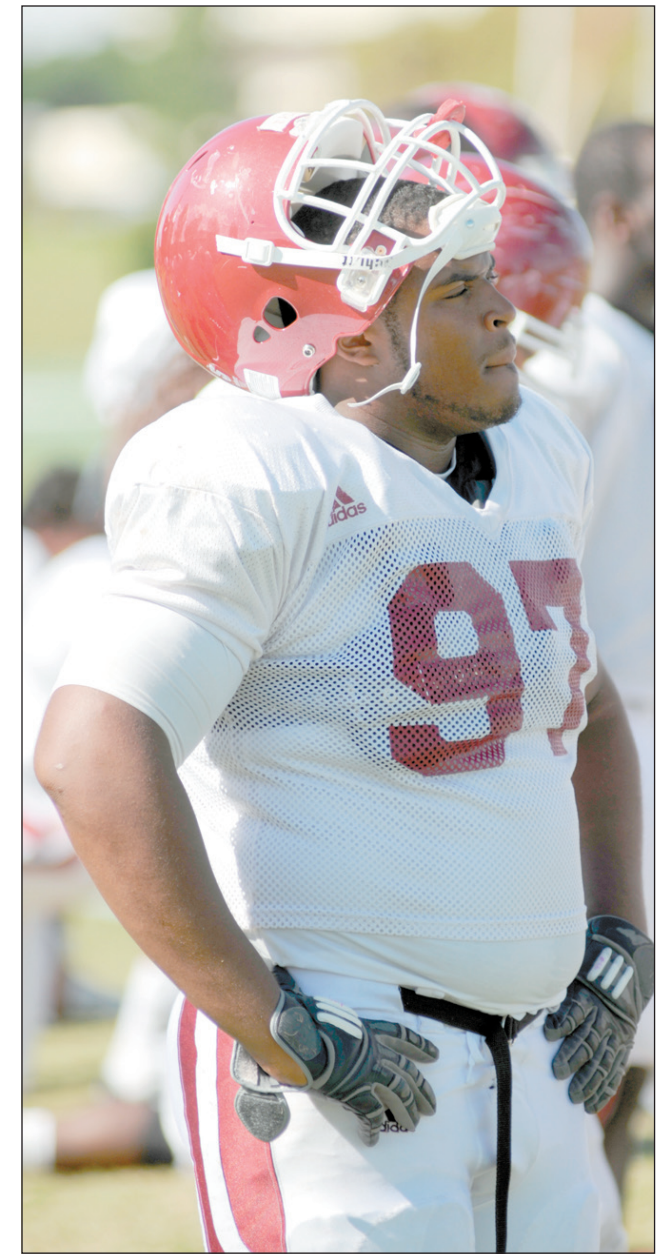
Warner likes NMSU.

"I think we'll have a good team," he said. "The guys listen to the coaches. I like that. At some places I've played, the players haven't paid that much attention to what the coaches told them.

"I like the coaching staff here. They've all been where we're trying to get to."

Since practice opened, the Aggies have often worked in 100-degree heat, alternating two-a-days with one-a-day workouts. Warner said the heat has not affected him. He played high school football in hot, humid Atlanta,. This is dry heat out here," he said. "It's not nearly as bad. Just burns your skin a little here."

Two-a-day workouts are over. When NMSU's fall classes began Thursday, Aug. 20, the team cut to one practice daily, usually working from 3 to 5 p.m. The 2009 season officially begins with a WAC home opener against Idaho on Sept. 5.



RICHARD DAVIS I The Las Cruces Bulletin

The well-traveled Branden Warner has finally found a home at New Mexico State where he will play defensive tackle.

Mine That Bird to lead Futurity post parade

Ruidoso Downs event on Sept. 7

JESSICA NOLL I kypost.com

Calvin Borel rides Mine That Bird to a stunning victory in the 2009 Kentucky Derby.

Mine That Bird, winner of the 2009 Kentucky Derby May 2, will lead the post parade for the Grade 1, $2 million All American Futurity, the world's most celebrated quarter horse race, on Labor Day, Sept. 7, at Ruidoso Downs.

"New Mexico is our home and everybody in New Mexico has supported us," said Mark Allen, co-owner of Mine That Bird. "The people deserve to see him and we're excited about being able to parade him for the All American."

He teasingly added, "This may be as close as I get to an All American win," although in reality, his quarter horses have been very successful at Ruidoso Downs. Time For A Cigar and Shaboomator swept the top-two spots in the Grade 1, $308,000 Ruidoso Derby June 6; then finished second and third, respectively, in the Grade 1, $480,000 Rainbow Derby July 18.

Mine That Bird's owners also plan an event at Allen's Double Eagle Ranch in Roswell, N.M., so fans can view the gelding.

"The support we have received has been unbelievable, even two months after the Kentucky Derby," said co-owner Dr. Leonard Blach. "There are people still stopping us and congratulating us."

In 1983, when Blach managed and was the resident veterinarian at Buena Suerte Ranch in Roswell, he brought the then 30-year-old old Go Man Go from that ranch to Ruidoso Downs and led him in front of the crowd before the All American Futurity. Go Man Go was a three-time world champion in the 1950s and became a leading quarter horse sire.

"Lincoln County offers a multitude of things to see and do," said Michael Cerletti, Secretary of the New Mexico Tourism Department. "The addition of Mine That Bird to the All American Futurity festivities is just one more reason to spend your Labor Day weekend in this great little corner of New Mexico."

After a few days stay in New Mexico, Mine That Bird will ship to Southern California with trainer Chip Woolley Jr. to prepare for the Grade 1, $5 million Breeders Cup Classic Nov. 7 during the Oak Tree meeting at Santa Anita Park.

"We're very thankful that Mine That Bird is coming to Ruidoso Downs," said R.D Hubbard, co-owner of Ruidoso Downs. "He has done so much to boost the excitement about racing in New Mexico with his Kentucky Derby win. Mark Allen and Leonard Blach are to be commended for showing how much they appreciate New Mexico and New Mexico racing. It's an historic addition to the All American weekend."

Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Billy The Kid Casino are located on US 70 West in Ruidoso Downs. For more information, call 575-378-4431 or email info@raceruidoso.com.

For tickets and reservations information, email sdouglas@raceruidoso.com.

Crystal Burns chases the ball during the Aggies' first ever exhibition soccer match.

PHOTOS BY RICHARD DAVIS

Vanessa Thomas tries to get the ball away from a Highlands player during the Aggies 2-1 exhibition win over the Cowgirls on Saturday, Aug. 18, at Aggie Memorial Stadium.

Aggie soccer garners 2-1 exhibition win over NMHU

Early goal helps NMSU in victory

In the first-ever soccer exhibition match at New Mexico State University, the Aggies defeated New Mexico Highlands University, 2-1, at Aggie Memorial Stadium, Saturday, Aug. 15. In their inaugural season, the Aggies had an impressive crowd of 1,472 fans in attendance.

NMSU attacked early and freshman forward Veronica Subu scored from the right side on an assist from freshman forward Vanessa Thomas. The Aggies took a 1-0 lead four minutes into the match.

In the second period, freshman midfielder Vanessa Novella gave the Aggies a 2-0 advantage with an unassisted goal. Junior midfielder Stephanie Devisser scored the lone Cowgirl goal at the 42:51 mark.

The Aggies concluded the preseason with a 9-0 win over University of the Southwest on Tuesday, Aug. 18. NMSU jumped to an early 2-0 lead within the first 10 minutes with goals from freshmen forwards Lauren Cope and Crystal Burns. Cope scored her second goal of the match at the 28:57 mark. The Aggies claimed a 4-0 advantage after freshman midfielder Jazmin Cardoso's free kick.

The Aggies open the regular season at UTEP, at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 21, in El Paso.

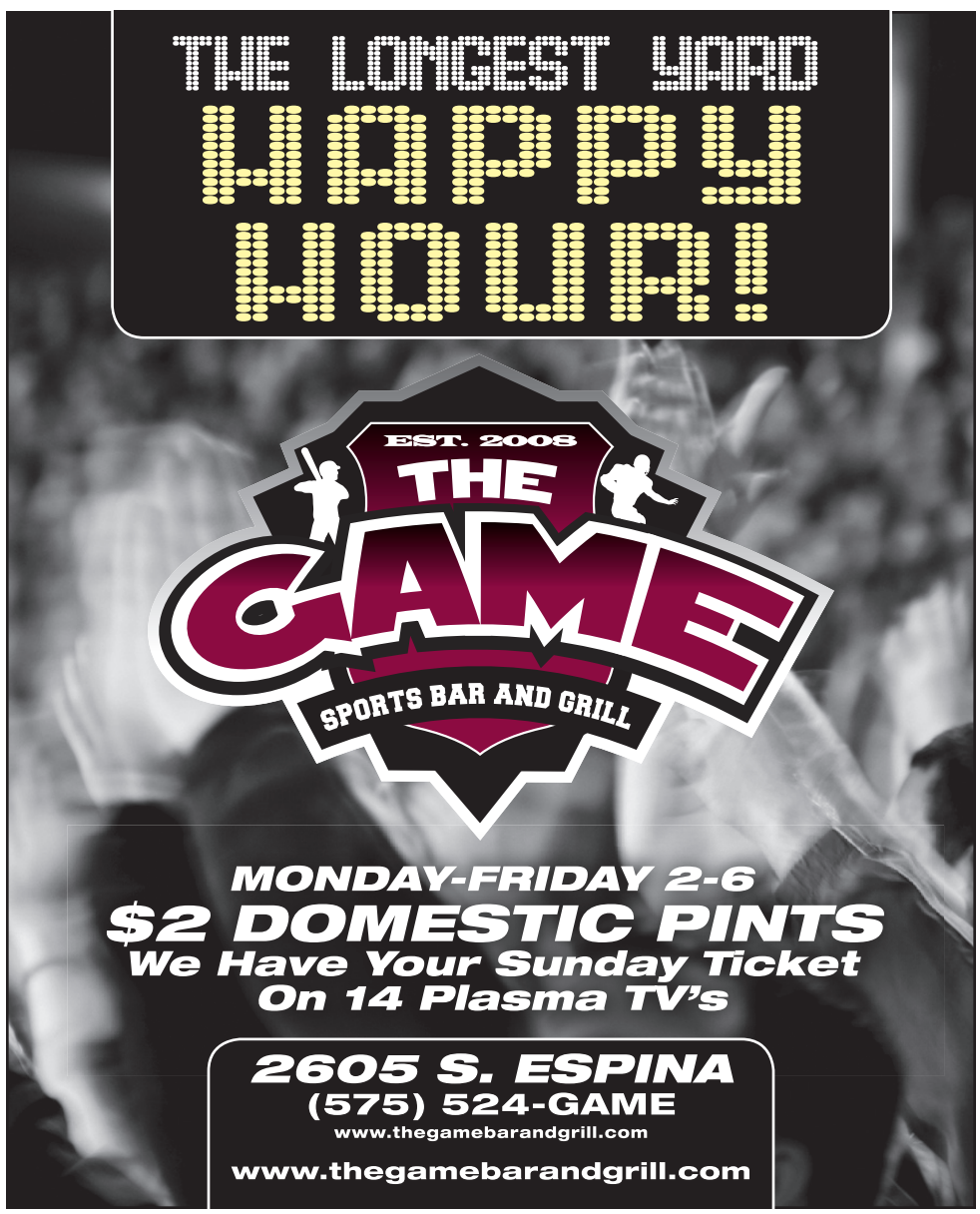
The Aggies then return to Las Cruces to play thier first regular-season home game against Idaho State at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23 at Aggie Memorial Stadium.

Yolie McMillion defends the ball during the NMSU exhibition game played in front of 1,472 fans.

Lauren Cope battles against Ashley Kramer of Highlands.

Jazmin Cardoso sets up the ball during a penalty kick.

Lauren Cope head butts the ball to Yolie McMillion.



AGGIE INSIDER

Conner is a special guy

He's the team's unofficial coach on the playing field

JACK NIXON
Jack's Corner

More than once I have heard coaches refer to one of their players as their "coach on the field." More often than not, it is a player who can assimilate everything at once, adjust and react in an instant.

I heard football head coach DeWayne Walker use the term in referring to his "Mike" or middle linebacker Ross Conner.

He is a local, played for the championship caliber Mayfield Trojans earlier in this decade and has his game plan for next year ready to go. Conner is an affable young man and comes from a family with a good sense of humor. His pop, Tom, runs Las Cruces Radiator on Picacho Avenue and features clever homilies on his marquee as well as a Santa Claus and other figures made from old auto parts, greeting customers when they pull in. I'll get back to Conner's plans for the future in a second.

Walker had high praise for his "coach in cleats," saying it is Conner's job to correct any mistakes made from the sidelines. If the head man sends in a wrong formation or coverage, "coach" Conner has to correct it in the course of 15 seconds or so before the play is run. Walker added those situations won't come up often, but he has faith that Conner will make the right call if need be.

"He has the IQ factor," Walker said. "He is tough and is a football guy."

Conner has all the intangibles Walker likes for his "Mike" linebacker position.

He has played a variety of positions in three different offensive schemes at NMSU, so he has to have been a pretty quick study to still be on the squad. Starting with Woody Widenhofer's 3-4, moving to Joe Lee Dunn's approach and now in the middle of a 4-3, this young man has burned the midnight oil preparing each season. That study ethic and a good learning curve will help him with his post football plan, dental school.

He earned his degree last spring and is gathering some graduate studies that will help with that step from capping a running back to capping a pesky molar.

Getting back to the preseason drills, Walker said he has been riding Conner a lot to keep him sharp in pressure situations so he can keep his team out of any trouble that might arise from an opponent's audible.

Conner must enjoy his role as the "Mike" linebacker; he is a confident young man who doesn't seem bothered by the task ahead. His background is based in winning and he has learned that you need to be flexible with what a football life can bring you. Sounds like the perfect guy to be a "coach on the field."

Next few days big ones

Volleyball, soccer, annual banquet highlight schedule

PETE
Pete's Ponderings

That weekend I told you about is here and there is a special bonus added to it. Saturday, Sunday and Tuesday have events Aggie fans won't want to pass up.

First up, the annual alumni volleyball match is Saturday, Aug. 22. Think of the marvelous array of talent that has built New Mexico State volleyball into the dynasty it is today. Even though some of those players have careers, families and lives, they still think enough of their former coach, Michael Jordan, to drop what they are doing, put the uniform on again and give the current crop of Aggies a run for their money.

The Aggies have their first regular-season soccer game and you are more than welcome to join the tailgaters Friday, Aug. 21, at the season lid-lifter at UTEP. These gals have shown some real spark through the exhibition season and if you are like me, you can't wait for the games to count and the victories to start adding up. The fact that nearly 1,500 fans came out for the first exhibition, showed ole Pete that another sport has captured the imagination of fans here in Aggieland.

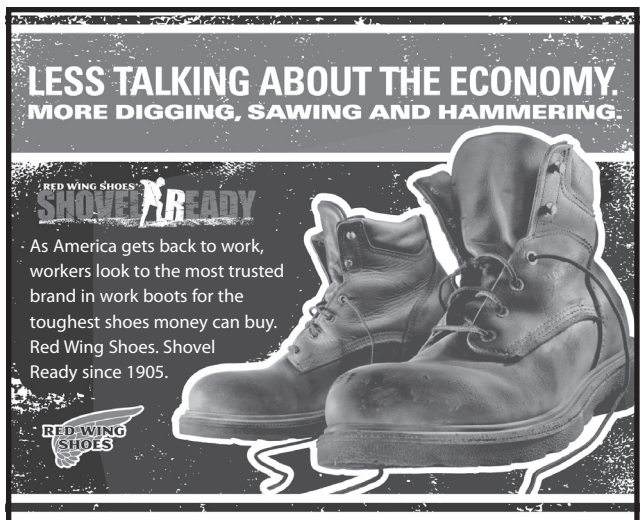
Sunday, Aug. 23, Michael Needham's soccer team has its first official home match versus Idaho State.

There is a great mix of local players and top talent from around the country suiting up for the Crimson and White. The first ever New Mexico State NCAA athlete from Radium Springs is on the soccer team this year. Sophomore Jordan Banegas grew up in the North Valley and played soccer at Mayfield. This is a team of many firsts, you can believe it. The fun doesn't end on the weekend.

On Tuesday, Aug. 25, you can get a preview of both football and volleyball from the coaches and players themselves at the preseason banquet. The chuck wagon will be set up at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum and the festivities will get going around 7 p.m. The Aggie athletics department is going back to a tradition of previewing both sports at the same time.

If you haven't had the opportunity to meet football coach DeWayne Walker and his staff or his players, here is your chance. There will be prepared remarks from both Walker and Jordan, but there will be plenty of time for informal remarks as well.

See if Kelli Goodan thinks Hawai'i can stay with NMSU. Find out who will take Krystal Torres' spot at libero and reminisce with the Coach of Champions about who he thinks was his best team. Have some questions about Timm Rosenbach's offense? He will be there to give you the lowdown about what to look for this year. This four-day period is gonna be so much fun, Pete can't wait for it all to start.



RED WING SHOES EST. 1905

Red Wing Shoes of Las Cruces
142 Wyatt Drive • 524-2486
Open Monday–Friday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

NM STATE SOCCER
FIRST GAME
Sunday at 12:30

Southwest Sport & Spine Center, Inc.
est. 2000
"Powerful results to get you BACK into action."

3 LOCATIONS TO SERVE YOU!

2404 S. Locust St., Ste 5
Las Cruces, NM 88001
575-521-4188

1181 Mall Drive, Suite E
Las Cruces, NM 88011
575-522-0766

1074 Country Club Rd.
Santa Teresa, NM 88008
575-997-0137

New patients call: 575-522-3391 • General information: 575-521-4188
www.swsportandspine.com

On the green

Questions from the email bag

Rushed golfer needs a warm-up; rules define drops

DR. CHARLIE BLANCHARD
Golf Doctor

My son is now a junior in high school and loves golf. He wants to play college golf but a scholarship is unlikely. He is now starting to talk about some kind of program of professional golf at New Mexico State Univeristy. Can you tell me anything about this?
Jane C., Las Cruces

What your son is doubtlessly referring to is the Professional Golf Management program at the university, which was started in 1987 and is part of the College of Business.

Former Aggie golf coach Herb Wimberly, my illustrious partner in Performance Golf Schools, was the initial force in starting up this terrific program. While there are about 20 similar programs around the country, NMSU is one of the few schools with a PGM program to own a golf course. Since its inception, the program has trained nearly 600 PGA professionals employed throughout the United States and internationally.

On a personal note, I have mentored several PGMers during my 21 years in Las Cruces, and I consider it a big plus to have these fine aspiring PGA professionals as part of our golfing community.

The PGM program is sanctioned by the PGA of America and has an average enrollment of 200 students, who typically study a business curriculum while pursuing the rigorous training requirements of the PGA.

The 4.5-year program leads to a BBA with a major in marketing and a specialization in PGA Golf Management. PGM students have the opportunity to play and practice on a first-class championship golf course, while having a year-long competitive tournament schedule available to them. PGM students receive coaching as they prepare to pass the demanding Playing Ability Test, and they get assistance arranging summer internships at many golf facilities around the country. Pat Gavin is the director of the PGM program and can be reached at 646-7686. The PGM website is www.business.nmsu.edu/academics/pgagm.

Despite a busy and stressful work schedule I make time for one weekday round of golf. But it always turns out that I'm rushed and barely get to the golf course on time, so I can't hit balls on the range. I then have a slow and awful start and it hurts my pride and my wallet. Do you have any suggestions for a quick warm-up routine?
Greg N., Las Cruces

Believe me I feel your pain, my friend. It's tough to try and balance work and golf. Happily, I found a possible and promising solution for your pressured arrival and warm-up. It's a short, uncomplicated series of warm-up stretches packaged neatly in a program called "5 Minutes to Tee Time."

The concept of jump-starting your golf round with stretches is not exactly new, but it was refined by New Jersey golfer and fitness expert Michael Bruno.

"Everyone's got five minutes," notes Bruno. "Starting par-par is a lot better psychologically than starting double bogey-bogey."

No question. Bruno actually developed the guts of the routine 10 years ago and said he did it for the guy (or gal) "who doesn't have an hour for the driving range before a round." That's most of the golfers I know.

The program comes in a little booklet, really a travel-size brochure, that has color pictures and a brief description of the key exercises designed to promote rapid flexibility and longer term conditioning. These are very basic yet golf-specific and effective body movements for the shoulders, back, hips and legs, which you hold in a static manner for 12 to 15 seconds. It finishes with 10 full swings.

I know that one of the hardest things in starting a round of golf when you are cold and stiff is getting your body to move the way you think it should. Each stretch gets you ready to play in just a few minutes. Several PGA teaching pros have endorsed the "5 Minutes" routine. One said, "It gives all golfers an opportunity to hit the ball solidly from the first tee, (since) the specific movements set up the golf swing."

Another pro teacher calls the program "the next best thing" to hitting balls, and adds "in today's busy world, not many have the (practice) time of a touring professional."

I guess you can relate, Greg. This cool little manual-kit even comes with a handy bag tag with thumbnail photos of each exercise. It's $19.95 (with free shipping) and you can get one by visiting www.5minutestotee-time.com.

One of my know-it-all buddies insists that when you "drop" a ball because of a penalty or taking relief you're supposed to drop it behind you and over your shoulder without looking. I say that's not true.
Manny R., Mesilla Park

Manny, hope you had a few bucks riding on the debate 'cause you won.

Really, all you needed was a rules book, which every golfer should carry in his bag. Back in the day when the boys stroked it with hickory shafted niblicks, they dropped over the shoulder, but not in the modern game.

USGA rules direct us to hold the ball at shoulder height and arm's length and then drop it without doing anything that might influence how the ball lands (like spinning it).

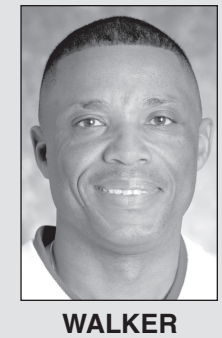
It's a good idea for all golfers to get familiar with the rules and procedures for where to drop, under what circumstances, when to re-drop (e.g. when a dropped ball rolls out of bounds), placing and replacing a ball, lifting a ball and when a ball is in play.

Dr. Charlie Blanchard is a licensed psychologist specializing in sports and leadership who works with PGA professionals and young golfers to enhance their performance. He partners with coach Herb Wimberly as the principal instructors at Performance Golf Schools. Through his seminars, motivational speaking and individual coaching, he assists executives and organizations to strengthen leadership effectiveness. Blanchard may be contacted at drblanchard@lascrucesbulletin.com.

comcast
AGGIES NEW MEXICO STATE
Present:
2009 Football & Volleyball Pre-Season Banquet
Celebrate the kick-off of a new and exciting era of Aggie Football and share the continued success of Aggie Volleyball at an evening with Head Coaches:
NM STATE UNIVERSITY
DeWayne Walker & Mike Jordan
along with their staff, student-athletes & fellow enthusiastic supporters of Aggie Athletics!
Tuesday, August 25, 2009
6:30 p.m. Social Hour • 7:30 p.m. Dinner & Program
New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
$50 per individual (open seating)
$600 per Table Sponsorship (reserved seating)
Table sponsorship includes seating for 6, plus 4 student-athletes, plus a special table recognition.
Attire: Sports casual in Aggie colors
RSVP to Martha Valdez at martvald@nmsu.edu or 646-2521
All proceeds benefit Aggie Football & Volleyball.
Get Your Tickets Now!

NMSU football, volleyball hold pre-season banquet

Fans can join DeWayne Walker and Mike Jordan to celebrate new season



WALKER

The New Mexico State University football and volleyball teams will celebrate the kick off of the 2009 season with a pre-season banquet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

The theme of this year's banquet is "We Are All Crimson." Head coaches DeWayne Walker and Mike Jordan will be on hand along with football and volleyball staff and players. Dress is sports casual with Aggie colors.

A social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m. with the dinner and program beginning at 7:30 p.m. Individual tickets may be purchased for $50, with table sponsorships available for $600. Table sponsorships include seating for six at a table with four athletes plus special recognition during the banquet. All proceeds will benefit NMSU football and volleyball.

Reservations are required. For more information or to make reservations, contact Martha Valdez at 646-2521 or martvald@nmsu.edu.

LCHS

Continued from PAGE A17

brother of James Hall. Vying for playing time at receiver are seniors Jose Garcia and Xavier Armitage and juniors Josh Watson and Tanner Shoemaker. The tight ends will be Jordan Bullard, a senior, and Wes Bannister, a junior.

Experienced line

The Bulldawgs' offensive line will consist of center Jake Avalos (5-11, 290, Sr.), guards Kyle Pannell (5-10, 240, Sr.) and Bobby Rogers (5-11, 195, Sr.) and tackles Chris Todd (5-10, 230, Sr.) and Adrian Garcia (5-11, 180 Sr.). Avalos and Pannell are returning starters and Rogers and Todd saw extensive action last fall as reserves.

Pannell, Todd, Rogers and Bullard also will see action on the defensive line, as will Mark Villegas (5-10, 200), Robbi Trijo (6-0, 210, Jr.) and Jess Segovia (5-11, 180, Soph.). Garcia, Ogas and Duran are the linebackers.

In the secondary, Armitage, Martinez, Hall and Abrien Romero will see action at cornerback and Shoemaker, Watson, Joseph Hernandez and Jake Nevarez will play at safety.

"We're not real big, but we have a lot of speed in the secondary," Miller said. "At running back, we have a mix of speed and power, and our offensive line has some experience. Tight end is a question mark right now."

The Bulldawgs travel to Roswell Friday, Aug. 21, for a scrimmage against Clovis.

See next week's issue of the Las Cruces Bulletin for previews of the Oñate High School's and Mesilla Valley Christian Schools' football teams.

MHS

Continued from PAGE A17

Another returning starter, Michael Hallock, will likely be the back that becomes a receiver.

"(Hallock) is a great receiver and a very good running back," Bradley said.

The other running backs are senior Robert Alvidrez and juniors Brandon Betancourt and Kiefer Payne. All three will see a lot of playing time and Bradley said Betancourt has a slight edge over Alvidrez heading into Friday's scrimmage versus El Paso Bel Air. The speedy Alvidrez is recovering from a thigh bruise.

Bradley said the fullback position is up in the air with Josh Chacon, Wyatt Tharp and Chris Carrasco vying for playing time. The receivers are seniors Justin Black, James Enriquez and Gabe Munez.

The Trojans' offensive line includes center Ricky Avilar (5-9, 220, Sr.), tackle Andrew Anthony (6-2, 230, Sr.), Zach Tingen (5-10, 240, Sr.), Garret Bennett (5-10, 200, Sr.), and Matt Ramondo (6-4, 260, Jr.). Anthony is the only returning starter of the group, but most of the others saw significant playing time last year as reserves.

Ramondo, whom Bradley calls a college prospect, also will start as a defensive tackle. The other defensive down linemen are Anthony, Tingen, Larry Hinojosa (6-0, 215, Sr.) and Manny Sanchez (5-11, 215, Sr.).

Defense solid

Lining up at defensive end will be Michael Ellis (6-3, 200, Sr.) and Jeremiah Willis (6-5, 215, Sr.). The linebackers are Tharp (5-11, 185 Sr.) and Brock Baca (6-0, 195, Jr.), who also serves as the Mayfield kicker. Tharp was the leading tackler last year and the team's defensive most valuable player.

"We'll rely heavily on Wyatt Tharp," Bradley said.

The coach likes the talent, speed and depth he has in the improved defensive secondary.

In the Trojans' three losses last season, Bradley said his secondary had trouble matching up with their opponents (Las Cruces High twice and Eldorado). Vying for playing time will be cornerbacks Hallock, Alvidrez and Enriquez and safeties Black, Carrasco and Devante Minor, a junior who started last year as a sophomore.

"We need to develop some depth at defensive end, but we're pretty solid at just about every position," Bradley said. "I'm excited about this team."

Ags hire equestrian assistant

Morris to be Western coach

New Mexico State University equestrian head coach Andrea Hanson announced Tuesday, Aug. 18, that Robin Morris has joined the equestrian staff as the team's Western coach.

"We are thrilled to have Robin join our coaching staff here at NMSU," Hanson said. "Robin has had tremendous success in both AQHA and IHSA, and brings valuable coaching experience to our program for both the reining and horsemanship events. I feel Robin will be a huge asset to this program and it will be an exciting year for New Mexico State Equestrian."

Before joining the New Mexico State Equestrian Team coaching staff, Morris served as coach of Texas Tech's club team while pursuing her master's degree. While at Tech, Morris coached 18 individual Regional Championship qualifiers, 12 individual Zone Championship qualifiers, five individual National Championship qualifiers, one individual Reserve National Champion and a Reserve Champion at the National Reining Horse Association (NRHA) Collegiate Championships.

Ags to tailgate at UTEP

NMSU plays UTEP Miners in soccer

The New Mexico State Alumni Association is hosting a tailgate party to kickoff Aggie soccer prior to the season opener at UTEP at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 21 in El Paso. The tailgate is located in Lot R-5, across from the facility services.

New Mexico State University takes on the Miners in its first-ever match at 7 p.m. Ticket prices for the tailgate are $12 for adults and $10 for children ages 2 to 10. The menu includes herb roasted chicken, homemade barbecue sauce, spare ribs and grilled sausages with corn bread, potato salad and assorted soft drinks.

Register online at http://alum.nmsu.edu. For more information, contact the alumni office at 646-3616 or alumni@nmsu.edu.

For match tickets, contact the UTEP Ticket Center at 915-747-5234.

Volleyball

Continued from PAGE A17

Birmingham are battle tested vets. Designated leaders. Especially Altermatt. Last season, when the Aggies finished 26-9, she registered 283 kills, 17 assists, 29 service aces, 315 digs and 39 blocks.

"She's our best all-around player," Jordan said. "She's a smart attacker. She's a competitor and her experience is a big, big asset to the team."

Altermatt has her sights set on being a team psychologist after graduation. "I'm majoring in psychology," she said. "A lot of sports teams hire psychologists to work with their players, steer them toward positive thoughts, help them through tough times mentally in school and in competition."

WORSHIP SERVICES

Anglican

We welcome you at
St. Mary's
Anglican Church, ACIC
7975 Dona Ana Road,
Las Cruces, NM
Ph 523-6596
405-2112

The historical stone church with traditional values

Sundays: 8:30 a.m. Sunday School
10 A.M.
Holy Eucharist

Tuesdays: 10 A.M. Prayer Bible Study

Go west on 3 Crosses Ave. which becomes Doña Ana Rd. From the intersection at Thorpe Rd. continue north for 3 miles.

Church is at the curve to your left.

Assemblies of God

LASCRUCESFIRST celebrate life!

5605 Bataan Memorial West
Las Cruces, NM 88012
www.lascrucesfirst.org
575-524-0654

Sunday Worship
9:00 am & 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship (Spanish)
10:45 p.m.
Adult Discipleship
9:00 & 10:45 a.m.
Adult Discipleship (Spanish)
9:00 a.m.
Wednesday Family Night (English & Spanish)
7:00 p.m.
High energy, age appropriate children's ministries & nursery provided during all services!

Baptist

East Mesa Baptist Church

Sunday Bible Study: 9 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Children's Church Sun: 10:30 a.m.
Wed Prayer & Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Pastor Linvell Tisdale
6160 Moongate • 382-0386

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH LAS CRUCES, NM

106 South Miranda
Las Cruces, NM 88005-2637
524-3691

Sunday:	
Bible Study	**9 a.m. & 11 a.m.**
Morning Worship	**9 a.m. & 11 a.m.**
University of Life	**6 p.m.**
Tuesday:	
Intercessory Prayer	**5:45 p.m.**
Encounter: Corporate Prayer and Worship	**6:30 p.m.**

Child Care Available

Bethel Second Baptist Church
Reverend
Gregory Arthur
Sunday:
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday:
Prayer Meeting and Bible Study 6 p.m.
405 E. Hadley Ave.
523-7850

Baha'i Faith

The Baha'i Information & Reading Center
Come celebrate the Oneness of God
All faiths welcomed
Devotionals Sundays: 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Adult Spiritual Discussion 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Reading room opened on Sat. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
"All the prophets of God proclaim the same Faith"
525 E. Lohman
575.373.1479

Bible

Grace Bible Church
Pastor Tom Morrison 532-1234
Sunday Worship
10 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.
•••
Sunday School, for all
11:05 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.
•••
Wednesday Prayer Meeting
7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
2801 Missouri Ave. Suite 15

Catholic

Holy Family Ecumenical Catholic Church
A Loving Community Where All Are Welcome
Services:
Sat: 5:30 p.m. & Sun: 10 a.m.
Fr. Jim Lehman - Pastor
www.holyfamilyecc.org
702 Parker Rd.
644-5025

Disciples of Christ

First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
www.zianet.com/fcc-doc
Sunday worship 10:15 a.m.
Rev. Linda Mervine
1809 El Paseo Rd.
524-3245

Eastern Orthodoxy

St. Anthony of the Desert Orthodox Mission
(UOC of USA)
Father Gabriel Rochelle, Priest
Divine Liturgy Sun. 9 a.m.
3rd & 6th Hour Sun. 8:30 a.m.
Vespers Sat. 5 p.m.
Sacrament of Repentance Sat. 5:45 p.m.
www.stanthonylc.org
575-524-1071
Chapel at 518 N. Alameda • Las Cruces
(Hadley & Alameda)

Episcopal

ST. ANDREWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
518 N. Alameda Blvd. 526-8816
"Where we give thanks for all our blessings"
The Rev. Canon Dr. Scott A. Ruthven, Rector
Weekday services in Historic Kendrick Chapel
Tuesday – 9:30 AM, Morning Prayer
Thursday – 12:05 PM – Holy Eucharist
Sunday Services
8:30 – Holy Eucharist, without music
10:30 - Choral Holy Eucharist
Sunday School classes will resume in September.
Nursery Available

St. James' Episcopal Church
Biblically Orthodox Traditional Anglican Worship
Sunday: 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday: 10 a.m.
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Nursery - 10:30 a.m.
Fellowship after each Service
Bible Study Groups - Weekly
www.saintjameslc.com
102 St. James Ave. • 526-2389
1 Blk. off University @ S. Main

Church Triumphant
"A Place for People to Grow"
Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.
En Español - 1 p.m.
Wednesday/**180 Youth**: 7 p.m.
Kid's Church for all ages!
churchtriumphantlc.com
Ty Loyd - Pastor
2020 N. Valley Dr.,
528-LOVE(5683)

Lutheran

Mission Lutheran Church (L.C.M.S.)
God's Unchanging Word
For An Ever Changing World
English Services: 9 a.m.
Sun. School & Bible Study: 10:30 a.m.
Spanish Service: 11:30 a.m.
¡Lo invito! a la Iglesia Lutherana Misión
Los Domingos:
La escuela dominical 10:30 a.m.
La misa en español 11:30 a.m.
2752 Roadrunner Pkwy.
522-0465

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Sunday Worship 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Nursery Provided
www.peacelutheranlc.com
1701 E. Missouri
Corner of Missouri & Locust
522-7119
A Reconciling in Christ Congregation

Faith Lutheran Church
LCMS
Strengthening Faith Now and for Eternity
"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding." Prov. 3:5
202-9522
faithlutheranchurch-lascruces.org

Methodist

St. Paul's United Methodist Church
225 W. Griggs Ave.
Downtown on the corner of
Alameda and Griggs • 526-6689 for information
August 23, 2009

Traditional Worship	8:15 am
Unplugged Contemporary Worship	9:30 am
Oasis Praise Service	10:45 am
Traditional Worship	10:45 am

Rev. James Large, Senior Pastor
Rev. Joe Whitley, Associate Pastor
e-mail: spoffice@zianet.com

Morning Star
United Methodist Church
Where mercy triumphs over judgement.
WE WELCOME YOU TO JOIN US FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES
Blended - 8:30 a.m. • **Traditional** - 11 a.m.
Contemporary - 9:45 a.m.
Please call for information about our Ministries, Sunday Schools and Small Groups or visit our web site: **www.morningstarumc.org**
521-3770
2941 Morning Star Dr. at Roadrunner Pkwy

New Covenant

New Covenant Fellowship
Bible and Family Focused
Approx. 2 miles
south of University Ave.
on corner of S. Main and
Holy Cross Road
Sunday School
9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
524-0645

New Thought

WELLSPRING CHURCH
An Inclusive New Thought Community
Sunday Celebration 11:00 AM
Youth Program during Service
Discussion Groups 9:30 AM
Sunday Meditation 9:45-10:25 AM
Rev. Sam Ritchey - 647-2560
140 Taylor Rd - 524-2375
www.wellspringnow.com

CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL LIVING
Sunday Celebration – 10:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m. Silent Meditation
(Junior Church & Child Care)
Minister: Reverend Mary Lowry
We offer you spiritual tools for everyday living
Classes and workshops are ongoing and open to anyone from the community
575 N. Main Street
(on the North Downtown Mall)
for more information call
523.4847
email: milcrelsc@zianet.com
www.zianet.com/milc

Non-Denominational

Southern New Mexico Church of God
Interactive Bible Study
SERVICES
Saturdays 1 p.m.
Is the U.S. dollar and economy doomed?
Munson Senior Center
975 S. Mesquite
650-7359
Everyone is welcome

Synagogue

Temple Beth-El
3980 Sonoma Springs Ave.
Las Cruces, NM 88011
(575) 524-3380
admin@tbelc.org
Rabbi Paul Citrin
This Week's Worship Services:
Kabbalat Shabbat
Friday, August 21st 5:45 PM
Shabbat Morning Service
Saturday, August 22nd 10:15 AM
"Creating and Maintaining an Intimate and Vibrant Jewish Community"
www.tbelc.org

Unity

Unity Church of Mesilla Valley
125 Wyatt Drive
"Filled with God's Love, welcoming all"

Sunday Service	10:30 a.m.
Youth Education	10:30 a.m.
Tuesdays	5:30 p.m.
Healing Meditation	

Practical Christianity in action!
Rev. Terry Lund
523-5592
www.UnityofLasCruces.org

Interested in being on our worship services page? Call 524-8061 for details.

CHURCH NEWS

TEMPLE BETH-EL BRUNCH AND REGISTRATION

Temple Beth-El membership committee is hosting a New Member Brunch from noon to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23. This event is geared toward Jewish residents from Las Cruces and the surrounding areas who are currently unaffiliated and might like information on membership at Temple Beth-El. For more information, contact Stefani Singer 524-3380, or email admin@tbelc.org.

Also on Sunday, Aug. 23, the temple's Academy of Jewish Learning will hold registration at 2 p.m. for its fall classes. Courses vary in subject and last six weeks. Fees are $36 per course for temple members and $40 per course for nonmembers. Some courses require books or materials that will cost extra. For more information, call Harvey Hilbert at 521-3711.

METAPHYSICS 101

Instructor Sandhi Scott will present Metaphysics 101 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 27, at Alegre Health Haven, 920 N. Alameda Blvd. The class will discuss practical principles for affirmative living, focusing on Eckhardt Tolle. The class fee is $5. For more information, call 405-9597.

ST. GENEVIEVE COOK OFF

St. Genevieve's 150-year Celebration Chile Cook Off will be held at the parish hall from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30. Entry fee is $10 per person. For more information, call the parish office at 524-9649.

CHALLA FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Temple Beth-El's Academy of Jewish Learning will offer two workshops on baking presented by Susan Fitzgerald. The first, from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30, will discuss baking the challa, while the second, from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 6, will cover making honey. There will be a $5 fee for ingredients. For more information, call Harvey Hilbert at 521-3711.

ST. ANDREWS SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School classes will resume at St. Andrews Episcopal Church at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 6. This year, two classes will be offered – one for ages 3 to 5 and the other for ages 6 to 8. Parents are encouraged to give their children the opportunity to share in this experience and give them the opportunity to make new friends and learn many stories from the Bible. For more information, contact Carol at 526-6333.

‘Come be Greek’

Greek Food Festival to be held in El Paso Aug. 28 to Aug. 30

By Beth Sitzler
The Las Cruces Bulletin

The parishioners of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 124 S. Festival Drive, in El Paso, encourage visitors to “Come be Greek this week” by attending the 23rd Greek Food Festival, held Friday, Aug. 28 through Sunday, Aug. 30.

Barbara Rammos, owner of Tiffany’s Pizza, said, like other Greek festivals held throughout the United States, the event will showcase Greek culture while raising funds for the church.

“All of us get together to bake and cook food,” she said.

Parishioners began cooking and selling their food in Downtown El Paso when the church was still a mission operating out of a bank. In 1985, after the mission became an established church, they decided to begin the festival as their main source of income.

Several booths are set up during the event, each featuring a different dish, such as lamb, baked chicken, Greek meatballs and gyros. Rammos will man the gyro table.

“Everything is authentic, homemade Greek recipes,” she said.

Other items include feta cheese turnovers known as tyropita, baklava and spanakopita, a Greek-style pie made with spinach.

Live Greek music by The Aegean Sounds from Albuquerque and performances by the Greek dancing group the Hellenic Dancers will take place throughout the weekend.

Father Photios Bouton will give tours of the church and presentations on the Greek Orthodox religion.

“He’s going to give lessons on where the religion comes from, how far back it goes, things like that,” Rammos said.

Rammos said the festival offers participants the opportunity to visit Greece and experience its unique culture, all while helping the church keep its doors open.

Rammos said about 30 parishioners and volunteers cook the food for the 5,000 to 7,000 event participants, which generate more than $80,000 for the church.

“(The church) helps keep us together,” Rammos said of the Greek community. “It helps us remember our culture and our language.”

The Hellenic Dancers will perform traditional Greek dances during the Greek Food Festival Friday, Aug. 28 through Sunday, Aug. 30, at of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 124 S. Festival Drive, in El Paso.

Admission to the festival is free, but donations are accepted. Food prices vary depending on the dish.

The festival will take place from 5 to 10 p.m. Friday, noon to 10 p.m. Saturday and noon to 9 p.m. Sunday.

To get to the church from Las Cruces, take Interstate 10 to Mesa Street, exit 11, and head north. After about 3 miles, turn right on South Festival Drive. The church will be on the left hand side.

For more information on the festival, call Rammos at Tiffany’s Pizza at 532-5002. For information on joining St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, call Father Bouton at 915-833-0882.

Violent shows, toys should be a concern to parents

Pointing out other’s parenting mistakes is often risky

DR. JAMES DOBSON
Focus on the Family

I’m concerned about the violent content of some children’s cartoon shows and the toys and other products connected with them. My husband thinks they’re harmless. What’s your point of view?

I share your misgivings. There’s a trend toward a brand of violence in some of today’s cartoons and toys that I see as a dangerous departure from the more traditional combat-type games in which boys have always engaged.

For one thing, the characters tend to be adults involved in adult activities, some of which are highly questionable. I don’t feel they are appropriate role models for impressionable young children. In addition, there’s an occult or New Age flavor to many of these programs and products. The settings are mythical or futuristic, and the action often revolves around superstition, sorcery and magic. For these reasons they concern me for spiritual as well as psychological reasons.

The electronic media has incredible power to “sell” these dubious heroes and their exploits to our children. Studies have measured actual physiological changes that occur when kids are watching a violent television program or movie. The pulse rate quickens, eyes dilate, hands sweat, mouth goes dry and breathing accelerates. It should be obvious that this kind of “entertainment” has a dramatic emotional impact – especially if it’s repeated often enough.

The toys that are marketed as “spin-offs” from such programs only serve to reinforce or extend those negative effects. What’s more, there’s no balancing positive, healthy or educational component to these products.

That’s why our organization, Focus on the Family, and others have made major investments in high-quality videos and other materials for children. We must provide alternatives for families that want their kids to have wholesome entertainment and are determined to protect them from the popular culture. We will continue to do what we can to meet that need.

•••

I have a friend whose children drive me crazy when I’m around them. They are the most undisciplined brats I’ve ever seen. We can’t even talk when they are around. I would love to help my friend with a few disciplinary tips. How can I do this without offending her?

When you want to point out a flaw or shortcoming in someone else’s behavior or character, you do it the way porcupines make love – very, very carefully. Otherwise, you’re likely to lose a friend.

Pointing out parenting mistakes in others is even riskier. You’re liable to get your ears pinned back for trying it – even when your motives are honorable and you have a child’s interest at heart. That’s why I never offer unsolicited advice about other people’s children, no matter how badly I think it is needed.

If you insist on telling the other mother what she doesn’t want to hear, let me suggest that you first invest some time and effort in your friend. When a relationship of confidence has been carefully constructed, you’ll have then earned the right to offer her some gentle advice.

There are no shortcuts to this process.

•••

What causes Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder?

It is believed to be inherited. Russell Barkley of the University of Massachusetts Medical Center estimates that 40 percent of ADHD kids have a parent with similar symptoms, and 35 percent have an affected sibling. If one identical twin is affected, the chances are between 80 and 92 percent that his or her sibling will be also. ADHD is 2-to-3 times as likely to be diagnosed in boys as girls.

The cause of ADHD is unknown, but it is probably associated with subtle differences in brain structure, its neural pathways, chemistry, blood supply or electrical system. As of this writing, some interesting hypotheses are emerging, although definitive conclusions can’t yet be drawn.

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

Quinceañera
For your special daughter on her 15th birthday.
Special affordable packages available include:
• Mass
• Indoor Dance Rehearsal
• Reception (max. 150 guests)
Call now to reserve the Church and Hall!
Holy Family Church • 575-644-5025

Kid’s Triumphant Learning Center
KTLC
Educating for Success in Life.
Kid’s Triumphant Learning Center
6 weeks to 12 years
And After school Care Program Grades K to 6th
Enroll NOW! Money Saving Competitive Rates
• A place for a child to Learn and Grow
• Positive reinforcement
• Small class size
• USDA meal program
• One of a kind Music Program
• Qualified and Nurturing Staff
• Meeting the Creative, Social, and Physical needs of your child

NMSU Student Discount / Military / Sibling Discount
For More Information Contact
528-LOVE (5683)

Looking Back

This week in the history of the Mesilla Valley

MARVIN TESSNEER
Out of the Past

75 years ago 1934

• After a meeting with more than 25 residents, mostly service station operators, city Mayor J. Benson Newell and commission members Samuel Klein and Manuel Nevarez agreed to drop a proposal to impose a 1-cent tax per gallon of gasoline.

• Las Cruces Union High School named Clifford "Red" as football coach.

50 years ago 1959

• Aggie football coach Warren Woodson was named to Helms College Athletic Foundation Hall of Fame.

• The County Health Department reported the eighth poliomyelitis case for the year, a 4-year old Anthony boy who had not received the Salk inoculations.

• The Plaza Theatre was featuring the popular Mexican singer Pedro Infante in "Pablo y Carolina."

25 years ago 1984

• A series of rain storms hit the Mesilla Valley, bringing the August rain total to 4.37 inches compared with 1.84 inches for the same period the previous year. Water that poured down arroyos from the East Mesa flowed down Lohman Avenue, El Paseo Road and Walnut Street, in some areas a foot deep. Residents requested sandbags on Elks Drive, Solano Drive, Montana and Chestnut avenues in the city and in Moongate and Fairacres roads to protect their homes from rising water. The storm knocked out power in Brazito, Vado, Picacho Hills, Fairacres and Hatch.

New Mexico State University Library, Archives and Special Collections

A view of St. Paul's Methodist Church from Alameda Boulevard. The church is adjacent to an irrigation canal, and the grounds include a playground.

The storm also knocked out electric power at the New Mexico Correctional Center on the West Mesa, and the center's backup generator failed to function during the outage. A fight broke out among inmates who were being held in a gymnasium, and two men were taken to Memorial General Hospital for treatment. Several men also climbed to the top of one building. The National Guard brought in a generator to light up the compound so that the center staff could regain control, and the sheriff's office and state police sent 23 officers to prevent inmate escapes.

10 years ago 1999

• Flooding from heavy rains, which brought debris including tree trunks, down arroyos into the Elephant Butte Irrigation District system, caused damages amounting to $135,129. The damage included $81,235 to the rock barrier that protects the Rincon concrete siphon that transports water underneath the Rio Grande.

• The New Mexico Department of Tourism awarded Mesilla a $15,999 grant. The town also received $20,000 from the Old Mesilla Association for tourism advertising, $7,200 from the Restaurants of Old Mesilla and $7,000 from the board of trustees.

• City Councillor J. Henry Gustafson, District 2, held a neighborhood meeting at University Hills Elementary School to discuss Missouri Avenue construction, street drainage and vehicle speeding.

(Sources: NMSU Library Branson Microform Area and Archives and Special Collections)

Mesilla Valley Hospice

Our Family Helping Your Family

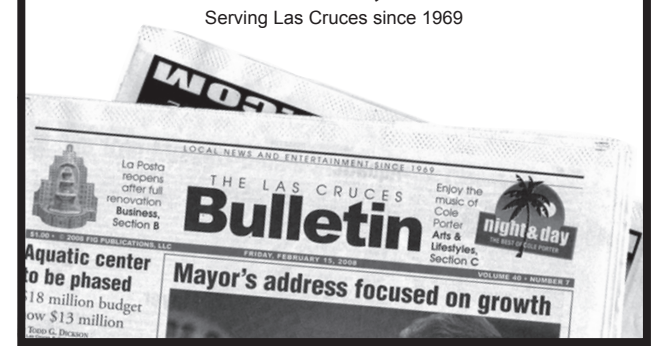
Mesilla Valley Hospice knows that family comes first. This is why we are dedicated to helping everyone in our community by providing care for those with life-limiting illnesses. When every day is important, we help make every day count!

To learn more about Mesilla Valley Hospice and how we can help you, please contact (575) 525-5757 or visit our website at www.mvhospice.org.

299 E. Montana
Las Cruces, NM 88005

THE LAS CRUCES
Bulletin
NEWSPAPER DELIVERY
Earn $50 and more

For a few hours one evening a week delivering the popular Las Cruces Bulletin weekly newspaper. No collections. Efficient, compact neighborhood routes where you deliver virtually every home. Also, you can receive a bonus gas card each month for accurate, timely deliveries. Must provide dependable transportation and be able to perform deliveries each Thursday evening.
To apply, call Steven at
524-8061
or come by our new offices at
840 N. Telshor, Suite E.
Serving Las Cruces since 1969



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

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

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

LINE DANCING CLASSES
Beginning line dancing with Sherrill Patterson and Cheryl Lither is at the Munson Senior Center from 1:45 to 3 p.m. on Mondays. Intermediate line dancing class is from 1:45 to 3 p.m. on Fridays.

CORE FLOOR EXERCISE CLASS
Core floor exercise classes are held five days a week at the Munson Senior Center. Suggested donation is 50 cents.

The schedule is:
- Mondays, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., with Lucille
- Tuesdays, 2:30 to 3:15 p.m., with Jennifer Smith
- Wednesdays, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., with Lucille
- Thursdays, 2:30 to 3:15 p.m., with Jennifer Smith
- Fridays, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., with Lucille

YOGA CLASS
Yoga classes are at the Benavidez Community Center, 1045 McClure Road. Nora Bailey, a certified instructor, will lead Hatha yoga classes beginning at 8 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Suggested donation is 50 cents.

MESILLA PARK EXERCISE CLASS
Exercise classes with Annette Morales are at 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Mesilla Park Community Center, 304 W. Bell Ave., Room 3. Suggested donation is 50 cents.

FITNESS WALKING GROUP
Fitness walks are held at Mesilla Valley Mall from 9:15 to 10:45 a.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Pick-up and drop-off for these walks is available at the Munson and Eastside centers.

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

CANASTA
Canasta played from noon to 4 p.m. every Wednesday at the Munson Senior Center.

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

CHINA PAINTERS
China Painters meet from 1 to 4 p.m. Mondays in the Munson Senior Center art studio.

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

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

MAH JONGG
Mah Jongg is played from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Thursdays at the Munson Senior Center.

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

WATERCOLOR PAINTING
A watercolor painting class meets from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Mondays in the Art/Quilting Room at Munson Senior Center.

MEN'S POOL TOURNAMENT
A free men's 8-ball pool tournament held the last Wednesday of every month at Munson Senior Center is open to men 50 and older. Sign-up is from 8 to 9 a.m. and the tournament starts around 9:15 a.m. Gift cards are awarded for first- and second-place winners. For more information, contact Dan Carrillo at 528-3111.

LADIES POOL TOURNAMENT
A free ladies pool tournament open to ladies 50 and older is held the first Monday of each month at Munson Senior Center. The tournament starts around 8:30 a.m. Gift cards are awarded for first- and second-place winners.

PINOCHLE
Pinochle players meet from noon to 5 p.m. Fridays at Munson Senior Center.

SENIOR TRAVEL CLUB
The Voyagers Senior Travel Club, located in Munson Senior Center, 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 Center, 310 N. Tornillo St. Call 541-2304 for more information.

MOVIE DAY
Movie Day is at 1:30 p.m. the fourth Thursday of every month in the conference room at Munson Senior Center. For title information, call Mark at 528-3406 or email mmumper@las-cruces.org. Free popcorn is served. Movie suggestions are welcome.

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

DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS
Area drivers age 50 and older can take the AARP Driver Safety Program, a four-hour course. 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. Class will be from 1 to 5 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 10, at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall, 1240 S. Espina St. For more information, call 528-3000. The TTY number is 528-3217.

SENIOR CLASS REGISTRATION
The City of Las Cruces will hold registration for seniors interested in 10-week courses at the Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 24, through Friday, Aug. 28.

Participants who are senior program members must have their blue or yellow cards with them at time of registration. Those who are not members may sign up for free membership at the time of registration. The following is a list of courses available:
- Pottery, 1 to 5 p.m. Mondays beginning on Aug. 31
- Clayworks lab, 8 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Sept. 1
- Clayworks lab, 1 to 5 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Sept. 1
- Clayworks lab, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays beginning Sept. 4
- Beginning ceramics, 8 a.m. to noon Mondays beginning Aug. 31
- Advanced ceramics, 8 a.m. to noon Wednesdays, beginning Sept. 2
- Advanced ceramics, 1 to 5 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning Sept. 2
- Beginning lapidary, 1 to 4 p.m. Mondays, beginning Aug. 31
- Lapidary lab, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Sept. 1
- Beginning and advanced glass, 8 a.m. to noon Mondays beginning Aug. 31
- Beginning and advanced glass, 8 a.m. to noon Wednesdays beginning Sept. 2
- Intermediate glass, 1 to 5 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning Sept. 2
- Beginning glass lab, 8 a.m. to noon Fridays beginning Sept. 4

* Advanced glass lab, 1 to 5 p.m. Fridays beginning Sept. 4

For more information contact Senior Programs at 528-3000. The TTY number is 528-3217.

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
- Join in the fun with New Mexico senior games
- 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. The TTY number is 528-3217.

INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE
Information and assistance on benefits for seniors are available at the Munson Senior Center as well as the Mesilla Park Community Center, 304 W. Bell Ave. Assistance is also available from a state help center by calling 800-432-2080.

Primary benefits covered are: Medicare A, B, C and D, Medicaid, low-cost housing, low-income assistance, Social Security, transportation, meals on wheels, assistance to disabled on Medicare/Medicaid, etc. Assistance is available as follows:
- Resource Center at Munson Senior Center: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 528-3301 or 528-3307.
- Representatives of the State Aging Department are at Munson Senior Center: 9 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call 541-2451.
- Local representative from the state Aging and Long Term Services and Assistance are available. Appointments can be made by calling 647-2049.

Good Start Industries

Great For Students
Great Used Furniture
Great Low Prices

Donations accepted during business hours. Home pick up available. All monies stay in Las Cruces and pay salaries of people that have disabilities.

Locations:
2305 E. Nevada • 420 S. Valley Drive
575-524-1395

AROUND TOWN

health events and support groups

TOPS MEETING CHAPTER 381

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter 381 is open to new members of all ages at its Thursday morning meetings, which start with a private weigh-in from 10 to 10:30 a.m. Weigh-ins are followed by group discussions of weight loss, dietary help and nutrition. This friendly group takes the time to enjoy each other's ways of losing pounds and sharing success. The group meets at Trails West Senior Complex, 1450 Avenida de Mesilla, in the Main Room.

NEW MEXICO YOUNG FATHER'S PROJECT

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

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINICS

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

The clinic is held 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.

DIABETES EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT GROUP

Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach will host a Diabetes Educational Support Group meeting from 7 to 8:15 p.m., Monday, Aug. 24, at Doña Ana Community College, Room 104, 3400 S. Espina St.

Diabetes Educational Support Group meetings provide an open discussion, a short teaching regarding diabetes and a question-and-answer period.

The event is free and no pre-registration is required. Parking permits are not required at the time of the DACC meetings.

For more information, contact the Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach at 522-0289, snmdo@snmdo or visit www.snmdo.org.

ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS/ DYSFUNCTIONAL FAMILIES SUPPORT GROUP

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. The 12 steps help them find freedom from the past and improve their lives.

For more information, visit www.adultchildren.org.

INDEPENDENT LIVING GROUP

The Independent Living Group for people with all types of disabilities meets from 1 to 3 p.m. every second and fourth Tuesday of the month at the Ability Center for Independent Living, 715 E. Idaho Ave., Suite 3E. Admission is free and refreshments are served. For more information, call 526-5016.

TRANSPLANT SUPPORT GROUP

The Southern New Mexico Transplant Support group meets from 6 to 7 p.m., the second Thursday of every month at MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4311 Lohman Ave., in the Community Education Room. The group helps to bring information and support to people who have lost a family member, to donor family members and to transplant recipients. Coffee and snacks are available.

For more information, contact Geraldo at 650-4404 or email southernm.transplant.supportgrp@gmail.com.

T'AI CHI CHIH: JOY THROUGH MOVEMENT CLASSES

Learn how to activate the Chi (vital force) with T'ai Chi Chih: Joy Thru Movement, a moving discipline comprised of 19 movements and one pose. T'ai Chi Chih may be done by almost anyone, in any physical condition and also sitting down. No special clothing or equipment is required.

Accredited instructor Rose J. Alvarez-Diosdado holds free classes from 10 to 11 a.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of the month in the MountainView Regional Medical Center Plaza, 4311 E. Lohman Ave. To register, call Omar Montoya at 556-7667.

These classes are provided as a service by MountainView Medical Center and are for all ages.

For more information, call Alvarez-Diosdado at 526-3016.

YOGA CLASSES OFFERED

Karen Nichols will offer 90-minute yoga classes at My Place, 140-A Wyatt Drive (west of the SHAS Thrift Store) at 5:15 p.m. Mondays and at 6:45 p.m. Thursdays during the month of August. Donations will benefit a local charitable organization. Participants should bring a yoga mat and any props they may need. Classes are suitable for all levels of experience and registration is not required. For more information, contact Karen at karen_f_n@yahoo.com or leave a message at 882-4943.

NURSES NEEDED AT ST. LUKE'S CLINIC

Nurses are needed to volunteer at St. Luke's Health Care Clinic from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. St Luke's Clinic is located in the Community of Hope campus next to El Caldito Soup Kitchen, 999 W. Amador Ave. Those who are interested, or know of someone that can help, should call Martie Miller at 527-5482 or Marylou Amacher at 532-0729.

LA LECHE LEAGUE

La Leche League of Las Cruces, a group for breast-feeding mothers and mothers-to-be interested in breast feeding, has two monthly meetings. The daytime meeting is at 10 a.m. the first Friday of the month at the Southwest Environmental Center located at 275 N. Downtown Mall. The night time meeting is at 6:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month, also at SWEC. The meetings are currently held at the home of leader Renee Beltran. Contact Beltran at 635-6683 or reneebeltran1@comcast.net for more information, including directions.

INFORMATIONAL TALKS FOR SENIORS

The City of Las Cruces Senior Programs will be holding several "It's All About You!" informational talks on health for seniors. All talks are with Genevieve Chavez, who is a naturopathic doctor at Optimal Health LLC in Las Cruces.

The talks will be held:

- Thursday, Aug. 27, Healing the Gut ... Naturally
- Thursday, Sept. 24, Helping Your Allergies ... Naturally
- Thursday, Oct. 22, Supporting Diabetes ... Naturally
- Thursday, Nov. 19, Good Mood Food and Other Strategies for Mental Health ... Naturally

Talks will be from 6 to 7:15 p.m. Thursdays at the Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

The suggested donation is $10 per session (any donation amount welcome).

Genevieve Chavez's practice includes wellness and nutrition, homeopathy and Emotional Freedom Technique.

For more information, contact Senior Programs at 528-3000. The TTY number is 528-3217.

RISE AND SHINE HEALTH WALKS

The City of Las Cruces will hold Rise and Shine Health Walks from Monday, Sept. 7, through Friday, Oct. 16. The walks will be held from 6 to 7 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays starting in front of the Meerscheidt Recreation Center, 1600 E. Hadley Ave.

The cost is $30 per participant. Everyone is asked to bring a water bottle, to wear comfortable shoes and loose fitting clothing. All registration forms and waivers must be signed prior to beginning the program. Blood pressure checks, cholesterol checks and weigh-ins will be conducted each week. Nutritional facts and a fitness journal will be provided to all registered participants.

For more information, contact Meerscheidt Recreation Center at 541-2563. The TTY number is 541-2661.

BEGINNING TAI CHI CHI CLASSES

Beginning Tai Chi, an ancient martial art that coordinates breathing with slow movement, will be taught from 10:15 to 1 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays from Sept. 1 to Dec. 10, at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 2000 S. Solano Drive. The Yang Short Form and simple Chi Gong exercises will be introduced in step-by-step fashion. Cost for the entire series is $5. Students must preregister from Sunday, Aug 23 to Mon., Aug. 31.

For more information, contact LeeAnn Meadows at 525-1625 or meadows@zianet.com.

STUTTERING SUPPORT GROUP FORMING

An effort is being made to start a local chapter of the National Stuttering Association in order to provide an adult support group for people who stutter (PWS) in the Las Cruces area.

According to the group's website (http://www.westutter.org), the National Stuttering Association (NSA) is the largest self-help support organization in the United States for PWS and their mission is "to bring hope and empowerment to children and adults who stutter, their families, and professionals through support, education, advocacy, and research."

LeDeidre Garcia, an undergraduate at New Mexico State University is working to start the NSA affiliated support group. The group is being formed mainly for adult PWS, but any and all ages will be welcomed.

For more information, contact LeDeidre Garcia at 571-9741 or lc_nsachapter@live.com.

Milagro Community Care
Behavioral Health Center
Dr. Ernest Flores and the staff of Milagro Community Care are pleased to announce the addition of Dr. James Martin, child psychiatrist, to our clinical practice. Dr. Martin brings over 28 years of experience, specializing in child and adolescent needs.
Individual Therapy • Family Therapy
Medication Management • Crisis Intervention
Reaching out to meet the needs of Las Crucens.
1401 Don Roser, F-1 · 575-521-4848
Open Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

El Paseo Pharmacy
El Paseo Pharmacy Welcomes
Linda Vanselous, RPh

B.S. Pharmacy, 1983
University of New Mexico
Your Health Is Our Business.
Any Physician. Any Prescription.
El Paseo Pharmacy
1605 El Paseo • 541-1500
Robert F. Adams, RPh, PhC, MBA
Medicare, Medicaid & all insurances accepted.
VISA MasterCard DISCOVER

Special First Visit Rates
Mechelle's Therapeutic Massage
Sciatic or Low Back Pain?
Treatment for chronic and acute pain associated with overuse and injury
Mechelle De Rycke | 571–1259 | LMT 4907

A new season brings in more fitness options

Las Cruces is still a great place to maintain health

By Jonathan Butz
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Although the future of the health insurance industry is in question, Las Cruces still offers plenty of fitness options, allowing community members to take health care into their own hands.

Consider an active lifestyle a form of private health insurance – its only requirements being persistence, plenty of exercise and a proper diet.

Ranging from the traditional to the alternative, different venues and facilities throughout town make it easy for anyone to develop their own, individualized fitness plan. As a new season approaches, it's time to start getting fit.

New opportunities

One of the newest programs to hit the local health scene is the Aggie Fit program, affiliated with the New Mexico State University Health & Wellness department, which seeks to offer the community a fitness option that is comprehensive and convenient. Although the program launched in July, it has already seen an influx of new enrollment and activity, said Michael Dougherty, coordinator of marketing and promotions for Health & Wellness.

"We're trying to make it easy for the community to get healthy," Dougherty said.

In addition to access to all of the facilities at the campus Activity Center and the natatorium, members enrolled in the Aggie Fit program will have admission to the program's website, www.aggiefit.org, which offers valuable information and resources to help participants keep record of their exercise, progress and goals.

Eye on progress

The Aggie Tracker, an application on the Aggie Fit website, allows users to keep track of their exercise on a daily, weekly and monthly basis.

Each time a participant records his or her exercise, they earn "Aggie Minutes," which are collected and added to a cumulative bank of points that represents the total number of minutes exercised by every participant in the program. The Aggie Fit website notes its goal of accumulating 1 million minutes.

"The tracker program allows people a benchmark. It makes it so much easier to stay motivated when you have a benchmark to start from," Dougherty said.

The website also offers information on proper nutrition and exercise techniques, as well as tips to help participants reach their fitness goals.

Dougherty said he hopes the program will reach out to the community and give people an opportunity to design their own fitness plan. He said the program wasn't intended to compete with other local fitness options, but rather as an opportunity to provide yet another resource for people in the community.

"It's an option for people – we're not trying to push it on people or say we're better than other places in the community. It's about whatever works for people's lives," Dougherty said.

JONATHAN BUTZ | The Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces resident Rita King and Aggie Fit Personal Trainer Chris Markle work together to develop King's personal fitness routine at the NMSU Activity Center, Friday, Aug. 14

Resources

Complete with a full workout room, an indoor track, exercise bicycles and more, the Activity Center matches any commercial gym. Additionally, Aggie Fit allows the option of working with a personal trainer or enrolling in different classes, including yoga, meditation and aerobics.

Participants also have opportunities for a free equipment orientation, while body composition analysis, full fitness assessments and circuit training programs are available for an additional fee.

Aggie Fit is available to all NMSU students, faculty and staff, in addition to NMSU alumni and affiliates. The required fee for Aggie Fit services is included in tuition for full-time students part time students are charged $40 to $53 per semester, based on the number of class credits. Faculty and staff are charged $10 per month for the annual plan and $13.34 per month for the 9-month program. NMSU retirees, however, pay no fee at all. The program also allows for members to include their spouses or children in the program for an additional charge.

Las Cruces resident Rita King enrolled in Aggie Fit and said she really enjoys the service provided, adding that the rates were "pretty cheap." She and Aggie Fit personal trainer, Chris Markle worked together to develop a fitness plan specifically designed for King.

"I just love it here, I've tried other places, but this one seems to work for me," King said.

Shon Meyer, assistant director of Fitness & Wellness at NMSU, said working with a personal trainer requires setting specific times and dates for workout sessions, making it easier for people to commit to a fitness plan. Working out with other people, Meyer said, also helps reduce the temptation to abandon a fitness plan.

"It creates instant accountability because you're working with set dates and times that you have to commit to," Meyer said.

Although keeping fit on a regular basis does not dispel the need for health care completely, a healthy lifestyle can improve one's disposition, immune health and even susceptibility to injury. Dougherty said keeping fit is a cost effective way of adding a little assurance to one's life.

"It's healthier in the long run, because healthier employees are more productive, while an active life can lead to feeling happier and more well-adjusted," Dougherty said.

For more details, visit www.aggiefit.org or www.wellness.nmsu.edu.

In the community

Las Cruces offers many different paths people can take while designing a fitness plan. In addition to the campus Activity Center and the Aggie Fit program, Las Crucens have several options when choosing a gym or fitness center.

Located across from the university on 763 E. University Ave., Snap Fitness of Las Cruces offers a clean and safe environment for members looking for a traditional gym close to the campus area.

Molly Brouwer, Snap Fitness manager, said there is always plenty of space available at the gym and long lines and waiting times are scarce. For more information on hours and rates, call 521-7626.

Tom Young's Fitness Center, on 305 E. Foster Road, offers a variety of equipment and services in a community atmosphere. Manager Ronda Mitchell said the gym is a place for everybody.

"I think it's a gym that offers everything because we cater to both the young and elderly," Mitchell said.

For more information and rates, call 526-4477 or visit www.tomyoungsfitnesscenter.com

Mind and body

When developing a fitness plan, it's important not to forget the mental aspects of a healthy lifestyle.

Stress cannot only create mental strain, but strain on the body as well. The Aggie Fit program offers a number of courses in meditation, while Tom Young's also offers weekly yoga classes that focus on relaxing and inner-strength.

Another option is the Alegre Health Haven, located on 920 N. Alameda Blvd. Facilitator Carol Wortner said Alegre Health Haven provides a relaxing environment for Las Crucens to gather and participate in a number of classes designed to reduce stress. Among others, Las Crucens can choose from a number of courses in meditation, yoga, Qigong and body prana movement.

"We have a smaller setting, while we offer service to all ages, from people in their 20s to their 60s," Wortner said.

Activity counts

No matter what fitness plan one chooses, it's ultimately up to the individual to make progress. It's never too late to get active and many community members are eager to help and offer advice.

Mitchell said she thinks it's important for people to realize the key role cardio-fitness plays in the body's overall health.

"Get plenty of cardio exercise in your routine because if your heart's not healthy, than nothing else matters," Mitchell said.

Meyer said he thinks people should get a minimum of 30 minutes of activity a day.

"People should remember that any activity counts. Even if you don't have the time to be active a full 30 minutes, try breaking it up into three bouts and all of those will add up," Meyer said. "Anything is always better than nothing."

> "If you really invest in yourself, there's no way you can fail."
>
> ART MONSIVIAZ, Chinese Kenpo Karate Southwest

He also recommends working out with friends, as it is both a good way to make exercise enjoyable and create a support network of old and new friends.

Art Monsiviaz of Chinese Kenpo Karate Southwest, on 102 Conway Ave., said any fitness plan comes down to discipline. He teaches at the dojo, which offers classes in karate, kick boxing and boxing, with operating hours 3 to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 3 to 6 p.m. on Friday.

"It all depends on the person," Monsiviaz said regarding a healthy lifestyle. "If you really invest in yourself, there's no way you can fail."

Most importantly, a fitness plan should be fun. Mix routines up to avoid boredom and always consult an expert before trying any new type of technique or program.

With discipline, determination and a little creativity, a healthier lifestyle is not so far out of reach anymore.

West Nile Virus: a serious threat

Disease can be avoided

With three West Nile Virus deaths occurring in Doña Ana County over the last four years, the New Mexico Department of Health is urging area residents to be on guard against the virus, which can lead to more serious and fatal complications such as meningitis and encephalitis.

To protect yourself from West Nile:

- Use insect repellent on exposed skin and clothing when you go outdoors. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends repellents containing DEET, Picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus or IR3535 for use on skin, and permethrin for use on clothing. Always follow label directions when using insect repellents.
- When weather permits, wear protective clothing such as loose-fitting, long-sleeved shirts, long pants and socks.
- The hours from dusk to dawn are peak biting times for mosquitoes. Take extra care to use repellent and protective clothing, or avoid outdoor activities during these times.
- Eliminate water-holding containers where mosquitoes lay their eggs, such as old tires, and regularly change the water in birdbaths, wading pools and pet water bowls. Make sure rain barrels are tightly screened.
- Keep windows and doors closed if not screened. If you leave your house doors or windows open, make sure they have screens that fit tightly without holes.
- Vaccinate your horses to protect them from West Nile Virus and Western Equine Encephalitis, which is also carried by mosquitoes.

Common West Nile Virus symptoms are fever, nausea, headache and muscle aches. In rare cases, West Nile Virus can cause meningitis or encephalitis. If someone has these symptoms, they should see their health care provider.

Another school year, another flu season

Flu vaccinations are coming to a clinic near you

By Kristine Sandrick
The Las Cruces Bulletin

The beginning of another school year means another flu season is just around the corner and community health officials are gearing up to launch flu shot clinics to help area residents cope with the viruses.

Chris Minnick with the New Mexico Department of Health said the seasonal flu usually hits the area in October, but because the vaccination is not yet available, the shot clinic schedule has not yet been determined.

"We don't yet have the vaccine in the state, so we haven't planned those clinics yet," Minnick said. "We usually get it the first part of September, and that is still on schedule."

The Department of Health is not the only provider for seasonal care, Minnick said, adding that shots are available from other sources such as urgent care clinics, hospitals and individual doctors.

"People should start thinking about where they can get them," he said. "MountainView Regional Medical Center and Memorial Medical Center have had shot programs for the community in October."

Twyla Anderson, Memorial Medical Center's employee health and infection control and prevention nurse, said community health officials are planning shot clinics to get vaccinations to those who want them.

"We're targeting the later part of October for our flu vaccination clinics, which we've been holding for the public annually for 14 or 15 years," she said.

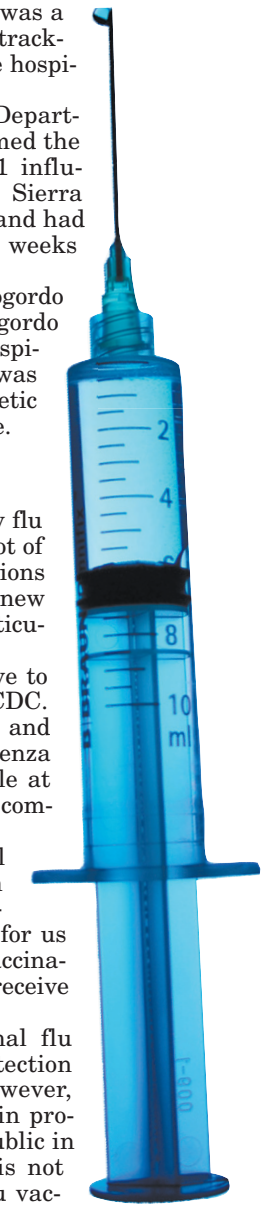
Add H1N1 to the viral soup

Complicating this year's flu prevention program is the H1N1 virus that erupted in the spring and by June had reached pandemic status, according to officials at the World Health Organization, because of its geographic spread to more than 120 countries. As of Aug. 6, the number of infected countries had grown to 170.

"We're still seeing cases in New Mexico, but we're not tracking every case in the state," Minnick said. "It was unique in the spring because it was a novel virus. But now we will not be tracking every case – just the most severe hospital cases of H1N1."

On Aug. 10, the New Mexico Department of Health announced it confirmed the state's first death caused by H1N1 influenza. The 45-year-old female from Sierra County had end-stage liver disease and had been hospitalized for nearly three weeks before she died.

On Saturday, Aug. 15, the Alamogordo Daily News reported that Alamogordo resident Felicia Wright had been hospitalized with H1N1. Wright said she was at higher risk because she is diabetic and also has auto-immune syndrome.



One shot or two?

The CDC reports that while every flu season has the potential to cause a lot of illness, doctor's visits, hospitalizations and deaths, it is concerned that the new H1N1 flu virus could result in a particularly severe flu season this year.

Vaccines are the best tool we have to prevent influenza, according to the CDC. The CDC advises people to go out and get vaccinated against seasonal influenza as soon as vaccines become available at their doctor's offices and in their communities.

The Centers for Disease Control has not yet advised the state health department when they will be receiving that vaccine, "so it's impossible for us to know when we can start those (vaccination) clinics. The earliest we might receive it is mid-October," Minnick said

The CDC adds that the seasonal flu vaccine is unlikely to provide protection against novel H1N1 influenza. However, a novel H1N1 vaccine is currently in production and may be ready for the public in the fall. The novel H1N1 vaccine is not intended to replace the seasonal flu vaccine – it is intended to be used along-side seasonal flu vaccine.

Minnick said there will be two different shots, one for the seasonal influenza that starts in October in New Mexico and runs through early spring.

"We do not know availability of the H1N1 shot," Minnick said, "but from what the CDC is saying, we can give a flu shot in one arm and the H1N1 in the other. But it's way too early to know when the shot will be available."

Even if both shots are available at the same time, health care officials have been stating the proper dosage for the H1N1 flu shot may be two injections.

An Authorized Center for Hearing Excellence
HEAR ON EARTH
920 N. Telshor • Las Cruces, NM 88011
(575) 526-EARS (3277)

Ray Bamberg, BC-HIS
Helping Las Cruces hear better for 24 years
ANTHEM
AUDIBEL
INTRODUCING ANTHEM™
INTELLIFLEX™ TECHNOLOGY
Anthem's industry leading features include:
Best-in-class:
• Whistle Free™ Feedback Cancellation
• Environmental Noise Classification
• Superior Speech Locator
• ClassiFi EA (environmental adaptation)
Industry's First:
Breakthrough technology that allows you to use your cell or touch-tone phone to adjust your Anthem hearing instrument.
Call today to set your appointment for a FREE hearing evaluation
Mon.- Fri. 9am-5pm • www.hearonearthnm.com

Dr. Sangeeth Shanbhag welcomes
Dr. Claudia Maidana-Paz
Board Certified in Internal Medicine

Now Accepting New Patients
Medicare, medicaid, self-pay and most insurances accepted.
Se habla español.
2801 E. Missouri Ave., Suite 7 (Bonita Plaza)
575-521-8500

SOUTHERN NEW MEXICO CANCER CENTER
An Affiliate of Texas Oncology
1-575-556-8600 • www.SouthernNewMexicoCancerCenter.com

Checking for cancer signs: Screenings urged for all ages

By Dr. Darvy Fuller
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

The National Cancer Institute estimates that more than 1.4 million people in the United States will be diagnosed with cancer this year, and more than half a million will die because of cancer. It's possible that up to 35 percent of premature cancer-related deaths could have been avoided through screening, according to the National Cancer Institute.

The latest report from the Health Information National Trends Survey states that most Americans are not even aware of how often they should see a doctor for cancer screening exams, such as mammograms and colonoscopies. Screening exams are extremely important since they allow cancers to be diagnosed at the earliest stages and treated when treatment is most effective.

> "Screening exams are extremely important since they allow cancers to be diagnosed at the earliest stages ..."

At Southern New Mexico Cancer Center, experts know screening can save lives. We recommend specific timing for screenings based on age, gender and type of cancer.

All ages: People of all ages should check their skin once a month for changes in moles, freckles and other marks. Women should conduct regular self-exams to determine if their breasts feel different, and report any changes to their physician.

Women in their 20s: Women in their 20s should check their breasts for lumps every month and have a clinical breast exam every one to three years. Women should have a Pap smear to screen for cervical cancer at least once a year beginning at age 21, or three years after a woman begins having sexual intercourse, regardless of whether they have received the HPV vaccine. Women with an increased risk of breast cancer should discuss beginning screenings earlier with their doctors.

Women in their 30s: Women in their 30s should continue to have clinical breast exams and Pap smears every one to three years. Women with a high lifetime risk for breast cancer (greater than 20 percent) – associated with defined genetic profiles – should discuss MRI screening with their physician.

Women in their 40s and 50s: Women in their 40s and 50s should have an annual mammogram and should continue clinical breast exams, Pap smears and an annual MRI screening if recommended by their doctor.

Women and men in their 50s: Beginning at age 50, men and women should begin screening for colorectal cancer. A physician can recommend the best option for colorectal cancer screening, including colonoscopy, flexible sigmoidoscopy, fecal occult blood test, double contrast barium enema or fecal immunochemical test. People with increased risk factors for colorectal cancer should discuss beginning screenings earlier than age 50.

Men in their 40s and 50s: At age 50, and then as recommended by a physician, men should have the prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test and a digital rectal examination (DRE) to screen for prostate cancer. Men with a high risk of prostate cancer (African American men and those with a family history of the disease) should begin screenings at age 45, and those with even higher risk of prostate cancer should begin testing at age 40.

Practicing proper nutrition and sun safety and engaging in physical activity are ways to help prevent cancer. But regular screenings can detect cancer at an early stage when it's most treatable. No matter the age, it is important to screen for cancer.

Dr. Darvy Fuller is a medical oncologist hematologist at Southern New Mexico Cancer Center, 150 Roadrunner Parkway.

Registry for organ donors makes sign-up process easy

Gov. Bill Richardson recently unveiled a website and registry that will make it easier for New Mexicans to sign up as organ donors. The new Donate Life Donor Registry website will enable residents to sign up to give the gift of life without having to go to an MVD office.

"The new website will provide New Mexicans with another way to register their decision to save lives, any day, any time. You no longer need to wait until you renew your driver's license or obtain a new license or an identification card," Richardson said. "The Donate Life Donor Registry website will make it easier for people who want to sign up for organ donation."

The Donate Life Donor Registry website can be found at www.nmdonor.org. It is a highly secured registry that will house information on organ donors who have signed up with the Motor Vehicle Division while getting or renewing their driver's licenses or ID cards and those who will register online. More than 900,000 New Mexicans have registered as organ donors through the motor vehicle division offices.

"Donating organs saves lives and this new website will make it easier for people to become donors, and more quickly match recipients at that critical time when every minute counts," said Taxation and Revenue Secretary Rick Homans.

New Mexico was one of the first states in the nation to add the organ donor designation on its drivers licenses. For the past 30 years, New Mexicans have been choosing to save lives when they register as an organ and tissue donor at their local motor vehicle division offices. New Mexico has one of the highest organ donor registration rates – ranking among the top 10 in the country. About 50 percent of New Mexicans who have a license or ID card have registered to give the ultimate gift of life.

The new website and registry were created through $115,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; and is a collaborative effort between the Motor Vehicle Division, New Mexico Donor Services and New Mexico Lions Eye Bank.

In the absence of a driver's license or identification card on a deceased person, first responders and emergency physicians could contact the New Mexico Donor Services to verify if that particular individual is a registered organ donor. This registry will help in making critical decisions in a timely fashion.

Robert C. Woody, MD, MPH
Adult and Child Neurology

Univ. Texas Southwestern Med. School, Dallas, M.D., 1977
American Board of Pediatrics, 1983
American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, 1984
Special Competency in Child Neurology, 1984
Masters in Public Health, Johns Hopkins, 1991
Fulbright Senior Scholar, U.S. State Dept., 1991-1992
"Best Doctors in America, Central Region." 1994-2004

Specializing in Epilepsy, Headaches, ADHD, Spasticity, Developmental/Behavioral Disorders

EEG Laboratory in the office
Vagus Nerve Stimulator (VNS) for epilepsy

521-7021 • 755 S.Telshor, G-2 Las Cruces

2 Unique Hospitals. 2 Distinct Specialties. 1 Convenient Location.

'06 '08 '07 Named Top 10% of All Inpatient Rehab Facilities in the United States. - UDSmr® database

REHABILITATION HOSPITAL OF SOUTHERN NEW MEXICO

ph: 575.521.6400 • RHSNM.ernesthealth.com

WE BELIEVE, REHABILITATION MEANS MORE THAN JUST PHYSICAL.

Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico (RHSNM) ranked in the top 10% of 827 rehabilitation facilities ranked in the IRF database of Uniform Data System for Medical Rehabilitation (UDSMR). RHSNM was cited care that is effective, efficient, timely and patient-centered.

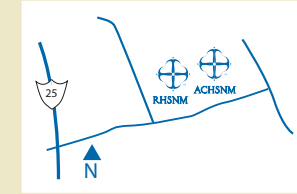
At our state-of-the art 40-bed acute rehabilitation hospital we specialize in the care of patients with stroke, trauma, spinal cord injury, head injury and other disabling impairments.

ADVANCED CARE HOSPITAL OF SOUTHERN NEW MEXICO

ph: 575.521.6607 • ACHSNM.ernesthealth.com

WE BELIEVE, YOUR RECOVERY MEANS MORE THAN JUST PHYSICAL.

The New Advanced Care Hospital of Southern New Mexico is a 20-bed all-private long-term acute care hospital. We provide specialized medical, and nursing services for patients who are medically complex, requiring extended critical and acute care to achieve recovery and no longer require services in a traditional acute care hospital.



4441 & 4451 East Lohman Ave. • Las Cruces, NM 88011

Southern New Mexico's #1 Volume Used Car Dealer

LAS CRUCES SISBARRO CA$H For CLUNKERS REDEMPTION HEADQUARTERS LAS CRUCES

Drive Beautiful · PONTIAC · GMC · Cadillac · AN AMERICAN REVOLUTION · DODGE · Jeep · CHRYSLER · MITSUBISHI MOTORS · Drivers wanted: · SUZUKI

CARS car allowance rebate system

MORE THAN 100 SISBARRO NEW CAR MODELS QUALIFY FOR THIS PROGRAM!

PLUS! EVERYONE QUALIFIES FOR SISBARRO'S CA$H For CLUNKERS USED CAR EDITION!

SISBARRO

Drivers wanted: · MITSUBISHI MOTORS · SUZUKI

1115 S. VALLEY DRIVE • 575-524-3561

2006 Suzuki Forenza

~~WAS $10,888~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$7,888***

Best Test Certified, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, Dual Air Bags, All Power! Used #SZ1414A.

2006 Ford Focus

~~WAS $11,648~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$8,648***

Best Test Certified, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Tilt Wheel, All Power, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel! Used #A10684.

2005 Buick Terraza

~~WAS $14,489~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$11,489***

Best Test Certified, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, Dual Air Bags, All Power! Used #A10722.

2007 Chrysler Sebring

~~WAS $14,842~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$11,842***

Best Test Certified, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, All Power, Alloy Wheels! Used #A10693.

2008 Mitsubishi Lancer

~~WAS $14,848~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$11,848***

Best Test Certified, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, Dual Air Bags, All Power, Alloy Wheels! Used #A10685.

2006 Nissan Altima

~~WAS $14,998~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$11,998***

Best Test Certified, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, All Power, Dual Air Bags! Used #A10679.

2004 Chevrolet Trailblazer

~~WAS $15,940~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$12,940***

V6, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Tilt Wheel, Power Steering, Alloy Wheels! Used #A10712.

2009 Chrysler PT Cruiser

~~WAS $16,899~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$13,899***

Best Test Certified, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Control, Tilt Wheel, Dual Air Bags, Power Steering! Used #A10695.

2006 Mitsubishi Endeavor

~~WAS $16,498~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$13,498***

Best Test Certified, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, All Power! Used #A10707.

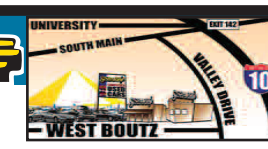
2007 Toyota Matrix

~~WAS $16,980~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$13,980***

Best Test Certified, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Cruise Control, Dual Air Bags, Tilt Wheel, All Power! Used #A10701.

SISBARRO



Drive Beautiful · PONTIAC · GMC

W. BOUTZ AT VALLEY DRIVE • 575-524-7707

1999 Mercury Sable

~~WAS $6,905~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$3,906***

V6, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, All Power! Used #PN1064A.

2002 Chevrolet Blazer

~~WAS $10,599~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$7,599***

Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, All Power! Used #P8755.

2007 Chevrolet Aveo

~~WAS $11,479~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$8,479***

AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD Player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, All Power! Used #P8801.

2006 Nissan Sentra

~~WAS $11,999~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$8,999***

Best Test Certified, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, All Power! Used #P8761.

2008 Chrysler Sebring

~~WAS $15,823~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$12,823***

Best Test Certified, V6, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, Alloy Wheels! Used #P8468.

2008 Kia Optima

~~WAS $15,875~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$12,875***

Best Test Certified, 4Dr, Automatic, AM/FM Stereo, CD Player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, All Power! Used #P8428.

2003 Chevrolet Tahoe LS 4x4

~~WAS $16,939~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$13,939***

Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, Cassette, CD player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, All Power! Used #P8754.

2005 Cadillac STS

~~WAS $19,989~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$16,989***

Best Test Certified, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, Cassette, CD player, All Power! Used #P8641.

2006 Chevrolet Silverado Z71

~~WAS $21,989~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$18,989***

Best Test Certified, 4Dr, Automatic, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, All Power! Used #P1463A.

2007 Chevrolet Silverado

~~WAS $21,989~~

SISBARRO PRICE **$18,989***

Best Test Certified, Automatic,4Dr, AC, AM/FM Stereo, CD Player, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, Anti Lock Brakes, All Power! Used #PGC3254A.

Lou Sisbarro

*All deals with approved credit; plus tax, title, license and dealer transfer service fee. Credit acceptance does not guarantee credit approval. Photos for illustration purposes only. Prior sales excluded. **2007 Kia Rio Used stock #A10576. Sale price $5,999. $0 down. $129/month for 60 months at 5.59% APR, OAC.Tax, title license and dealer service transfer fee additional. One at this price. Subject to prior sale. +Largest volume based on 2008 Polk Cross Sell Data. *133-point certification of mechanical components, power accessories and electrical systems to ensure working order at time of purchase does not assure overall condition or future roadworthiness of vehicle. Lifetime powertrain coverage only on vehicles five years from most current model year includes engine (except for carburetor and gasoline/diesel fuel injection components) front wheel drive, rear wheel drive and transmission. 72-hour exchange for vehicle of equal value. See Sisbarro for additional details. #09-52682

BEST-TEST CERTIFIED USED CARS

Every Best Test Certified Used vehicle comes with an EXCLUSIVE WARRANTY 4 LIFE PROTECTION!

The BEST Used Cars, Since 1981! AT ALL SISBARRO LOCATIONS!

- CAR FAX HISTORY REPORT
- 133 POINT INSPECTION
- 72 HOUR EXCHANGE
- #1 VOLUME PRICING
- #1 VOLUME SELECTION

nobody beats www.SISBARRO.com

Ruling could prompt tax law review

Judge: 'Tax lightning' is unconstitutional

By Gabriel Vasquez
The Las Cruces Bulletin

"Tax lightning," part of a state law that often results in new homeowners paying much higher property taxes than existing homeowners in similar homes in the same area, is a violation of the state constitution, ruled Second Judicial District Judge Theresa Baca in Albuquerque last week.

The law, created in 2001, unfairly creates a class of people who pay more for property taxes because of the time of purchase, Baca said.

"It's like this all over town – all over the state," said Gary Sandler, owner of Gary Sandler Inc. Realtors. "That's just the way the rules are."

The 2001 law that includes the potential for "tax lightning" was drafted to protect low-income families and the elderly from rapidly rising property values, placing a 3 percent annual limit on property tax increases in assessed value, unless the home changes ownership, in which case the property taxes are adjusted to their current "true" assessed value.

Baca's ruling came on an appeal brought by Stephanie and Robert Dzur of Albuquerque, who encountered tax lightning in 2008. The couple was disputing decisions by the Bernalillo County's Valuation Protest Board and County Assessor Karen Montoya.

"It's like two identical pair of shoes and they place different taxes on them," Sandler said. "But I see it from both angles."

Baca's decision could birth new court challenges around the state from other homeowners with similar concerns.

The Albuquerque Journal reports that Montoya said she's happy the judge's decision could spur reform in the state Legislature, but that she will review the decision and decide whether to appeal.

The Dzurs will be refunded the "extra taxes" they have paid if the decision stands.

Sandler said the current system works well to protect low-income families and the elderly, but can create

See **Tax lightning** on PAGE B2

INSIDE

Chris Erickson
shares his views on NMSU B3

Gary Sandler
reports latest real estate numbers B5

Rick Stoes
fast thinker, fast seller B16

Blockbuster disappearing act

Final store's liquidation a bittersweet bargain for many

By Gabriel Vasquez
The Las Cruces Bulletin

With movie kiosk operator Redbox and online movie renter Netflix comfortably riding the wave of the resurgent movie rental market, Blockbuster has beached itself – at least in Las Cruces.

The city's last Blockbuster video store closed Monday, Aug. 17, and liquidated its remaining inventory – most at dirt-cheap prices.

The Main Street store is the third to close within a year.

"It was probably a mix of the bad economy and cheaper competition," said Richard Gibson, who was at the store Tuesday, Aug. 18, to buy $5 DVDs. "I came to return a movie yesterday and they told me they were closing. There's so many different versions of (kiosk) boxes popping up everywhere, that I'm not surprised."

Doug Alexander, regional manager for Blockbuster, said little about the store's closing, except that "everything will be liquidated" and that approximately 13 employees at the Main Street store would lose their jobs.

The store is owned by franchisee Serendipity Entertainment Corp.

On Tuesday, at 10 a.m., many waited at the store to get first dibs on thousands of DVDs and video games, each priced at $5, as well as candy and sodas for $1. Some even bought electronics, store displays and even children's furniture inside the store's play area.

Carly Fritz and Angel Gonzales stood in line for more than one-and-a-half hours and bought more than 50 movies and video games.

GABRIEL VASQUEZ I The Las Cruces Bulletin

Carly Fritz and Angel Gonzales show off a selection of more than 50 movies they purchased during the Main Street Blockbuster's store liquidation sale Tuesday, Aug. 18.

"There was a lot of grabbing, running and pushing," Fritz said. "I ended up spending more than $120 on movies, including Blu-Rays."

Fritz said she was a former Blockbuster customer, but had been lured away by the likes of Redbox and Netflix months ago.

"Hastings is the only real store left," she said. "I still rent with Hastings. They have a good variety and the hard-to-find stuff."

Kristina Padilla, who walked away with 19 movies, said Blockbuster was driven out of town by some very tough competition.

"Compared to all the Redboxes in town, Blockbuster was way overpriced," she said. "I live pretty far away, so the Redbox is the closest thing to me anyway."

A customer Tuesday reported that

See **Blockbuster** on PAGE B2

Funkhouser continues tradition

Keeps Tatreault legacy alive

By Marvin Tessneer
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Barbara Funkhouser continues to take care of customers with the tradition of the Tatreault Vineyard, which was named after her stepfather, L.E. "Sparks" Tatreault.

Tatreault established the vineyard in the 1950s.

"This vineyard is a legacy to Sparks Tatreault," Funkhouser said. "My stepfather was a different kind of man. He thought differently. He was a genius. He could fix anything. I enjoyed him very much."

Funkhouser took over the vineyard in 1990 when she retired from the El Paso Times after 30 years on the editorial staff. Funkhouser was the first woman to be named editor of the El Paso Times.

Her 1.5-acre vineyard is in the Fairacres area, a place where her father, the late Kenneth W. Funkhouser, started a family farm in 1922.

Funkhouser sells 12 varieties of grapes, including Black Monucca, Italia, Exotic and Ribier eating grapes and Cabernet Sauvignon, Zinfandel, Carignane and Rubi-Red wine varieties.

"I get several hundred pounds from each variety," Funkhouser said. The vineyard is a "you-pick-your-own" outlet.

Sparks Tatreault came to New Mexico from California as an electronics technician with McDonald Douglas, first at Holloman Air Force Base, then at White Sands Missile Range and finally at the Physical Science Laboratory from which he retired.

See **Funkhouser** on PAGE B2

MARVIN TESSNEER I The Las Cruces Bulletin

Every year, Barbara Funkhouser says it's her last year of selling grapes. "But I just continue on. It would be a big job to take the vines out. Some are very old," she said.

GABRIEL VASQUEZ | The Las Cruces Bulletin

Not only were DVDs and video games sold, but customers also purchased the store's electronics and furniture. Pictured is a Blockbuster gum ball machine being loaded into a customer's truck.

Blockbuster

Continued from **PAGE B1**

many were profiting from Blockbuster's liquidation, by buying $5 video games and reselling them for 2-to-3 times their price to video game retailer GameStop, which has three locations in Las Cruces.

Blockbuster's financial performance nationally has been no mystery.

The Los Angeles Times reports that Blockbuster revenue plummeted 22 percent in the second quarter, with shares falling 16 percent, in an effort to repay mounting debt and because of declining consumer interest.

Redbox and Netflix grew their revenue by 110 percent and 20 percent in the last quarter, respectively.

Blockbuster offers a DVD-by-mail rental service similar to Netflix, but has a much smaller selection and customer base. It is now partnering with NCR Corp. to deploy Blockbuster-branded vending kiosks all across the country similar to Redbox machines.

Some former customers however, think it's too late for Blockbuster to reclaim its once thriving market base.

"We used to come to Blockbuster all the time," said Rose Narvaez. "But it's just not convenient anymore. Nobody was coming to Blockbuster."

Carlos Paredes said Blockbuster had been "getting killed" by competitors for months.

"Hastings, Redbox, Netflix – they're all better priced," Paredes said. "And all the old school people that used to come, the younger people have taught them how to use Redbox."

Mando Garcia added, "You can go to McDonald's and get two double cheeseburgers and a movie for three bucks. You just can't beat that."

You've earned it, let us help you protect it.

Robert W. Francis, CPA,CTFA
Vice-President/Trust Officer
575-525-4239

First American Bank Trust and Investment Services can help you protect what you have worked so hard to earn and grow; with the experience, expertise and personal attention you deserve.

We offer a full line of Trust and Investment Services:

- *Fiduciary Services*
- *Investment Management*
- *Estate Services*
- *Self-Directed IRA*
- *Employee Benefits*

Protect your estate, and your peace of mind.
Call Robert today.

First American Bank.
First since 1903.

FIRST AMERICAN
Your Community Bank Since 1903
www.1stReadyOnline.com

LAS CRUCES:
2145 E. Lohman Ave. • 575-525-4239

ALAMOGORDO | ARTESIA | CHAPARRAL | HOBBS | LAS CRUCES | LOVINGTON | ROSWELL

Funkhouser

Continued from **PAGE B1**

In 1955, he married widow Lucille Funkhouser, and had a vision of expanding the agriculture opportunities. He started planting grape vines he had brought from California on the Funkhouser farm with the idea of developing a valley co-operative winery.

"I think that he was the first one to bring in authentic wine grapes," Funkhouser said.

Co-operatives were not new in the Mesilla Valley. Cotton was a major crop, and many farmers belonged to gin co-ops. Many farmers had small vineyards, but they were reluctant to take the chance of developing grapes into a major crop, so they continued with the more stable cotton and alfalfa, Funkhouser said.

But Tatreault kept developing his vineyard until he had 1,200 vines with 32 varieties on two acres. He died in 1969.

"Mother kept the vineyard going," Funkhouser said. "She had always been in farming." Her mother died in 1997.

Kenneth and Lucille Funkhouser came to the Mesilla Valley in 1922 after hearing about the successful Elephant Butte Irrigation District. They acquired 50 acres and grew cotton, alfalfa, melons and sugar beets.

Kenneth Funkhouser served in the Navy during World War I, and was active in the American Legion and the Picacho Farm Bureau. Funkhouser recalls that her parents participated in Fairacres community dinners and square dances.

Funkhouser's father died in 1936, from an ailment that he had suffered during the war. She said she remembers that he had to take frequent trips to veterans' hospitals in Fort Bayard and Albuquerque.

Funkhouser was active in the 4-H Club with livestock projects. In 1952, she was selected by the 4-H International Farm Youth Exchange program to live with farm families from Belgium and Luxembourg for six months.

"It was very different, but I loved it," she said. "The families were very kind. They considered Americans as their heroes. You have to remember, the war had ended in 1945, and they still had memories that the Americans had freed them from the Nazis."

She graduated from New Mexico A&M in 1952 with an English degree.

"They didn't have a journalism department then," she said.

But she was always interested in news reporting. She wrote for the Las Cruces Union while she was a student at Las Cruces Union High School.

After graduating, she worked with the National 4-H Foundation in Washington, D.C., and the National 4-H Club Committee in Chicago, but always was in the communications field, and in Chicago she worked for the national 4-H news magazine.

She returned to Las Cruces and worked briefly for the Las Cruces Citizen and joined the El Paso Times in 1960, first as a reporter and then as an editor.

Tax lightning

Continued from **PAGE B1**

unfair situations for homebuyers.

"It protects people – the longer you're in your house, the more protection you have against rising property taxes," Sandler said, "but is it fair to new homebuyers? Depending on the economic circumstances, I think there should be an incremental increase over a two- to three-year period until those property taxes reflect the assessed value."

Sandler said a new state law which went into effect July 1 requires prospective homeowners be notified of their total property taxes before they buy their homes, although there are no penalties yet associated with that law.

"What this does is take away the sticker shock that buyers suffer when they get a letter from their lender telling them they have to pay an extra 50 dollars a month for their property tax reserve, because of the new assessment," he said. "This way, the increase can be budgeted for in the beginning. The law is designed to give advanced warning of that sticker shock."

State Sen. Steve Fischmann, D-Las Cruces, said he supports the current law.

"I believe the intent of the current tax law is good," he said. "Protect those who are retired and low-income people from losing their homes to rising taxes due to escalating property values."

He added that he didn't realize it created what Baca calls an unfair tax base.

"It had not occurred to me that there was anything unfair about the existing law since the rules are applied equally to all buyers and all holders of residential property," he continued. "All homebuyers are informed of their prospective property tax liability prior to signing a purchase contract, and do not have to close a deal if they do not like what they see. All homeowners then enjoy the annual 3 percent cap."

Fischmann concluded by saying he would be open to reviewing the current law.

"If there is consensus that this system is not fair, I am open to reviewing the tax structure in the Legislature," he said. "Viable options must continue to protect retirees and low income folks from losing their homes, while still producing funding for basic local services such as police, fire, roads and parks."

NMSU is a complex institution

University does outstanding job of developing local youth

CHRIS ERICKSON
State of the Economy

As the new academic year begins, thoughts naturally turn to the future of New Mexico State University. Since the 1880s, the economic fate of Las Cruces and NMSU has been closely linked. NMSU is the city's largest single employer and is a major component of the local economic base. The future of NMSU is critical for the city.

The shear complexity of the university is often underappreciated by faculty and staff – not to mention students and the general public. Important in this complexity is the wide variety of roles undertaken by faculty. At one extreme are world renowned biologists who may teach relatively little in the classroom, but mentor graduate students mainly in laboratory settings. At the other extreme are English professors at Doña Ana Community College who teach five courses a semester chock full of freshman.

> Certainly, the combination of low tuition and quality education is hard to beat.

Measuring output at such an institution can be difficult. In engineering and sciences, very often success is determined by grant dollars generated. NMSU does well here, being in the top-100 universities without medical schools. In my field, economics, we don't need to buy many test tubes or equip laboratories, so grant funding isn't as important. Instead, research productivity is measure by refereed journal articles.

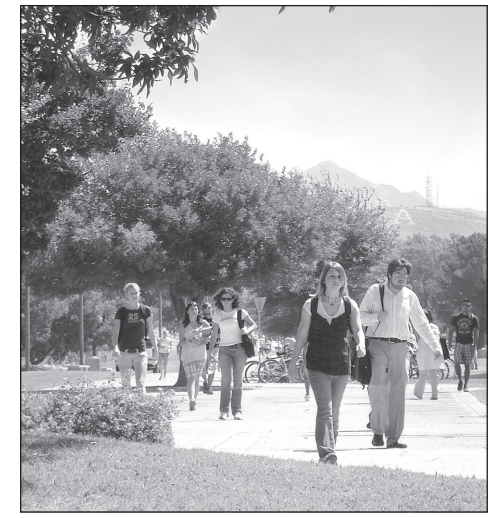
Other disciplines measure succces in other ways. For the history department, it is books written; extension, it is persons helped.

Of course, the major purpose of a public university such as NMSU and its major mechanism for promoting economic development is the education of our children. Here, it can be argued, NMSU truly does an outstanding job. Indeed, we are a far better university than is generally thought.

What NMSU does better than other universities is take relatively poorly prepared students and turn them into well-educated productive individuals able to compete in the 21st century economy.

A number of studies pointed to this. For years, we have appeared on a number of best-buy lists. Certainly, the combination of low tuition and quality education is hard to beat. Most recently, a study by Forbes, which focused on value to students, ranked NMSU 25th among public universities, best among the three state schools in New Mexico ranked.

Familiarity can breed contempt, and the Las Cruces community often focuses on the problems at NMSU. Certainly, there are problems – revenue shortfalls in Santa Fe, instability in the president's office and budget overruns in sports (speaking of sports don't get me started about the football team).



NMSU ranks No. 25 among public universities in a recent Forbes study

These issues are important, but they should not obscure the basic facts: NMSU does a very good job in research and in educating our children.

Interim President Manuel Pacheco started his first semester at NMSU earlier this week. I wish him luck. I would not want his job as certainly he will be subject to minute scrutiny. Fortunately, he is an experienced administrator, used to the hot seat. With a little luck, he will hand off to the next president a university ready to continue a legacy of excellence.

Christopher A. Erickson, Ph.D., is associate professor of economics at NMSU. He is chair of the Faculty Senate for 2009-2010. The opinions expressed here are his and may not be shared by the Board of Regents or administration of NMSU.

Funding the kids' or grandkids' education

Planning is key to ensure a bright future

ALAN UMSTEAD
Senior Finance

Everyone was up early at my house this week and in a rush as the kids headed back to school, which brings me to the topic of higher education and the funding and planning it requires.

One of the goals of parents and grandparents is to make sure their kids and grandkids go to college and get a good education. Educational funding is an area of concern for many families, as it is one of the many financial burdens they will face.

Educational costs have outpaced inflation over the last 10 years or so, by an average of 6 percent. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) during that same time averaged around 2 percent. In addition to the increased spending, families should consider the number of years a student will remain in school and the possibility of postgraduate education.

Families should plan well for funding higher education and set realistic goals to meet the expense.

Sources of available funding may include a savings account, financial aid, state and federal grants and 529 plans, or Qualified Tuition Plans (QTPs).

When considering what plan to execute, one of the most important aspects to consider is the number of years remaining before the child enters post-secondary education. Those in the best position to plan have very young children and many years of saving, planning and investing ahead of them.

As with all planning, whether it is for retirement, medical costs, vacations or education, the sooner it is started the better. Time allows savings to grow, interest to compound and investments to mature.

When executing a savings plan, inflation will cut into the bottom line. Tuition costs will continue to rise. It is much to our advantage to have at least a decade to save. This may be even harder should a family decide on a private elementary or secondary school.

Some parents and grandparents feel the best way to cut their higher education expenses is to have the child pay for a portion of his or her education. This could be used as a lesson in fiscal responsibility. Decisions such as these are to be made by the family, as not all families have the financial means to put money aside for secondary education.

A good place to plan for future expenses is to forecast where the child will go to school. What are the expenses for that university today? Once the expenses are known, they should be adjusted for about a 5 to 9 percent increase per year for tuition and other expenses. Don't forget the costs of books, transportation and miscellaneous supplies, such as a laptop or personal computer.

Some state universities and certain private schools allow for prepayment of tuition at current prices for future enrollment, some for as long as 10 years before the student graduates high school. But there are risks involved. Be sure to read the fine print on any of these contracts.

The U.S. Armed Forces also offers many programs that pay for college tuition. Many students at New Mexico State University, for example, also serve as ROTC cadets.

We are fortunate to live in Las Cruces, where we have an excellent university at a relatively low cost.

If you have small children or grandchildren, look into starting a savings plan now. It could be time to stop buying toys and the latest shoes, and instead start putting a few dollars into their savings accounts.

Alan Umstead is a professional advisor who specializes in senior finance. Currently, Umstead is in the MBA program at New Mexico State University. He is the owner of The Senior Group, www.theseniorgroup.net, a financial firm that offers a full-range of financial products for the elderly. For more information, call 1-800-867-3028 or 522-7159.

IN GOOD COMPANY: NEAL MCCOWAN QUALITY CONSTRUCTION INC.

From remodel to role model

Contractor helps remodel homes, rebuild relationships

BY GABRIEL VASQUEZ
The Las Cruces Bulletin

"When quality counts," is Neal McCowan's business philosophy. He takes his trade seriously, and makes sure he hires the best.

In the remodeling business for more than 12 years, McCowan has picked up some valuable skills along the way – everything from fixing sinks to installing custom cabinets.

"I started off really small, doing maintenance work and eventually built up to room additions and big remodels," he said. "One of the biggest challenges for me has been hiring and keeping reliable people."

McCowan, who had a rough upbringing – "I was really lost and it took a lot of hard lessons to change my ways," McCowan said – had always dreamed of being a builder, of "making something out of nothing." It was his way out of a tough life.

"Ever since I was a kid that's all I wanted to do," he said. "Construction, building things. I remember my mom saying I was destined to be a house builder."

McCowan said he's thankful for the contractors who took him in at an early age, while he was mostly inexperienced but hungry to work.

"While I was working for them, I always had the legitimate goal in mind to someday work for myself," he said. "It's always been a passion for me – to take something ordinary and make it really beautiful."

> "It's always been a passion for me – to take something ordinary and make it really beautiful."
>
> NEAL MCCOWAN, owner, Neal McCowan Quality Construction

Not only building and remodeling homes, McCowan also is building up the self-esteem of troubled youth and is remodeling their outlook on life.

"My wife and I did treatment foster care for about five years," he said. "We stopped doing it about two years ago, and at that time we said we weren't going to do it anymore, but we were contacted by a Christian foster care organization and started up again."

McCowan not only takes kids in, but also takes kids to work.

"At first we started doing it as an emergency service to help take care of kids, but one time I took a kid in, started working with him, training him. He became my apprentice," he said. "He didn't come from a good environment, and if it wasn't for us, he would have been sent up north."

Now, McCowan regularly trains and teaches young kids in foster care, usually from 12 to 17 years old, by teaching them the construction trade and instilling the values of hard work and independence.

"They help me out quite a bit," he said. "If they're good, I tell them that I will have a job waiting for them when they're done (with the program). Even if they don't come work for me, they develop skills they can use later."

GABRIEL VASQUEZ | The Las Cruces Bulletin

Neal McCowan has been working in construction for more than 12 years and mentors adolescents in foster care looking to learn the trade.

Although a construction apprenticeship doesn't work out for every kid that walks through McCowan's doors, McCowan said he gets satisfaction from mentoring kids who are in the same life situation as he was when he was younger.

"Many of them are lost, just like I was," he said. "And just like I wished I had someone that reached out to me, now I'm doing it."

He added that several of the foster care children who have grown into independence have called him years later to comment, "Hey, I remodeled my bathroom by myself, thanks to you," or "Hey I fixed my brother's toilet, thanks," among other expressions of gratitude.

McCowan said the toughest project he's tackled so far is a historic house whose basement had caved in, and the family desperately wanted to repair, not rebuild.

"It was really nerve racking," he said. "The basement was caving in and we spent two weeks underground excavating. We had to put the house on jacks."

Looking back at the situation, McCowan said he was overly ambitious, and that "I probably should have agreed with the other six contractors who said it couldn't be done."

But just as he learned to succeed in life through trial and error, he's learned to succeed at work in much the same way. He said he's built a steady customer base from loyal homeowners who call him for just about every task, big or small.

"Word of mouth advertising is all I've ever had," he said. "And thankfully, it has worked well."

McCowan said he eventually wants to tackle commercial remodeling, but for now is mostly dedicated to residential.

"I'm pretty much as loyal, honest and hardworking as they come," he said. "And I stand by my jobs."

Q&A:

Talking business with president Neal McCowan

What inspired you to go into business?
My uncle Bill – he's a big contractor in Virginia and showed me a lot throughout the years. He's a very positive person, lives a good life and loves what he does.

What is your business philosophy?
When quality counts, the customer is always right and do it right the first time.

Where do you see your business in five years?
I see it being very successful if God is willing. I want to expand into commercial spaces.

What's your opinion of the local business climate?
Most of the business people here are fair and honest. In this part of the country, a lot of people still believe that when you shake man's hand, that's his word.

What best prepared you for entrepreneurship?
Having kids. It gave me the drive to succeed and to give them a better life than I had when I was growing up.

What business would you like to see in Las Cruces?
A Cabela's

N

Name: NEAL MCCOWAN
QUALITY CONSTRUCTION INC.
Address: 1106 SECOND ST.
Hours: CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT
Phone: 621-4002

Doña Ana County Building Permit Report August 14, 2009

Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico

Permit #	Contractor	Owner	Project	Address	Subdivision	Permit
34937	Self	Alphonzo Marquez	Res/New	150 Red Deer Court	Los Venados Estates Phase I	$747
34945	Classic N.M. Homes	Ruth Dolan	Res/New	1220 Sonnet Court	Coronado Ridge	$764
34950	De La O Adobe Construction	Phillip Archer	Res/New	1410 Archer Farms Road	NA	$508
34951	JR Hernandez Custom	Phillip Larson	Res/New	1138 Pueblo Gardens	Pueblo Gardens	$620
34953	Campos Roofing	Wilson and Ada Navarro	Reroof	100 S. Tierra Vista Drive	NA	$120
34955	Ken Wells Construction	Richard and Ann Rose	Res/New	1315 Artesia	Brazito Acres	$432

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

Las Cruces area home sales surge

Area pending sales up 20 percent

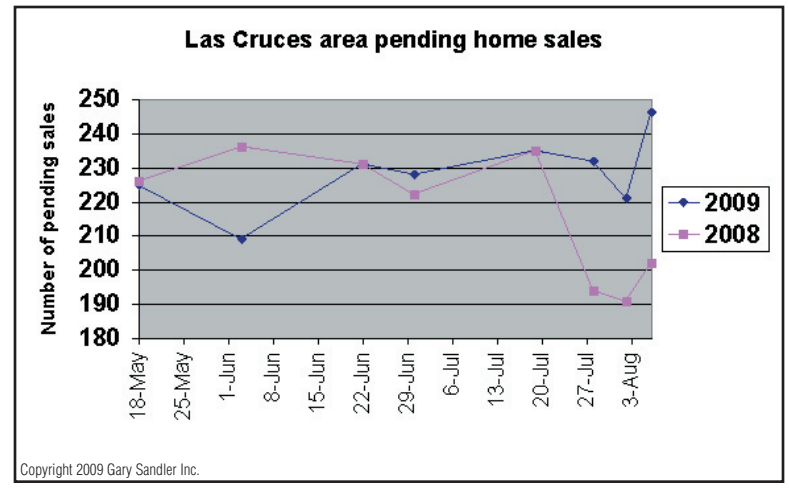
GARY SANDLER'S
Real Estate Connection

Sales of new and existing Las Cruces area homes, townhomes and condominiums reported as pending during the first two weeks of August outpaced by almost 20 percent the number of pending transactions reported during the same period in 2008, according to statistics culled from the Multiple Listing and Information Service (MLIS) arm of the Las Cruces Association of Realtors (LCAR) on Monday, Aug. 17. A sale is considered pending when the purchase agreement has been signed but the transaction has not yet closed.

During the first half of August, the MLIS database showed 246 pending sales of new and existing homes, townhomes and condominiums awaiting closing. That's a 39-unit or 19.3 percent increase over the 202 units reported pending a year earlier and a 37-unit, or 17.7 percent increase over the 209 sales pending in early June.

What's driving this increase in sales? The $8,000 federal tax credit, according to the National Association of Realtors (NAR). Confirming NAR's observation, the IRS reports that at least 1.1 million buyers have applied for tax credits through amended returns. More are expected when income taxes are due in April.

NAR also projects additional buyers will plunk down earnest money deposits in the next couple of months as the Nov. 30 expiration of the tax credit approaches. It takes an average of 10 weeks for a buyer to find a home today, according to NAR's 2008 Profile of Homebuyers and Sellers, and another month-or-so to close on the purchase. To be able to safely close prior to the November deadline, buyers must locate a home at least 30 to 45 days prior to the expiration of the program. That means if a buyer isn't actively looking now and is not "under contract" by mid-to-late October, his or her chances of qualifying for the tax credit begin to wane.



Copyright 2009 Gary Sandler Inc.

The success of the tax credit is prompting the House and Senate to consider expanding the program. Even though our legislators are currently on break, lobbyists are busy working on a major campaign to extend the credit. The National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) and NAR have dispatched local teams of members to meet with congressmen and senators in their local districts. The idea behind the visits is to urge our representatives to not only extend the credit beyond Nov. 30, but to expand the concept to include all homebuyers, not just the first-timers.

Even though it appears the measure is gaining bipartisan Congressional support, there's no such animal as a "sure thing" in Washington. If I were contemplating whether or not to wait for a larger payoff, I'd take the advice of Woody Allen and "take the money and run." If you do indeed heed his advice, it won't be long until I …

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 Inc., 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@sandlerteam.com.

City of Las Cruces Building Permit Report August 14, 2009

Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico

Permit #	Permittee	Owner	Project	Address	Value	Permit
20094789	GS Roofing	Daniel R. and Suzanne C. Porras	Reroof	3285 Westridge Drive	$3,200	$47
20094813	Kevin Construction Co.	Ana Maria Muñoz	Reroof	539 E. Hadley Ave.	$4,000	$51
20094831	Clayton Donnelly Roofing	Vernadine O. and Emory J. Crawford	Reroof	3120 Dyer St.	$6,000	$63
20094893	Mesa View Homes LLC	BPS LLC	Res/New	4664 Salado Creek St.	$152,520	$3,628
20094848	DRH Southwest Construction Inc.	DR Horton Inc.	Res/New	5087 Kensington Way	$119,392	$3,271
20094890	JR and Sons Construction	Bulger Enterprises Limited Partnership	Reroof	710 Baca Road	$3,000	$45
20094900	Binns Construction Inc.	Regents of New Mexico State University	Reroof	2200 Corley Drive	$5,200	$58
20094949	Jordan Construction	Michael B. and Sharon Shattuck	Reroof	5144 Emerald St.	$7,700	$73
20094850	DRH Southwest Construction Inc.	DR Horton Inc.	Res/New	5099 Kensington Way	$119,392	$3,271
20094847	DRH Southwest Construction Inc.	DR Horton Inc.	Res/New	5093 Kensington Way	$119,392	$3,271

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

Lights Out?
No Power?
Let our experts get you out of the dark.
575-526-8483
LE ELECTRIC INC.
Lic.#27220 • LE-Electric.com

Completely FREE CHECKING
FREE Gift!
For Businesses Too – Ask Us!
PIONEER BANK
3831 E. Lohman Ave. 705 E. University Ave. 2900 Roadrunner Pkwy.
532-7500 www.pioneerbnk.com
FDIC EQUAL HOUSING LENDER

ALLEN THEATRES
TELSHOR 12
2811 TELSHOR BLVD.
Come enjoy a movie!
Click for Movie Showtimes
Daily Movie Listings
Just click on the Allen Theatres ad on our home page at
lascrucesbulletin.com

Performance-excellence programs worth the investment

Commitment to customer service and self-assessment is a 'quality journey'

By **Deborah Gorenz**
President of Hospital Services Corp.

Courtesy of Finance New Mexico

Many small businesses view performance-excellence programs as being too expensive and time-consuming to be worthwhile. My organization, Hospital Services Corp., spent many years without a performance-excellence framework until we became involved with Quality New Mexico, a nonprofit organization that fosters and promotes performance excellence to all New Mexico businesses and organizations.

The New Mexico program is modeled on the performance-quality system pioneered by former Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige, which aims to help organizations enhance their competitiveness by delivering ever-improving value to customers and improving overall organizational performance. Every year, the president bestows the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award to businesses of all types and sizes, in addition to education, health care and nonprofit organizations that have demonstrated outstanding performance in seven areas: leadership, strategic planning, customer and market focus, measurement, analysis and knowledge management workforce focus, process management and results.

Hospital Services Corp. became involved with the program in 2004, at which time we were introduced to the concept at a Quality New Mexico conference. As a relatively small company with only 50 employees, we didn't have a department that could lead the rest of us on our "quality journey."

Some of our employees trained as examiners – people who receive intensive training in performance-quality concepts and serve on the Board of Examiners that names the annual New Mexico Quality Awards winners. We also took advantage of the many workshops and conferences hosted by Quality New Mexico and networked with other organizations striving for performance excellence.

The results for our company show why performance excellence should be important to your business:

- Our monthly customer retention averages now exceed 99 percent
- Operating margins have exceeded targeted levels in each of the last five years
- Operating revenues have grown by more than 62 percent over the past four years
- Employee turnover is down by 33 percent over the past four years

We submitted our first application for the New Mexico Quality Award in late 2004.

In 2005, we received Piñon recognition, the first level of the award system, for our "commitment to performance excellence."

In 2006, we achieved the next level – Roadrunner recognition – for "progress toward performance excellence."

In 2008, we applied for the best-in-class Zia Award, and each year we make an incremental step in that direction.

One day, we hope to apply for a National Baldrige Award.

The value of participating in the awards process is the feedback report that identifies an organization's strengths and opportunities for improvement.

Implementing a performance-excellence program takes time and commitment, but the benefits can be enormous. The tools and resources are available to all New Mexico businesses. To learn more about the program, visit Quality New Mexico at www.qualitynewmexico.org.

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

Salvation Army creates newest endowment

Ernest Health Inc. adds financial backing

Courtesy of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico

In 1865, London Minister William Booth walked away from his pulpit and out into the streets to reach the poor, homeless, hungry and destitute.

In an effort to make the poor feel more comfortable in the pews of the church where regular churchgoers attended washed and clean, Booth founded the East London Christian Mission. Thirteen years later, Booth created an annual report for his new church with the headline reading "The Christian Mission is a Salvation Army." From those words, the Salvation Army was born.

The organization, an integral part of the Christian Church, has grown over the years, offering a well-organized structure that has offered much-needed services such as women's social work, the first food depot, the first day nursery and the first Salvation Army Missionary Hospital.

What many simply think of as a bright red bucket and bell ringer during the holidays is actually an international organization in 113 countries and other territories providing 23,035 community development programs for more than 2 million beneficiaries. With 1,155 Goodwill Centers and 1,603 thrift and charity shops, the Salvation Army also provides jobs for more than 100,000.

In Las Cruces, the Salvation Army focuses on children and youth, crises support, emergency and safety services, hunger and religion. The organization is constantly adding to available programs ranging from youth recreational facilities to emergency family services and emergency disaster services with the help of generous donors and companies such as the Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico, an Ernest Health Inc. facility.

"Ernest Health's involvement with the Salvation Army originated with our corporation's founders," said Tony Hernandez, CEO of the rehabilitation hospital. "We believe in their mission that states they are 'committed to serving the whole person, body, mind and spirit, with integrity and respect, using creative solutions to positively transform lives.'"

Ernest Health Inc., which develops and operates rehabilitation and related post-acute healthcare facilities, focuses on charitable objectives to support the Salvation Army. The support is in honor of Maj. Ernest Robert Toplis, who served as an officer in the Salvation Army and for whom the company is named.

Recently, the Las Cruces Salvation Army created an endowment within the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico funded by the Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern NM in an effort to maintain financial sustainability.

"The strengths of the community foundation lie within its ability to help campaign for nonprofit agencies," said Hernandez, who is the current chairman of the Investment Committee for the community foundation board and past vice president. "The outcomes of the campaigns provide these agencies with the ability to sustain operations and work toward accomplishing their mission in our community."

The CFSNM kicked off the Nonprofit Economic Crises Campaign in April with a goal to raise $500,000 by Dec. 31 to help 33 nonprofits who have endowments within the Foundation. With each contribution to the campaign, the CFSNM will designate 50 percent to an emergency fund for nonprofits that have endowments with the foundation and 50 percent will be designated to a matching fund created to build the nonprofit endowments, leading to the long-term sustainability for the organizations within the community. The principal from an endowment continues to grow forever, providing financial security even in hard times.

For the Salvation Army, that's good news. The nonprofit not only provides clothing, furniture and other goods in its store, it also assists families with commodity food items, an emergency food bank, rent and utility assistance and emergency shelter – primarily based on its revenue from the thrift store. When times are tough for the community, needs within the Salvation Army increase making support from agencies such as Ernest Health Inc. and the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico much more important.

The Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico is a charitable resource linking donors with community needs. Donors are encouraged to inquire about donating to the Nonprofit Economic Crises Campaign. Call the CFSNM at 521-4794 or visit www.cfsnm.org for more information.

Las Cruces Salvation Army

1590 California Ave.• 524-1044
www.salvationarmy.org

FIND $$ SAVING COUPONS @ www.DoTheCouponClick.com Click! PRINT and SAVE!

LC NEWCOMERS CONNECTION

HIGHLY RECOMMENDS

Computer Repair & Sales
Kosh Solutions 525-9144

Dog Kennel & Groomer
Old Mesilla Kennels 526-2213

Entertainment
Allen Theatres 523-6900

Errands Services
Errands Plus, LC 650-6168

Landscaping & Nursery
Gonzales Landscaping & Nursery 382-7272

Massage Therapy
Quality Life Therapy - Tina Crocker 635-1285

Mattresses
Sleep Gallery 526-9662

Ponds, Landscaping Maintenance
Wasser & Wasser Landscape Management ... 523-7883

Pools & Spas
Discount Pools & Spas..... 523-4144
Pool Tech Plus 524-4633

Furniture
Sleep Gallery-Futon Outlet... 526-9662

New to Las Cruces? Call for Your Free Welcome Gift Package 621-2272

Las Cruces Newcomers Connection Welcome Greeting Service

For more referrals visit www.lcnc.org

BRIEFS

Comcast to close local call center

A Comcast representative has reported that Comcast plans to close its local call center, as well as call centers in Phoenix and Albuquerque. Comcast will consolidate by opening a large call center facility in Denver, the representative said. The call center's employees, "down to 12 people," the representative said, will be laid off.

Rio Yamaha closes

Rio Yamaha, 1390 N. Main St., has closed its store. According to the company's website, the chain is consolidating its dealerships. The Las Cruces location has merged with Sunland Park Yamaha, 159 Sunland Park Drive.

Calabrese Hair Studio opens

Calabrese Hair Studio, 1625 S. Main St., has recently opened and is offering hair services including color, highlights and facial waxing. The storeowner said her salon is open Tuesday through Saturday and services are available by appointment.

Tourism Dept. awards $1 million in co-op funding

New Mexico nonprofit organizations and local and tribal governments will share in $1,000,000 awarded this fiscal year through the New Mexico Tourism Department's annual Cooperative Marketing Program. Cooperative marketing funds are made available through the program to help these community outreach organizations promote their areas as a visitor destination. The City of Las Cruces Convention & Visitors Bureau received $19,500; the Diocese of Las Cruces foundation received $8,600; and the Old Mesilla Association received $9,800.

Green jobs cabinet seeks public input

The Economic Development Department earlier this week released the New Mexico Green Jobs Cabinet Report draft for public review and comment. This report encompasses the broad array of green energy opportunities and resources that are helping to make New Mexico more energy independent. The public will have the opportunity to view the draft report, make comments and give input until 5 p.m. Aug. 27. The public may access the draft by visiting www.gonm.biz. For more information, or to submit a comment, email Green Economy Manager Brendan Miller at Brendan.miller@state.nm.us.

Vocational rehabilitation services offered

Chris Graham, Rh.D, has announced the opening of a private practice in individualized and small group vocational rehabilitation services for adolescents and adults who are disabled or who have been catastrophically injured. Referrals are accepted from individuals and care givers as well as social service agencies, schools and attorneys. Graham offers vocational coaching and evaluation, independent living skills assessment, job seekers' workshops, job analysis, life care planning, service coordination, transferable skills analysis and economic/earning capacity loss analysis. Contact Southwest Vocational Rehabilitation Services at 571-5130 for more information.

NMSU's Chile Pepper Institute, Biad Chili team up

It's chile season in New Mexico, but not every pepper is created equal. Researchers at New Mexico State University's Chile Pepper Institute and Las Cruces-based Biad Chili Products LLC have partnered to produce Biad's Reserve NuMex Heritage 6-4, a super-flavored chile bred to have five times the flavor compounds and aroma of similar chiles grown today. NuMex Heritage 6-4 chiles and other soon-to-be-released NuMex Heritage varieties, are bred from seeds frozen from the original plant strain. The new peppers still have beneficial traits for farmers but also have 500 percent more flavor. Frozen boxes of NuMex Heritage 6-4 chile pods are available through the Chile Pepper Institute by visiting http://chilepepperinstitute.org or by calling 646-3028.

ON THE AGENDA

Newcomers Connection luncheon

The Las Cruces Newcomers Connection will host a luncheon open to the public from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25, at La Fuente Mexican Restaurant, 1710 S. Espina St. The Newcomers' staff will put on a "Get to know your neighbor" game and give out door prizes. Dr. Abbye Callender of Advanced Hearing Care and Yvonne Palmer of Serenity Massage will speak at the event. Cost is $12 per person. Call 521-3145 for reservations.

Date: Tuesday, Aug. 25
Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Location: La Fuente Mexican Restaurant, 1710 S. Espina St.
Contact: 521-3145

'1-on-1' networking

Strategic Networking will host a "1-on-1" networking event from 1 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 26, at Morrison Supply, 311 Southgate Court. Participants will get the chance to meet individually before moving on to another. Only 24 participants can attend. For more information, or to RSVP, call Joel at 621-2272.

Date: Wednesday, Aug. 26
Time: 1 to 4:30 p.m.
Location: Morrison Supply, 311 Southgate Court
Contact: 621-2272

Business After Hours

The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce will hold its monthly Business After Hours networking event at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 27, at the Stan Fulton Center on the NMSU campus. Call 524-1968 for more information.

Date: Thursday, Aug. 27
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Location: Stan Fulton Center, Aggie Memorial Stadium, NMSU campus
Contact: 524-1968

Insuring and Valuing your Business

The Doña Ana County Small Business Development Center will host its next seminar "Insuring and Valuing your Business" at 4 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 27, at the SBDC office, 2345 E. Nevada Ave. This seminar discusses the different types of insurance needed by most businesses. The seminar will also address the various ways to value a business. Register by calling the SBDC at 527-7676 or via the Internet by visiting http://dabcc.nmsu.edu/sbdc.

Date: Thursday, Aug. 27
Time: 4 p.m.
Location: Small Business Development Center, 2345 E. Nevada Ave.
Contact: 527-7676

Good Morning Las Cruces

The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce will hold its next networking extravaganza, Good Morning Las Cruces, from 7 to 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 26, at the Building Industry Association of Southern New Mexico office, 2825 N. Main St. More than 80 local businesses are expected. The morning will begin promptly at 7 a.m. The cost for the event is $14 for pre-paid member admission or $17 for members at the door ($20 for non-members) and includes a continental breakfast. For more information, call 524-1968.

Date: Wednesday, Aug. 26
Time: 7 to 10 a.m.
Location: Building Industry Association of Southern NM, 2825 N. Main St.
Contact: 524-1968

NMSU Energy Conference

U.S. Secretary of Energy Steven Chu will be one of the keynote speakers at New Mexico State University's and honorary co-chairman Congressman Harry Teague's initiative to explore America's energy future at a two-day conference titled "Re-Energize America: Policy, Practice and Possibility for America's Future" Friday and Saturday Aug. 31 and Sept. 1, at NMSU's Corbett Center Ballrooms. The two-day conference will give participants opportunities to discuss how they can start or grow their own energy venture and hear industry experts in renewable technologies, markets and policies, the energy water nexus and challenges, energy and agriculture, algal biofuels and biomass, solar and wind research, storage and land use, micro-grid and smart-grid systems, natural gas, nuclear power, and many other possibilities to sustain America's energy needs. For more information on the conference and to register, go to http://energize.nmsu.edu or call Brenda Dunn 646-2575 or Aggie Saltman at 646-9323.

Date: Aug. 31, Sept. 1
Time: Various times
Location: New Mexico State University, Corbett Center Student Union
Contact: 646-2575

Ribbon Cuttings

A&A Janitorial

Adolph Araiza cuts the ribbon while Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce Conquistadore Terra Van Winter holds the proclamation Monday, Aug. 17, at the chamber office.

Las Cruces Chamber Ballet

Las Cruces Chamber Ballet Artistic Director Kevin Self cuts the ribbon while President Laura Vechione holds the proclamation Thursday, Aug. 6, in front of Michelle's Dance Studio

Back to Black

Dennis Coakley cuts the ribbon while wife JoAnne Coakley holds the proclamation Tuesday, Aug. 4, at the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce.

The Muir Studio

The Muir Studio co-owner Sam Muir cuts the ribbon while husband and co-owner John Muir holds the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce proclamation Tuesday, Aug. 11, at the chamber office.

PHOTOS BY THE GREATER LAS CRUCES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

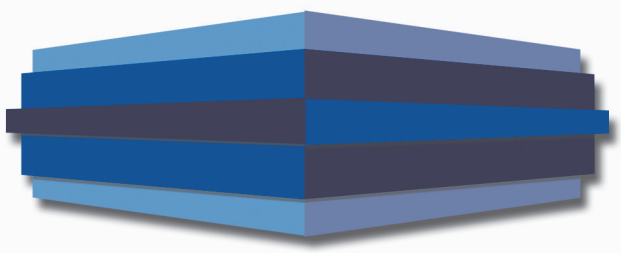
Verizon Wireless

Verizon Wireless Retail Sales Manager Nate Warren cuts the ribbon while Retail District Manager Diana Garza holds the proclamation Friday, Aug. 7, at Verizon's new location, 2001 W. Lohman Blvd.

Buffalo Wild Wings

Buffalo Wild Wings General Manager Megan Anderson cuts the ribbon while Administrative Assistant Alicia Rucker holds the proclamation Friday, July 31, at the new restaurant's location, 2750 Mall Drive.

Business Cards / Brochures / Websites / Graphics / Video / Banners



$599!

Website Special!

Professional websites, custom design and personal attention

Get a 3 page website designed and hosted for only 599.00!

Includes all design, layout, artwork, hosting for 1 year. Search Engine Optimization Included!

Includes up to 10 email accounts, traffic analysis tools and backend control panel.

THE MARKET STORE

Call us at 575-532-9160 to learn more how we can help you get started.

www.TheMarketStore.com

WE'VE EXPANDED!

STUDIO FOR RENT

Perfect for the Arts
Dance • Classes • Meetings
Instructors with clients or home-based business

526-9509
140-A WYATT
www.MyPlaceJewell.com

Store Hours: Tue.-Sat. Noon-5 p.m. or by appointment.

At the Woodmen flag dedication

Deborah Quackenbush, Woodmen of the World area manager, spoke highly of the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce moments before members of the Las Cruces Police Department raised the U.S. and state flags.

The Woodmen of the World, a fraternal benefit society, helped dedicate flags of the United States and New Mexico at the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday, Aug. 18. Left are GLCCC President Jim Berry, GLCCC Vice President of Governmental Affairs Willam Mattiace, Bill Connor of El Paso Electric and Michael Baldonado, Woodmen of the World field representative.

Las Cruces Police officers Juan Gomez, Eric Urenda, Josh Savage and Jeremy Story raised both national and state flags during Tuesday's dedication ceremony.

Two new United States and New Mexico flags wave atop the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, 760 W. Picacho Ave. The flags were dedicated by the regional Woodmen of the World fraternal benefit society.

PHOTOS BY GABRIEL VASQUEZ

Save a Little GREEN

with Completely Free Checking AND Free

Free VISA Debit Card with unlimited signature or PIN-based transactions per month

Free UNLIMITED check writing

Free Online Banking and Bill Pay

Free check images with statement

Free GIFT! and

Free Money for your old checks and debit cards, up to $25.

No minimum balance required, no monthly service charge and only $50 to open!

PIONEER BANK
3831 E. Lohman 705 E. University
2900 N. Roadrunner Pkwy.

(575) 532-7500
www.pioneerbnk.com

EQUAL HOUSING LENDER
FDIC

LEGAL NOTICES

Las Cruces Bulletin - your legal publication for Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE OF STATE TRUST LAND

In Doña Ana County, New Mexico
LE-0907

At 11:00 a.m. on September 30, 2009, at the front entrance to the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 West Picacho Ave., in Las Cruces, NM, the Commissioner of Public Lands will conduct an oral public auction pursuant to the New Mexico Enabling Act (36 Stat. 557), NMSA 1978, Sections 19-7-1 and 19-7-2, and Rules 19.2.14 and 19.2.21 NMAC to receive bids offering a cash purchase, a land exchange or a combination thereof for the surface estate of the state trust lands described in paragraph A, below. The Commissioner may either select the highest and best qualified bidder who places at least the minimum bid or reject all bids. If a bidder is selected and a purchase or exchange agreement is then entered into, a patent for the state trust lands will be issued to the selected bidder.

A. Description of the Land to be Sold: Surface estate of the following state trust land (the "State Trust Land"):

A tract of land situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico in the following sections:

New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 27 S., R. 1E:
Sec. 13: W1⁄2 NW1⁄4 SW1⁄4, SE1⁄4 NW1⁄4 SW1⁄4 , NE1⁄4 SW1⁄4 SW1⁄4, NW1⁄4 SW1⁄4 SW1⁄4, SE1⁄4 SW1⁄4 SW1⁄4, W1⁄2 SE1⁄4 SW1⁄4, SE1⁄4 SE1⁄4 SW1⁄4; Sec. 14: W1⁄2 NW1⁄4 NE1⁄4 , SE1⁄4 NW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, NE1⁄4 SW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, NW1⁄4 SW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, SE1⁄4 SW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, W1⁄2 SE1⁄4 NE1⁄4, SE1⁄4 SE1⁄4 NE1⁄4, NE1⁄4 NE1⁄4 SE1⁄4, NW1⁄4 NE1⁄4 SE1⁄4, SE1⁄4 NE1⁄4 SE1⁄4; Sec. 2 4: W1⁄2 NW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, SE1⁄4 NW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, NE1⁄4 SW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, NW1⁄4 SW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, SE1⁄4 SW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, W1⁄2 SE1⁄4 NE1⁄4, SE1⁄4 SE1⁄4 NE1⁄4, NE1⁄4 NE1⁄4 NW1⁄4, NW1⁄4 NE1⁄4 NW1⁄4, SE1⁄4 NE1⁄4 NW1⁄4, NE1⁄4 NE1⁄4 SE1⁄4, NW1⁄4 NE1⁄4 SE1⁄4, SE1⁄4 NE1⁄4 SE1⁄4, NE1⁄4 SE1⁄4 SE1⁄4.

T. 27 S., R. 2E:
Sec. 19: Lots 3 and 4, SW1⁄4 SE1⁄4 SW1⁄4; Sec. 29: SW1⁄4 NW1⁄4 SW1⁄4, SW1⁄4 SW1⁄4, SW1⁄4 SE1⁄4 SW1⁄4;
Sec. 30: Lot 1, SW1⁄4 NW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, SW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, SW1⁄4 SE1⁄4 NE1⁄4, NE1⁄4 NW1⁄4, NE1⁄4 SE1⁄4 NW1⁄4, NE1⁄4 SE1⁄4, NE1⁄4 NW1⁄4 SE1⁄4, NE1⁄4 SE1⁄4 SE1⁄4; Sec. 32: NW1⁄4 NW1⁄4 NW1⁄4, E1⁄2 NW1⁄4 NW1⁄4 , NE1⁄4 NW1⁄4, SW1⁄4 NW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, SE1⁄4 NW1⁄4, SW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, W1⁄2 SE1⁄4 NE1⁄4, E1⁄2 NE1⁄4 SW1⁄4, E1⁄2 SE1⁄4 SW1⁄4, SE1⁄4; Sec. 33: SW1⁄4 NW1⁄4 SW1⁄4, SW1⁄4 SW1⁄4, SW1⁄4 SE1⁄4 SW1⁄4;

T. 2 8 S., R. 2 E:
Sec. 3: SW1⁄4 NW1⁄4 SW1⁄4, W1⁄2 SW1⁄4 SW1⁄4, SE1⁄4 SW1⁄4 SW1⁄4; Sec. 4: Lots 2, 3, and 4, SW1⁄4 NE1⁄4, SW1⁄4 SE1⁄4 NE1⁄4, S1⁄2 NW1⁄4, N1⁄2 SW1⁄4, NE1⁄4 SW1⁄4 SW1⁄4, SE1⁄4 SW1⁄4, SE1⁄4 ; Sec. 5: Lots 1 and 2, N1⁄2 SE1⁄4 NE1⁄4, SE1⁄4 SE1⁄4 NE1⁄4; Sec. 9: N1⁄2 NE1⁄4, NE1⁄4 NE1⁄4 NW1⁄4; Sec. 10: Lots 1, 2, 3, 6, and 7;
Sec. 14 : Lots 3 and 4, NE1⁄4 SW1⁄4 NW1⁄4, NE1⁄4 NE1⁄4 SW1⁄4; Sec. 15: NE1⁄4 NE1⁄4 NE1⁄4;
Comprising 2,2 19.78 acres, more or less.

The State Trust Land is located south of Las Cruces and west of Santa Teresa, straddling the Union Pacific railroad.

B. Summary of the Terms of the Sale: The State Trust Land is being offered AS IS with no warranties as to condition or usefulness. The State Trust Land is offered as a single tract only; bids for less than the entire tract will not be considered. Bidders are responsible for verifying encumbrances and their effect on the Land. Prospective bidders are encouraged to inspect the records for the State Trust Land at the New Mexico State Land Office and the Doña Ana County Clerk's Office and to apply to the Commissioner for a permit to inspect the Land. Title will be conveyed by a State Patent (the "Patent"), which will reserve to the State all minerals of whatsoever kind, geothermal resources, and certain water rights, together with rights of access and surface use necessary for or incident to exploration for and extraction and removal of such minerals, geothermal resources, and water rights located in, under, or upon the State Trust Land and will be subject to all existing rights-of-way, easements, leases, and other valid existing rights. Additional details regarding the reservations and encumbrances may be obtained upon request. The successful bidder, if any, shall pay the total costs of advertising, appraising, surveying and sale, and will be billed for any costs in excess of the amounts set out in Paragraph C.

C. To Qualify to Bid. Only bids from qualified bidders will be accepted. To qualify for the auction, you must tender to the Commissioner an application, and a cashier's check, money order or letter of credit in a form acceptable to the Commissioner for the total deposit:

Nonrefundable Application Fee $500.00

Publication Cost of Public Notice $6,109.50

Cost of Appraisal $25,310.00

Cost of Archeological Study Report and Mitigation $317,946.00

Cost of Environmental Study Report $38,616.00

10% of Minimum Bid $950,000.00

TOTAL DEPOSIT $1,338,481.50

If the bidder will be offering a cash purchase or a combination of land and cash, the bidder's application and deposit must be accompanied by evidence of the bidder's ability to pay at closing, which shall occur no later than 180 days following the selection of the winning bid.

If the bidder will be offering to exchange land or a combination of land and cash, the bidder's application and deposit must be accompanied by (a) a survey plat and legal description in aliquot parts of any non-trust land that may be offered in the exchange, prepared by a licensed New Mexico surveyor; (b) an appraisal of any non-trust land that may be offered in exchange, performed by a certified New Mexico appraiser selected and approved by the Commissioner and conforming to the applicable professional appraisal standards; (c) evidence of title acceptable to the Commissioner showing that the applicant has or has a guarantee of fee simple title to the land offered in exchange as well as a title insurance commitment acceptable to the Commissioner; and (d) such other information as the Commissioner may require. Additional information required in connection with an exchange proposal may include environmental and/or cultural properties studies of the non-trust land offered for exchange. The Commissioner, in his discretion, may waive or modify any of the foregoing requirements, if he determines that such waiver or modification is in the best interest of the State. A successful exchange bidder will be required to convey title to the lands offered in exchange to the State of New Mexico by general warranty deed.

To qualify to bid, applications, deposits and other required submissions must be received at the State Land Office, PO Box 1148, 310 Old Santa Fe Trail, Room 102, Santa Fe, NM, 87501, Attn: Dennis Garcia, Deputy Commissioner, no later than 4:00 pm on September 28, 2009. Deposits of unsuccessful bidders will be returned. Matters which will result in disqualification of a deposit and the related bid(s) include without limitation: funds being drawn on banks or issuers located outside the United States, payment of deposits being subject to contingencies unrelated to the transaction, or deposit documents which are postdated. Deposits that do not conform to these requirements will result in disqualification of the associated bids.

D. Form of bids; minimum bid. Bids shall indicate the value of the bid, including the appraised value of any lands offered in exchange for the State Trust Land. The appraised value of any lands offered in exchange for the State Trust Land must be approved in advance by the Commissioner. Bidding will start at $ 9,500,000.00.

E. To obtain an application and other information please contact: Dennis Garcia, Deputy Commissioner at (505) 827-5760.

F. Disabled individuals who require aid to participate in the proposed sale may call (505) 827-5724; FAX, 827-4262 or TTY (800) 855-1155 (AT&T). Upon request, this notice may be available in other formats.

The right to reject any and all bids is expressly reserved, and no sale shall be effective unless and until a purchase and sale agreement is entered between the bidder and the Commissioner.

Dated at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 14th day of July, 2009.

/s/Patrick H. Lyons
Commissioner of Public Lands
P.O. Box 1148
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Pub #8868
Dates 7/24, 7/31, 8/7, 8/14, 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2008-2323

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.

LELAND C. NELSON; JENNIFER NELSON; MESA PUBLISHING CORPORATION; and JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), tenants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on August 26, 2009, 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 4218 Wild Cat Canyon Road, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:
LOT 29, IN BLOCK F OF SEDONA HILLS SUBDIVISION 2 AT SONOMA RANCH EAST, 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 NOVEMBER 21, 2003 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 20 AT PAGES 476-478, 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 July 16, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $226,093.61 and the same bears interest at 5.875% per annum from July 17, 2009, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $1,492.06. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
PO Drawer 16169
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
575-642-5567

Pub #8876
Dates 7/31, 8/7, 8/14, 8/21, 2009

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

NO. D0307CV200901612

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, OR LEGATEES OF BETTY JO GETZ, DECEASED; THE UNKNOWN SURVIVING SPOUSE OF BETTY JO GETZ, DECEASED, Defendants

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendants The Unknown Heirs, Devisees, or Legatees of Betty Jo Getz, deceased, and The Unknown Surviving Spouse of Betty Jo Getz, deceased. GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 1230 Mormon Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88011, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as: Lot 2, of Replat No. 1 of the Parapro Summary Subdivision, a Townhouse Subdivision, located in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown on the plat thereof filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk of said County on July 31, 1986 and rerecorded in Book 14, at Page 236 of the Plat Records Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before September 21, 2009, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted,
CASTLE MEINHOLD & STAWIARSKI
By: Sharon Hankla
Sharon Hankla
D. Renae Richards Charney
Keya Koul
999 18th St., Suite 2201, Bin 1
Denver, CO 80202
(800) 286-0013;
(303) 285-2222
Attorney 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 20th day of July 2009.

Gregory Toomey
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Nancy A. Heavner
Deputy

P602817 08/07/2009
08/14/2009 08/21/2009

Pub #8888
Dates 8/7, 8/14, 8/21, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-08 2441

WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, Plaintiff,

vs.

THERESA L. DUNCAN; JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), Tenants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on September 2, 2009, 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 1505 Grover Drive, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:
Lot 48, DAVIS HOMESITES ADDITION, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on July 13, 1956, in Book 7 Page 71 of Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on July 21, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $68,792.24 and the same bears interest at 5.125% per annum from June 16, 2009, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $753.42. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

Pamela Carmody,
Special Master
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
PO Drawer 16169
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
575-642-5567

Pub #8892
Dates 8/7, 8/14, 8/21, 8/28, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-09-628

TAYLOR, BEAN & WHITAKER MORTGAGE CORP., Plaintiff,

vs.

ROSE E. MOORE; and JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), tenants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on September 2, 2009, 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 3644 Ascencion Circle, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:
Lot 43 in Block A of High Desert Subd Phase 1A & 1B, Las Cruces, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said High Desert Subd Phase 1A & 1B, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on October 14, 2005 in Plat Book 21, Folio 373-375.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on July 23, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $347,878.15 and the same bears interest at 8.125% per annum from June 1, 2009, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $7,279.23. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
PO Drawer 16169
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
575-642-5567

Pub #8894
Dates 8/7, 8/14, 8/21, 8/28, 2009

NOTICE is hereby given that on July 7, 2009, Robert and Laura Steinmann, 6450 Apple Orchard Lane, Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-527-POD5 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-527 located within the NE 1/4 SE 1/4 SW 1/4 of projected Section 10, Township 22 South, Range 1 East NMPM, and drilling replacement well LRG-527-POD5 with 8" casing to an approximate depth of 130 ft. on land owned by the applicant, located within the NE1/4 SE1/4 SW1/4 of said Section 10 at approximately X=1,461,646 Y=511,663 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83), for the continued combined diversion of 3.0 acre-feet per annum per acre of shallow groundwater and surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for beneficial use in the irrigation of 1.72 acres of land owned by the applicant and located in the SE 1/4 SW 1/4 of said Section 10 at the physical address of 6450 Apple Orchard Lane, Las Cruces, NM 88007. Existing well LRG-527 and proposed well LRG-527-POD5 are located approximately 675 ft. and 1,070 ft. northeast of the intersection of Alvillar Rd. and Barela Dr. respectively, north of Las Cruces, NM. Well LRG-527 will be retained for other water rights.

Any person, firm or corporation, or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA.

Pub #8901
Dates 8/14, 8/21, 8/28, 2009

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 4, 2009,

LEGAL NOTICES

Las Cruces Bulletin - your legal publication for Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico

Jaren, LLC, P.O. Box 909, Mesilla Park, NM 88047, filed application numbered LRG-487 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by abandoning the use of well LRG-489 located at X = 1,487,145 Y = 450,684 NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central FIPS 3002 Feet on land owned by the applicant, and commence use of existing well LRG-487 located at X = 1,487,506 Y = 449,999.5 NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central FIPS 3002 Feet, on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of an amount of water reserved for future determination by May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico for the irrigation of 52.5 acres of land located within the SW1/4 and the NW1/4 of projected Section 9, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, NMPM supplemental to surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District and for a pressurized fire control system for a manufacturing plant located within the NW1/4 of said projected Section 9. Existing well LRG-487 is located south of Mesilla Park, NM and may be found at the physical address of 6000 South Main Street. Existing well LRG-489 will be plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub #8903
Dates 8/14, 8/21, 8/28, 2009

RESOLUTION NO. 10-044

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE ELECTION OF COUNCILLORS FOR DISTRICTS 3, 5, AND 6; AND MUNICIPAL JUDGE ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009.

The City Council is informed that:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Article VII, Section 7.01(A) of the City of Las Cruces Charter, a regular City election shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November in each odd-numbered year, and

WHEREAS, the City of Las Cruces is divided into six (6) Council Districts. Council District 3, 5, and 6 will elect Councillors at the next regular City election. Only residents who are qualified voters of a district may vote for a Councillor from that particular district. All candidates must be residents and qualified voters of the district in which they run. Councillors will be elected for a four (4) year term, and

WHEREAS, a Municipal Judge will be elected at the next regular City election. All candidates must be members of the New Mexico State Bar Association and residents and qualified voters of the City of Las Cruces. The Municipal Judge will be elected for a four (4) year term, and

WHEREAS, all residents and qualified voters of the City of Las Cruces are eligible to vote for the Municipal Judge candidates. Only those residents and qualified voters in District 3, 5, and 6 may vote for the candidates in their district, and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 3-8-10, NMSA 1978, precincts may be consolidated for the regular municipal election in the interest of economy. Under the provisions of Section 3-8-11, NMSA 1978, the City Council shall designate the polling places for each consolidated precinct.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico resolves as follows:

(I) THAT a regular municipal election of the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2009. Voting hours will be from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The following offices shall be elected:
One Councillor from District 3 for a four (4) year term;
One Councillor from District 5 for a four (4) year term;
One Councillor from District 6 for a four (4) year term;
One Municipal Judge for a four (4) year term.

(II) THAT candidates for election to Councillor shall be nominated by petition. A person may be nominated for election as Councillor by a petition signed by not less than twenty-five (25) qualified voters residing within the district which the candidate seeks to represent.

(III) THAT Nominating Petition and Declaration of Candidacy forms shall be obtained from the Office of the City Clerk. Nominating petitions, a Declaration of Candidacy and a certified copy of Voter Registration shall be filed as one instrument by each candidate for Councillor on Tuesday, September 22, 2009 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. only.

(IV) THAT candidates for election for Municipal Judge shall not be nominated by petition. A Declaration of Candidacy, evidence of membership in the New Mexico State Bar and a certified copy of Voter Registration shall be filed as one instrument by each candidate for Municipal Judge on Tuesday, September 22, 2009, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. only.

(V) THAT the registration books for registering to vote at the regular municipal election shall be closed by the County Clerk at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6, 2009.

(VI) THAT the precincts within the six (6) districts shall be consolidated in the interest of economy as follows:

POLLING PLACES
DISTRICT NO. 1
1. 27, 28 Loma Heights Elementary 1600 E. Madrid Ave.
2. 29, 32, 35, 36, 92 Washington Elementary 755 E. Chestnut St.
3. 30, 31, 37 Holy Cross Catholic Church 1327 N. Miranda
4. 24, 25 Mayfield High School 1955 N. Valley Dr.

DISTRICT NO. 2
5. 72, 77, 104 Telshor/ Missouri Fire Station 2802 E. Missouri
6. 51, 52 University Hills Elementary 2005 S. Locust St.
7. 49, 55 Las Cruces High School 1755 El Paseo
8. 7, 56, 57, 78 Mesilla Park Recreation Center 304 W. Bell Ave.
9. 50, 53 Newman Center 2615 S. Solano

DISTRICT NO. 3
10. 34, 91 Sierra Middle School 1700 E. Spruce St.
11. 43, 44, 94 Lynn Middle School 950 Walnut St.
12. 45, 46, 47 Conlee Elementary 1701 Boston Dr.
13. 33, 42, 93 Hermosa Elementary 1655 E. Amador Ave.

DISTRICT NO. 4
14. 23, 90 Henry Benavidez Center 1045 McClure Rd.
15. 41, 48 Munson Senior Center 975 S. Mesquite
16. 39, 40 City Office Center 575 Alameda
17. 22, 38, 88 Picacho Middle School 2700 W. Picacho Ave

DISTRICT NO. 5
18. 89, 99 Trinity Lutheran Church 2900 Elks Drive
19. 20, 83, 85 Jornada Elementary 3400 Elks Drive
20. 59, 62 Highland Elementary 4201 Emerald St.
21. 65, 66, 105 Sunrise Elementary 5300 Holman Rd
22. 61 Latter-Day Saints Church 3210 Venus St.

DISTRICT NO. 6
23. 67, 102 Camino Real Middle School 2961 Roadrunner Pkwy
24. 103, 106 Desert Hills Elementary 280 Roadrunner Pkwy
25. 68, 69, 70 Hillrise Elementary 1400 S. Curnutt St.
26. 71, 73 Good Samaritan 3011 Buena Vida Cir.
27. 26 American Legion #10 1185 E. Madrid Ave

28. ABSENTEE City Clerk's Office/City Hall 200 N. Church Street

(VII) THAT paper absentee ballots will be available for voting beginning on October 7, 2009, and Absentee voting in person begins October 14, 2009 and all absentee voting ends on October 31, 2009. Absentee voting Monday through Friday will be between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Saturday absentee voting will be October 17, October 24 and October 31, 2009 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. at the office of the City Clerk.

DONE AND APPROVED this 3rd day of August 2009.

APPROVED:
/s/Dolores Archuleta, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:
/s/Esther Martinez, CMC, City Clerk (SEAL)

VOTE:
Mayor Miyagishima: Absent
Councillor Silva: Aye
Councillor Connor: Aye
Councillor Archuleta: Aye
Councillor Small: Aye
Councillor Jones: Aye
Councillor Thomas: Aye
Moved by: Connor
Seconded by: Jones

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
/s/Fermin A. Rubio, City Attorney
Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk. Witness My Hand and Seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 5th day of August 2009.

Esther Martinez, CMC
City Clerk

RESOLUCIÓN NÚMERO 10-044

UNA RESOLUCIÓN PARA INVITAR A LA ELECCIÓN DE CONCEJALES PARA LOS DISTRITOS 3, 5 Y 6;Y JUEZ MUNICIPAL EL MARTES 3 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2009.

El Concejo Municipal está informado que:

CONSIDERANDO QUE, de acuerdo con las provisiones del Artículo VII, Sección 7.01 (A) de los Estatutos Municipales de Las Cruces, una elección regular municipal se debe llevar a cabo el primer martes después del primer lunes del mes de noviembre de cada año terminando en número non, y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, el Municipio de Las Cruces está dividido en seis (6) Distritos de Concejo, los Distritos de Concejo 3, 5 y 6 eligirán Concejales en nuestra próxima elección regular municipal. Sólo los residentes de un distrito que se encuentren empadronados tendrán derecho a votar por un Concejal de un distrito en particular. Todos los candidatos deberán ser residentes de y con derecho a votar dentro del distrito por el que están corriendo. Los Concejales serán elegidos por un término de cuatro (4) años, y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, un Juez Municipal será elegido en la próxima elección regular municipal. Todos los candidatos deberán ser miembros de la Asociación de Tribunales del Estado de Nuevo México, ser residentes de y con derecho a votar en la Ciudad de Las Cruces. El Juez Municipal será elegido por un término de cuatro (4) años, y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, todos los residentes de y con derecho a votar en la Ciudad de Las Cruces son elegibles para votar por un Juez Municipal. Solo aquellos residentes de y con derecho a votar en los Distritos 3, 5 y 6 podrán votar por los candidatos en su distrito; y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, bajo las provisiones de la Sección 3-8-10, NMSA 1978, los recintos electorales pueden ser consolidados para elecciones municipales en interés de la economía. Bajo las provisiones de la Sección 3-8-11, NMSA 1978, el Concejo Municipal deberá designar los lugares para colocar las urnas para cada recinto consolidado.

AHORA Y POR LO TANTO, el Concejo del Municipio de Las Cruces, Nuevo México, resuelve lo siguiente:

(I) QUE la elección regular del Municipio de Las Cruces, Nuevo México, se lleve a cabo el martes 3 de noviembre de 2009. El horario para votar será de las 7:00 a.m. a las 7:00 p.m. Los siguentes puestos serán elegidos:
Un Concejal de Distrito 3 por un término de cuatro (4) años;
Un Concejal de Distrito 5 por un término de cuatro (4) años;
Un Concejal de Distrito 6 por un término de cuatro (4) años; y
Un Juez Municipal por un término de cuatro (4) años.

(II) QUE los candidatos para la elección de los Concejales deberán ser nominados para elección por medio de una petición. Una persona puede ser nominada para ser elegido como Concejal por petición firmada de por lo menos veinticinco (25) personas con derecho a votar y residiendo dentro del distrito que el candidato busca representar.

(III) QUE las formas de Petición y de Declaración de Candidatura deberán ser obtenidas en la oficina de la Secretaria Municipal. Las peticiones nominativas, la Declaración de Candidatura y una copia certificada de la Boleta de Empadronamiento deberán ser asentadas como un sólo instrumento por cada candidato de Concejal el martes 22 de septiembre de 2009, de las 8:00 a.m. a las 5:00 p.m. solamente.

(IV) QUE los candidatos para la elección de Juez Municipal no sean nominados por petición. Una Declaración de Candidatura, una copia de membresía de la Asociación de Tribunales del Estado de Nuevo México y una copia de la Boleta de Empadronamiento deberán ser asentadas como un instrumento por cada candidato de Juez Municipal el martes 22 de septiembre de 2009 de las 8:00 a.m. a las 5:00 p.m. solamente.

(V) QUE los libros de registro de empadronamiento con el fin de votar en la elección regular municipal sean cerrados por el Escribano del Condado a las 5:00 p.m., el martes 6 de octubre de 2009.

(VI) QUE los recintos electorales dentro los seis (6) Distritos sean consolidados como sigue por el interés económico:

URNAS ELECTORALES
DISTRITO NO. 1
1. 27, 28 Loma Heights Elementary 1600 E. Madrid Ave.
2. 29,32, 35, 36, 92 Washington Elementary 755 E. Chestnut St.
3. 30, 31, 37 Holy Cross Catholic Church 1327 N. Miranda
4. 24, 25 Mayfield High School 1955 N. Valley Dr.

DISTRICT NO. 2
5. 72, 77, 104 Telshor/ Missouri Fire Station 2802 E. Missouri
6. 51, 52 University Hills Elementary 2005 S. Locust St.
7. 49, 55 Las Cruces High School 1755 El Paseo
8. 7, 56, 57, 78 Mesilla Park Recreation Center 304 W. Bell Ave.
9. 50, 53 Newman Center 2615 S. Solano

DISTRICT NO. 3
10. 34, 91 Sierra Middle School 1700 E. Spruce St.
11. 43, 44, 94 Lynn Middle School 950 Walnut St.
12. 45, 46, 47 Conlee Elementary 1701 Boston Dr.
13. 33, 42,93 Hermosa Elementary 1655 E. Amador Ave.

DISTRICT NO. 4
14. 23, 90 Henry Benavidez Center 1045 McClure Rd.
15. 41, 48 Munson Senior Center 975 S. Mesquite
16. 39, 40 City Office Center 575 Alameda
17. 22, 38, 88 Picacho Middle School 2700 W. Picacho Ave

DISTRICT NO. 5
18. 89, 99 Trinity Lutheran Church 2900 Elks Drive
19. 20, 83, 85 Jornada Elementary 3400 Elks Drive
20. 59, 62 Highland Elementary 4201 Emerald St.
21. 65,66, 105 Sunrise Elementary 5300 Holman Rd
22. 61 Latter-Day Saints Church 3210 Venus St.

DISTRICT NO. 6
23. 67, 102 Camino Real Middle School 2961 Roadrunner Pkwy
24. 103, 106 Desert Hills Elementary 280 Roadrunner Pkwy
25. 68, 69, 70 Hillrise Elementary 1400 S. Curnutt St.
26. 71, 73 Good Samaritan 3011 Buena Vida Cir.
27. 26 American Legion #10 1185 E. Madrid Ave

28. AUSENTE Oficina de Secretaria Municipal 200 N. Church Street

(VII) QUE boletas ausente de papel seran obtenible para votar comenzando el 7 de octubre 2009, y votar ausente en persona comenzando el 14 de octubre 2009 y votar ausente terminara el 31 de octubre 2009. Votar ausente de lunes a viernes entre las horas de 8:00 a.m. a las 5:00 p.m., Sabados votar ausente sera el 17 de octubre, 24 de octubre y el 31 de octubre entre las horas de las 10:00 a.m. a las 6:00 p.m., en la oficina de la Secretaria Municipal.

HECHA Y APROBADA el día 3 de agosto de 2009.

APROVADO:
/s/Dolores Archuleta, Alcalde Pro Tem

DOY FE:
/s/Esther Martinez, CMC, Secretaria Municipal (SELLO)

VOTO:
Alcalde Miyagishima: Ausente
Concejal Silva: Si
Concejal Connor : Si
Concejal Archuleta: Si
Concejal Small: Si
Concejal Jones: Si
Concejal Thomas: Si
Proposición hecha por: Connor
Aproyada por: Jones
Forma Aprobada:
/s/Fermin Rubio, Abogado Municipal

Copias son disponibles para inspección durante horas de trabajo en la oficina de la Secretaria Municipal.
Testigo Mi Mano y Sello de la Ciudad de Las Cruces en este 5 de agosto 2009.

Esther Martinez, CMC
Secretaria Municipal

Pub #8904
Dates 8/14, 8/21, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
IN THE PROBATE COURT

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY MARGARET IRVING

Cause No. 09-0072
Judge Alice Salcido

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative in care of The Darden Law Firm, P.A., P.O. Box 578, Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88004-0578, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

Dated this 24th day of July, 2009.

You be the judge

- Paying a high rate per line?
- Getting your affidavit months after your ad ran?
- Billing inaccurate and unorganized?

It's time for a change!

THE LAS CRUCES **BULLETIN legal notice section**

- **Lowest rates per line**
- **Affidavit prepared within 2 working days**
- **We'll mail it for you**
- **Accurate billing**

Call *today* for more information! **575.524.8061**

Fax your notice today for a free quote **575.526.4621**

or email: **legals@lascrucesbulletin.com**

LEGAL NOTICES

Las Cruces Bulletin - your legal publication for Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico

/s/R. David Walker,
R. David Walker,
Personal Representative

THE DARDEN LAW FIRM,
P.A. Attorneys for Personal Representative
P.O. Box 578
Las Cruces, New Mexico
88004-0578
(575) 541-6655 (telephone)
(575) 524-2059 (fax)

Pub #8905
Dates 8/14, 8/21, 2009

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

Notice is hereby given that the Las Cruces City Council will hold a Public Hearing to discuss approval or disapproval of the Issuance of a Wine Wholesale Liquor License (Wine Wholesaling of Winegrower's Product) to Amaro Winery, LLC d/b/a Amaro Winery, to be located at 601 West Amador, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

The Public Hearing will be held at a meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, September 8, 2009, at 1:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 200 North Church, City Hall. If passed, the State of New Mexico Regulation & Licensing Department, Alcohol and Gaming Division, may approve the issuance of the Restaurant Liquor License.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 3rd day of August 2009.

Esther Martinez, CMC,
City Clerk

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
IN THE PROBATE COURT

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EDWARD H. HARALSON, DECEASED.

Cause No. 09-0088
Judge Alice M. Salcido

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative in care of The Darden Law Firm, P.A., P.O. Box 578, Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88004-0578, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

Dated this 31st day of July, 2009.

/s/Joseph E. Haralson
Joseph E. Haralson
Personal Representative

THE DARDEN LAW FIRM,
P.A.
Attorneys for Personal Representative
P.O. Box 578
Las Cruces, New Mexico
88004-0578
(575) 541-6655 (telephone)
(575) 524-2059 (fax)

Pub #8909
Dates 8/14, 8/21, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE PROBATE COURT DOÑA ANA COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FLORENCE P. LEVINE, DECEASED.

No.
Judge Alice Salcido

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative in care of The Darden Law Firm, P.A., P.O. Box 578, Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88004-0578, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

DATED: August 10, 2009

/s/John A. Darden,
John A. Darden
Personal Representative

/s/John A. Darden,
John A. Darden
THE DARDEN LAW FIRM,
P.A.
Attorneys for Personal Representative
P.0. Box 578
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0578
Telephone: (575) 541-6655

Pub #8911
Dates 8/14, 8/21, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DENZIL C. BROWNING, DECEASED.

No. PB-08-124
Judge James T. Martin

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Personal Representative has filed herein a Petition for Order of Complete Settlement of Estate by Personal Representative, a copy of which Petition is filed in this proceeding and incorporated herein by reference.

Hearing has been set to consider the Petition for Order of Complete Settlement of Estate by Personal Representative on the 15th day of September, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. before the Honorable James T. Martin, District Court Judge, at the Third Judicial District Court, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

DATED: August 10, 2009

/s/John A. Darden,
John A. Darden
Personal Representative

/s/John A. Darden,
John A. Darden
THE DARDEN LAW FIRM,
P.A.
Attorneys for Personal Representative
P.O. Box 578
Las Cruces, New Mexico
88004-0578
(575) 541-6655 (telephone)
(575) 524-2059 (fax)

Pub #8910
Dates 8/14, 8/21, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-8-2593

THE BANK OF NEW YORK, as Trustee for the Benefit of the Certificateholders, CWABS, Inc., Asset-backed Certificates, Series 2007-BC1, Plaintiff,

vs.

RENEE MCCORMICK; JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), tenants, Defendants.

FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on September 16, 2009, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the 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 4354 Soda Spring Drive, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:
LOT 10, BLOCK A, SEDONA HILLS SUBDIVISION 3 AT SONOMA RANCH EAST, IN THE COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY AS PLAT NO. 4008 ON 8/20/2004 IN BOOK 20 PAGE(S) 764-65 OF PLAT RECORDS.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 15, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $378,898.51 and the same bears interest at 9.625% per annum from January 1, 2009, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $25,877.99. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
PO Drawer 16169
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
575-642-5567

Pub #8912
Dates 8/14, 8/21, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-09-595

THE BANK OF NEW YORK, as Trustee, for the Benefit of CWALT, Inc., Alternative Loan Trust 2007-25, Mortgage Pass-through Certificates, Series 2007-25, Plaintiff,

vs.

ANTONIO R. GONZALEZ; MARIA A. CARSE; RAFAEL MARMOLEJO dba RGM Construction; JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), tenants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on September 16, 2009, 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 13700 Highway 478, Mesquite, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

A tract of land situate Northwest of Mesquite, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 35, T.24S., R.2E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys, being U.S.R.S. Tract 17-43A1B and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a 4" iron pipe found on the East line of U.S. Highway 80-85 (Alternate) New Mexico State Highway 478 for the Southwest corner of the tract herein described: whence the E1/4 corner of Section 35, T.24S.,R.2E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Survey bears S.67°30'58"E, 1839.44 feet;

Thence from the point of beginning and along the East line of U.S. Highway 80-85, N.28°15'00"W., 197.95 feet to a 1⁄2" iron rod set for the Northwest corner of this tract;

Thence leaving the East line of U.S. Highway 80-85, N.61°44'30"E., 180.07 feet to a 1⁄2 iron rod set for the Northeast corner of this tract;

Thence S.28°15'00"E., 145.51 feet to a 1⁄2" iron rod set for an angle point of this tract;

Thence S.04°42'00"W., 62.52 feet to a 1⁄2 iron rod set for the Southwest corner of this tract;

Thence S.61°45'00"W., 146.06 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.798 acres of land, more or less.

Information in the preparation of this description derives from Deed filed December 13, 1990, in Book 346, Pages 323-324, Doña Ana County records. A plat was prepared under Job #04-1756. Field Notes by Moy Surveying, Inc., License 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 August 3, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $251,690.03 and the same bears interest at 7.25% per annum from July 16, 2009, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $3,149.57. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
c/o Bobby M. Mayfield, P.A.
PO Drawer 16169
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169
575-642-5567

Pub #8913
Dates 8/14, 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 2009

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 31, 2009, Hacienda RV, LLC, 740 Stern Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-1906 POD4 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by abandoning the use of existing well LRG-1906, located at X = 1,473,958 Y = 468,670 NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central FIPS 3002 Feet, on land owned by Everett Crawford, and drilling new well LRG-1906 POD4 to a depth of 300 feet with 6-inch casing; to be located at X= 1,474,450 Y = 467,814 NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central FIPS 3002 Feet, on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of an amount of water reserved for future determination by May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court; Doña Ana County, New Mexico for the irrigation of 9.73 acres, owned by the applicant, located in the SE1/4 of projected Section 24, Township 23 South, Range 1 East, NMPM and in the NE1/4 of projected Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 1 East, NMPM, as, described in Subfile Order, No.: LRN-28-014-0052-A of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. The replacement well site is located in Las Cruces, NM and may be found at the physical address of 740 Stern Drive. Old well LRG-1906 will be plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub #8914
Dates 8/14, 8/21, 8/28

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 24, 2009, Chris C. Bess, PO Box 1888, Mesilla Park, NM 88047, filed application numbered LRG-14713-POD 2 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-14713-POD 1, located on land owned by Chris C. and Mary Ann Bess within the NE1/4 SE1/4 SW1/4 of projected Section 33, T23S, R2E, NMPM, and drilling new well LRG-14713-POD 2 with 12-inch casing to a depth of 200 feet below ground surface on land owned by Chris C. and Mary Ann Bess within the NE1/4 SE1/4 SW1/4 of said Section 33 at approximately X=1,487,952 Y=458,707 (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) for the continued diversion of that amount of shallow groundwater required for beneficial use for the irrigation of 8.06 acres of land located in Pt. S1/2 of said Section 33, of which 5.816 acres is owned by Chris C. and Mary Ann Bess and 2.244 acres is owned by B.H. Farms, LLC. Well LRG-14713-POD 1 and the proposed location for well LRG-14713-POD 2 are located approximately 500 feet southwest the intersection of Karen Dr and Broadmoor Dr, south of Las Cruces, NM. Old well LRG-14713-POD 1 will be plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub #8916
Dates 8/14, 8/21, 8/28, 2009

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of the Las Cruces School District No. 2, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, on the 18th day of August, 2009, adopted a resolution authorizing and directing the issuance of $18,750,000 of general

FORECLOSURE SALE

220 Fossil, Anthony, NM
3BR, 1 Bath, 1016 Sq. Ft.

Government Bid: $62,805 As-is appraisal value: $91,800
Date: September 11, 2009 Time: 1:45 p.m.
Sale Location: Main Entrance, 3rd Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM

Legal: Lot 6, Block 3, Tierra Linda, Unit 1, Phase 2, Doña Ana Co., NM. Property is not available for normal inspection as they are still owned by private individuals. However, if the property is abandoned, interested parties can contact the local Rural Development office to see if an inspection of the property can be made. Foreclosure is still pending in the NM District Court. Under some circumstances the sale may be canceled. Rural Development will not pay brokers or finders commission for successful bidders.

Terms of Sale: Bid amount to be paid by the end of the day of sale payable to the Public Trustee. Payments must be made in U.S. currency by cashiers check or certified check. All Taxes plus interest due are the responsibility of the Buyer.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

FOR MORE INFO: 575-522-8775, ext 4 or visit www.resales.usda.gov

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

LEGAL NOTICES

Las Cruces Bulletin - your legal publication for Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico

eral obligation school bonds of said District.

Said resolution awards the sale of said bonds to the best bidder therefore; provides for the form of said bonds; fixes the maturities of, and interest rates on said bonds; provides for the levy of taxes to pay the principal of, and interest on said bonds; makes certain covenants to the bond purchasers; and provides other details concerning said bonds. Complete copies of said resolution are available for public inspection during normal and regular business hours at the Las Cruces School District No. 2 Administration Building, Las Cruces, New Mexico. This notice constitutes compliance with NMSA 1978, Section 6-14-6.

DATED this 18th day of August, 2009.

/s/Serena Shoop
Secretary,
Board of Education

Pub #8921
Dates 8/21, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2009-1323
Judge Arrieta

WHITE SANDS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,

vs. **VICTOR M. CARDOZA and MARIA A. CARDOZA, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF CIVIL ACTION PENDING

To: VICTOR M. CARDOZA and MARIA A. CARDOZA

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff, White Sands Federal Credit Union, has filed a Complaint for Debt and Money Due 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.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance or plead herein on or before the 30th day of September 2009, Judgment will be rendered in said cause against you by default.

The Plaintiff's attorney is HOLT BABINGTON MYNATT, P.C. (Annamarie DeLovato), P.O. Box 2699, Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88004. A copy of the Complaint may be requested by calling Annamarie DeLovato at (575) 524-8812. If you file an Answer or any other pleading in this case, you must provide a copy to Plaintiff's attorney at the foregoing address.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, this 11th day of August 2009.
GREGORY TOOMEY
District Court Clerk

By: /s/ Nancy A. Heavner
Deputy

Pub #8922
Dates 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF Doña Ana THIRD JUDICIAL District COURT

Case No. D-0307-CV-200800886

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A, Plaintiff,

v.

ADAM P. BURMA; DIANA J. POGUE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ADAM P. BURMA, IF ANY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DIANA J. POGUE, IF ANY; UNKNOWN MANUFACTURED HOME OWNERS, IF ANY; UNKNOWN MANUFACTURED HOME LIENHOLDERS, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on September 16, 2009 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 Legal Description Attached as Exhibit "A" A tract of land situate northeast of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico located in the N1/2 W1/2 NE1/4 of Section 33, T.21S., R.3E., N.M.P.M of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys and being more particularly described as follows, to wit: Beginning at an iron rod set for the northeast corner of this tract, whence the section corner common to Sections 27, 28, 33 and 34, T.21S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys bears the following two courses and distances: N.0 deg. 19'59"E., a distance of 265.26 feet; Thence N.89 deg. 55'50"E., a distance of 998.98 feet; Thence from the place of beginning S.00 deg. 19'59"N., 132.74 feet to an iron rod set for the southeast corner of this tract; Thence S.89 deg. 57'04"W., 332.75 feet to an iron rod set for the southwest corner of this tract; Thence N.00 deg. 18'11" E., 132.74 feet to an iron rod set for the northwest corner of this tract; Thence N.89 deg. 57'04" E., 332.82 feet to the place of beginning containing 1.0140 acres of land, more or less

And all improvements, including, but not limited to, the manufactured home attached thereto and more particularly described as: 2006 Palm Harbor Homes/ MPP64D7, 28 x 64. The address of the real property is 9668 Dragonfly Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88012. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on May 26, 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 $138,539.79 plus interest from April 20, 2009 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.2500% per annum, costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.

Pamela Carmody
Special Master
c/o Castle Meinhold & Stawiarski
999 18th St., Suite 2201,
Bin 1
Denver, CO 80202
(800) 286-0013
(303) 285-2222

P609504 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 09/11/2009

Pub #8923
Dates 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 9/11, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV 09-1737
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

CHARTER BANK, a federally chartered savings bank, Plaintiff,
vs. **ALAN J. MCFARLAND, ESTATE OF ALAN J. MCFARLAND, DECEASED, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF ALAN J. MCFARLAND, DECEASED, AND JANE DOE (unknown occupant), Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SUIT

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

TO ALAN J. MCFARLAND, ESTATE OF ALAN J. MCFARLAND, DECEASED, AND UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF ALAN J. MCFARLAND, DECEASED

GREETINGS:

ALAN J. MCFARLAND, ESTATE OF ALAN J. MCFARLAND, DECEASED, AND UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF ALAN J. MCFARLAND, DECEASED, you are hereby notified that the above-named plaintiff has filed suit in the above-entitled court and cause against you, the general object of which is to foreclose that certain mortgage dated January 16, 2007, given by Alan J. McFarland to Citizens Bank of Las Cruces to secure a promissory note of even date, said mortgage covering the following described property situate in Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, to-wit: Lot B, NESLER SUBDIVISION, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on Plat No. 3904 thereof filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk of said county on March 22, 2004, and recorded in Book 20, Page 572, Plat Records,

which property is more commonly known as 6280 Payan Road, Las Cruces, New Mexico. Unless you enter your appearance in said court and cause on or before October 1, 2009, judgment will be rendered in said cause against you by default.

VOGEL CAMPBELL & BLUEHER, P.C., whose address is 6100 Uptown Boulevard, N.E., Suite 500, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87110, is attorney for plaintiff.

WITNESS the Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County on August 11, 2009.

GREGORY TOOMEY
DISTRICT COURT CLERK

By: Nancy A. Heavner,
Deputy

SUBMITTED BY:
VOGEL CAMPBELL & BLUEHER, P.C.
6100 UPTOWN BLVD. N.E., SUITE 500
ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87110

Pub #8924
Dates 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA Third JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-CV-200800733

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE STRUCTURED ASSET INVESTMENT LOAN TRUST, 2006-BNC3, Plaintiff,

v.

LOREN STARKS; 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 September 16, 2009 at 10:00 AM, At the front entrance of the Doña Ana County Courthouse 201 W Picacho Ave, 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 59 IN BLOCK 9 OF THE PINES, UNIT 7, 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 DECEMBER 2, 2004 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 21 AT PAGES 48-49, PLAT RECORDS. The address of the real property is 2225 Stone Pine Dr, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on December 22, 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 $116,996.76 plus interest from November 18, 2008 to the date of sale at the rate of 8.725% 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: 8/14/2009

Pamela Carmody
Special Master
c/o Castle Meinhold & Stawiarski
999 18th St., Suite 2201,
Bin 1
Denver, CO 80202
(800) 286-0013
(303) 285-2222

Pub #8925
Dates 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 9/11, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF Doña Ana Third JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-CV-200801388

Wells Fargo Bank, NA, as Trustee for Asset Backed Securities Corporation Home Equity Loan Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2001-HE3, Plaintiff,

v.

PEDRO GARCIA; ESTELLA GARCIA; MERCEDES E. GARCIA NIK/A MERCEDES E. MAESTAS; ALBERT M. SANCHEZ; SARAH GARCIA; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ALBERT M. SANCHEZ, IF ANY; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SARAH GARCIA, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on September 16, 2009 at 10:00:00 AM, outside the front entance of 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 Legal Description attached as Exhibit "A" Lot 4, Block 1, Sunrise Heights, 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 August 14, 1992, recorded in Book 17 at Page 222, of Plat Records The address of the real property is 4070 Windridge Circle, Las Cruces, NM 88012. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on 1/23/2009, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of $135,392.35 plus interest from December 1, 2008 to the date of sale at the rate of 10.7500% 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: 8/17/09

Pamela Carmody
Special Master
c/o Castle Meinhold & Stawiarski
999 18th St., Suite 2201,
Bin 1
Denver, CO 80202
(800) 286-0013
(303) 285-2222

P610240 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 09/11/2009

Pub #8926
Dates 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 9/11, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF Doña Ana Third Judicial District

Case No. D-307-CV-200801239

CitiMortgage, Inc., Plaintiff,

v.

BERNICE CHAVEZ; LANE D. SHERAM; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. (SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER AND LENDER'S SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS); THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BERNICE CHAVEZ, IF ANY; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LANE D. SHERAM, IF ANY, Defendants.

SECOND NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on September 16, 2009 at 10:00:00 AM, outside the front entrance of 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 10, College Place Subdivision, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereot , filed in the Office of the County Clerk of said County on July The address of the real property is 545 Monte Vista Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on December 11, 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 $134,230.76 plus interest from November 6, 2008 to the date of sale at the rate of 9.5250% 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: 08/17/2009

Pamela Carmody
Special Master
c/o Castle Meinhold & Stawiarski
999 18th St., Suite 2201,
Bin 1
Denver, CO 80202
(800) 286-0013
(303) 285-2222

08-0088/Chavez, Bernice
08/21,08/28, 09/04,
09/11/2009 P610244

Pub #8927
Dates 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 9/11, 2009

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

CANUTO MARTOS, Petitioner,

vs

MARIA ESTELLA MARTOS, Respondent.
No. DM-2009-1147
Judge: Driggers

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

TO: MARIA ESTELLA MARTOS,

You are hereby notified that the above named Petitioner has brought suit in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, against you in Cause No. DM-2009-1147, the general object of which is to receive a divorce/dissolution of marriage from you and to obtain an award of Petitioner's separate property and his share of the community property.

You are further notified that unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint on or before 30 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default will be rendered against you in said cause. Petitioner's attorney is James A. Roggow of the law firm of Martin, Lutz, Roggow & Eubanks, P.C., 2110 N. Main Street, P.O. Drawer 1837, Las Cruces, NM 88004-1837; Telephone Number: (575) 526-2449.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 13th day of August, 2009.
GREGORY TOOMEY
DISTRICT COURT CLERK
(Seal) By: /s/ Sylvia A. Evaro
Deputy

Pub #8928
Dates 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 2009

LEGAL NOTICES

Las Cruces Bulletin - your legal publication for Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF Doña Ana Third JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-CV-200801180 US Bank National Association, as Trustee for CSMC Heat 2006-8, Plaintiff,

v.

THE ESTATE OF MONA C. MONSIVAIS, DECEASED; MARCOS MONSIVAIS; ACCREDITED HOME LENDERS INC.; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARCOS MONSIVAIS, IF ANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on September 16, 2009 at 10:00:00 AM, Outside the front entrance of Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho Ave, #A, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State: Lot 17, Los Venados Estates subdivision phase 2, in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said county on January 18, 2006, in book 21 page(s) 490-491 of plat records. The address of the real property is 133 Roe Deer Ct, Las Cruces, NM 88007. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on February 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 $238,764.05 plus interest from August 29, 2008 to the date of sale at the rate of 8.625% 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. Dated: 08/17/2009

Pamela Carmody
Special Master
c/o Castle Meinhold & Stawiarski
999 18th St., Suite 2201,
Bin 1
Denver, CO 80202
(800) 286-0013
(303) 285-2222
P610358 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 09/11/2009

Pub #8929
Dates 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 9/11, 2009

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 20, 2009, Robert C. and Pamela Scarbrough, 733 Kelli Circle, Las Cruces, NM 88007-5219, filed application numbered LRG-14651 POD2 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by abandoning the use of well LRG-14651 POD1 located within the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 1 East NMPM and drilling new well LRG-14651 POD2 to a depth of 220 feet with 7 inch casing to be located on land owned by the applicant within the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 NE 1/4 of said Section 2 at approximately X=1,469,904, Y=487,371 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83), for the continued diversion of 3.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for domestic use at the applicants residence located in Lot 7 of the Sundown Acres Subdivision. LRG-14651 POD1 and proposed well LRG-14651 POD2 are located at the physical address of 733 Kelli Circle, in Las Cruces, NM in Doña Ana County. Old well LRG-14651 POD1 will be properly plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation, or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

Pub #8930
Dates 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA IN THE PROBATE COURT

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LOTTE M. BECKER, DECEASED.

No. 09-0084

NOTICE TO CREDITOR

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative in care of Joseph M. Holmes, P.A., P. O. Box 366, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-0366, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

Dated: August 13, 2009.

Michelle K. Becker-Hapak
Personal Representative
of the Estate of Lotte M. Becker. Deceased

PREPARED & SUBMITTED BY:
JOSEPH M. HOLMES, P.A.
Attorney at Law
P. O. Box 366
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0366
(575) 524-0833
(575) 526-0960 (fax)

Albert Duran
For Joseph M. Holmes
Attorney for the Estate

Pub #8931
Dates 8/21, 8/28, 2009

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA PROBATE COURT

No. 09-0084
Judge Alice M. Salcido

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: T. C. SASSER (a.k.a TIMOTHY CHARLES SASSER), DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date ofthe first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at 2417 W. Champion St., Edinburg, TX 78539 or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located at 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

DATED this 9th day of July, 2009.

LAURA ERLITZ
Personal Representative
2417 W. Champion St.
Edinburg, TX 78539

JOHN E. KEITHLY
Attorney for Personal Representative
Post Office Drawer 1329
Anthony, NM 88021
(575) 882-4500
(575) 882-5000 [FAX]

Pub #8932
Dates 8/21, 8/28, 2009

NOTICE OF AUCTION BY SEALED BID FOR BUSINESS/ AGRICULTURE LEASE OF STATE TRUST LAND

Doña Ana County,
New Mexico
State Land Office BL-1939

A public auction will be held at the time, place, and date stated below in paragraph A. The item to be auctioned is a 45-year lease of the lands described in paragraph B. The most important terms of the lease are summarized in paragraph C, below. If you would like a Bid Packet and copy of Business/Agriculture Lease offered at the sealed bid auction, or if you require any further information, please make your request as described in paragraph D, below. The Commissioner has set a minimum bid of $500.00 for the lease, over and above the first year's base rent, and the other required deposits set out in paragraph E below. Bidders are, of course, encouraged to offer additional bonus amounts over the minimum bid. The Lease will be awarded to the qualified bidder successfully bidding the highest bonus. The Commissioner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to cancel this auction. In the event that the auction is cancelled, interested parties will be notified.

A) Sealed Bid:
Date: October 29, 2009
Time: 4:00 p.m.
Place: New Mexico State Land Office
310 Old Santa Fe Trail,
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

B) Description of the property to be leased: A tract of land located in Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 NW¼NE¼, NE¼NW¼, S½N½, of Section 16, Township 29 South, Range 3 East, N.M.P.M., Doña Ana County, New Mexico, containing 309.80 acres, more or less.

C) Summary of the Lease: The term of this lease shall be for Forty Five (45) years.
The State Land Office has received an application for a long-term lease of the lands proposing to utilize the land occupying, and performing activities with respect to the Land solely for the purpose of site preparation, land conservation, maintaining holding pens, shipping pens, and other equipment necessary for the transporting and care of equine and livestock animals between international borders and for conducting any necessarily related agricultural activities, including but not limited to grazing livestock, stewardship and management of the Land.

D) Rental Rate: Minimum base rent has been established at Five Hundred and 00/100 dollars ($500.00) to be due on or before the effective date for the first (1st) year; second (2nd) year and third (3rd) year of the lease, during the site preparation and land conservation period. The fourth (4th) year base rent will be $3,098.00. Rent thereafter shall be adjusted by two percent (2%) every five (5) years as set out in Exhibit "A", attached to and incorporated into lease shell

E) Bidder Qualifications. In order to qualify as a bidder, interested parties must (a) comply with the applicable lease auction requirements, (b) furnish a site plan for the use of the land under the terms of the base lease; (c) are creditworthy; (d) are authorized to do business in New Mexico, and, (e) can and will comply with all Lease terms.

Further, prospective bidders must include in their bid a deposit of $20,544.84 in the form of a certified or cashier's check or bank money order, made payable to the Commissioner of Public Lands. This amount represents:

1. Application Fee $ 50.00
2. First year's base rent $500.00
2. Advertising Cost $2,319.84
3. Agriculture Lease Improvements $17,675.00
Total Costs $20,544.84

The deposits of unsuccessful bidders will be refunded.

F) How to Obtain a Copy of the Lease, or Other Information: Please contact: Hilda Baca, Management Analyst, NM State Land Office, 310 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 505-827-5763 or hbaca@slo.state.nm.us .

Disabled individuals who require aid to participate in the long-term business lease sealed bid may call 505-827-5763; or Fax 505-827-6157, and/or TTY (800) 659-8331. Upon request, any relevant documents may be available in alternative formats.

The right to reject any and all bids is expressly reserved and no lease shall become effective unless and until approved in writing by the Commissioner of Public Lands.

Dated in Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 13th day of August, 2009.

Patrick H. Lyons
Commissioner of Public Lands
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Pub #8933
Dates 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23, 2009

Notice of Initiation of the Section 106 Process: AT&T Mobility proposes to construct a 65' stealth flagpole telecommunications tower and associated compound near 3500 Sedona Hills Pkwy, Las Cruces, NM, at Latitude 32° 20' 55" and Longitude -106°44'05.7". The development addresses a 30' radius beyond the proposed development area which includes an approximate proposed 10' x 22' lease area, along with a stealth flag pole and utility easements. AT&T Mobility seeks comments from all interested persons on the impact of the tower on any districts, sites, buildings, structures, or objects significant in American history, architecture, archaeology, engineering or culture, that are listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Specific information about the project, including the historic preservation reviews that AT&T Mobility has conducted pursuant to the rules of the FCC (47 CFR Sections 1.137(4) and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (35 CFR Part 800) can be viewed upon request. All questions, comments and correspondence should be directed to: Micky Nielsen, Compliance Specialist, AT&T Mobility, 1801 Valley View Lane, Farrmers Branch, TX 75234, voice 9727066365, fax 9727066364

Pub #8934
Dates 8/21, 2009

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

The City Council of The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Adoption of The Following Ordinance at The Regular City Council Meeting Held on August 17, 2009:

1. Council Bill No. 10-003; Ordinance No. 2532: An Ordinance Amending the Las Cruces Municipal Code Sections 24-62, 24-91, 24-92, and 24-94 to Increase Contract Award Participation by Local Business or Manufacturing Entities for Needed Goods, Services and Construction.

Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk. Witness My Hand and Seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 18th day of August, 2009.

Esther Martinez, CMC
City Clerk

Pub #8935
Dates 8/21, 2009

PUBLICATION NOTICE

The Doña Ana County Labor Management Relations Board will hold a public hearing on August 31, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. to consider the county's petition for unit clarification within its CWA union. The public hearing will be held in the County Commission Chambers, located at Doña Ana County Government Center 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, NM. ADA Access Note: Should you require special accommodations as a result of a disability, please contact the County ADA Compliance Coordinator at 525-5884 (voice), 525-5591 (TTY), or 1-877-827-7200 (toll free), or write to 845 N. Motel Blvd Suite 2-190, Las Cruces, NM 88007.

A Copy of the Petition may be viewed at: The Office of the County Clerk, Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, NM during regular business hours, commencing with the date of publication and continuing through the date of public hearing. A copy may also be obtained, upon payment of .50 cents per page fee.

Pub #8936
Dates 8/21, 2009

City of Las Cruces®

PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE

INVITATION
B/P/RFQ (BID/PROPOSAL/REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION)

Description	Number	Pre-Bid/ Pre-Proposal Meeting	Opening
Rotary Gas Meters Price Agreement www.las-cruces.org/ financial_srvs/Purchasing/bids/ downloads/P09-10-160/	BID #09-10-160	none	September 3, 2009 11:00 a.m.
Entrada del Sol Gateway www.las-cruces.org/ financial_srvs/Purchasing/construction_bids/ downloads/ B09-10-330/	BID #09-10-330	August 25, 2009 11:00 a.m.	September 10, 2009 11:00 a.m.
Professional Landscape Architectural Design Services www.las-cruces.org/ financial_srvs/Purchasing/ bids/downloads/ P09-10-333/	RFP #09-10-333	September 3, 2009 10:00 a.m.	September 16, 2009 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.

Pub #8937
Dates 8/21, 2009

Service Directory

Alterations

CUSTOM SEWING
Mending, patches, jeans hemmed, replace zips; shorten jackets, sleeves, and pants.
MOONBOW, 741 N. Alameda #5. 527-1411

Caregiver

CNA, 18 years experience, looking for clients who are in need of assistance. Top quality caregiving.
Contact 312-1714

PATIENT, HONEST, AND PROFESSIONAL CAREGIVER.
Lots of local references. I am looking for night-time or weekend work. (Rate given at interview.)
496-4781

CAREGIVER AND PERSONAL ASSISTANT.
17 years of experience. Excellent references.
Call 575-915-2612

Massage Therapy

MASSAGE THERAPY TRAINING INSTITUTE
Enrolling now for full-time and half-time day and night classes. Hour long student massage $25. Clinic always open. 2701 W. Picacho Ave., Ste. 4
www.mtti.org or call 523-6811

BODY CARE SCHOOL OF HEALING ARTS, NM #037
Now enrolling for full-time evening spring program.
SPECIALIZING IN MEDICAL MASSAGE.
www.bodycareschooloftthehealingarts.com
575-649-4535 · 575-647-9456
See our ad in vidalascruces.com.

Reach more than 50,000 readers each week with your Service Directory ad in the Bulletin.
To Advertise Call 524-8061

THE LAS CRUCES BULLETIN CLASSIFIEDS

LOST & FOUND

LOST PET? Check first at the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley at 3551 Bataan Memorial West (Sonoma Ranch exit off of Hwy. 70 East) for your furry friend. Need a furry friend? Come see us to adopt - there are many great animals that need a loving family! Open 7 days a week. 382-0018

Lost 8/10/08 off Parkhill/ Pyramid Del Rey area. **Small Chihuahua,** light brown with with stripe down forehead, around nose and wraps around belly. Paws and end of tail are white. REWARD $500+ Call 649-7194

SPECIAL NOTICES

Drop off your frayed or worn out American flags to Ray McCorkle at the VFW Post 3242, 2001 N. Mesquite for proper disposal. Post is open weekdays at 4 p.m., Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays at noon.

HELP WANTED

Big Chair Café & Bakery – looking for a waitress. Need experience. 2701 W. Picacho, 575-527-0098. Stop by after 2 p.m.

Part-time salesperson. Must be available Monday – Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Experienced preferred. Austin Jewelers, 230 E. Idaho.

Immediate opening for part-time Insurance/ Billing Clerk. Experience preferred. Bring resume to 2100 S. Triviz, Ste H, Las Cruces or fax to 575-532-9019.

The City of Las Cruces has an opening for a

Wastewater Plant Maintenance and Operations Worker
Full-Time, Regular
Pay Range: $12.87-$21.20 per hour
Closing Date: 8/24/2009

Operations Manager-Utilities Administrative Services
Full-Time, Regular
Salary Range: $51,061.20-$76,591.80
Closing Date: 8/31/2009

Equipment Operator-Solid Waste Landfill
Full-Time, Regular
Pay Range: $13.19-$21.73 per hour
Closing Date: 8/24/2009

For more information on these and other current listings, please call the Job Line at 528-3032; or visit our website at www.las-cruces.org

For those that wish to apply, computer kiosks are available at the City of Las Cruces Human Resources Department, 575 S. Alameda, Rm. 136, Monday thru Friday from 7:30am to 5:00pm.

"An Equal Opportunity Employer"

The Housing Authority of the City of Las Cruces is accepting applications for a MAINTENANCE MECHANIC A / PLUMBER. Duties include repairing, maintaining, and performing repairs to structures and equipment. Requirements: high school diploma/GED, three years' related experience, NM Journeyman Plumber License, working knowledge of maintenance crafts and trades, and valid NM Driver's License. Bilingual preferred. On-call work required. Starting salary is $14.35/hour plus benefits. **Application packages are available** at 926 S. San Pedro. A complete application requires a letter of interest, resume, and HACLC application. Deadline for submission is 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 2, 2009 at 4 p.m. Selected applicants must successfully complete a pre-employment screening. The HACLC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

STEREOS, TV'S, VIDEO

We carry a selection of used stereo speakers, EQs, turners, turntables, small color TVs cassette, reel and CDs at Mountain Music. 824 S. Solano 523-0603.

DRIVERS NEEDED

Drivers-CDL, Sign-up Bonus! FT/PT 3 yrs. Exp. 1yr Motor Coach/Bus. Training Provided. 915-751-4220 benji@allaboardamerica.com

GARAGE, YARD & ESTATE SALE

Saturday, Aug. 22, 8 a.m. to noon. Children's clothing and toys, adult clothes, misc. CASH only. 1345 Kilmer

HAVING A YARD SALE? Have your left over items picked up by calling 524-1395. Good Start Industries, 420 S. Valley Drive

HEALTH & FITNESS

A public service message from The Las Cruces Bulletin and the Federal Trade Commission. Tips for Consumers: Trying to lose weight? Many claims for diet products and programs that promise easy weight loss are false. To lose weight, eat healthy food and exercise.

PETS

Weimaraner puppies, registered. Born 6/18/09. First shots. $450. Call 575-521-8635

Report Animal neglect, abuse and fighting confidentially. 382-9462

Five month old kittens. Orange stripe tabby and white and black patch. Need loving, permanent homes. 312-3324 or 674-1486

German shepherds, 7 weeks. Father AKC. Parents on premises. First shots. Las Cruces. $200. Call 575-524-6953 or 575-365-2595

FARM PRODUCTS

TATREAULT VINEYARD – Grapes ripe, U-pick, 25 cents per lb., daylight hours daily, 547 S. Fairacres., daytime 524-4067

CONDO FOR RENT

Furnished condo – ready today. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, washer & dryer, dishes, sheets, towels, cookware, silverware. Pool, exercise room. All the amenities. One year lease. $1300/ month. Call 644-0097

HOUSE FOR RENT

4 Bedroom 2 Bath $89,000 or Pay $710/mo! Priced to Sell! 5% dn, 15 yrs @ 8%. For Listings 800-613-8698 ext. T364

3bd. 2 ba. only $505/mo! 4bd. 2 ba. Only $660/mo! Affordable HUD Homes! 5% dn, 15 yrs @ 8%. For listings 800-613-8698 ext. T487

RENTALS
2-Bedroom
3-Bedroom
4-Bedroom
Various Locations!
Noble Enterprises
525-3079
www.noblelc.com

COMMERCIAL SPACE FOR RENT

STUDIO RENTAL - Perfect for the Arts, classes, meetings, instructors with clients and home based business presentations. 140-A Wyatt Dr., Las Cruces. 575-526-9509

MOBILE HOME FOR SALE

Tips for Consumers: A public service message from The Las Cruces Bulletin and the Federal Trade Commission. Buying a Mobile Home? Check on warranty coverage from the manufacturer, retailer, transporter, and installer before you buy.

A-1 HOMES CLEARANCE SALE!! New Homes at USED HOME PRICES, Save $10,000, Get $8,000 Cash Back; New Homes From $27,500, Only $1700 Down; GOVERNMENT Loans, CALL NOW 1-877-294-6803, D01157

LAND FOR SALE

TEXAS Land - 0 – Down! 20 acre ranches, near El Paso. Beautiful mountain views. Road access. Surveyed. $15,900. $159/month. Money Back Guarantee. Owner Financing. 800-843-7537 www.sunsetranches.com

MORTGAGEE SHORT SALE 40 ac - $24,900. Under 2 hours – Albuquerque. Beautiful 40 acres in Cibola National Forest area selling below mortgagee balance and well below sales price. Only one available. Gorgeous land and views, beautiful topography call NMLR 1-866-979-6220

BIG DADDYS Flea Market
Open Sat. & Sun.
5580 Bataan Mem. East (Hwy 70E)
575-382-9404

Earn $25-$50 or more!
for a few hours one night a week

The Las Cruces Bulletin is now looking for a dependable delivery person to deliver our weekly newspaper to Las Cruces homes.

Paid weekly
No collecting
Must have dependable transportation and insurance.
To set up an interview or for information on specific routes currently available please call Steven at **524-8061**

THE LAS CRUCES **Bulletin**
Your hometown newspaper

DOÑA ANA COUNTY
Come join our team

DETENTION OFFICER TRAINEE
Starting Rate: $11.01 per hour

DETENTION SERGEANT
Starting Rate: $16.28 per hour

P.E.R.A. Retirement
Medical, Dental, Vision, Life
Short/long Term Disability Insurance
Vacation & Sick Leave
Educational Assistance
Holiday Pay

Apply at 845 N. Motel Blvd,
Las Cruces NM 88007
(575)525-5881 or
Toll Free 1-877-827-7200
Fax (575)525-5888

Application and job announcement on website:
www.donaanacounty.org/hr

An Equal Opportunity Employer

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Mountain Music
824 S. Solano/Arizona • 523-0603
Huge Moving Sale! • Great Prices
Used School Band Instruments

Several Clarinets w/Cases	$100 ea.
Yamaha Flute	$250
Bundy Alto Sax w/Case	$400
Comm Alto Sax w/Case	$250
Gemeinhardt Flute w/Case	$225
Olds Trumpet w/Case	$200
Ashdown Bass Envelope Filter Pedal	$100
Hammond L-112 Organ	$400
Crate 4x10 Bass Cabinet	$250
Peavey Mark 3 Bass Amp Head	$175
Acoustic Guitar Hard Shell Cases	$75
Fender 1977 Champ Amp	$275
Rocktron 100-Watt 1x15 Bass Amp	$315
Handmade Sheeks Van Halen Guitar	$460
Unique Jaguar Style Guitar	$300
Silver Peace Drum Set, Sale Price	$550
Used Mapex Drum Set	$500
Broken Roland D-20 D-50 Keyboards	$50 ea.
One Pyle 1x15 Sub Speaker Cabinet	$150

New and Used Instruments
Guitars, Amps, Drums: ALL ON SALE
2 for 1 String Sets Everyday!
Large Selection of Records, LPs
New & Used! • Buy • Sell • Electronic Repairs • Guitar Repair • Trade Ins • Consignments • 1-800-925-0603

Our job is building
relationships.
Now, yours can be too.

NOW HIRING
CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

At Convergys, we've become an innovative global leader by perfecting the art of relationship management. We are looking to build a solid team of experienced customer service professionals to work in our contact center located in LAS CRUCES, NM.

We offer excellent benefits, a competitive salary, training, and a friendly team-oriented environment.

Apply Online!
www.convergys.com/careers
(Enter Requisition ID 20267)

Apply in Person!
Walk-ins Welcomed!
4201 Del Rey Blvd
Las Cruces, NM 88012
(Near the Mesilla Valley Hospital)

Call Us!
575-382-4721

relationship management

CONVERGYS

Convergys is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

PROFILE

Rick Stoes:

Local broker brings national market to Las Cruces

Stoes a facilitator for retailers, representative for southern NM

By Gabriel Vasquez
The Las Cruces Bulletin

As a fourth generation Las Crucen, Rick Stoes was prepared to take more risks than his family ever had before.

Born with a passion for the fast life – fast motorcycles, fast money, fast thinking – Stoes bought his first commercial property and started a business in his early 20s.

"I started the first Computer Aided Drafting business in southern New Mexico," Stoes said. "I was working with builders, working on commercial projects and designing. From there, I decided to become a builder."

> "You never know where you're going to be on any given day, that's what I like."
>
> RICK STOES, Grubb & Ellis

Stoes, now qualifying broker for the New Mexico division of Grubb & Ellis, one of the largest real estate services and investment companies in the world, first earned a commercial contractor license and then transitioned into brokerage.

"It was very hard at first," Stoes said. "I was young, didn't know a lot of people. I learned a lot through trial and error. But it worked."

Stoes founded Venture Real Estate & Development Corp. in 1998, and since, has been serving retail communities in southern New Mexico and west Texas.

"We are fortunate here," he continued. "In Cruces, we haven't seen all the 'go-dark' businesses. El Paso hasn't seen them either. But we are a bit stagnant."

To counter the slow commercial real estate market – mostly retail, Stoes said – Stoes has had to diversify.

"Everything has just gone a little slower this year," he said. "So we've had to expand our reach a little further, like bringing Wal-Mart to Truth or Consequences. We've had to stretch out pretty hard."

Stoes also has represented such national retailers as Home Depot, Sonic, Smith's Food & Drug, Kinko's, Hollywood Video and Subway, helping bring several of those businesses to Las Cruces.

His specialties range from retail tenant and landlord representation to site selection and built-to-suit facilitations.

He said he's hopeful two of his developing contracts will be successful – one for a tenant in the former Bountiful Baking Co. space at 3050 E. Lohman Ave., and another for an undeveloped commercial lot on Telshor Boulevard.

"But they're not quite done yet," he said.

Adding to his growing portfolio and experience, Stoes has recently opened an office in El Paso, managing properties for sale and lease such as the Burlington Coat Factory space on Yarbrough Drive and a former Dairy Queen on Alameda Avenue.

"I go back and forth a lot now," he said. "Sure, it's hectic, but I go where my business takes me. You never know where you're going to be on any given day, that's what I like. This year, it's been especially crazy for everybody (in commercial real estate)."

Stoes said his favorite part of the job is site selection, driving to and fro around southern New Mexico and west Texas looking for the perfect opportunity.

The signs now are pointing toward an economic recovery that shows promise for commercial real estate, he said.

"Banking money is very hard to get today so you've got to work really heard to seek out alternative financing," he said. "And retailers have bunkered down. The ones that aren't in financial trouble are still not expanding because they want to see what the market is going to do. Everybody's very cautious. Just lately, though, people are starting to loosen up. I've seen some great activity. We're actually seeing more activity at our office now than we have seen all year."

Despite the upturn, Stoes said he predicts "a pretty rough Christmas for everybody," and that retailers are still "a bit gun-shy with their cash."

He credits Bob Feinberg, senior vice president/principal of Grubb & Ellis New Mexico, for much of his success, calling him a mentor and lifelong business partner.

"He helped me get my foot in the door," Stoes said. "The guy knows everybody."

Aside from work, Stoes is helping lead the effort to revitalize Downtown, serving on the economics committee for the Downtown Partnership and as a member of the Amador Museum Foundation. His great grandfather owned the former Las Cruces Furniture store, "once the largest commercial space on the plaza," Stoes said.

"Revitalizing Downtown is a great idea," Stoes said. "We've officed in Downtown since 1998, including the Armijo House for almost 10 years. It's going to be nice to walk around, eat at local restaurants and enjoy the plaza. I plan to stay down here."

Stoes also has long been involved with the La Mesa Lions Club, as past president and chairman of the Doña Ana County Council of Lions.

"The Lions Clubs is incredibly important to me," he said.

And when he's not on a journey to find the perfect commercial property for one his clients, Stoes is bungee jumping, scuba diving – possibly somewhere in the Caribbean – or laying poolside at a hotel in Vegas.

"What can I say, I travel as much as I can," he said. "I've jumped the Royal Gorge (in Colorado), gone on a bungee jumping tour of New Zealand and I love Jamaica. I hit Jamaica three to four times a year if I can."

Be careful talking ball around Stoes, though.

"I'm a huge Phillies fan," he said. "I know a lot of the guys down here don't like that, but I am. It was a good year for us last year but we're looking for better this year."

Rick Stoes

Qualifying broker, Grubb & Ellis New Mexico
Managing director, Las Cruces office

Family
- Brother Shane Umphress

Education
- New Mexico State University
- Phoenix Institute of Technology & Architecture
- Licensed New Mexico Broker
- Licensed New Mexico Commercial Contractor

Organizations
- National Association of Realtors
- Commercial Association of Realtors New Mexico
- New Mexico Leasing Information Network
- National Association of Industrial and Office Parks
- International Council of Shopping Centers
- Realtors Association of New Mexico
- Las Cruces Downtown Revitalization
- Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce
- Farm Bureau
- La Mesa Lions

Awards
- Melvin Jones Award, La Mesa Lions
- Fifth Producing Retail Broker, 2007, Grubb & Ellis

Portfolio in brief

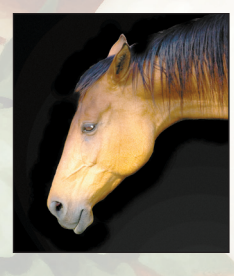
Stoes has represented:
- Home Depot
- Sonic
- Smith's Food & Drug
- Hollywood Video
- Subway
- Walgreens Drug Stores

Stoes' current projects:
- Leasing the former Bountiful Baking Co. space, 3050 E. Lohman Ave.
- Leasing commercial property on Telshor Boulevard

THE LAS CRUCES
Bulletin
FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2009
SECTION C

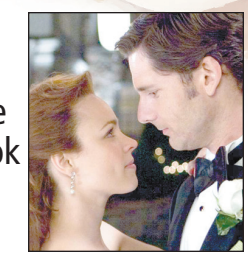
MainStreet Salsa Fest!

Come enjoy everything salsa related Downtown Saturday, Aug. 29



The photographic spin of Tom Green
Page C10

At the Mesilla Valley Hospice Men Who Cook
Page C14



Take a trip with McAdams, Bana in 'The Time Traveler's Wife'
Page C22

Got a hankering for some spice?

New MainStreet SalsaFest brings chile lovers back to Downtown

By Beth Sitzler
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Crucens in search of a savory delight are in for a treat next weekend during the first ever MainStreet SalsaFest held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 29, from Griggs to Las Cruces avenues on the Downtown Mall.

The SalsaFest, presented by the Downtown Las Cruces Partnership, will feature everything salsa related – from salsa dancing and music to salsa making and tasting.

"There are a lot of chile and salsa festivals held throughout the United States," said event coordinator David Edwards. "We thought it was a great way to bring interest and life back to Downtown. We're hoping it will be an annual thing."

Inspired by a similar event held in Albuquerque, Edwards said a salsa festival was perfectly suited for the area because of its deep roots in chile and salsa.

During the event, salsa – which is the No. 1 condiment used in the U.S. – will be made onsite by competitors striving to earn the title of the best.

"There's some dynamite salsa being made in peoples' homes," Edwards said.

"We're hoping to bring those people out of the kitchen right on to Main Street," said Cindi Fargo, executive director of the partnership. "We set up the event to showcase two categories – restaurants and home salsa makers."

About 30 salsamakers will compete in the two categories, including nonprofit organizations, which will be in the "From My Kitchen (de Mi Cocina)" section for homemade salsas. Winners in this category will be awarded a cash prize of $500 for first place, $250 for second and $100 for third.

The winning restaurant will receive a traveling trophy and bragging rights.

A Mayor's Choice award will be give to the overall winner. The winner of the peoples' choice will have their salsa bottled and sold.

Local artist Rosario Jeremias created the one-of-a-kind trophies. The traveling restaurant trophy is a bowl filled with salsa ingredients, while the Mayor's Choice trophy is a stack of chile peppers.

Along with the competition, vendors will also be on hand selling and offering samples of their products on chips provided by Andele.

The salsa-making competition and salsa tasting aren't the only events that will take place during the Saturday event. Along with a performance by Dance Universe, local Latin jazz band Ritmo Caluroso will play on the main stage, during which salsa dancing and lessons will be given.

Children ages 5 to 12 created salsa related artwork during the city's summer recreation project to celebrate the upcoming MainStreet SalsaFest.

In addition to the main stage festivities, the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Downtown Mall, will host entertainment including a performance by the Pan American Dance Institute, among others. Twenty-five pieces of artwork, created by children ages 5 to 12 during the city's summer recreation project, will be displayed in the theater. The pieces were designed to celebrate salsa and its staple ingredient – chile.

"We're always looking to engage children," Fargo said. "They're the future of Downtown."

Designed to bring Las Crucens back to the Downtown area, which is being revitalized, the SalsaFest has already created a stir within the community, Fargo said.

"We're really glad everyone is excited about it in its first year," she said. "We want this to be an annual event and become part of the celebration calendar in Las Cruces."

Fargo added that she hopes the SalsaFest will create more street life Downtown by connecting to the community culturally.

"We see the festival being as big as the Whole Enchilada Festival and the Albuquerque salsa fest," she said.

Edwards said they have plenty of plans for future SalsaFests, including setting up a Downtown partnership booth to help encourage community members to create and consume locally grown produce, as well as promote recycling.

"We're going green at the same time we're going green and red," he joked.

Fargo said everyone should attend this family-fun event and enjoy locally made treats. Food and beverage vendors will be on hand as well.

Tasters who want to cast a ballot must purchase a wristband for $3 to participate in the voting.

I have full coverage. I'm covered, right?

Robert L. Lovett
Attorney at Law

Wrong. As an auto accident attorney practicing for 15 years, I hear a lot of clients that say they're not worried because they have "full coverage." Full coverage is in no way full enough to cover you for personal injuries. This type of coverage means you have liability and collision coverage. Liability pays someone else if you cause an accident. It doesn't cover you. Collision coverage covers your car itself. This means if you're in an accident, collision coverage will pay to fix or replace your car. Full coverage does not cover your personal injury claim. So what kind of insurance should you have to make sure you really are fully covered?

Uninsured motorist. A recent study stated that 1 out of every 4 motorists in New Mexico get behind the wheel without insurance. New Mexico has the dubious distinction of leading the nation in the number of uninsured motorists. Uninsured motorist coverage provides protection for your medical bills, lost wages, and pain and suffering should a driver cause an accident and he's one of the four that doesn't have insurance. Uninsured motorist may also cover you even if the other driver has insurance, but doesn't have enough insurance to fully cover your losses.

It's scary enough to be in an auto accident. It's worse to be not covered for that accident. Please feel free to give me a call anytime to discuss your personal injury claim.

Rob Lovett

LOVETT LAW FIRM
Aggressive and Efficient... You're Gonna Lovett

1135 N Solano • Las Cruces, NM 88001
575.523.5555 • LovettLawFirm.com

Mesilla welcomes newest gallery

Los Artesanos owned and operated by four local artists

By Beth Sitzler
The Las Cruces Bulletin

ArtsHop visitors will have a new destination on Friday, Sept. 11, thanks to local artists Latana Bernier, Greta Burger, Ramon Escalante and Rudy Lucero.

The four artists are now the proud owners of Mesilla's newest gallery, Los Artesanos Art Gallery, located in the historic Old Tortilla Factory at 1910 Calle de Parian. While the artists knew each other from the art community, they were brought together by a local fundraiser.

Jan Escalante, wife of Ramon Escalante, said the artists, along with 13 others, participated in the Relay For Life Benefit art shop, held at the factory June 5 and 6.

"It was Sunday morning and we came in to clean up," Burger said. "We thought it was such a great room, it was great for displaying art ... we started talking about going in together."

As a high-end gallery, the quartet said Mesilla seemed like the perfect location for their new venture because the historic district draws many visitors.

"It seemed karmic," Burger said. "We looked at other locations and this one always came out on top."

Ramon Escalante and Lucero said the gallery is different because it is owned and operated by the artists, allowing for the artist who created the displayed work to be present to discuss his or her art.

Another aspect of the gallery that sets it apart is the variety of work and media that will be on display.

"You don't see this stuff in other galleries," Lucero said. "Each piece is one-of-a-kind."

Lucero specializes in pottery, creating decorative and functional pieces of art. He said he uses several unique firing techniques including Raku, saggar, copper matt and horse hair.

Ramon Escalante creates wood and leather engravings that are authentic Southwestern and Native American designs. He also creates sculptures from river stone and metal in the form of animals and figures to represent various Native American societies.

Bernier, who moved to the area from Charlottesville, Va., a little over a year ago, creates sculptures from gourds. Along with carving, she also incorporates other media into her work, such as paint, wood burning and inlay.

Burger's eclectic pieces of fused glass use both warm and cold glass techniques. By layering her glass she can create flat or 3-D pieces. She also combines copper in her work. As the only owner who isn't retired, she said she welcomes the new responsibilities the gallery will bring.

"It's a challenge, but its a lot of fun and these are fun people," she said.

The group said they will also exhibit other artists' work at the gallery. The first non-owner artist showing is photographer Elaine Frink.

In addition to the gallery, they are putting together a museum in the factory's halls to display historic items associated with the building and the families that owned it.

"It seems like since it's so historic it would be ridiculous not to," Jan Escalante said of the museum.

Though they were introduced to the art community on Saturday, Aug. 15, and will participate in the September ArtsHop, the gallery's owners still plan on holding a grand opening celebration in the near future.

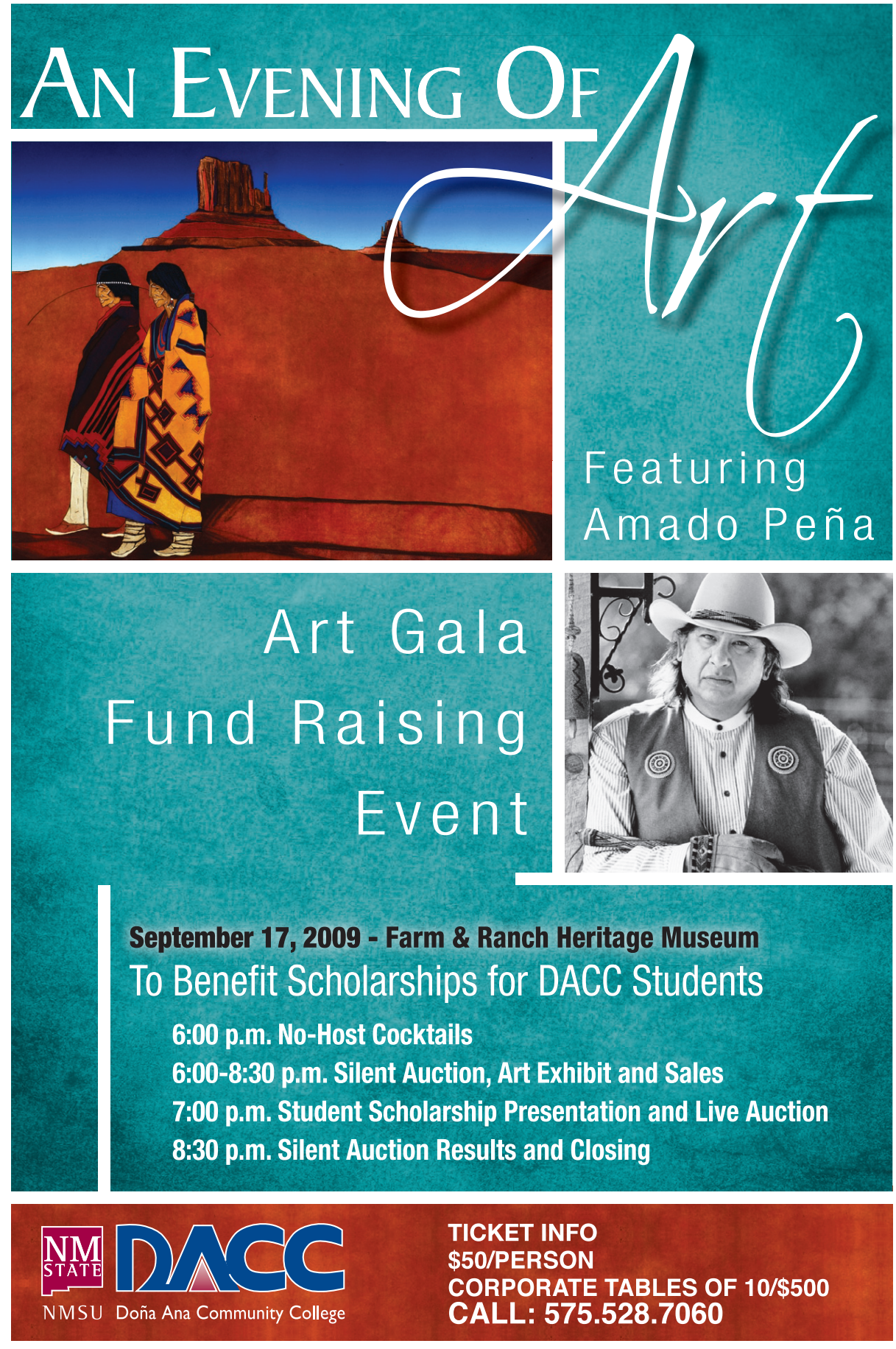
BETH SITZLER | The Las Cruces Bulletin

Wood carving by Ramon Escalante

Local artists Rudy Lucero, Greta Burger, Ramon Escalante and Latana Bernier opened the doors to their new gallery, Los Artesanos Art Gallery, in the historic Old Tortilla Factory in Mesilla on Saturday, Aug. 15.

Glass art by Greta Burger

BETH SITZLER
The Las Cruces Bulletin



SumArtFest celebration to emphasize collaboration

Area artists, students 'Engaging in Education'

By Jenna Frosch
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Born of an idea to bring together area artists, students and educators in a collaborative environment, SumArtFest will take place Friday to Sunday, Aug. 21 to 23, at Mikey's Place, 3100 Harrelson St., in Mesilla Park.

Coordinators and New Mexico State University students Daniel Aguilar and Chris Bardey met while planning "Art of Democracy," an art show held at In Effect Gallery. During that time, the two discovered a shared passion for art in public schools and began planning an event that would bring the two together.

"Having worked in the public school system for six years, and with local art groups, our main focus is bringing together local artists and students to invoke deeper thought about various subjects," says Aguilar. "Students are exposed to so much commercial art through the media, and they need to have examples for creating art of their own that will be a more expressive representation of themselves."

The SumArtFest theme is "Engaging in Education." Each day, there will be artists on hand to answer questions and offer demonstrations, as well as sell their artwork.

The events are free and open to the public, with the exception of the Saturday night band performances, which will be $5 at the door.

Each day, there will be food served and various demonstrations, courtesy of the event sponsors, including the Preston Contemporary Art Center, Concilio CDS Inc., the Shed Restaurant, Artsy Fartsy Metal Works, Mountain View Market, COAS Booksellers, the NMSU Center for the Arts and other private donors.

The three-day festival will feature more than 20 visual artists, numerous educational workshops, spoken word and open mic events, dance and performance art and music by various Las Cruces bands. A raffle for prizes will end at 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23.

Mikey's Place is an 8,000-square-foot warehouse dedicated to nurturing the arts in New Mexico, including a dance studio, as well as a 2,700-square-foot workshop for events and activities.

"This has really been a community-wide effort to engage the artistic community and educators," Aguilar says. "This is a great way to raise awareness and enlighten students about what art is and what possibilities lie in art."

Untitled print by Daniel Aguilera

SumArtFest schedule

"JustSumArtists"
Friday, Aug. 21
3 to 7 p.m. – Open mic, muralists working-in-progress and plenty of art on display and for sale.

"SumArtisticLessons"
Saturday, Aug. 22
10 a.m. to 10 p.m. – Light breakfast and coffee, art presentations and workshops, open mic and Nuevo Sol, Alister M and other guest bands to perform at 7 p.m. ($5 at the door)

Open house
Sunday, Aug. 23
10 a.m. to noon – Free massages provided by Veronica Hernandez
Noon to 1 p.m. – Brunch provided by Alma d'Arte
1 p.m. to 6 p.m. – Continued art presentations and workshops

Temporary installation educates about regeneration

New Mexico Arts T.I.M.E. project comes to Las Cruces

New Mexico Arts, a division of the Department of Cultural Affairs, the City of Las Cruces Museums and the Doña Ana Arts Council, present "Temporary Installations Made for the Environment (T.I.M.E.)," for the first time in Las Cruces starting Friday, Sept. 11, in conjunction with ArtsHop.

Six regional artists created unique and interactive artworks based on this year's theme of regeneration. These artworks are exhibited at galleries and museums throughout Las Cruces.

This year's participating artists are Susannah Mira, Glenn Schwaiger, Joe Barrington, Tasha Cooper, Mary Lucking and Pete Goldlust and James Wissing. The exhibition runs through Wednesday, Oct. 4.

Built from discarded textiles and tubing, "All in Knots" by Mira showing at the Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road, is a playful monument to recycling and re-use. Even the materials in the piece will be reused for subsequent artworks. The knot is a symbol of community, interconnected actions and the west.

"Meltdown" by Schwaiger at the Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St., is a unique piece that consists of a pyramid of solid ice surrounded by an earthen damn. As the ice melts it will fill the moat, reminding us of the perils of global warming, such as our rising oceans.

The "Ouroboros," by Barrington at the Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St., is an ancient image, found in many cultures, of a serpent in a circle eating its own tail. The sculpture, which rotates like the earth on an axis, is made of discarded tires and salvaged steel.

A kinetic sculpture, with the use of a wind turbine, "Symbiotic" by Cooper at the Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St., generates the electricity required to light an integrated fluorescent lamp. The blades of the turbine are shaped like human hands and the sculpture also incorporates parts from motor vehicles.

"Rag Riparian," by Lucking and Goldlust at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Downtown Mall, is an architectural installation composed of colorful, soft-sculptures, woven together from worn-out clothing. Together the garments take on new, whimsical lives in plant, animal and human forms.

"Tiny Driller" by Joe Barrington

James Wissing embraces the idea of transformation in "Growth," at the Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St. The large hand sculpture with small branches sprouting from each fingertip continues to grow while on display. The sculpture is self-watering and made with recycled and recyclable materials.

The T.I.M.E. project was inspired by the emerging public art trend to engage artists interested in creating more spontaneous and immediate artworks with short life spans.

At the end of the exhibition, the work will be disassembled and removed, leaving no trace of ever having existed.

Embroidery T-N-T

Looking to ignite your imagination?
Join us for a day filled with **Embroidery T-n-T**. Whether you are experienced or new to machine embroidery, the **Tips-n-Techniques** featured during our embroidery extravaganza will blow you away. You'll take home a CD with the designs needed to create the featured projects, instructions for the projects and video clips of selected techniques.
Don't miss this opportunity to explore machine embroidery like never before!

More than just another event!
To register and reserve your event date contact **575-523-2000**
Registration Deadline: 8-15-09

Thursday, August 27 in El Paso
OR
Saturday, August 29 in Las Cruces
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Locations:
Wyndham Hotel, El Paso, TX (Thurs.)
Ramada Palms, Las Cruces, NM (Sat.)

$35 per person or 2 people for $50

Seating Limited
Lunch Provided
Door Prizes

No matter what machine you own, you will love these **Tips-n-Techniques**

Sponsored by BERNINA SEWING & DESIGN CENTER

At the UUM antique, collectable, arts and crafts sale

Vicki and Richard Berry buy Angel Pins at the University United Methodist Church youth group table during the church's antique, collectable, arts and crafts sale Saturday, Aug. 15.

PHOTOS BY STEVE MACINTYRE

Gloria Cronin stands behind her table as she sells handmade flower pots, hats and purses at the event held by the church's women's group.

Ann Velia and Shirley Eshom chat at Eshom's table where she was selling recycled dolls she calls "Rescued Orphans."

Trudi Barkes browses through books at Sweet Old Bob's antiques table.

Oktoberfest in the Southwest

This German holiday comes to Holloman in September

Officials with the German Air Force and the 49th Fighter Wing are preparing for the 13th annual Oktoberfest from 3 to 11:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, at the GAF Maintenance Hangar.

Tickets for the event, which is open to the public, are $12 and can be purchased off base at all Otero Federal Credit Unions and the Chamber of Commerce. On base purchases are available at the community center, outdoor recreation and the German Air Force headquarters building, Room 2231. Individuals will have the opportunity to purchase tickets the day of the event at the Holloman front gate for $15.

Included in the price of admission is a beer stein and first filling, in addition to bus shuttle service to and from Holloman.

The event will include original and authentic German food such as bratwurst, schnitzel, potato salad, red cabbage, giant pretzel and cheese, soft drinks and Oktoberfest beer. This year's band is Die Lustigen Eyachtaler and will feature polkas, blasmusik, oldies, swing and modern hits.

Shuttle service will be provided with stops at several locations. For a complete list, visit www.holloman.af.mil. Three routes will run in order to accommodate everyone wishing to attend.

Individuals who do not possess a military or dependent ID must take the bus to get on base. Tickets and a form of identification are required for entry.

The history of Oktoberfest in Germany began with the Royal Wedding on Oct. 12, 1810. Crown Prince Ludwig, later to become King Ludwig I, was married to Princess Therese of Saxony-Hildburghausen. The citizens of Munich were invited to attend the festivities held on the fields in front of the city gates to celebrate the happy royal event.

The fields were renamed "Theresienwiese" ("Theresa's Fields") to honor the Crown Princess.

Horse races in the presence of the royal family marked the close of the event that was celebrated as a festival for Bavaria. The decision to repeat the horse races in subsequent years gave rise to the tradition of Oktoberfest.

Today, the German version of Oktoberfest is the biggest fair in the world and is known worldwide. What's special and attractive about the Oktoberfest is its ability to combine a celebration for the locals and an international mega-event, a combination of traditions and high-tech, new ideas and influences. And why does Oktoberfest start in September?

Well, it does finish in October, but due to the cool weather in Germany, the organizers decided it would be better to start it on the third weekend in September.

For more information, contact GAF public affairs at 572-2612.

Every Other Tuesday
FREE
Sue & Paul Smith
Musical Duo
Tuesday, August 25
5:30 pm
At the Rio Grande Theatre
PERFORMING THE WORK OF ARTS
www.Las-Cruces-Arts.org
Call 523-6403
for more information
RIO GRANDE THEATRE

Your Roof Can Last A Lifetime
Protect your roof and home with the most advanced system in solar reflective roofing technology and beat Southern New Mexico's extreme seasonal changes and harsh UV rays.
Our solar reflective roof coating process:
- Maintains flat roofs that can last indefinitely
- Reflects solar heat and extensively reduces cooling costs
- Eliminates costly "roof tear-off" by enhancing existing roofing structure
- 10 Year Limited Material and Workmanship Warranty backed by Quiñones Design/Build
QUIÑONES DESIGN/BUILD
Exceptional Customer Service • Design • Craftmanship
Reputation Since 1973
575-524-4646

Hondo Iris Farm and Gallery
The Iris are Ready!!!
The Iris are Ready!!!
Hundreds of glorious, prize winning Iris ready to plant for Spring Blooming
A gallery, an old adobe house, international folk art, a jewelry factory store, nativity scenes from around the world, women's clothing, textiles, pottery, pillows, and purses. A hummingbird porch, picnic tables, a wooded walk, Iris for sale to Iris lovers, and the beauty of the Hondo Valley
Highway 70, MM 284
24 miles east of Ruidoso
Hondo, NM
575.653.4062
Open Tue-Sun 10-5, Free Admission-
www.hondoirisfarm.com

GALLERIES & OPENINGS

Continuing this Week

MAIN STREET GALLERY

The work of Jim Turrentine will be on display at Main Street Gallery, 311 N. Downtown Mall, during the month of August. The retrospective examines portraiture work he has completed over the last four decades.

The gallery is also showing works by some of Las Cruces' finest artists including the etchings and pastels of Winfrey Hearst, the impressionisms of Annetta Hoover, Judy Licht's brilliant dyes on silk, Daphne Wirthlin's whimsical fantasy scenes, Lois Wilson's fused and dichroic glasswork, Lynn Unangst's Spirit Minders, Margaret Berrier's detailed rock-art jewelry, Joanna Bradley's flamboyant gourd artworks, limited editions of Robert Highsmith's splendid watercolors, the skillfully and colorfully fired RAKU works of Rudy Lucero and the newly released limited editions of world class western pencil artist Robert "Shoofly" Shufelt.

The gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Call 647-0508 for more information.

TOMBAUGH GALLERY

The Tombaugh Gallery will feature fiber art by Cyndi Clark and Jan Harrison in "Finding a Voice through Fiber." The exhibit continues through Friday, Aug. 28. The Tombaugh Gallery of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces is located at 2000 S. Solano Drive, with regular gallery hours from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Clark has worked in many media over the years. She focused on clay work for about 10 years before transitioning to fiber art. One of her featured pieces in the show is "Freedom's Price," an art quilt that has a piece of fabric representing every soldier who has died in Iraq and Afghanistan since Sept. 11.

Harrison has been involved in fiber arts as a knitter for more than 25 years and has gradually progressed to weaving on a floor loom and basketry. She has done extensive experimentation in achieving movement and using yarns of many sizes and textures. She also uses unexpected materials and colors. The same techniques go back and forth between her tapestries and basketry.

For more information, call the church office at 522-7281.

TERRACE GALLERY

The Terrace Gellery, in the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, features art by the Las Cruces Art Association through out August titled "Everything Goes." Artists include Carol Groves, Olivia Solomon, Mary Lacy, Kurt Van Wagner and Judy Licht. The show runs through Friday, Aug. 28. Paintings of all media as well as photographs and a stained glass mirror are featured. Most artwork is for sale and can be purchased for $200 or less.

BRANIGAN CULTURAL CENTER

Two new exhibits are at Branigan Cultural Center. "Batteries Not Required" is a display of historic cameras, while "Light Fantastic" is a display of the historic craft of quilting in its newest form. The exhibits remain on display through Saturday, Aug. 29.

"Batteries Not Required" features more than 70 manual cameras from the collection of Don Brenner. Among the cameras to be displayed are an 1884 Blair with mahogany frame and cherry wood base, a 1909 Graflex with extensible front lens rack and a 1927 Ansco Memo featuring a vertical frame box body using a tubular view finder on top. Also included are early "spy" cameras, various Kodak models including the Brownie, Exaktas and much more.

"Light Fantastic" is an exhibit from New Mexico Art Quilters. Art quilts echo the practical and decorative skills of quilt making from yesteryear, and take new life as an art form equal to watercolor, acrylic and oil paintings. This juried show features 31 quilts by 14 artists from across New Mexico.

The Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St., is located at the north end of the Downtown Mall. The exhibit and reception is free and open to the public. Galleries are open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. For more information about exhibits, contact the Branigan Cultural Center at 541-2154 or visit the center's website at las-cruces.org/museums.

SUSAN EISEN FINE JEWELRY & WATCHES

Native American jewelry has deep roots. Historic, religious and spiritual themes from ancient and modern cultures are visible in past and present designs handmade by Native American silversmiths and artists. An exhibit of vintage turquoise, coral and sterling jewelry along with contemporary designs created by current Native American artisans will be shown in the gallery at Susan Eisen Fine Jewelry & Watches, 5857 North Mesa Suite 19, in El Paso. The show will run through Monday, Aug. 31.

IN EFFECT GALLERY

Lulu Hedrick, a recent graduate and class valedictorian of Alma d'Arte High School, will present a one-woman show of her various media explorations at In Effect Gallery, 514 W. Griggs Ave., through the month of August.

Hedrick has serious plans for her career in art, including working in screen writing, illustrations and painting. The artist has a truly unique perspective on the art world – one foot solidly in her rich Chinese art culture, the other in western approaches to art in various forms. This expanded view of the art world gives Hedrick a wide-open path for her talent to grow.

Her body of work is a unique mix of the two cultures, both in comparison and contrast, enabling the artist to appeal to many different tastes, while at the same time letting the viewer apply their own interpretations to the work.

For more information, contact the gallery at 526-1551, or email ineffectgallery@mac.com

RIO GRANDE THEATRE

The works of more than a dozen ladies ranging in age from late 50s to early 90s from the Monday Studio Group is on display in the Rio Grande Theatre through the month of August.

Working in watercolor, colored

Continued on following page

Last Chance

"Young Guns" by the late Leo Dohmen, loaned by his wife Mireille, is showing at the Las Cruces Museum of Art.

This retablo titled "San Antonio" by an unknown Mexician artist in the 18th or 19th century, loaned by Toby and Richard White.

"Charles V Spearing a Bull at Valladelial" by Francisco de Goya is on display at the Las Cruces Museum of Art, courtesy of Sallie Ritter and Kent Jacobs.

A retablo loaned by Toby and Richard White

LAS CRUCES MUSEUM OF ART COLLECTION

"Las Cruces Collects" offers a rare look into the private art collections of area residents. Featured art works range from European Old Masters to American Contemporary, in a wide variety of media and artistic styles that shed light on the passions motivating collectors of fine art. Organized by the Las Cruces Museum of Art, "Las Cruces Collects" is on display through Saturday, Aug. 22.

In a community as dedicated to the arts as Las Cruces, it should come as no surprise that the area's art collections are as diverse as its residents. Made possible through the assistance of Sally and Glenn Cutter, works are on loan from the private collections of J. Paul Taylor, Kent F. Jacobs and Sallie Ritter, Gayle and Delano Lewis, Stephanie and Mark Medoff, Toby and Richard White, Mireille Dohmen and Mary Streett. The exhibition includes Civil War antiquities, Pueblo pottery, surrealist sculpture, African and Mexican folk art, religious iconography and many other surprises.

Exhibition hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Admission is free. Funded by the City of Las Cruces, the Las Cruces Museum of Art is located at 491 N. Main St., at the north end of the Downtown Mall. Call 541-2137, or visit http://museums.las-cruces.org, for more information on museum exhibits and Studio Program art classes.

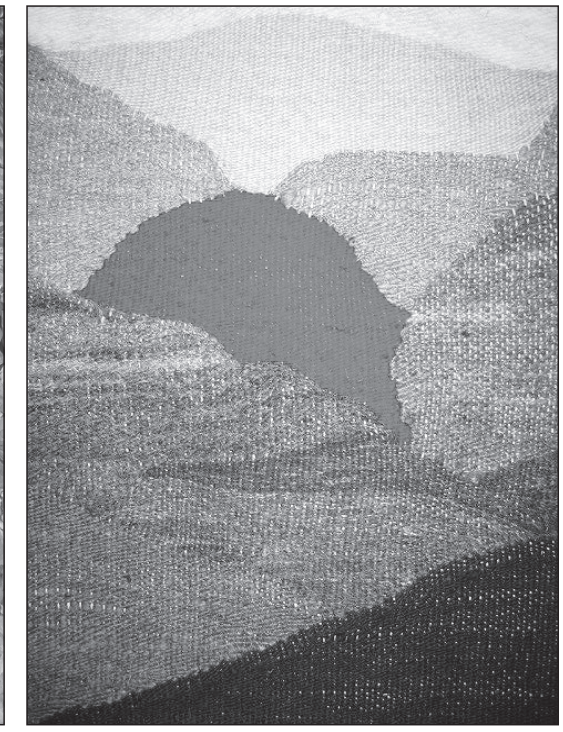
An untitled piece loaned by Gayle and Delano Lewis

"Las Cruces Collects," features works on loan from residents including this piece from J. Paul Taylor.

GALLERIES & OPENINGS

"Chromaflow" at the Branigan Cultural Center

"Flying Fish" by Rosemary McLoughlin at the Cutter Gallery



"Red Sun" by Jan Harrison at the Tombaugh Gallery

Continued from previous page

pencils, oils and pastels, the artists of the Monday Studio Group explore many styles of expression and have found they need all of their energy and enthusiasm as they tackle the difficulties involved in portrait and figure painting. The exhibit will run through Monday, Aug. 31. The theater is located at 211 N. Downtown Mall.

BLACK BOX THEATRE

In August, thetheatregallery located in the lobby of the Black Box Theatre presents "Theatre Magic – The Designers' Art," a photographic exhibit featuring the work of Peter Herman.

During his 10 years as set and light designer at the Black Box Theatre, Herman has taken numerous rehearsal photographs. The show highlights the contribution of design and technical theater to the total theater experience.

Thetheatregallery is open an hour before performance time and by appointment by calling 523-1223. A wine and cheese reception will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4, in conjunction with the September Downtown Ramble.

MESILLA VALLEY FINE ARTS GALLERY

The Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery, 2470 Calle de Guadalupe, across from the Fountain Theatre, is hosting two local ambassadors of the art world the month of August. Ray Baird offers "impressionistic expressionism" in his choice of rural structures and international landmarks. Baird paints with translucent, complimentary oils to give his special touch to architectural and natural subjects that have endured over time.

Hal Fore is primarily an oil painter whose design strategy transforms his subject matter into realistic caricature subjects. His road to art began with cartoons. He has an extensive art background and was a special education teacher in Las Cruces.

In addition, the 30 artists of the gallery offer art in many media, which include original paintings, encaustics, infused glass art jewelry, handmade cards, stained glass, photography, affordable prints and miniature paintings.

The gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. For details, call 522-2933 or visit http://ftp.zianet.com/mvartgallery/home.shtml.

CUTTER GALLERY

Cutter Gallery is hosting the work of Rosemary McLoughlin. McLoughlin's show, titled "Brooklyn Tropical Baroque," is an acknowledgement of her Brooklyn roots as well as of the people, places and experiences of her life.

She reveals herself through the unique artistic expression of her life experiences. She tells us stories about her family, Catholicism, womanhood, friends and cats through her unique style of painting. Her style is exuberant, intense and full of bright color, laden with action, explosively expressive and often full of humor.

The show will run through Tuesday, Sept. 8. Cutter Gallery is at 2640 El Paseo Road. For more information, call 541-0658.

NEW MEXICO FARM & RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM

The New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road, is exhibiting colorful images by artist Betty LaDuke that illustrate agriculture in its purest form.

"Dreaming Cows: The Artwork of Betty LaDuke" features 21 large giclee prints inspired by LaDuke's work with Heifer International. The exhibit is on display through Monday, Sept. 21.

LaDuke toured Uganda and Rwanda in 2003, where she drew sketches of the native people in various agricultural settings. She converted the sketches to colorful paintings in her Oregon studio over the past several years. The paintings also include scenes and people from Poland, Albania, Vietnam, Cambodia, Kosovo, Ecuador and Peru.

Heifer International is a humanitarian organization dedicated to ending world hunger and protecting the earth by providing livestock, trees, training and other resources to help the poor around the world become self-reliant. Since 1944, Heifer has assisted 9.5 million families in more than 125 countries, helping to lift many up from poverty and hunger.

Museum visitors also are invited to view a segment from the film "Betty LaDuke: Art Reflecting Life," documenting her travels to Africa on behalf of Heifer International. The film is shown in the theater twice daily, immediately following screening of the museum's welcome video at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. (Sundays at 2 p.m. only).

The museum is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is $5 for adults, $3 for senior citizens and $2 for children 5 to 17. For more information, call 522-4100.

PRESTON CONTEMPORARY ART CENTER

An explosion of color, texture and form highlight the 2009 Summer Exhibition at the Preston Contemporary Art Center, 1755 Avenida de Mercado. The exhibition features works by abstract painters Arturo Loya, Diane McGregor, John Ochs and Allison Renshaw and digital artist Myriam Lozada-Jarvis. The show, which celebrates the beginning of the gallery's second year, runs through Sunday, Sept. 27.

Gallery hours are from 1 to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday and other times by appointment. For more information, call 523-8713 or visit www.prestoncontemporaryart.com.

NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

The New Mexico State University Library's Archives and Special Collections Department has mounted an exhibit of historical letters titled "The Whole Damned World: New Mexico Aggies at War 1941-1945."

The letters were written by former students of NMSU Engineering Dean Daniel Jett from every corner of the world and every branch of the armed services. The exhibit may be viewed in the Milton Gallery on the fourth floor of the Branson Library through October.

The exhibit, which complements the library's recently published book by the same title, includes photographs collected by the Navy and donated to the Archives by Paul Forsberg. Visitors to the exhibit may also listen to an audio stream of former State College president and Army Brig. Gen. Hugh M. Milton, describing the experience during the Battle of Bougainville that earned him a silver star.

Special Announcements

THOMAS BRANIGAN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave., will host a print collection of America's most notable art works during the month of September.

The "Picturing America" exhibit will help visitors understand American democracy and allow them to experience America's history through art.

The National Endowment for the Humanities awarded an important grant to the library, which will bring works of American art to schools, libraries and communities throughout the country.

For more information, call 528-4005. The TTY number is 528-4008.

IN EFFECT GALLERY CLOSING

The In Effect Gallery, 514 W. Griggs Ave., will close its doors on Tuesday, Sept. 1, due to personal reasons. In a press release, gallery owner Dennis Lujan stated, "I regret having to make this decision, as the purpose of the gallery was never to make money; my aim was to provide resources to those who otherwise tend to get overlooked in the art community." He added that he will remain involved in the Las Cruces art community.

For more information, contact Martha Andrews at 646-5028 or mandrews@lib.nmsu.edu.

NEW MEXICO FARM & RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM

The Border Artists, an organization of 21 widely-recognized artists now in its 19th year, presents a group show at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road, centered on the theme of agriculture in the Mesilla Valley, titled "The Art of Cultivation."

This show will include both contemporary and traditional work in a range of media, including painting, printmaking, mixed media, sculpture, photography and ceramics, all centered on the engulfing theme of agriculture and its innate relationship with the Mesilla Valley.

Artists showing their work include Carolyn Bunch, Tauna Cole, Janice Cook, Sherry Doil-Carter, Tom Gerend, Winfrey Hearst, Annetta Hoover, Cassandra Lockwood, Tony Lazorko, Joyce Macrorie, Rosemary McLoughlin, Diana Molina, Virginia Ness, Jeanne Rundell, Jo-an Smith, Dan Tapper, Scott Weaver and Bob Willis.

The show runs through Dec. 6. Museum admission is $5.

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.

Van Wagner has traveled numerous times to the islands of Maui, Kauai and the Big Island of Hawaii to capture these vibrant and colorful scenes that make you want to pack your bags and get on that flight today. After Van Wagner discovers and photographs the magical tropical scene, the fun and creative work begin. He digitally hand-paints and textures over his photographs using computer and pen tablet. The results are works of art that are a blend of the realism of photography and the paintbrush of the painter. Van Wagner describes this new digital art as the best of two great art media. Ono Grindz owner Rachel Faulkner said she is excited to add another art venue to the Downtown area. Call 541-7492 for more information. Ono Grindz is open during lunch and dinner hours Monday through Friday and on Saturday for lunch.

EIGHT DAYS A WEEK

Friday, AUGUST 21

SNMMDS CONTRA DANCE

Join the Southern New Mexico Music and Dance Society for a Contra Dance from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 21, at the Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago. All dances are taught and called to live music. Newcomers welcome. Come at 7:30 p.m. to learn basic steps. Participants do not need a partner. The first few dances of the evening are easy for beginners. Admission is $5 and refreshments will be served. Call 522-1691 for more information.

NAMOLI BRENNET

Singer and songwriter Namoli Brennet, self-described as an over-achieving multi-instrumentalist with a composition degree, will perform at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 21, at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Downtown Mall.

Her technique draws on a wide range of influences, including Shawn Colvin, Jonathan Brooke, Patty Griffin and Joni Mitchell. She is equally at home on the guitar, the piano or the mandolin, and even plays a mean harmonica. Brennet's innate understanding of the language of music allows for a skillful ability to communicate insights that are both poetic and powerful.

Tickets are $10. For more information or to reserve tickets, visit www.riograndetheatre.com.

HOWLING COYOTE OPEN MIC

The Howling Coyote Coffeehouse/Open Mic, now at First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road, will continue to take place on the first and third Fridays of the month.

The Howling Coyote is open to acoustic musicians, singers, songwriters, poets and storytellers with sign-up beginning at 6:30 p.m. and performances starting at 7 p.m. It's free and open to the public.

The next session will take place Aug. 21. Visit http://howling-coyote.net to see a list of the more than 200 artists who have performed at the Howling Coyote. For more information, call Bob Burns at 525-9333 or 915-799-5684.

SUMARTFEST

SumArtFest, a presentation of a broad cross-section of art including visual art, music, spoken word and dance, will be held Friday, Aug. 21 through Sunday, Aug. 23, at Mickey's Place, 3100 Harrelson St. The event is designed to put forth a conscientious art show and sale for the community, and especially for high school teachers, students, and their parents. For more information, visit http://sites.google.com/site/sumartfest/ or email sumartfest@gmail.com.

Looking Forward

MVFS ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

As part of its ongoing 20th anniversary celebration, the Mesilla Valley Film Society, which operates out of the Fountain Theatre, will host an advanced screening of "The Burning Plain," Saturday, Sept. 12. The film, which was shot in Las Cruces, stars Academy Award-winners Charlize Theron and Kim Basinger. Tickets are now available for MVFS members. Non-members can purchase tickets beginning Saturday, Aug. 29. Only 90 tickets will be available. For more information, call 522-8287.

Upcoming Events

UPCOMING EVENTS	DATE	LOCATION
SumArtFest	Friday, Aug. 21 through Sunday, Aug. 23	Mickey's Place
Music in the Park	Sunday, Aug. 23	Apodaca Park
Artist dialogue	Sunday, Aug. 23	Preston Contemporary Art Center

Saturday, AUGUST 22

AMAZING MUSICAL ADVENTURE

Bring the whole family to "Amazing Magical Musical Adventures," a series presented by Las Cruces Friends of Chamber Music and the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Downtown Mall. The August performance of "Where the Wild Things Are" will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22. Perfect for the entire family, the shows incorporate storytelling and music and are targeted for children ages 4 to 10. Reservations may be made by calling the theater at 523-1223. Remaining tickets are available at the door 30 minutes prior to the performance.

SWING DANCERS OF MUNSON CENTER

Couples and singles 50 and older are invited to dance with the Swing Dancers of the Munson Center at the center, 975 S. Mesquite St., from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. There is a $6 cover charge. Mark Coker will provide the entertainment. Call 528-3000 for more information.

DOÑA ANA MODULAR RAILROAD CLUB

The Doña Ana Modular Railroad Club will display model trail layouts at the Good Samaritan Society, 3011 Buena Vida Circle, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22 and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23. The public is invited. Call 640-8741 or 525-1956 for more information.

FAMILY STORYTELLING

Storytellers of Las Cruces presents family storytelling from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 22, at COAS Bookstores. The storyteller for the Downtown Mall location will be Terry Alvarez and the storyteller for the Solano Drive location will be Jean Gilbert. A free book will be provided to each child who attends.

MAGIC AT THE RIO GRANDE

"Magic Impossible" comes to the Rio Grande Theatre at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22. Magic Impossible, the creation of Las Cruces' own magician Chris Mitchell, takes the audience on a magical journey of controlled lunacy.

Mitchell will be performing an earlier, private show at 3 p.m. for a very special audience comprising the children of Big Brothers Big Sisters, The Boys and Girls Club and Mesilla Valley CASA.

"It is my way to give to the kids and the organizations for all their hard work, and hopefully I can raise some awareness for them. So far we have had a very positive response," said Mitchell, who began his magical journey at the age of 8 when he watched Mark Wilson on television.

Tickets are $15, or $12 for students and seniors. The theater is located at 211 N. Downtown Mall. For more information, visit www.riograndetheatre.com.

DRUM CLASS

Middle Eastern ethnic drumming classes take place from 5 to 6 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Saturdays and Mondays at My Place, 140-A Wyatt Drive. A $1 donation is required per class. Call 526-9505 for more information.

POTTERY DEMONSTRATION

A free Native American pottery-making demonstration by former Tigua Pueblo Governor Albert Alvidrez will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22, at El Paso Saddleblanket Co., 6926 Gateway East, across from the Cielo Vista Mall. Call 915-544-1000 for more information.

PANCAKE ALLEY

Pancake Alley will hosts karaoke from 1 to 5 p.m. every Saturday. Karaoke is free to the public and is open to all ages. Pancake Alley is located at 2146 W. Picacho Ave. Call 647-4836 for more information.

LAS ALTURAS CONCERT

Singer/songwriter and Silver City, N.M., resident Ana Egge will play during the Las Alturas House Concerts at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22, with socializing beginning at 6 p.m. A $15 donation is suggested and guests may bring their own wine and refreshments to share. RSVP with Lee at 522-5197 or houseconcerts@comcast.net.

Sunday, AUGUST 23

ARTIST DIALOGUE

In conjunction with the 2009 Summer Exhibition at the Preston Contemporary Art Center, digital painter Myriam Lozada-Jarvis will be featured in the latest of a series of artist dialogues at 1 p.m. Sunday, Aug 23, at the gallery. Lozada-Jarvis will discuss her digital paintings in the exhibition and enjoy conversation with the audience about the body of work. Admission is free.

Lozada-Jarvis' interest in all things new in art led her to adopt a computer to create energetic compositions to produce fine art prints on paper or canvas. Her approach to these new tools parallels her traditional use of paint and ink. She creates brush strokes that contain bits and pieces of other images that are either photographs or drawings she has made using traditional techniques.

The Preston Contemporary Art Center is located at 1755 Avenida de Mercado, at the end of Calle de Mercado in Mesilla. Regular gallery hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday. For information, call 523-8713 or visit www.prestoncontemporaryart.com.

MUSIC IN THE PARK

The City of Las Cruces Music in the Park Series will host The Limeliters and Sweet Wednesday at 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23, at Apodaca Park, 801 E. Madrid Ave.

Music in the Park is a 14-week musical extravaganza offering Las Crucens an eclectic mix of music performed by local, regional and nationally recognized artists at Apodaca Park, Klein Park and Young Park. Music genres include jazz, rhythm and blues, mariachi, classical, country, tejano, bluegrass, new wave and pop, among others.

The City has provided the Music in the Park Series as a public service, free of charge, since 1994. Residents are reminded that in accordance with a City of Las Cruces policy, pets are not permitted at special events held at City of Las Cruces facilities.

For a complete online listing of the 2009 Music in the Park Series, visit www.las-cruces.org. The schedule is subject to change without notice.

Tuesday, AUGUST 25

'THE AMAZING RACE' CASTING CALL

KDBC 4 will hold open calls for teams of two for the Emmy Award winning CBS reality program, "The Amazing Race 16," from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 25, at the New Mexico State University Bookstore in the Corbett Center Student Union. Please visit www.KDBC4.com for an application and eligibility requirements.

EVERY OTHER TUESDAY AT THE RIO GRANDE THEATRE

Every other Tuesday at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Downtown Mall, presents the musical duo Sue and Paul Smith. The concert is at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25. Admission is free. For more information, contact the DAAC at 523-6403.

STITCH 'N' VISIT

Visit with other people doing portable fiber arts. To participate, bring a portable craft such as knitting, crochet, cross-stitch or embroidery. The focus of the group is good conversation and sharing creative ideas. The group meets at 10 a.m. every Tuesday at Unravel Yarn Shop and Gallery, 300 N. Downtown Mall. All meetings are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Susan Armstrong at 522-2984 or email susan50@juno.com.

ADULT BELLY DANCING CLASS

Adult Belly Dancing class with Susan Jewell and Jewells of the Desert take place from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at My Place, 140-A Wyatt Drive. A $1 donation is required. Call 526-9509 or email www.jewellsofthedesertbellyclub.wetpaint.com for more information.

Continued on following page

EIGHT DAYS A WEEK

Continued from previous page

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

Back this fall, the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave., will host its children's programs. "Read to me," a thematic story time for children ages 3 and up, will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays in the Children's Room. Stories, songs and fingerplays will be included. "Mother Goose Time," a lapsit program for babies ages birth to 13 months and their caregivers, will be held from 11 to 11:40 a.m. every Wednesday in the Terrance Gallery. It will include songs, nursery rhymes and free play time. "Toddler Time," a story time for children ages 1 to 3 and includes songs and fingerplays, will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays in the Children's Room. All programs are free and open to the public. Call the Children's Department at 528-4225 for more information.

Wednesday, AUGUST 26

STITCH 'N' VISIT

Visit with other people doing portable fiber arts. To participate, bring a portable craft such as knitting, crochet, cross-stitch or embroidery. The focus of the group is good conversation and sharing creative ideas. The group meets at 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday at Hastings, 2350 E. Lohman Ave. All meetings are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Lee Meadows at 525-1625 or email meadows@zianet.com.

BEGINNERS BELLY DANCING CLASS

Beginners Belly Dancing class with Susan Jewell and Jewells of the Desert will take place from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays and from 6 to 7 p.m. Fridays at My Place, 140-A Wyatt Drive. A $1 donation is required. Call 526-9509 or email www.jewellsofthedesertbellyclub.wetpaint.com for more information.

Thursday, AUGUST 27

BOOK SIGNING

Charles Harris and Louis Sadler, emeritus faculty in the New Mexico State University History Department, will sign copies of their new book, "The Secret War in El Paso: Mexican Revolutionary Intrigue, 1906-1920," from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 27 in the NMSU Bookstore in Corbett Center Student Union.

Friday, AUGUST 28

SWEC PRESENTS 'LORDS OF NATURE'

The Southwest Environmental Center (SWEC) joins the New Mexico Wildlife Federation, New Mexico State University's Department of Wildlife and Conservation Ecology and the Southwest Consolidated Sportsmen in celebrating both Aldo Leopold, the visionary New Mexico conservationist, and the role of predators such as the Mexican Wolf (Lobo) in nature, with a screening of the film "Lords Of Nature," at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 28, at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Downtown Mall. The film will be followed by a panel discussion, moderated by Kevin Bixby, executive director of SWEC. Admission is free. For more information call 522-5552.

Saturday, AUGUST 29

SNAP CLASSICS

The Doña Ana County Animal Control and SNAP (Spay Neuter Action Program of Doña Ana County) will sponsor the SNAP Classics golf benefit for SNAP Saturday, Aug. 29, at Sonoma Ranch Golf Course. All proceeds will benefit spay/neuter surgeries for pets.

MAINSTREET SALSAFEST

Main Street between Las Cruces and Griggs avenues will be the site of a salsa "smackdown" Saturday, Aug. 29. Salsa makers will compete for cash and awards in the first annual celebration of this culinary tradition at the MainStreet SalsaFest, an event brought to you by the Downtown Las Cruces Partnership. It's about everything salsa – salsa music, salsa dancing and, of course, America's most popular condiment – salsa. Call the Downtown Partnership office at 525-1955 for more information.

FAMILY STORYTELLING

Storytellers of Las Cruces presents family storytelling from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 29, at COAS Bookstores. The storyteller for the Downtown Mall location will be Louise O'Donnell and the storyteller for the Solano Drive location will be Loni Todoroki. A free book will be provided to each child who attends.

Looking Forward

ARTIST RECEPTION

In conjunction with ArtsHop, the Las Cruces Museum of Art will host an artist's reception for sculptor Michael Naranjo from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11.

While serving in the Vietnam War, a grenade exploded and he was left totally blind. Finding himself without sight and with minimal use of his right hand, he was determined to find a way to sculpt. Depending on visual images from the past, and despite a great deal of trial and error, he found a way to work through his disability.

Today, his sculptures are represented in individual and museum collections worldwide, including at the Vatican and the White House. He currently resides in Santa Fe.

Carved in alabaster, "Reclining Nude" is a larger-than-life work depicting a female figure. The piece is currently on display at the Museum of Art. Naranjo invites visitors to touch and explore this work of art.

Funded by the City of Las Cruces, the Las Cruces Museum of Art is one of 14 participants in ArtsHop 2009. The Museum of Art is located at 491 N. Main St., at the north end of the Downtown Mall. Exhibits are accessible and free of charge. For information, call 541-2137 or visit the website http://museums.las-cruces.org.

CALL TO ARTISTS

WHOLE ENCHILADA PARADE

The 2009 Whole Enchilada Fiesta invites businesses and organizations to participate in this year's parade. This year's theme is "Fall Festival of Fun!"

The parade, celebrating the 29th anniversary of the Whole Enchilada Fiesta, is set for Saturday, Sept. 26. The parade is limited to 100 entries. Entry forms can be downloaded from the Whole Enchilada Fiesta's website, www.enchiladafiesta.com, on the fiesta parade page. Forms are also available at Roberto's Restaurant, 908 E. Amador Ave. Completed applications must be received by Sept. 24, with entry fees, which are $100 for business and $25 for all other entries. Applications can be mailed along with a cashiers check or money order to: TWEF Parade, P.O. Box 8248, Las Cruces, NM, 88006.

The parade will begin at the intersection of Hadley Ave./Walnut St. and end at Apodaca Park on Solano Drive. The exact parade route can be viewed on the fiesta web site.

CELESTIAL SOUNDS

Celestial Sounds, a community women's choir, is looking for women who enjoy singing. Rehearsals begin at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 31, at the Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 Missouri Ave. The group meets weekly on Mondays leading up to its performances in December. The music ranges from the classical to contemporary and popular selections. For more information, call director Jeannine Vigerust at 524-0930.

DOÑA ANA WOODCARVERS

The Doña Ana Woodcarvers are planning their first carving show on Sunday, Oct. 25, at the Elks Club, 3000 Elks Drive. If you are a woodcarver and would like to show your work, there is a $10 table fee that includes one entry to be judged. Each additional judged entry is $5. The categories are unpainted or stained in the round, unpainted or stained relief, unpainted or stained chip, painted in the round, painted relief and painted chip. There is a limit of one entry per category. Entry fees will be taken at 8 a.m. Prizes will be given for the best in each category. Besides these categories, there will be "Best of Show" and "Peoples Choice" prizes. The show is open to the public between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The Doña Ana Woodcarvers meet from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. the first Saturday of each month at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum. New carvers are welcome. For more information, email plawrence13@yahoo.com.

WHITE SANDS INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

The White Sands International Film Festival is looking for entries for its 2010 program taking place April 15 to 18, 2010. The early bird submission deadline ends Oct. 15. Categories are: feature length and short narrative films in the documentary and narrative category with particular focus on multi-cultural themes and background; Latino narrative, documentary features and shorta; and films that have been made in New Mexico. Proof that at least parts of the film were shot in New Mexico must be included with the submission. Visit www.wsiff.com for full submission information.

A VERY BIG THANK-YOU
TO OUR CLIENTS.
WHEN YOU'RE HAPPY, WE'RE HAPPY.

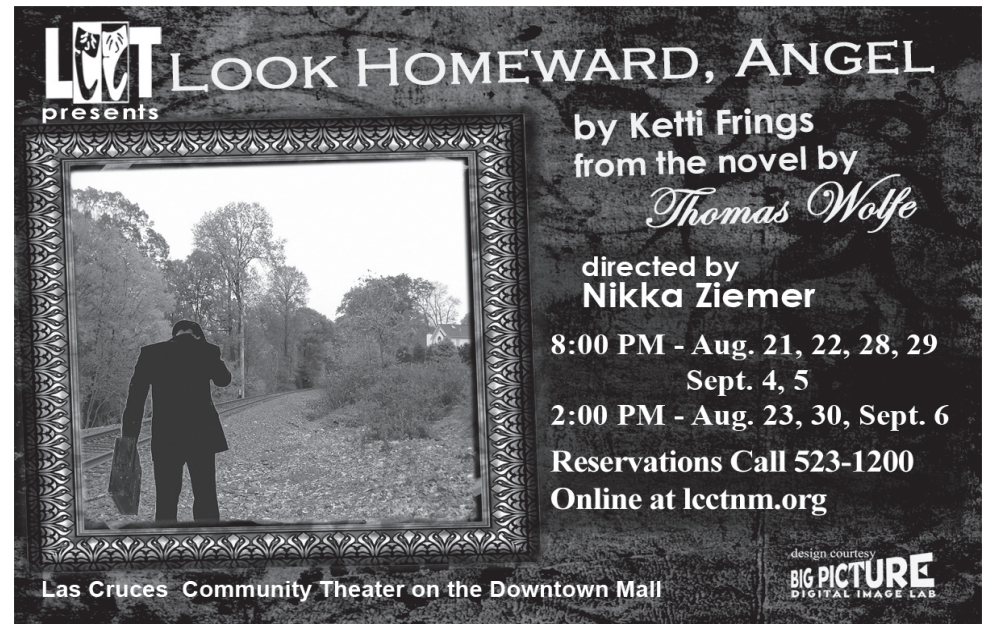
We're pleased to announce that Edward Jones has been ranked "Highest in Investor Satisfaction With Full Service Brokerage Firms." We've always believed our way of doing business made sense for our clients. It's nice to know they agree.
To see how we can make sense of investing for you, contact one of our financial advisors today.

Diana L Seward
Financial Advisor
1717 E University Ave
Las Cruces, NM 88001
575-532-2015

www.edwardjones.com Member SIPC

Edward Jones
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

Edward Jones received the highest numerical score among full service brokerage firms in the proprietary J.D. Power and Associates 2009 Full Service Investor Satisfaction Study℠. Study based on responses from 4,4438 investors measuring 21 investment firms and measures opinions of investors who used full-service investment institutions. Proprietary study results are based on experiences and perceptions of consumers surveyed in March-April 2009. Your experiences may vary. Visit jdpower.com.

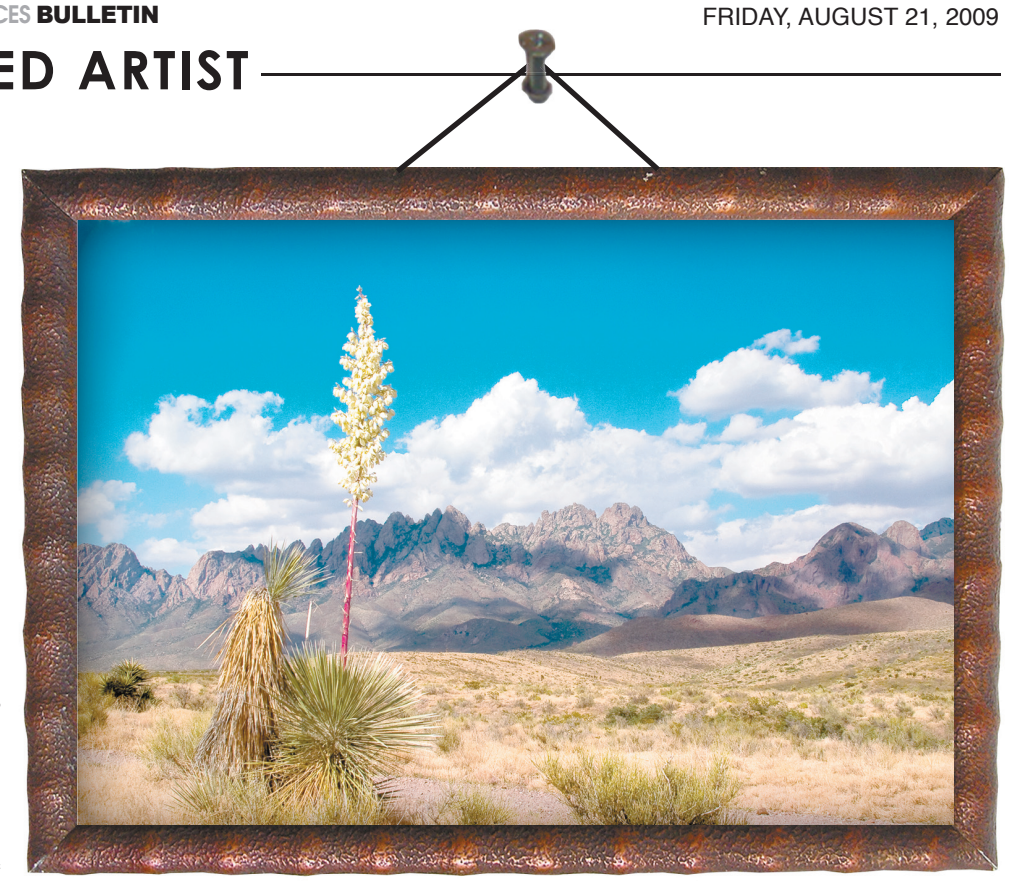


FEATURED ARTIST

Tom Green: Seeing the world through his lens

From the Organ Mountains to White Sands, this artist has the region's landmarks covered

By Beth Sitzler
The Las Cruces Bulletin



Beginning 40 years ago with a single purchase, photographer Tom Green has transformed his passion for photography into another career.

After the buying his first camera while in Vietnam in 1969, the former clothing store owner progressed with photography trends, shifting from film and the lab to digital and the computer "light" room.

"It's a creative outlet," he said. "Digital offers so much more. The quality surpasses film. It's a lot more fun and is a more creative venue."

The Amarillo, Texas, native, graduated from West Texas State with a biology degree. He came to Las Cruces in 1973 with his wife Linda, whom he met on "the only blind date" in his life.

"It was love at first sight," he said. "When I saw her walk across the room, I said in my mind I would marry her."

After several ventures in retail, at age 49, Green decided to put his biology background to use and began studying nursing at New Mexico State University. After graduating, he began a 15-year career in the home health care field.

"I wanted to work with the community," he said. "I loved doing it."

While he was busy in his new career he continued to work on his photography. Two years ago he started selling his art at the Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market.

Creating the perfect image

Selling his work Downtown every Saturday, has enabled Green to market himself locally. Offering his work for as little as $5 for an unframed piece and $250 for framed work, his professional photography is accessible to everyone.

"I'm not trying to get rich," he said, explaining that his goal is to provide art to those who may not be able to afford it.

Green said most of his photographs begin with an idea and after he has a mental plan he sets out to shoot his subject. He works the image in Photoshop, spending days, even weeks, adjusting color, the overall look of the image and cropping until it is perfect.

"I'm trying to create something I can really be proud of," he said. "That's why it's so satisfying when someone buys it."

Green prints his images on canvas because he thinks glass diminishes the image's quality. He also does all of his own framing.

"Canvas really jumps out at you," he said, adding "anyone can take a photo, put a mat on it and hang it on the wall."

Proclaimed as a "nontraditional" photographer, Green said he likes to create big images, sometimes as large as 44 inches.

"I don't like to do what everyone else does. I try to be more creative," he said.

With his "eclectic" style, Green said he shoots anything that appeals to him, such as landscapes, flowers and wildlife. He said he leaves shooting people to Linda, who also is a photographer.

To photograph his flowers, Green said he uses a macro-lens and natural light to capture every detail. When it comes to shooting his favorite subject, horses, Green uses a similar approach focusing on the animal's detail.

"I love shooting horses," he said. "The real challenge is to take a shot that isn't a just a snap shot, but captures the essence of the animal and its character. It's difficult to do sometimes."

Tom and Linda Green

BETH SITZLER
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Capturing the Southwest

Although his horse images are big sellers, his most popular photographs are those that showcase the region's landscape.

With some of his most popular images being local attractions, such as White Sands National Monument and various old missions, Green knows how to cater to his clientele.

"You have to give people what they want – within reason – or it will just sit there," he said.

One of his most used – and most popular – backdrops is the Organ Mountains. Green said since he began at the farmers market he has sold more than $2,000 worth of prints on just one of his Organ Mountain images.

Green said he has big plans for future Organ Mountain images, explaining that once fall arrives he will concentrate on photographing the mountains during sunrise and sunset.

"I want to get the full moon over the mountains with the windmill (located behind A Mountain)," he said.

Adventures in retirement

Photographing the Las Cruces landmark isn't the only thing Green has planned for himself and Linda this fall.

In May, the ex-power lifter made the decision to "semi-retire" from nursing. Now that he is working every other weekend, he said he will be able to attend the farmers market on Wednesdays and Saturdays with Linda and their daughter Natalie, who is the manager of the framing section at Hobby Lobby.

Along with celebrating their 43rd wedding anniversary in September, the couple is also planning on traveling and photographing northern New Mexico, Arizona and Maine, among other areas, for arts and craft shows.

"Starting this fall, my dance card will start filling up pretty quickly," he said.

One area he plans to grow pairs Bible scripture with his images, which he began creating three months ago. While customers have chosen their favorite verse and image, Green said he usually has to decide what fits with what.

"The most difficult part," he said, "is choosing the scripture and figuring out what image to put with it."

Through it all, Green said he plans to continue to do what he likes and wants to improve his craft.

"You're always evolving and changing," he said. "And the more you do it, the better you'll be."

TOM GREEN

TOM GREEN

LINDA GREEN

Bulletin Restaurant Guide

It may be Jake's Café ...

... but customers drive menu offerings

By Todd G. Dickson
The Las Cruces Bulletin

This week marks the two-year anniversary of Jake's Café and the diner in the village of Doña Ana continues to evolve.

For Jake Harkness, who owns the restaurant with his wife Norma, customizing his restaurant to the tastes of his customers has been an essential element, as important as serving quality ingredients, to the café's survival.

He took a chance to pursue his dream of opening a restaurant when he left his job as an assistant manager at Walgreen's to convert what had been a sports-themed restaurant into a diner with personality.

Jake's Café is best known for its burgers, made with fresh-ground local beef and custom-made to the customer's tastes. The regular is a quarter-pound burger, the big is a half-pound and the Monster weighs in at 1 pound.

"We'll make it any way they want it," Harkness said. "Everything is made to order – fresh."

One of those custom burgers made for a former New Mexico State University football player became so popular it became part of the menu. Called the Suvia, it is four patties, four slices of cheese, green chile, bacon and ham on a bun with onion, lettuce, tomato and pickles. Harkness said he has one customer that occasionally drives in from El Paso to order up a Suvia.

Along the way, other menu items have evolved to fit customer tastes. For example, Harkness makes a mean chicken fried steak, but his customers were more prone to have it smothered in Hatch green chile than the traditional gravy – and, so, that's the way it's found on the menu.

Harkness said he'll still make chicken fried steak with the gravy – as long as one calls ahead. Making a good gravy takes some preparation, he said. Though it's not on the menu, he has a regular breakfast customer who will sometimes call ahead to fulfill a hankering for biscuits and gravy.

The same goes for Jake's Café's dinner menu that includes Mexican food. If a customer wants tostadas – which isn't on the menu – and as long as he has the ingredients, Harkness figures, "Why not?"

Likewise, the customers have helped add to the café's ambiance with artwork of hot rods and the display of toy cars and other antiques.

Jake's Café sees the bulk of its customers during the lunch hour. The line starts forming at about 11:30 a.m. as people order burgers, rolled tacos, pulled barbecue pork sandwiches, burritos, quesadillas and hogies with bratwurst, Polish sausage or Philly cheese steak.

A popular side dish is Jake's potato salad, but Harkness has recently added hand-cut fries.

Another recent addition is an assortment of fruits and vegetables for sale – onions, apples, garlic, limes, jalapeños, etc. Also for sale is a line of Boylon sodas, which are made with real sugar in adherence to original fountain recipes.

On the horizon, Jake's Café is looking at adding a lunch buffet to pull in more people on the go. Though always evolving, there is something about Jake's that still evokes the burger joints of past times, when diners were just as much a part of the community as a library or courthouse.

TODD DICKSON | The Las Cruces Bulletin

Jake's Café's new mural is painted by Jake Harkness' mom, known as - the maggie cat - (sic) and whose artwork also graces a small gallery inside.

Jake's Café
641 E. Thorpe Road
Off Interstate 25's Exit 9 for Doña Ana, west of the Family Dollar store
523-5770

Monday through Saturday
8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Call ahead for takeout

Launch Pad Café
Inside the Cineport 10
A casual dining experience that's out of this world!
• Gourmet style sandwiches featuring Boar's Head deli meats
• Pizzas
• Burgers
• Appetizers
• Desserts
• Smoothies
• Specialty Teas
All items made to order
Dine in the modern café or call in orders to go at 521-1507. Menu items can also be boxed and enjoyed in the theatre.
700 S. Telshor
Inside the Cineport 10
Open Fri. & Sat. until 10 p.m.
Sun. - Thur. until 8 p.m.
Movie ticket not required.

HOT ROD Café
BIGGEST & BEST breakfast in town!
Hours:
Tues. - Thurs., 7 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Fri. - Sat., 7 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Sun, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Closed Monday
1300 El Paseo, Ste. E • 525-1958

Best Western Mission Inn
Blue Agave café
Tres Amigos Lounge
The Rainforest
For your catering needs...
• RECEPTIONS
• QUINCEAÑERAS
• PARTIES
• CONFERENCES
• MEETINGS
• LIVE MUSIC IN ADJOINING BAR
1765 S. MAIN ST. | 524-8591

EXPLORE OUR NEW MENU WITH 15 MEALS UNDER $15
Starting at $9.95
ALL ROADS LEAD TO OUTBACK
Las Cruces
940 N. Telshor Blvd.
575-522-1370
Mon.-Thur. 4-10 pm, Fri. 4-11 pm
Sat. 3-11 pm, Sun. 11:30-9 pm
OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE®
Live Adventurous. Go Outback.

Bulletin Restaurant Guide

La Posta de Mesilla
Famed for Mexican Food & Steaks Since 1939
Now Open 7 Days a Week
11a.m. for Lunch & Dinner
Located on the Plaza in Historic Old Mesilla
(575) 524-3524 • www.laposta-de-mesilla.com
laposta@zianet.com

Fork in the ROAD
TA TravelCenters of America
Open 24 Hours
Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Buffet
6 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Full Menu Available
At the West end of Amador
I-10, Exit 139, Hwy 292 • 527-7400

THAI DELIGHT
Steaks & Thai Food
Monday-Friday
11am-2pm Lunch
4pm-9pm Dinner
Saturday
4pm-9pm
Dinner Only
Sunday
11am-8pm
16151 Hwy 70 East · Old Organ Main Street
373-3000

on the menu

La Posta de Mesilla
Famed for Mexican Food & Steaks Since 1939

Location: 2410 Calle de San Albino (near the plaza in Old Mesilla) 524-3524
Hours: Sun. – Thur. 11 a.m. – 9 p.m. Fri. & Sat. 11 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Food: New Mexican
Pricing: Reasonable
Crowd: Regulars, families, tourists, locals

La Posta de Mesilla

One of their most famous dishes, the "Tostada Compuesta," originated at La Posta in 1939. This dish consists of a toasted corn tortilla cup filled with frijoles, red chile con carne, topped with chopped lettuce, diced tomatoes and grated cheddar cheese. If you prefer green chile, the "local" favorite is the sour cream enchilada. This dish consists of corn tortillas smothered with green chile sauce, topped with grated cheddar cheese or monterey jack cheese and sour cream, and includes refritos, rice and our very tasty Mexican slaw. Other La Posta favorites include their compuesta salad, red enchiladas, folded and rolled tacos, beef or chicken flautas, chile rellenos, as well as a wonderful selection of desserts including their very delicious homemade flan and empanadas. Perhaps one of their best kept secrets is their tasty succulent steaks, served with your choice of baked potato, red enchilada, or steak fries, and includes a side of their green chile (of course!).

Introducing the stars of our show...
Johnny & Sarah
Stay tuned each week as their story unfolds.
BREAK AN EGG RESTAURANT
647-3000 • 201 S. Solano Dr. (1 block north of Amador, East side of street) • Open daily from 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

mix EXPRESS
TERIYAKI & SUSHI
Come enjoy delicious teriyaki and noodle dishes on our new teppan grill – and don't forget about the tempura and sushi!
Open Mon. - Sat., 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.
532.5553 | 1001 E. University Ave
Conveniently located next to Mix Pacific Rim Cuisine

HOOTERS
BIKINI CAR WASH
Every Saturday in August
Noon-3 p.m.
FULL BAR & GREAT FOOD!
3530 Foothills Rd # D • 521-9898
Mon - Thurs, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. • Fri - Sat, 11 a.m. - midnight,
Sun 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. • Happy Hour: Mon - Fri, 2-6 p.m., 9-11 p.m.

Pancake Alley Diner
Breakfast Served All Day!
Homemade Pie & Great Desserts • Homemade Salsa
Karaoke Saturdays 1-4:30 p.m. Family Fun!
647-4836 ✦ 2146 W. Picacho
Open Mon.- Fri. 6 a.m.-8 p.m. • Sat. & Sun. 6 a.m.-6 p.m.

All this = What's for dinner?

Let the Las Cruces Bulletin's Restaurant Guide direct you to the best dining experiences Las Cruces has to offer.

Red Brick Pizza
Fire-Roasted Gourmet Pizza™
Chopped Salads • Italian Gelato • Fhazanis™
10% OFF YOUR ORDER
Dine here or to go. Excludes alcohol. Expires 12/31/09. May not be combined with other discounts or coupons.
FREE SMALL ORDER OF BREADSTICKS WITH PURCHASE OF ANY LARGE PIZZA
Dine here or to go. Excludes alcohol. Expires 12/31/09. May not be combined with other discounts or coupons.
NOW SERVING BEER & WINE
Hours: Sun. - Thur. 11am-9 pm • Fri. - Sat. 11am-10 pm
2808 Telshor Blvd. #A2 • 575.521.7300

Buy One Entrée, Get One Entrée Free
Sunday - Thursday 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM
Reservations Recommended • Expires 8/31/09
Not valid with any other coupon, certificate or offer; 1 coupon per table per visit; 15% Server Gratuity will be added to the pre-discount total
DOUBLE EAGLE
House Aged Steaks & Award Winning Margaritas
Lunch Dinner Sunday Champagne Brunch
On the Plaza in Historic Old Mesilla • 523-6700 • www.double-eagle-mesilla.com

NOW OPEN!
EST. 2008 THE GAME SPORTS BAR AND GRILL
2605 S. ESPINA (575) 524-GAME
www.thegamebarandgrill.com

At Men Who Cook

Jamie Fletcher makes an Iron Chef Sushi roll before the doors open for the Mesilla Valley Hospice Men Who Cook fundraiser Saturday, Aug. 15, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum.

TODD DICKSON
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Sam Hummer, the son of John Hummer of Steinborn GMAC Real Estate, serves up his famous "Sam's Smokin' Salsa." He will enter his special recipe in the MainStreet SalsaFest Saturday, Aug. 29.

JENNA FROSCH
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Clay Bush shows off his smoked chicken wings with spicy mango sauce.

JENNA FROSCH
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Bill McCamley cuts up his appetizer before the start of the event.

TODD DICKSON
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Tom Hutchinson of La Posta de Mesilla Restaurant prepares flan for the Men Who Cook fundraiser benefiting Mesilla Valley Hospice.

TODD DICKSON

Now available!
Pick up your copy around town
or at the Bulletin

Life is Good in Las Cruces
2009

A new annual community guide full of informative facts about Las Cruces. A great resource for residents and newcomers alike!

THE LAS CRUCES Bulletin

840 N. Telshor Suite E, Las Cruces, NM 88011 • 575-524-8061 • www.lascrucesbulletin.com

Stay young with Tom Young's Fitness Center & Racquetball
305 E. Foster
526-4477

Indoor swimming pool
whirlpools
racquetball courts
steam baths
saunas
cardio theater
spinning room
co-ed aerobics
and a private
women's fitness area.

Get Fit Special
$99
3 Months

Recipe for fitness in 2009
www.tomyoungsfitnesscenter.com

Television Listings

Sports News Movies

00 ON AIR
00 COMCAST CABLE

FRIDAY EVENING — AUGUST 21, 2009

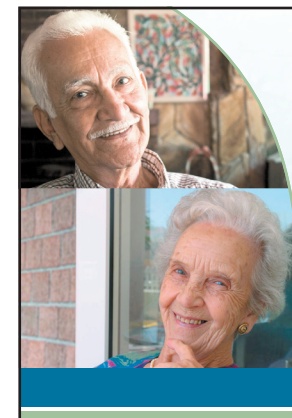
	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
PBS 2 22	Business	News-Lehrer		Minding	Wash Wk	Group	NOW	Foreign	Bill Moyers Journal		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC	Smiley
CBS 3 3	CBS	News	Jeopardy	Fortune	Ghost Whisperer		Medium CC		NUMB3RS CC		News	Late Show		Late Late
ABC 7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Entertain	Supernanny CC		Ugly Betty CC		20/20 CC		News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
FOX 8 14	Dr. Phil CC		NFL Preseason Football Tennessee Titans at Dallas Cowboys.						KFOX News at Nine		Simpsons	Seinfeld	TMZ (N)	Sex &
NBC 9 9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Lopez	Southland CC		Dateline NBC (In Stereo) CC				News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
CW 14	My Wife	My Wife	Scrubs	King-Hill	Smallville "Eternal"		Chris	Game	Scrubs	Holly	Jerry Springer		Cheaters	Eye Eye
WGN 15	Home Videos		★★ "Alien Resurrection" (1997) CC				WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	Bob & Tom		Star Trek Gen.	
ESPN 26	SportsCenter CC		Little League Baseball: World Series				Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter CC		Baseball	NFL Live	SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2 27	NASCAR	Countdn	NASCAR Racing Nationwide Series -- Food City 250.				WTA Tennis Rogers Cup -- Quarterfinal.				ATP Tennis			
USA 31	NCIS CC		NCIS "Pop Life"		Monk (N) CC		Psych (N) CC		House CC		Monk CC		Psych CC	
TNT 32	CSI: NY "Heroes"		CSI: NY CC		★★ "The Da Vinci Code" (2006, Mystery) Tom Hanks. CC						(:10) ★★★ "The Manchurian Candidate"			
TBS 33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	★★★ "Mean Girls" (2004, Comedy) CC				Sex &	Sex &	★★★ "The Upside of Anger" (2005)			
COM 35	Scrubs	Scrubs	Daily	Colbert	Jim Gaffigan		Con	Presents	Presents	Presents	Rhys Darby		Comedian Live	
LIFE 39	Project Runway: All Star Challenge CC				Project Runway		Models	Project Runway		Models	Frasier	Frasier	Will	Will
FOOD 40	Challenge		Chefography		Diners	Diners	Chefs vs. City (N)		Good	Rachael	Diners	Diners	Chefs vs. City	
HGTV 41	House	House	Property	Property	House	Buck	House	Unsella	Design Star		Property	Property	House	Buck
A&E 43	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds	
HIST 44	Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		Lock N' Load		Lock N' Load		The Universe CC		Modern Marvels		Lock N' Load	
TLC 45	Master-Receptn		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		Making Over		What Not to Wear		Making Over		What Not to Wear	
DISC 47	Survivorman CC		Survivorman CC		Survivorman CC		Survivorman CC		Survivorman CC		Survivorman CC		Survivorman CC	
ANPL 50	Whale Wars CC		Whale Wars CC		Whale Wars (N)		Jockeys (In Stereo)		Whale Wars CC		Whale Wars CC		Jockeys (In Stereo)	
FAM 51	70s Show	70s Show	Home Videos		Home Videos		Home Videos		The 700 Club (N)		70s Show	70s Show	Paid	Paid
DISN 52	Montana	Montana	Montana	Montana	Jonas	Jonas	Jonas	Jonas	Wizards	Suite Life	Phineas	Phineas	Wizards	Montana
NICK 54	Penguins	Penguins	G. Martin	G. Martin	G. Martin	G. Martin	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	G. Martin	Lopez
AMC 57	Lonesome Dove		★★★ "Ghostbusters" (1984) Bill Murray. CC				★ "Exorcist: The Beginning" (2004, Horror) CC						"Amityvl Horror"	
SYFY 59	Star Trek: Ent.		Eureka CC		Eureka Baby gifts.		Warehouse 13		(:03) Eureka CC		(:03) Stargate SG-1		Stargate Atlantis	
CNN 62	Lou Dobbs Tonight		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Cooper 360	
CNBC 63	Kudlow Report		Reports	Options	Face the Ace CC		Face the Ace CC		Mad Money		Fast Money		Marijuana Inc.	
MSNBC 64	Hardball CC		Countdown		Maddow Show		Countdown		Maddow Show		Vegas Undercover		Lockup: Raw	

SATURDAY MORNING — AUGUST 22, 2009

	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	Garden	Hometime
CBS 3 3	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	The Early Show (N) (In Stereo) CC				Cake	Horseland	Dino	Sushi Pack	Strawberry	Care Bears
ABC 7 7	Rangers	Reporter	News (N)		Good Morning America		News (N)		Emperor	Replace	So Raven	So Raven
FOX 8 14	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Gladiators	Paid Prog.	3rd Rock	Paid Prog.	Weekend	Weekend	Weekend	Weekend
NBC 9 9	Walk Fit	Homes	Today Caring for the eyes, ears and mouth. (N)				Veggie	Penguins	Turbo	Babar (El)	Zula Patrol	Friend
CW 14	(Off Air)				GoGoRiki	Winx Club	Sonic X	Sonic X	Yu Gi Oh	Turtles	Turtles	Dinosaur
WGN 15	Paid Prog.	Adelante	ABS Circle	Walk Fit	Rosetta	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Slim in 6	Shipping	Uplifting	Hollywood	Cultivating
ESPN 26	SportsCenter CC		SportsCenter CC		SportsCenter CC		SportsCenter CC		Little League Baseball: World Series Pool Play			
ESPN2 27	Driven	Expedition	Beat	Redfish	Bassmasters (N) CC		NASCAR Now CC		SportsCenter CC		MLL Lacrosse	
USA 31	Paid Prog.	Millions	Paid Prog.	KODAK	Royal Pains CC		Royal Pains CC		Royal Pains CC		★★ "Miami Vice" CC	
TNT 32	Angel "Ground State"		Angel (In Stereo) CC		Law & Order "Haven"		Law & Order "Hunters"		The Closer CC		"Manchurian Cn"	
TBS 33	Harvey	(:40) ★★★ "Election" (1999, Comedy) CC				(:40) ★★★ "Mean Girls" (2004) Lindsay Lohan.				(:45) ★★ "Cheaper by the Dozen"		
COM 35	Daily Show	Daily Show	Daily Show	Daily Show	Presents	Presents	Presents	Scrubs	Scrubs	Scrubs	Scrubs	Martin
LIFE 39	Paid Prog.	Ab Circle	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	"Mom at Sixteen" (2005) Mercedes Ruehl. CC			
FOOD 40	Italian	Nigella	Sandra Lee	Krieger	Ultimate	Ask Aida	Minute	Chef	Home	Paula	Cooking	Ingred. Fix
HGTV 41	Weekend	Sweat	Amazing	Amazing	Holmes on Homes		Sweat	Hammer	Over Head	Carter Can	To Sell	Curb
A&E 43	Bio: De Niro		Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Flip This House CC		Flip This House (N)		Keyshawn	Keyshawn
HIST 44	Heavy Metal CC		That's Impossible		Clash of the Gods		Clash of the Gods		Clash of the Gods		Gangland MS-13. CC	
TLC 45	Designing	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Property Ladder CC		Property Ladder CC		Property Ladder CC		Home Made Simple	
DISC 47	Money	Paid Prog.	Baby Read	P90X	Verminators CC		Dirty Jobs CC		The Colony CC		History-Freemasons	
ANPL 50	Dog Show "Animal Planet Dog Championships"				Bark Mad	Breed	Animals	Housecat	A Panda Is Born CC		Kung Fu-Anim.	
FAM 51	Step-Step	Step-Step	Sabrina	Sabrina	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	★★ "Snow Dogs"	
DISN 52	Phantom	Mermaid	Lilo Stitch	Lilo Stitch	Einsteins	Charlie	Tigger	Einsteins	Agent Oso	Handy	Mickey	Mickey
NICK 54	Neutron	Neutron	OddParent	OddParent	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Penguins	Barnyard	Mighty B	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob
AMC 57	(4:00) ★★★ "Shenandoah" (1965)		★★★ "The Bravados" (1958) Gregory Peck.				(:45) ★★★ "Warlock" (1959) Richard Widmark. CC					
SYFY 59	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	★★ "Stay Alive" (2006, Horror)		"Rest Stop" (2006, Horror) Jaimie Alexander.					See
CNN 62	Saturday	House Call	CNN Saturday Morning			Bottom	Newsroom		Newsroom		Newsroom	
CNBC 63	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Houses For	Paid Prog.	Ten-Trainer	Profits	Steam Mop	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	P90X	Paid Prog.	Millions
MSNBC 64	MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		Bloodlst Under	

SATURDAY AFTERNOON — AUGUST 22, 2009

	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	Workshop	MotorWeek	Wdwright	Old House Hr.		Gourmet	Primal Grill	Taste This	Food	New York	Lawrence Welk Show	
CBS 3 3	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	PGA Tour Golf Wyndham Championship -- Third Round. (Live) CC						Lady Liberty Awaits (N)		Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
ABC 7 7	Montana	Suite Life	Rangers	Rangers	Little League Baseball: World Series Pool Play					Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Movies
FOX 8 14	Paid Prog.	Gladiators	Paid Prog.	Traveler	Contour	Baseball	MLB Baseball New York Yankees at Boston Red Sox. CC					
NBC 9 9	Track and Field IAAF World Championships.				Motorcycle Racing		PGA Tour Golf: Champions				Paid Prog.	Raymond
CW 14	Kamen	Huntik	J Hanna	Wild Amer	Degrassi	Degrassi	Animal	Animal	Adventure	Adventure	WHADD	Exploration
WGN 15	Boston Legal CC		★★ "Practical Magic" (1998) Sandra Bullock.				Legend of the Seeker		Legend of the Seeker		Videos	White Sox
ESPN 26	Little League Baseball: World Series Pool Play				Fantasy Draft		World Series		World Series		SportsCtr.	Countdown
ESPN2 27	MLL Lacrosse		ATP Tennis: W&S Financial Group Masters				WTA Tennis Rogers Cup -- Semifinal.				Little League Baseball	
USA 31	(10:00) ★★ "Miami Vice" (2006) Colin Farrell.				★★★ "The Mummy" (1999, Adventure) Brendan Fraser. CC					★★ "National Treasure" (2004)		
TNT 32	(10:00) "The Manchurian Candidate"		★★ "The Da Vinci Code" (2006) Tom Hanks, Audrey Tautou. CC							★★★ "The Fugitive" (1993) CC		
TBS 33	"Cheaper-Dozen"		Friends	Sex & City	Sex & City	Raymond	King	King	★ "Mr. Deeds" (2002) Adam Sandler. CC			
COM 35	Martin	★ "National Lampoon's Barely Legal" (2003)			★★★ "Undercover Brother" (2002) CC					★ "How High" (2001) Method Man.		
LIFE 39	★★ "She's Too Young" (2004, Drama) CC				★★★ "What She Knew" (2006) Tilda Swinton.				"Dead at 17" (2008, Drama) Barbara Niven. CC			
FOOD 40	Giada	Contessa	Challenge		Chopped		Chefs vs. City		Iron Chef America		Best Thing	Heavy
HGTV 41	Bang, Buck	What Get	Challenge	Divine	Genevieve	Color	Colour	Outside	Dime	Rate	To Sell	Income
A&E 43	Flip This House CC		Obsessed CC		Obsessed CC		Obsessed "Nidia; Rick"		Hoarders CC		CSI: Miami CC	
HIST 44	Gangland Miami. CC		Gangland CC		Gangland The Outlaws.		Gangland CC		Gangland CC		Gangland CC	
TLC 45	What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		Making Over America		Masters of Reception		Lottery Changed		Lottery Changed	
DISC 47	History-Freemasons		JFK: Magic Bullet		JFK: Magic Bullet		Sasquatch: Legend		Investigation X CC		Area 51 Military base.	
ANPL 50	Animal Cops		Animal Cops		Untamed and Uncut		Untamed and Uncut		Most Outrageous CC		Underdog	
FAM 51	(10:00) "Snow Dogs"		★★★ "The Mask" (1994) Jim Carrey, Cameron Diaz. CC					★★★ "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" (2004)				
DISN 52	Movers	Handy	Phineas	Phineas	★ "Model Behavior" (2000) CC			Phineas	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life
NICK 54	iCarly	iCarly	SpongeBob	Mighty B	Mighty B	Barnyard	Barnyard	Barnyard	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob
AMC 57	Warlock	★★★★ "Dances With Wolves" (1990) Kevin Costner. A Union officer befriends the Lakota. CC								★★ "Major League" (1989) CC		
SYFY 59	(10:30) ★ "See No Evil" (2006) CC		★★ "Saw" (2004, Horror) Cary Elwes, Danny Glover.						★★ "Saw II" (2005, Horror) Donnie Wahlberg.			
CNN 62	Your Money		Newsroom		Newsroom		Newsroom		Newsroom		Situation Room	
CNBC 63	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Indoor Grill	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Houses For	Paid Prog.	P90X	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
MSNBC 64	With Friends		Family Ties		Secrets and Lies		To Hell and Back		Spy Who Love		Red Hot Cold Case	



VILLAGE AT NORTHRISE

A CONTINUING CARE COMMUNITY FOR SENIORS
Caring is the Key in Life

Independent Living
The Hallmark
Assisted Living
Morningside
Alzheimer's Care Center
Desert Willow
Skilled Nursing
Desert Willow

For a personal tour, or for more information, call us today.

2880 N. Roadrunner Parkway
Las Cruces, New Mexico 88011
575-522-1110
Toll Free: 888-218-4013
Debra.Beltran@sunh.com

Alzheimer's support group meets the third Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. in Desert Willow

The Little Adobe Photo Shoppe of Mesilla
AND DO WE KNOW PHOTOSHOP!

Arts Y
GALLERY OF CREATIVITY
52.ARTSY
575.522.7879
1801 Avenida de Mesilla

Portrait Studio
Photo Restoration
Graphic Design
Commercial Printing
& Photography
Custom Framing
Computerized
Matte Cutting
36" + Lamination

Sunrise Mesa Storage

10' x 10' Storage Unit $65

10'x20' Storage Unit
$85 per. Mo.

5245 Porter Dr. Las Cruces 88012
just north of the Chevron Station on E. Hwy 70
647-9125 E-mail: simminc@aol.com

Unplanned Pregnancy?

- Options Counseling
- Adoption Services
- Education & Support in Las Cruces

Angels Watch
FAMILY PRIDE

1.866.928.9881 • www.fampride.org

the Newcomer
WELCOME SERVICE
of Las Cruces

• VOTED #1 For What We Do •
We like what we do - So will you.
in home visit with community business information & Gift Package
local owner/hostess
LORRAINE WAGNER • 521-3774

Nip 'N' Tuck
Alterations & Custom Sewing
Hems • Zippers Replaced • Wedding Alterations
Pillow Covers Made From Needlework
Hours:
Tue., Thur. & Fri. 10 am - 5 pm
Sat. 9 am - 12 pm
121 Wyatt Dr. Suite 19
(SW Plaza)
www.polylith.com/nipntuck
642-3106
Closed Mon., Wed. & Sun.

Horseback Rides
Corralitos Ranch
· Trail and Hourly
· Historical and Indian Sites
· Old Western Town to Rent for Birthdays & Gatherings
Returning Overseas Service Members Receive Free Ride
Billy 575-640-8184
horsebacklascruces.com • Must be over 8 years old

SPRING CREST®
Custom Draperies
Everything For Your Windows
2310 N. Temple • 526-2880 • Since 1976

Open Monday-Thursday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. • Saturday Noon-5 p.m.
Lakeside Storage
$20 OFF!
5x10 & 10x10 units, first 3 months
575-527-2525
2525 Lakeside Drive
(Off of Avenida de Mesilla near Harley-Davidson)
Call to reserve your unit today!
*While supplies last, one per customer; must bring coupon in for promotion.

MOONBOW
White Rabbits of Deming, New Mexico
Smudges, Soy Candles, Emu Oil & Cremes
Joint & Muscle Rub
• Alterations • Sewing • We can make your clothes fit.
741 N. Alameda #5 (Behind Lorenzo's)
527-1411
Tues. - Sat. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Hollywood Smiles USA
Dental Check-Up Summer Special!
*49.95 -Ages 6-14 Years
*59.95 -Ages 15-Adult
C.Doc Hollywood DDS PC
808 Spruce Ave.
Across from Sonic
526-3066
*New Patients only - Cleaning, Exam & 2 X-Rays

SATURDAY EVENING — AUGUST 22, 2009

		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	Aggie	America	Desert	World	Monarch of the Glen		Benny	Red	Time Team America		Chaco Canyon		Austin City Limits	
CBS	3 3	CBS	News	Jeopardy	Fortune	Feed the Children		48 Hours Mystery		48 Hours Mystery		News	CSI: NY CC		Cold
ABC	7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Insider	Jim	★★★ "War of the Worlds" (2005) Tom Cruise.					News (N)	(:35) Cheaters CC		Wired
FOX	8 14	Legend-Seeker		House "Hunting"		Cops	Cops	Most Wanted		News	Seinfeld	MADtv CC		Talkshow	King
NBC	9 9	Paid	NBC	News (N)	Lopez	Law Order: CI		Law & Order CC		Law & Order: SVU		News (N)	(:35) Saturday Night Live CC		
CW	14	★★ "Just the Ticket" (1999)				Bananas CC		UFC Wired		Scrubs	My Wife	Access Hollywood		Eye Eye	Eye Eye
WGN	15	MLB Baseball Baltimore Orioles at Chicago White Sox. CC						WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	Bullwin	★★ "Alien Resurrection" CC		
ESPN	26	Countdn	NASCAR Racing Sprint Cup -- Sharpie 500. (Live)							SportsCenter CC		Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2	27	Little League		Little League Baseball: World Series				ATP Tennis: W&S Financial Group Masters				NASCAR Now (Live)		NHRA Drag Racing	
USA	31	"National Treasure"		★★ "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest" (2006) CC						Psych CC		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	
TNT	32	"The Fugitive" CC		★★★ "Ransom" (1996) Mel Gibson. Premiere. CC				★★ "We Are Marshall" (2006) Matthew Fox CC						"Cinderella Man"	
TBS	33	★★★ "Meet the Parents" (2000)				Engvall	Engvall	★★★ "Meet the Parents" (2000)				Engvall	Engvall	★ "Mr. Deeds"	
COM	35	How High	★★ "Beerfest" (2006) Jay Chandrasekhar. CC					★★ "Jackass: Number Two"		Pete Correale		Presents		Comedy-Roast	
LIFE	39	"Fab Five: Texas Cheerleader Scandal"				"Acceptance" (2009) Joan Cusack. CC				Project Runway		Models	Drop Dead Diva		Frasier
FOOD	40	Paula's Party		Unwrapped		Best	Best	Best	Best	Iron Chef America		Best	Best	Best	Best
HGTV	41	For Rent	House	Divine	Gene	Color	Color	House	House	Rate	Design	Divine	Gene	Color	Color
A&E	43	CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami CC		The Sopranos CC		CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami CC	
HIST	44	Gangland CC		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers	
TLC	45	Lottery Changed		Jon Kate	18 Kids	Cake	Cake	Moving Up (N)		Jon Kate	18 Kids	Cake	Cake	Moving Up CC	
DISC	47	Sex Appeal		Sex Appeal		Extreme Bodies (N)		Extreme Bodies (N)		Anatomy of Sex		Extreme Bodies		Extreme Bodies	
ANPL	50	Natural World CC		House	House	It's Me or the Dog		It's Me or the Dog		It's Me or the Dog		House	House	It's Me or the Dog	
FAM	51	Harry	★★★ "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" (2005) Daniel Radcliffe. CC							Home Videos		Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.
DISN	52	Suite Life	Suite Life	Montana	Montana	Suite Life	Suite Life	★★ "High School Musical" (2006) CC				(9:50) "High School Musical 2" (2007)			
NICK	54	iCarly	iCarly	iCarly	Jackson	iCarly	iCarly	Malcolm	Malcolm	Nanny	Nanny	Malcolm	Malcolm	Family	Family
AMC	57	"Major League"		★★★ "Batman Begins" (2005, Action) Christian Bale. CC						★ "Catwoman" (2004) Halle Berry. CC				"Major League"	
SYFY	59	★ "Joy Ride 2: Dead Ahead" (2008) CC				"Phantom Racer" (2009) Greg Evigan.				★ "Monster Man" (2003) Eric Jungmann.				"Phantom Racer"	
CNN	62	Newsroom		Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Newsroom	
CNBC	63	Ultimate Fight.		On the Money		Suze Orman		Inside Track		American Greed		Suze Orman		Inside Track	
MSNBC	64	Unfinished Business		Lockup		Lockup "Wabash"		Lockup		Lockup		Lockup		Lockup	

SUNDAY MORNING — AUGUST 23, 2009

		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)				Raven Tls	Mr Rogers	Sid	Santa Fe	Wash Wk	Washngtn	Religion	Minding
CBS	3 3	Homeown	Paid Prog.	Believers	Bondage	CBS News Sunday Morning (N)			Nation	Paid Prog.	Profits	Paid Prog.	ATP Tennis
ABC	7 7	Rangers	Wall St	News (N)		Good Morning America		News (N)		This Week With George		Montana	Suite Life
FOX	8 14	Paid Prog.	Baby Read	Paid Prog.	Tom Brown	Faith	Paid Prog.	FOX News Sunday		Jones	Paid Prog.	Best Chefs	Paid Prog.
NBC	9 9	Wine	Old House	Today (N) CC		Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Cliffdwell	Meet the Press (N)		Matthews	Juicing
CW	14	(Off Air)				Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	NASCAR
WGN	15	Paid Prog.	Facts	Key-David	Vacuum	Jimmy Swaggart CC		Children	Paid Prog.	World Series of Golf		WWE Superstars CC	
ESPN	26	SportsCenter CC		SportsCenter CC		Lines	Reporters	SportsCenter (Live) CC				Little League Baseball	
ESPN2	27	Chronicles	Journal	Whitetail	Territories	Outdoors	Driven	NHRA Drag Racing			NHRA	SportsCtr.	Baseball
USA	31	Paid Prog.	Creflo Doll	Ed Young	J. Osteen	Monk CC		Psych "High Noon-ish"		Royal Pains CC		NCIS (In Stereo) CC	
TNT	32	★★★ "Good Will Hunting" (1997, Drama) Matt Damon. CC					★★★ "Cinderella Man" (2005) Russell Crowe, Renée Zellweger. CC						Marshall
TBS	33	Harvey	★★ "Cheaper by the Dozen" (2003) CC				★ "Code Name: The Cleaner" (2007) Lucy Liu				★★ "Daddy's Little Girls" (2007)		
COM	35	Colbert	Colbert	Colbert	Colbert	Presents	★ "National Lampoon's Barely Legal" (2003)				Just Shoot	Just Shoot	Scrubs
LIFE	39	Dr. Frederick K. Price		Hour of Power CC		Paid Prog.	Health	Drop Dead Diva CC		"Girl, Positive" (2007) Andrea Bowen. CC			
FOOD	40	Cooking	Rescue	Emeril	Simply	Cooking	Giada	Contessa	Grill It-Flay	Big Bite	Minute	Money	Dinners
HGTV	41	Ground	Yard	Landscape	Get Out	Yard	Super	Curb	Unsellable	To Sell	Get It Sold	My House	Good Buy
A&E	43	Biography Bob Marley.		Biography Run-DMC.		Private Sessions (N)		The Sopranos CC		The Sopranos CC		The Sopranos CC	
HIST	44	Spitfire Ace CC		Ax Men CC		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers	
TLC	45	Baby Read	Profits	Paid Prog.	Ten-Trainer	Moving Up CC		Moving Up CC		Moving Up New Jersey.		Moving Up CC	
DISC	47	Profits	Paid Prog.	Money	Baby Read	Survivorman CC		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC		Man vs. Wild CC	
ANPL	50	Me or Dog	Me or Dog	Housecat	Animals	Bark Mad	Breed	It's Me or the Dog		Wild Kingdom CC		Wild Kingdom CC	
FAM	51	Step-Step	Step-Step	Sabrina	Sabrina	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	★★ "The Sandlot" (1993) CC		
DISN	52	Jett	Mermaid	Lilo Stitch	Lilo Stitch	Einsteins	Charlie	Tigger	Einsteins	Agent Oso	Handy	Mickey	Mickey
NICK	54	Neutron	Neutron	OddParent	OddParent	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Penguins	Barnyard	Mighty B	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob
AMC	57	(4:00) ★★★ "The Firm" (1993, Drama) Tom Cruise. CC				★★★★ "Dances With Wolves" (1990, Western) Kevin Costner, Mary McDonnell. CC							
SYFY	59	Profits	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	★ "Venom" (2005, Horror) Agnes Bruckner. CC				★ "House of the Dead 2" (2005) Ed Quinn CC			
CNN	62	Newsroom	House Call	CNN Sunday Morning		State of the Union		King: Sources		State of the Union		State of the Union	
CNBC	63	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Houses For	Paid Prog.	Hair Club	Get Ripped	KODAK	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Millions	Paid Prog.
MSNBC	64	Hardball	Business	MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		MSNBC News Live (N)		Crime & Punishment	

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — AUGUST 23, 2009

		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	Aggie Alm	NOW	Bill Moyers Journal (N)		Healthy	Animal	Uncorked	Europe	Burt Wolf	Yachting	Antiques Roadshow	
CBS	3 3	ATP Tennis: W&S Financial Group Masters				PGA Tour Golf Wyndham Championship -- Final Round. (Live) CC						Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
ABC	7 7	Paid Prog.	Slim in 6	Little League Baseball: World Series Pool Play					Paid Prog.	Homeland Security USA		Entertainment Tonight	
FOX	8 14	★★★ "Keeping Up With the Steins" (2006)				★★★ "The Contender" (2000, Suspense) Joan Allen, Gary Oldman.						Paid Prog.	King
NBC	9 9	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Track and Field IAAF World Championships.				PGA Tour Golf: Champions				Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
CW	14	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	★★ "The Medallion" (2003) Jackie Chan.				CW's Fall	Fearless	Latino	LatiNation	Chris	The Game
WGN	15	★★★ "True Crime" (1999) Clint Eastwood. (In Stereo) CC					Lead-Off	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Los Angeles Dodgers. CC					
ESPN	26	Little League Baseball		Bowling	Bowling	Little League Baseball: World Series Pool Play				SportsCenter (Live) CC			
ESPN2	27	MLL Lacrosse Final -- Teams TBA. (Live)				WTA Tennis Rogers Cup -- Final. From Toronto.				NHRA Drag Racing		Little League Baseball	
USA	31	NCIS "Split Decision"		NCIS "Chained" CC		NCIS "Singled Out"		NCIS "Once a Hero"		NCIS "Smoked" CC		NCIS "Driven" CC	
TNT	32	(10:30) ★★ "We Are Marshall" (2006) CC				★★★ "The Fugitive" (1993, Suspense) Harrison Ford. CC					★★★ "Ransom" (1996) CC		
TBS	33	Daddy	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Tampa Bay Rays. (Live) CC						★★ "The Wedding Date" (2005)			★★ "Monster-in-Law"	
COM	35	Scrubs	★ "How High" (2001) Method Man. CC				★★ "Barbershop" (2002) Ice Cube. CC				★★ "Beerfest" (2006) CC		
LIFE	39	★★ "Gracie's Choice" (2004) Anne Heche. CC				"Mom, Dad and Her" (2008) Melora Hardin. CC				★★ "Odd Girl Out" (2005) Alexa Vega. CC			
FOOD	40	Boitano	Big Daddy	Chefography		Diners	Diners	Food	Food	Cakes	Cakes	Chefography Guy Fieri.	
HGTV	41	First Place	What Get	Bang, Buck	House	Bought	Buy Me (N)	House	House	Design Star		Potential	To Sell
A&E	43	Runaway	Hoarders CC		Angel	Angel	Angel	Criss Angel Mindfreak		CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami CC	
HIST	44	Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers	
TLC	45	Police Women		Dateline Myst.		Dateline Myst.		Dateline Myst.		Dateline Myst.		Dateline Myst.	
DISC	47	Man vs. Wild Panama.		Man vs. Wild CC		Man vs. Wild CC		Man vs. Wild Turkey.		Man vs. Wild "Yukon"		Man vs. Wild "Ireland"	
ANPL	50	Rogue Nature Squid.		Killing for a Living		Killing for a Living		Killing for a Living		Human Prey CC		Human Prey CC	
FAM	51	(9:30) "The Sandlot"		★★ "Eragon" (2006) Ed Speleers, Jeremy Irons. CC					★★★ "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" (2004)				
DISN	52	Movers	Handy	Phineas	Phineas	★★ "The Thirteenth Year" (1999)			Phineas	Suite Life	Suite Life	Phineas	Phineas
NICK	54	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Barnyard	Barnyard	Zoey 101 CC		iCarly	iCarly	iCarly	iCarly	Drake	Drake
AMC	57	Dances	★★★ "Mystic River" (2003, Crime Drama) Sean Penn, Tim Robbins. CC						★★★ "Ocean's Twelve" (2004) George Clooney. CC				
SYFY	59	"Boogeyman 2" (2007, Horror) Tobin Bell. CC				★★★ "The Descent" (2005, Horror) CC				★★ "Cursed" (2005) Christina Ricci. CC			
CNN	62	Fareed Zakaria GPS		Newsroom		Your Money		Newsroom		Newsroom		Newsroom	
CNBC	63	Paid Prog.	Indoor Grill	Paid Prog.	Thinner	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	P90X	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	P90X
MSNBC	64	Crime & Punishment		Meet the Press CC		Verdict: You Decide		MSNBC Inv.: Out		Inv: Eight Times a Killer		Lockup "Wabash"	

SUNDAY EVENING — AUGUST 23, 2009

		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	Globe Trekker		Nova CC (DVS)		Nature "Sharkland"		Masterpiece Mystery!			From	Objects-Mem		Short List	(Off Air)
CBS	3 3	CBS	News	60 Minutes CC		(:01) Big Brother 11		Neighborhood		(8:59) Cold Case		News	CSI: NY "Wasted"		Paid
ABC	7 7	News (N)	ABC	Home Videos		Be a Millionaire		Shark Tank (N)		Defying Gravity (N)		News (N)	News	Movies	Desper
FOX	8 14	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	'Til Death	Amer	Simpsons	Simpsons	Fam. Guy	Amer	KFOX News at Nine		Seinfeld	Sex &	Sex &	Chap
NBC	9 9	NBC	News	Merlin CC		Miss Universe 2009 (Same-day Tape)				Paid	Paid	News (N)	Lopez	Food	CSI Mi
CW	14	Drew	Reaper CC		★★★★ "The Silence of the Lambs" (1991)					Housewives		Bananas CC		Star Trek CC	
WGN	15	WKRP	WKRP	Newhart	Newhart	BarneyM	BarneyM	News	Replay	Cheers	Cheers	Bewitch	Bewitch	Jeannie	Jeannie
ESPN	26	Baseball Tonight		MLB Baseball New York Yankees at Boston Red Sox. CC						SportsCenter (Live) CC		SportsCenter CC			
ESPN2	27	Little League		Little League Baseball: World Series				NHRA Drag Racing Toyo Tires Nationals -- Final Eliminations.						Baseball Tonight (N)	
USA	31	NCIS "Blowback"		NCIS CC		NCIS CC		NCIS "Recoil"		Warehouse 13 "Pilot" (In Stereo) CC				"Patch Adams"	
TNT	32	(3:30) "Ransom"		★★★ "A Time to Kill" (1996) Sandra Bullock. CC				(:45) ★★★ "A Time to Kill" (1996) Sandra Bullock. CC							Good Will
TBS	33	"Monster-in-Law"		"Miss Congeniality 2"				(:15) "Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous"					(:45) ★★ "Just Friends" CC		
COM	35	(3:30) "Beerfest"		"Futurama: Bender's Game" (2008) CC				Patton Oswalt		Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Patton Oswalt		Michael
LIFE	39	"Acceptance" (2009) Joan Cusack. CC				Drop Dead Diva (N)		Army Wives (N)		Drop Dead Diva		Army Wives CC		Project Runway	
FOOD	40	Challenge		Challenge		Iron Chef America		Chopped		Flay	Flay	Iron Chef America		Chopped	
HGTV	41	Curb	House	Income	Estate	House	House	Design Star (N)		Property	Renovatn	Income	Estate	House	House
A&E	43	CSI: Miami CC		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds	
HIST	44	Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Pawn	Pawn	Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers		Ice Road Truckers	
TLC	45	Tallest Woman		My Shocking Story		My Shocking Story		Tallest Children		My Shocking Story		My Shocking Story		Tallest Children	
DISC	47	Planet Earth CC		Planet Earth CC		Planet Earth CC		Planet Earth CC		Planet Earth CC		Planet Earth CC		Planet Earth CC	
ANPL	50	Wild Kingdom CC		Night	Night	Untamed and Uncut		Whale Wars CC		Night	Night	Untamed and Uncut		Whale Wars CC	
FAM	51	Harry	★★★ "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" (2005) Daniel Radcliffe. CC							Home Videos		J. Osteen	Feed	Zola Lev	Paid
DISN	52	Suite Life	Suite Life	Wizards-Place		Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Montana	Sonny	Jonas (N)	"Confessions"			Phineas
NICK	54	iCarly	iCarly	Malcolm	Malcolm	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Malcolm	Malcolm	Family	Family
AMC	57	Oceans	★★ "Firewall" (2006) Harrison Ford. Premiere. CC					Mad Men (N) CC		(:02) Mad Men		(:03) Breaking Bad		Mad Men CC	
SYFY	59	★★ "Final Destination 2" (2003) CC				"Dead Like Me: Life After Death" (2009)				★★ "Carrie" (2002) Angela Bettis, Patricia Clarkson. CC					
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	Big Brother, Big Business Surveillance.				Fastest Grow.		American Greed		Porn: Business		Ultimate Fight.	
MSNBC	64	Lockup		The Confessions of a Serial Killer				The Last Voyage		To Catch a Predator		Mindhunter		Gladiator Days	

MONDAY EVENING — AUGUST 24, 2009

		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	News-Lehrer		BBC	Antiques Roadshow		History Detectives		American Masters		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC	Smiley
CBS	3 3	CBS	News	Jeopardy	Fortune	Mother	Mother	Two Men	Big Bang	CSI: Miami CC		News	Late Show		Late Late
ABC	7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Entertain	Dating in the Dark		Dating in the Dark		(:01) Castle CC		News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
FOX	8 14	Dr. Phil CC		News	Two Men	House CC		Lie to Me CC		KFOX News at Nine		Simpsons	Seinfeld	TMZ (N)	Sex &
NBC	9 9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Lopez	Am. Road Trip		Law Order: CI		Dateline NBC CC		News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
CW	14	My Wife	My Wife	Scrubs	King-Hill	One Tree Hill CC		Gossip Girl CC		Scrubs	Holly	Jerry Springer		Cheaters	Eye Eye
WGN	15	Home Videos		Home Videos		Home Videos		WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	Bob & Tom		Star Trek Gen.	
ESPN	26	Countdown		NFL Preseason Football New York Jets at Baltimore Ravens.						SportsCenter CC		NFL Live	Baseball	SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2	27	Little League		Little League Baseball: World Series				MLB Baseball Detroit Tigers at Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim.						SportsNation (Live)	
USA	31	NCIS CC		NCIS "Bikini Wax"		WWE Monday Night Raw CC				(:05) Royal Pains		Law Order: CI		(:05) "Octopussy"	
TNT	32	The Closer CC		The Closer CC		The Closer (N)		Raising the Bar (N)		CSI: NY CC		Raising the Bar		CSI: NY CC	
TBS	33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Name	Name	Engvall	Sex &	Sex &	★★★ "Crocodile Dundee"		
COM	35	Scrubs	Scrubs	"Harold & Kumar Go to White Castle"				Futurama	Futurama	Daily	Colbert	Jo Koy: Angry		Futurama	Daily
LIFE	39	Mother	Mother	Reba	Reba	Drop Dead Diva		Army Wives CC		Grey's Anatomy		Frasier	Frasier	Will	Will
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	Property	Property	House	First
A&E	43	CSI: Miami CC		Intervention "Casie"		Intervention "Gloria"		Hoarders (N) CC		Para	Para	Intervention "Casie"		Intervention "Gloria"	
HIST	44	Modern Marvels		Ice Road Truckers		Motorheads (N)		Clash of the Gods		Clash of the Gods		Ice Road Truckers		Motorheads CC	
TLC	45	Master-Receptn		Jon Kate	Jon Kate	Jon & Kate Plus 8		Cake	Cake	Jon Kate	Jon Kate	Jon & Kate Plus 8		Cake	Cake
DISC	47	Nefertiti Resur.		Cleopatra-Killer		Out of Egypt CC		Out of Egypt (N)		Cleopatra-Killer		Out of Egypt CC		Out of Egypt CC	
ANPL	50	Killer Crocs		Dogs 101 Traits.		Monsters Inside Me		Animal Cops		Dogs 101 Traits.		Monsters Inside Me		Animal Cops	
FAM	51	Make It or Break It		Secret-Teen		Make It or Break It		Secret-Teen		The 700 Club CC		Secret-Teen		Paid	Paid
DISN	52	Phineas	"Confessions"			Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	"Princess Protection Program"			Phineas	Wizards	Montana
NICK	54	iCarly	iCarly	G. Martin	Malcolm	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny
AMC	57	"Kiss Kiss"		★★ "Firewall" (2006, Suspense) Harrison Ford. CC				Mad Men CC				(:32) ★★★ "Kiss Kiss, Bang Bang" CC			Mad Men
SYFY	59	Star Trek Gen.		Star Trek Gen.		Star Trek Gen.		Star Trek Gen.		Gundam	Gundam	Rave	Rave	Lost CC	
CNN	62	Lou Dobbs Tonight		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Cooper 360	
CNBC	63	Kudlow Report		Fastest Grow.		Inside Track		Originals: Bud		Mad Money		Fast Money		Inside Track	
MSNBC	64	Hardball CC		Countdown		Maddow Show		Countdown		Maddow Show		Hardball CC		Countdown	

TUESDAY EVENING — AUGUST 25, 2009

		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	News-Lehrer		BBC	Nova CC (DVS)		Nova scienceNOW		P.O.V. (N) CC		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC	Smiley
CBS	3 3	CBS	News	Jeopardy	Fortune	NCIS CC		(:01) Big Brother 11		The Mentalist CC		News	Late Show		Late Late
ABC	7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Entertain	Shaq Vs. CC		Shaq Vs. (N) CC		Primetime		News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
FOX	8 14	Dr. Phil CC		News	Two Men	Hell's Kitchen (N)		More to Love (N)		KFOX News at Nine		Simpsons	Seinfeld	TMZ (N)	Sex &
NBC	9 9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Lopez	America-Talent		America's Got Talent (Same-day Tape)				News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
CW	14	My Wife	My Wife	Scrubs	King-Hill	90210 CC		90210 CC		Scrubs	Holly	Jerry Springer		Cheaters	Eye Eye
WGN	15	Home Videos		★★★ "Keeping Up With the Steins"				WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	Bob & Tom		Star Trek Gen.	
ESPN	26	E:60 (N)		World Series		World Series		Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter CC		Baseball	NFL Live	SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2	27	Little League		Little League Baseball: World Series				WNBA Basketball: Sky at Sparks				SportsNation (Live)		World Series	
USA	31	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Psych CC	
TNT	32	Bones CC		Bones CC		Bones CC		HawthoRNe "Pilot"		Saving Grace CC		HawthoRNe "Pilot"		Saving Grace CC	
TBS	33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Office	Office	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Sex &	Sex &	"The Truman Show"	
COM	35	Scrubs	Scrubs	Daily	Colbert	S. Park	S. Park	S. Park	S. Park	Daily	Colbert	S. Park	S. Park	Futurama	Daily
LIFE	39	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	"Acceptance" (2009) Joan Cusack. CC				Will	Will	Frasier	Frasier	Will	Will
FOOD	40	Challenge		Cakes	Cakes	Unwrap	Best	Chopped (N)		Good	Unwrap	Unwrap	Best	Chopped	
HGTV	41	House	House	First	First	House	Buck	House	House	Estate	First	First	First	House	Buck
A&E	43	The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		The Cleaner (N)		The Cleaner CC		The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC	
HIST	44	Modern Marvels		The Universe CC		The Universe (N)		Earth-Made		Mega Disasters		The Universe CC		The Universe CC	
TLC	45	Child Frozen		Jon & Kate Plus 8		18 Kids	18 Kids	Master-Receptn		18 Kids	18 Kids	Master-Receptn		Jon & Kate Plus 8	
DISC	47	Made	Made	Swords: Life		Swords: Life		The Colony (N)		Swords: Life		Swords: Life		The Colony CC	
ANPL	50	Close-Danger		Killing for a Living		Animal Nightmares		Bear Attack! CC		Killing for a Living		Animal Nightmares		Bear Attack! CC	
FAM	51	70s Show	70s Show	10 Things	Ruby	★★ "Legally Blonde" (2001) CC				The 700 Club CC		Make It or Break It		Paid	Paid
DISN	52	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	"Dadnapped" (2009, Comedy)			Phineas	Wizards	Montana
NICK	54	iCarly	iCarly	Malcolm	Malcolm	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny
AMC	57	(3:30) "Firewall"		★★★★ "GoodFellas" (1990) Robert De Niro, Ray Liotta. CC						★★ "Mobsters" (1991) Christian Slater.				(:15) Mad Men	
SYFY	59	Warehouse 13		Warehouse 13		Warehouse 13 (N)		ECW (Live)		Warehouse 13		Stargate SG-1		Lost CC	
CNN	62	Lou Dobbs Tonight		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Cooper 360	
CNBC	63	Kudlow Report		India Rising		Ultimate Fight.		Marijuana Inc.		Mad Money		Fast Money		Ultimate Fight.	
MSNBC	64	Hardball CC		Countdown		Maddow Show		Countdown		Maddow Show		Hardball CC		Countdown	

BURGER NOOK
GREAT BURGERS
$3.25 Cheeseburgers .25¢ extra
Limit 4 per coupon. Expires 8/27/09
1204 E. Madrid, 3/10 mile east of Solano
Tue.-Fri. 10-6 p.m.• Open Sat. 10-5 p.m. • Closed Sunday & Monday • 523-9806

Enchanted Graphics
Weave an enchanted web
Services Include:
Website Design & Hosting
Business Card Design
Post Card Design
Flyer & Brochure Design
Email marketing
I am available for other projects or for more customized work.
Call me to discuss your ideas!
Tamalita May
128 N Campo, Suite C
Las Cruces, NM 88001
(575) 525-8208 · (575) 640-8519
tamalita@enchanted-graphics.com
http://enchanted-graphics.com

The Truck Farm
Fresh Green Chile is Here
Roasting Available
523-1447
940 N. Valley Drive
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Unravel
Yarn & Fabric Shop
300 N. Downtown Mall
Las Cruces, NM 88001
575-647-1181
www.unravelyarnshop.com
Open Tue.-Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. & Sat. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Closed Sunday & Monday

STOP LEG CRAMPS
BEFORE THEY STOP YOU.
Petite Tablet with More Calcium & Vitamin D3
Calcet® is designed to help stop low calcium leg cramps. Just ask your pharmacist.
Helps fight leg cramps
For those with milk allergies
Fights osteoporosis
Mission PHARMACAL
CAL-09902 Rev 0709 Copyright © 2009 Mission Pharmacal Company. All rights reserved.

Go Painlessly

Mary Ann W.

Tom W.

THG-0891J
Compare and Save! Buy THERA-GESIC®

NM STATE KRWG

This week on KRWG-TV 22

Sunday, August 23
7 p.m. Nature – Sharkland

Monday, August 24
9 p.m. American Masters – Nat King Cole

Tuesday, August 25
7 p.m. NOVA – Monster of the Milky Way

Wednesday, August 26
7 p.m. Great Performances – Harlem in Montmartre

Become a member anytime at www.krwg.org

Daily Movie Listings

ALLEN THEATRES
TELSHOR 12
2811 TELSHOR BLVD.
Come enjoy a movie!
Click for Movie Showtimes

Just click on the Allen Theatres ad on our home page at

lascrucesbulletin.com

WEDNESDAY EVENING — AUGUST 26, 2009

	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	News-Lehrer		BBC	Great Performances (N) CC		Parks		Wide Angle (N)		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC	Smiley
CBS 3 3	CBS	News	Jeopardy	Fortune	Christine	Gary	Criminal Minds		CSI: NY CC		News	Late Show		Late Late
ABC 7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Entertain	Wipeout (N) CC		(:02) Crash Course		Primetime: Crime		News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
FOX 8 14	Dr. Phil CC		News	Two Men	Bones CC		Bones CC		KFOX News at Nine		Simpsons	Seinfeld	TMZ (N)	Sex &
NBC 9 9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Lopez	America-Talent		America-Talent		Law & Order: SVU		News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
CW 14	My Wife	My Wife	Scrubs	King-Hill	Next Top Model		Next Top Model		Scrubs	Holly	Jerry Springer		Cheaters	Eye Eye
WGN 15	Home Videos		Coach	Coach	Becker	Becker	WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	Bob & Tom		Star Trek Gen.	
ESPN 26	SportsCtr	NFL Live	Little League Baseball: World Series				Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter CC		Baseball	NFL Live	SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2 27	MLB Baseball Teams TBA. (Subject to Blackout) (Live) CC						World Series		World Series		SportsNation (Live)		Little League	
USA 31	NCIS CC		NCIS "Red Cell"		NCIS CC		NCIS CC		NCIS CC		★★★ "You Only Live Twice" (1967) CC			
TNT 32	Bones CC		Leverage CC		Leverage (N) CC		Dark Blue "O.I.S."		Leverage CC		Dark Blue "O.I.S."		CSI: NY "Hush"	
TBS 33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Payne	Payne	Browns	Browns	Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Sex &	Sex &	"Man of the House"	
COM 35	Scrubs	Scrubs	Daily	Colbert	Futurama	S. Park	S. Park	Michael	Daily	Colbert	S. Park	Michael	Futurama	Daily
LIFE 39	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	"Spring Breakdown" (2009) Parker Posey.				Project Runway		Models	Frasier	Will	Will
FOOD 40	Challenge		Unwrapped		Flay	Flay	Dinner: Impossible		Good	Unwrap	Flay	Flay	Dinner: Impossible	
HGTV 41	House	House	Property	Property	House	Income	House	Renovatn	Amazing	First	Property	Property	House	Income
A&E 43	CSI: Miami CC		Bounty Hunter		Dog	Dog	Criss Angel		Criss Angel		Bounty Hunter		Dog	Dog
HIST 44	Modern Marvels		MonsterQuest CC		MonsterQuest (N)		Ice Road Truckers		Modern Marvels		MonsterQuest CC		MonsterQuest CC	
TLC 45	Restorer	Stager	Lottery Changed		Truth Be Told (N)		Toddlers & Tiaras		Lottery Changed		Truth Be Told CC		Toddlers & Tiaras	
DISC 47	MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC		Man vs. Wild (N)		Man vs. Wild CC		MythBusters CC		Man vs. Wild CC		Man vs. Wild CC	
ANPL 50	Rogue Nature CC		Untamed and Uncut		I Was Bitten CC		I Shouldn't Be Alive		I Was Bitten CC		I Shouldn't Be Alive		Untamed and Uncut	
FAM 51	70s Show	70s Show	Home Videos		Home Videos		Home Videos		The 700 Club CC		10 Things	Ruby	Paid	Paid
DISN 52	Phineas	Phineas	Phineas	Phineas	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	"Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement"				Wizards	Montana
NICK 54	iCarly	iCarly	Malcolm	Malcolm	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny
AMC 57	(3:00) "GoodFellas"		★★ "The Delta Force" (1986) Chuck Norris, Lee Marvin. CC						★★ "Delta Force 2" (1990) Chuck Norris. CC					Missing
SYFY 59	Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters (N)		(:02) Ghost Hunters		(:02) Ghost Hunters		Scariest Places		(:02) Lost CC	
CNN 62	Lou Dobbs Tonight		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Cooper 360	
CNBC 63	Kudlow Report		Secrets, Knight		American Greed		American Greed		Mad Money		Fast Money		American Greed	
MSNBC 64	Hardball CC		Countdown		Maddow Show		Countdown		Maddow Show		Hardball CC		Countdown	

THURSDAY EVENING — AUGUST 27, 2009

	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	News-Lehrer		BBC	Aggie	South	Globe Trekker		Classical	Africa	Charlie Rose (N)		BBC	Smiley
CBS 3 3	CBS	News	Jeopardy	Fortune	Big Brother 11		CSI: Crime Scn		(:01) The Mentalist		News	Late Show		Late Late
ABC 7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Entertain	Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Private Practice		News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
FOX 8 14	Dr. Phil CC		NFL Preseason Football: Dolphins at Buccaneers						KFOX News at Nine		Simpsons	Seinfeld	TMZ (N)	Sex &
NBC 9 9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Lopez	30 Rock	Parks	Office	30 Rock	Law & Order CC		News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
CW 14	My Wife	My Wife	Scrubs	King-Hill	Supernatural CC		Supernatural CC		Scrubs	Holly	Jerry Springer		Cheaters	Eye Eye
WGN 15	Home Videos		WWE Superstars (N)		American Gladiators		WGN News at Nine		WWE Superstars		Scrubs	Scrubs	Star Trek Gen.	
ESPN 26	(4:00) SportsCenter		Little League Baseball: World Series				Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter CC		Baseball	NFL Live	SportsCenter CC	
ESPN2 27	ATP Tennis: U.S. Open Series -- Pilot Pen				World Series		Baseball: Junior League Final				Little League Baseball: World Series			
USA 31	NCIS CC		★★ "Sweet Home Alabama" (2002) CC				Royal Pains CC		Monk CC		Law Order: CI		Royal Pains CC	
TNT 32	CSI: NY CC		CSI: NY CC		Bones CC		★★★ "Freedom Writers" (2007) Hilary Swank. CC				★★★ "Freedom Writers"			
TBS 33	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	★★ "Step Up" (2006) Channing Tatum.				Sex &	Sex &	"Stuck on You"	
COM 35	Scrubs	Scrubs	Daily	Colbert	"Futurama: Beast"				Daily	Colbert	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Daily
LIFE 39	Reba	Reba	Drop Dead Diva		Project Runway		Project Runway (N)		Models	Project Runway		Models	Will	Will
FOOD 40	Challenge		Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America		Cakes	Cakes	Good	Unwrap	Iron Chef America		Cakes	Cakes
HGTV 41	House	House	First	First	House	House	House	Estate	Property	First	First	First	House	House
A&E 43	CSI: Miami CC		The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		Crime 360 (N) CC		The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC	
HIST 44	Modern Marvels		Gangland CC		Marked CC		Pawn	Pawn	Motorheads CC		Gangland CC		Marked CC	
TLC 45	LA Ink CC		Police Women		Police Women		LA Ink (N) CC		Police Women		LA Ink CC		Police Women	
DISC 47	Made	Made	American Loggers		American Loggers		Verminators CC		American Loggers		American Loggers		Verminators CC	
ANPL 50	Living With Tigers		Into the Pride (N)		Stranger-Bears		Animal Cops		Into the Pride		Stranger-Bears		Animal Cops	
FAM 51	70s Show	70s Show	★★★★ "Pinocchio" (1940) CC				Home Videos		The 700 Club CC		Whose?	Whose?	Paid	Paid
DISN 52	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	"Another Cinderella Story"			Phineas	Wizards	Montana
NICK 54	iCarly	iCarly	Malcolm	Malcolm	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny
AMC 57	"Delta Force 2"		★★★ "Halloween" (1978, Horror) CC				"Halloween 4: Michael Myers"				"Halloween 5: Revenge ..."			
SYFY 59	Rose Red (In Stereo) (Part 1 of 3) CC				Rose Red (In Stereo) (Part 2 of 3) CC				Rose Red (In Stereo) (Part 3 of 3) CC				Lost "Special"	
CNN 62	Lou Dobbs Tonight		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Cooper 360	
CNBC 63	Kudlow Report		Billionaire Next Door		Cruise-Money		Fastest Grow.		Mad Money		Fast Money		Cruise-Money	
MSNBC 64	Kennedy Brothers		Countdown		Maddow Show		Countdown		Maddow Show		Kennedy Brothers		Countdown	

su|do|ku

© Puzzles by Pappocom

Solution, tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com

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

7				8	4	1		2
1				9	7		3	
	4	6					9	
		2	9				4	5
		1		2		8		
4	5				3	2		
	8					6	5	
	1		2	3				7
6		9	5	1				3

Difficulty rating: Easy

CHALLENGER

	8						2	
9		6	2					4
			5		8		3	
		3		2		6	1	
			7		6			
	9	8		5		4		
	4		9		2			
2					5	3		1
	7						6	

Difficulty rating: Moderate

EXPERT

8				3				
							3	7
		7	6	2	5	9		
			2	6				3
9								4
5				7	3			
		4	1	8	7	5		
1	2							
				5				1

Difficulty rating: Very difficult

Last week's solutions:

BEGINNER

1	9	3	2	4	7	8	5	6
5	4	8	3	6	9	1	7	2
6	2	7	1	8	5	9	4	3
2	5	6	4	3	1	7	9	8
8	3	4	9	7	2	5	6	1
9	7	1	8	5	6	3	2	4
3	6	2	7	9	8	4	1	5
4	1	9	5	2	3	6	8	7
7	8	5	6	1	4	2	3	9

CHALLENGER

9	6	5	2	4	7	8	1	3
3	1	8	5	6	9	4	2	7
4	2	7	8	1	3	9	5	6
2	3	4	1	9	6	5	7	8
1	7	6	4	5	8	3	9	2
8	5	9	3	7	2	6	4	1
6	4	1	7	8	5	2	3	9
7	8	2	9	3	4	1	6	5
5	9	3	6	2	1	7	8	4

EXPERT

5	3	7	2	9	1	4	8	6
1	9	2	6	4	8	7	3	5
4	6	8	3	7	5	9	1	2
8	5	4	7	6	3	1	2	9
7	1	9	4	5	2	8	6	3
3	2	6	8	1	9	5	4	7
9	4	1	5	2	6	3	7	8
6	7	3	9	8	4	2	5	1
2	8	5	1	3	7	6	9	4

THE LAS CRUCES **Bulletin**

BRAIN GAMES

WORD SALSA

Circle these English words and their Spanish equivalents that appear in the grid horizontally, vertically, diagonally and backward.
Encierre estas palabras en inglés y sus equivalentes en español que aparecen al revés, horizontal, vertical y diagonalmente.

IN THE LAUNDRY ROOM

ENGLISH	SPANISH
BLEACH	LEJÍA
CLOTHES DRYER	SECADORA
DELICATE	DELICADO
DETERGENT	DETERGENTE
IRON	PLANCHA
LAUNDRY	ROPA SUCIA
SHELVES	ESTANTE
TO DO THE LAUNDRY	LAVAR LA ROPA
TO IRON	PLANCHAR
TO SEPARATE	SEPARAR
TOWELS	TOALLAS
WASHING MACHINE	LAVADORA

©2008 Tony Tallarico. Distributed by Tribune Media Services, Inc. 10/14

A	H	L	R	E	Y	R	D	S	E	H	T	O	L	C
Í	C	A	L	A	V	A	R	L	A	R	O	P	A	Y
J	A	U	A	Í	S	A	I	C	U	S	A	P	O	R
E	E	N	V	J	E	T	N	E	G	R	E	T	E	D
L	L	D	A	T	V	D	S	E	H	T	O	L	C	N
D	B	R	D	J	L	T	O	D	O	N	D	R	Y	U
E	D	Y	O	Í	E	P	R	A	R	A	P	E	S	A
T	E	P	R	A	H	C	N	A	L	P	Í	A	L	L
E	L	L	A	E	S	T	A	N	T	E	J	V	E	E
R	I	A	H	L	J	Í	A	W	D	S	W	H	W	H
G	C	N	Í	C	E	T	A	R	A	P	E	S	O	T
E	A	C	J	A	V	A	R	N	O	R	I	O	T	O
N	D	H	I	R	O	N	E	T	A	C	I	L	E	D
T	O	A	L	L	A	S	E	C	A	D	O	R	A	O
E	N	I	H	C	A	M	G	N	I	H	S	A	W	T

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 "Much __ about Nothing"
4 Doubter's exclamation
7 Pantomimes
11 Albacores and bluefins
13 Stymied
15 Made of clay
17 Slacken
18 Seasonal song
22 Deuces
23 Restaurant listing
24 Certain lilies
26 Fender mishap
27 PC alternative
28 Anna Sten film
29 Salon solution
30 Pension $
31 Don't go
32 West of Hollywood
34 Pod veggies
35 Ending of profit?
36 Not having adapted to new conditions
41 Glum
42 Watch for
43 Barkin and Degeneres
47 Yo-Yo Ma's instrument
48 Green stuff
49 In a class by __
50 Letter-shaped fastener
51 Pompous fool
52 Display area
57 NASA outpost
58 Port city of Pennsylvania
59 Linden or Holbrook
61 Isaac's eldest
62 Feel lousy
63 Tire support
65 Be bold
66 Accelerator pedal
67 Hard landing
69 Bellow and Kripke
71 Ship with lateen sails
72 Dr. Jekyll's alter ego
73 Dispels differences
78 Gloomy Gus
79 Contents of wills
80 Of the night
84 Located
85 Midsection adjective
86 Fresh from the factory
87 Actress Arthur

DOWN

1 Pop the question
2 Female deer
3 "__ Gang"
4 Throw hard
5 Pot builder
6 Out-of-sight fences
7 Opposite word
8 Scuba pioneer
9 High point
10 Darjeeling or Earl Grey
11 Soak up some rays
12 All the oceans
13 Used a Singer
14 Crash-test VIPs
15 Cassowary's cousin
16 Nullified
17 Inc. in Liverpool
19 Cause anguish to
20 Remove from a box
21 U-boat detector
25 Utter
33 Makes into law
34 Postpone
37 Fills with wonder
38 Broad valley
39 Jack's companion
40 Unassertive
41 Grasp suddenly
44 Lofting shots
45 Programming repetition
46 Jazz great Fitzgerald
49 Without offspring
51 Usually
53 Baseball grouping
54 Italian journalist Fallaci
55 Waterproof material
56 Headset receiver
57 Stern or Newton
60 Frog's perch
61 O'Neill and Sullivan
64 Sample house
68 RPM part
70 Glossy finish
71 Learning inst.
74 Word after going or flat
75 Ragout
76 Newsman Koppel
77 Line of seats
78 A-Team member
81 Flagged vehicle
82 Haberdashery purchase
83 John Dos Passos trilogy

BODY PARTING

ACROSS

1 Comb the wrong way
6 Pass gossip
12 Battlefield preparation
20 One of Homer's epic poems
21 Flummox
22 One who spreads rumors of impending diaster
23 Intensely distressing
25 Accuse formally
26 Corn concoction
27 Spanish hero
29 Embellisher
30 "The __ lama he's a priest..."
31 24-hr. bank
34 Piercing in tone
37 Whippoorwill's bill
38 Cowboy contest
40 Debussy's sea
42 Small equines
44 Garment for Caligula
47 C. Heston's org.
48 Suspenseful
52 Persian title
53 Dancer who got a head?
55 Indian bread
56 Evergreen tree
57 Old-time journalist Nellie
58 Root veggie
61 "Heart of Dixie" st.
64 Units of magnetic flux density
66 Not in residence
69 Decorative border
72 Ways of walking
73 Any day now
74 Causing excitement
77 Macbeth's dagger
78 Veracity
80 Most clever
81 Methane
83 Put in more film
85 Grad. deg.
86 French novelist France
88 Dog tags, e.g.
89 D.C. big shot
91 RR depot
92 Hip boots
96 WWW follower
97 Thrilling
103 Retrieve
104 Discharge
106 Militaristic city of ancient Greece
107 Corn serving
108 Primitive weapon
110 One-seventh of a rainbow
112 Wild animal tracks
114 DiCaprio, to friends
116 Old petroleum company
117 Southern constellation
120 Centering points
122 Bill of the Basketball Hall of Fame
124 Honey plants?
127 Intensely moving
130 O.J. Simpson's judge
131 All one's assets and liabilities
132 Type of orange
133 Man of Oran
134 "Dracula" author
135 Polishing material

DOWN

1 Petty braggarts
2 Bernhardt's rival Duse
3 Pilot's award
4 London's __ Row
5 Biblical garden
6 Mandela's nat.
7 & so on & so forth
8 Kiddie
9 Zatopek and Jannings
10 Critical piece
11 Shackle
12 Gum lump
13 "Cakes and __"
14 Telephoned
15 Legs junction
16 Protective charm
17 Baffling
18 Coal ending?
19 Spin follower?
24 Scandinavian rug
28 Minor dent
32 PA nuclear accident site
33 Chess pieces
35 Diamond gal
36 Explorer Ericson
39 Ottoman dynasty founder
41 "Aurora" painter
43 Fit of bad temper
45 Pygmalion's statue
46 Yawning gulfs
49 Former capital of Scotland
50 Came to a point
51 Actor Kinnear
54 Not close-minded about
59 Earthly seven
60 Simon and Diamond
61 Lively, in music
62 Fleur-de-__
63 Jungian soul
65 Put a band about
66 With a leg on each side of
67 Ennui
68 Emotionally moving
70 Aachen article
71 Itsy-bitsy biter
75 Singer Ocasek
76 Developed to maturity
79 Corned-beef dish
82 Smelting residues
84 Ruby and Sandra
87 Scruff
90 Siestas
91 Romantic fantasy
93 Like excreted substances
94 Newsman Harry
95 With all one's might
98 Dr. Dre forte
99 Disney sci-fi movie
100 Straight men
101 Buddy
102 Hot temper
105 Bridge holding
109 New York bay
111 Chicken caller
113 Heated dispute
115 Hold title to
117 FDR's pooch
118 Fiery gemstone
119 Roman 13
121 Letters on love letters
123 Complexion woe
125 Zeta follower
126 Male offspring
128 Numbered hwy.
129 End of a racket?

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

Word Salsa

L	H	A	C	I	D	R	A	W	T	S	E	W	M	E
I	T	O	S	I	E	A	X	R	A	G	E	V	A	N
A	N	A	V	S	X	I	G	A	T	P	X	E	R	S
S	V	R	R	L	P	M	A	R	I	E	J	A	I	V
O	R	U	O	A	L	W	E	S	T	W	A	R	N	E
T	O	M	U	S	O	V	R	V	O	Y	A	G	E	X
C	F	B	T	H	R	A	C	S	U	B	R	E	R	P
S	H	O	E	B	E	X	P	L	O	R	A	D	O	R
P	C	A	T	U	R	O	T	A	G	I	V	A	N	O
I	R	I	R	B	U	C	S	E	D	I	C	A	H	L
H	A	C	I	A	E	L	O	E	S	T	E	A	N	I
S	E	T	N	A	G	E	V	A	N	R	O	F	H	A
I	S	L	A	N	D	S	P	C	B	A	R	C	O	S
T	O	D	I	S	C	O	V	E	R	M	E	G	Y	V
E	T	W	E	S	T	B	U	S	N	A	V	G	A	R

Diagramless

P	A	P	E	R		A	C	I	D											
R	E	E	S	E		B	O	R	E											
I	R	A	T	E		S	H	A	W											
Z	O	N	E	D		T	O	N		W	A	G								
E	M	U	S		O	A	R		N	I	L	E								
M	E	T		S	N	I	T		I	D	O	L	S							
	T	O	T		S	T	A	N	S		N	O	T		I	D	A			
P	O	N	E		L	A	S	S		P	E	W		D	D	A	Y			
E	I	D	E	R		U	G	H		M	O	V	E		R	E	N	E		
X	R	A	Y		E	R	G	O	M	E	T	E	R		U	S	A			
C	O	Y		R	A	R	E	E	A	R	T	H		S	N	L				
	B	I	G		A	D	V	E	R	S	E	L	Y		L	O	K	I		
T	U	T	U		P	L	E	D		T	W	O		J	U	L	E	P		
E	R	I	E		P	A	S		W	R	E	N		O	M	E	N			
A	N	N		L	E	I		W	E	I	S	S		B	I	D				
	G	R	O	A	N		H	I	N	T		M	A	N						
		B	U	R	G		E	G	G		F	A	C	E						
		I	T	S		B	A	H		C	A	R	T	S						
			Y	E	T	I		A	T	T	I	C								
			E	T	O	N		T	A	H	O	E								
			P	A	N	G		E	L	A	N	D								

It's For You!

B	E	S	E	T	S		H	A	D	A	T		W	A	R		R	U	S	E
L	A	T	V	I	A		A	M	I	N	E		O	R	E		E	M	M	A
A	R	R	E	S	T		B	I	T	T	S		R	E	M	E	M	B	E	R
S	T	I	R		N	I	C	H	O	L	A	S		C	O	R	A	L		
T	H	A	T	A	S	A	T	E	E	N	A	G	E	R	Y	O	U	A	R	E
			L	A	S		O	I	S	E		S	O	O	N		S	W	E	A	T	E	D
I	N	T	H	E	L	A	S	T			R	E	A	P			D	O	R	A
M	O	U	E		L	U	C	I	D	L	Y		G	E	O	M	E	T	R	Y
A	N	D	R	E	W			R	E	E		B	E	L	L	I		O	S	S
		S	T	A	G	E	O	F	Y	O	U	R	L	I	F	E				
O	A	R		R	Y	A	N	S		T	I	L			V	A	R	L	E	T
D	R	I	V	E	S	I	N		H	E	L	O	I	S	E		G	A	L	E
I	N	T	O			N	A	T	E		W	H	E	N	Y	O	U	L	L	
C	O	A	L	G	A	S		A	M	I	S		P	L	I	E		D	E	L
		C	A	L	A	S	H		N	E	B		A	T	L					
B	E	H	A	P	P	Y	T	O	H	E	A	R	T	H	E	P	H	O	N	E
A	L	E	N	E			R	E	A	R	G	U	E	S			O	P	E	C
I	S	F	O	R	Y	O	U		S	T	U	N	S		D	A	N	I	E	L
R	I	T	E		A	R	T		P	I	L	O	T		A	G	E	N	D	A
N	E	S	S		P	B	S		S	A	L	S	A		M	O	D	E	S	T

CRYPTOGRAM

AOR QBESWMZXW URXR XRMCCJ HZGHRQ SKRX AOR GRCCSU ERU PBEQ SN TSNNRR AORJ OMQ DZWA QBWTSKRXRQ– DZXMWWBT HRXP.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

"Ecologists were terribly concerned and alarmed when they heard there was going to be a bamboo shoot."

‘More Fun than Bowling’ a hit

Local play, quirky and bittersweet

By Jonathan Butz
For The Las Cruces Bulletin

Even if you don’t enjoy the occasional game of bowling, the quirky, romantic and often poignant comedy, “More Fun than Bowling,” about a man and his struggles with love and marriage, may be right up your alley.

The No Strings Theatre Company and the Black Box Theatre bring to life this comedy, which uses bowling as a template to parallel the unpredictable crashes and spins of life, while using clever dialogue, careful plotting and a strong cast to create an exceptional portrayal of the pains and joys of love.

Directed by NSTC Artistic Director Ceil Herman, “More Fun than Bowling” introduces us to Jake (Jeff Peckham), a bowling fanatic who owns and operates the “Dustbowl,” a lively bowling alley located in the small Midwestern town of Turtle Rapids. With the help of his young daughter, Molly (Dale Peckham), Jake struggles to operate the “Dustbowl” while navigating his way down life’s lane of heartbreak and death.

Tensions rise as we also discover a shadowy figure new in Turtle Rapids known only as Mr. Dyson (Danny Wade), who keeps a watchful eye on Jake, gun in hand.

Originally written by Steven Dietz, the play works well with the Black Box Theatre’s small space, playing out in two acts over a minimal set. The music of Tom Waits accents the feel and tone of the play, while the atmospheric lighting effectively carries the story and creates a truly surreal and dream-like tale told through flashbacks and memories.

The entire play takes place on a hilltop overlooking the “Dustbowl” and the town of Turtle Rapids. Atop the hill lie the graves of Jake’s two former wives, Lois (Katie Richardson) and Loretta (Megan Thompson), both of whom we meet through the dreams and memories of Jake and Molly.

Each scene takes us to a different point in time atop the hill, which serves as a significant meeting point for the characters, to discuss life, bowling and marriage – often through monologue.

All the while, the audience is still aware of the quiet figure of Mr. Dyson, who occasionally offers his own insight, which comically evokes the narrative qualities of Rod Serling.

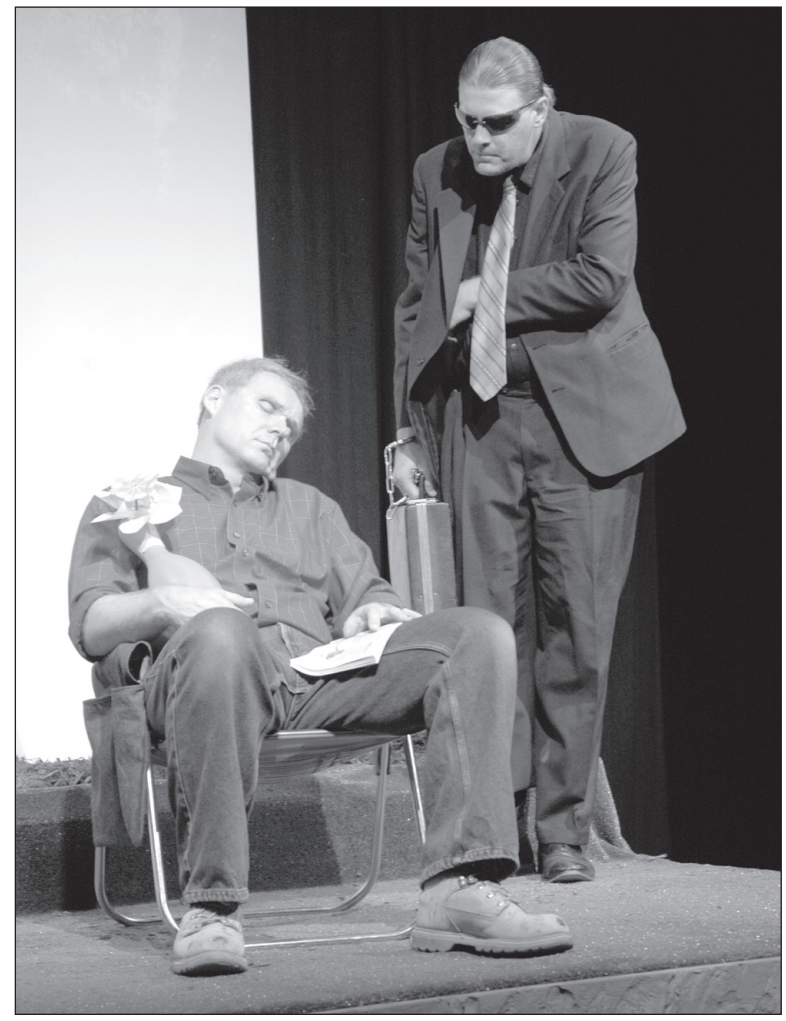
What really set this production apart were the performances of all the actors. The dynamics between Jeff and Dale Peckham, who are a real-life father and daughter are authentic. The two seem to have moments of true father-daughter affection, while they’re playful banter and riffing creates the feeling of a genuine relationship at work. Additionally, Dale Peckham’s portrayal of Molly effortlessly brings a sense of wisdom to the play that seems to surpass the age of both the actress and the character.

Thompson as the sweet and simple Loretta and Richardson as the witty, matter-of-fact Lois also offer tremendous support to the play’s lively, playful and bittersweet feel. Despite the sad and challenging nature of the play, the characters all have something to offer that offsets the tragedy with sharp, bowling-laden humor.

Overall, the combined efforts of Herman and the cast make this production a bittersweet crowd-pleaser of nostalgia, humor and heartbreak.

“More Fun than Bowling” plays at the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Downtown Mall, through Sunday, Aug. 30, with showings at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2:30 p.m. Sundays Aug. 23 and Aug. 30, and a 7 p.m. performance Thursday, Aug. 27. Tickets are $10 regular admission, $9 students and seniors over 65, while all seats on Thursday are $7. A high school student rush ticket is available for $7, 10 minutes before the start of all performances with a student ID on a space available basis.

For tickets, contact the Black Box Theatre at 523-1223.



Jake (Jeff Peckham) dreams of former loves, unaware of the ominous Mr. Dyson (Danny Wade) and his mysterious motives, in “More Fun Than Bowling” at the Black Box Theatre.

the PLAYBILL
LAS CRUCES THEATER LISTINGS

Now Playing

The Musical of Musicals
Boba Café Cabaret
1900 S. Espina St.
647-5900
Tickets: $25 dinner show
Aug. 21 and 22

More Fun Than Bowling
Black Box Theatre
430 N. Downtown Mall
523-1223
Tickets: $9 to $10
Through Aug. 30

Look Homeward, Angel
Las Cruces
Community Theatre
313 N. Downtown Mall
523-1200
Tickets: $5 to $10
Aug. 21 through Sept. 6

Carrie Hakes, Kathi-Jane, Evan Hadfield and Ken Eastlack star in “Look Homeward, Angel,” opening Friday, Aug. 21, at the LCCT.

‘Look Homeward’ brings Thomas Wolf novel to life in Las Cruces

Latest LCCT production is an American classic

Come and enjoy the latest offering from the Las Cruces Community Theatre, “Look Homeward, Angel,” adapted to the stage by Ketti Frings from the novel by Thomas Wolfe and directed for LCCT by Nikka Gornitzka Ziemer.

The show opens Friday, Aug. 21, and runs through Sunday, Sept. 6, at the Las Cruces Community Theatre, 313 N. Downtown Mall.

An authentic American classic, “Look Homeward, Angel” is a powerful and vital play that captures the sardonic humor and the grief, both private and universal, of Wolfe’s novel about a youth coming of age.

The story concentrates on the last third of Wolfe’s story that traces the coming of age of Eugene Gant in the small town of Altamont, N.C. His mother Eliza is a woman who likes to make “deals” both in business and with people. With the proverbial iron hand in the velvet glove and almost equal concern, she runs the seedy boarding house, Dixieland, with an alcoholic husband, a daughter and two sons.

The play adaptation was awarded the Pulitzer Prize and the New York Critics’ award as best play of the season.

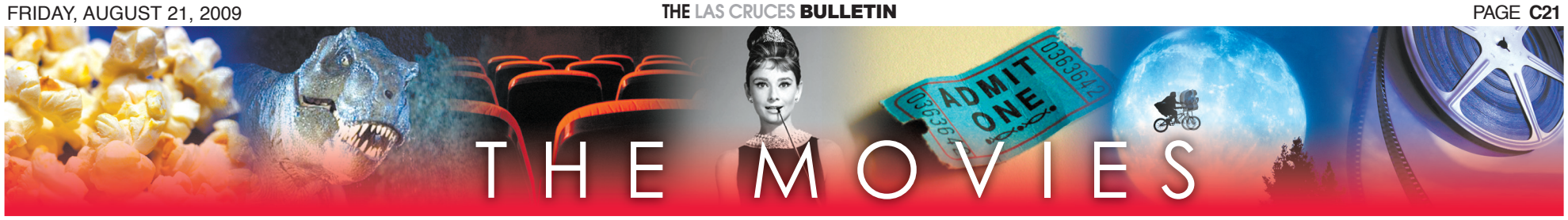
The LCCT production stars Evan Hadfield as the troubled Eugene Gant and Kathi-Jane as his penny-pinching and overbearing mother Eliza.

The performance includes numerous regulars to the Las Cruces stage as well as a couple of newcomers, including Dylan Sweet, Autumn Gieb, Heather Castillo, Shaun Hadfield, PJ Waggaman, Mike Cross, Fran Boldt, Cyndi Simpson, Janet Smith, Les Boyse, Desirée Greenwood, Carrie Hakes, Ken Eastlack, Joe Pfeiffer, Bob Singer, Nancy Clein and Jacob Greenwood.

“Look Homeward, Angel” opens at 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 21, with a gala celebration, catered by Lorenzo’s de Mesilla, following immediately after the production.

Subsequent performances will be at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday nights and at 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are $8 for regular admission, $7 for students, seniors and active military or $5 for children age 6 and under. Rates of $6 per ticket are available for groups of 10 or more.

For reservations or more information on group rates, volunteering and upcoming events visit the theatre’s website at http://lcctnm.org.



The struggles of the complicated muse

'Séraphine' explores the life of a misunderstood artist

Review by Jeff Berg
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Being the plebian that I am, I must admit, I'd knew little of the artist Séraphine de Senlis (or Séraphine Louis) until the release of this film.

It was with good fortune that the film was playing a few weeks ago when I was at the Seattle International Film Festival (home of the snottiest paid film fest staffers in the United States – not so of the volunteers).

As directed by Martin Provost, who follows the historical content of Séraphine's life quite accurately, the artist is not romanticized in any way. Rather, we see her as she may have really been.

A charwoman, who had no formal art education, Séraphine kept her talents secret, painting in her free time, using the simple things of life, such as flowers and her own spirituality, as her models. She uses her wits and whatever is at hand to create "paints," and seems fascinated with color.

The Ionarts blog notes, "these vibrant colors ... are one of the hallmarks of her work. The subject of almost all of her paintings is the flora of the region where she lived, generally viewed from close up and refracted through the bizarre lens of Séraphine's inner vision. She claimed that heavenly voices directed her to paint, visions that later became delusions strong enough to land her in a mental asylum in Clermont. These plants, often dotted and striped like caterpillars or other insects, seem to quiver with life, making them seem more like the fauna of a psychotic landscape."

I have also read that her work with color may have derived from her admiration of the stained glass windows at her church.

She is mostly ignored by the community as she goes about her daily work – which started when she was 13 – of cleaning homes and running errands for the wealthy and for a convent, her place of solace and quietude.

Then one day, quite by accident Wilhelm Uhde, a wealthy art collector and critic, who was one of the first to recognize the talent of Picasso, discovers a still life Séraphine has done, and talks its owner, a staid and crusty woman who Séraphine works for, into selling it to him. He is astonished to find out that it was Séraphine who has done this work, and becomes her mentor and financial backer.

Séraphine, quiet and very withdrawn (most of the dialogue in this piece is by the other actors), begins to take a liking to the better life that Uhde has offered her, but as World War I opens, Uhde is forced to leave France, and doesn't return until the 1920s.

Finding Séraphine still hard at work, both in the homes of others and at her art, their partnership soon goes haywire as Séraphine begins to go on spending sprees and shares gifts with so-called friends, while at the same time, she starts to lose focus, both on her art and her own emotional state of mind.

The depression takes more of a toll, both on Séraphine's mental health and Uhde's finances, helping to progress a riff between them that becomes hard to repair.

This biographical drama is quiet and moving, and fully depicts the passion and talent that all of us have for something important to us. Séraphine overcame a lack of appropriate supplies, the umbrage of the human race and, for a while at least, her own emotional and mental demons, to create her work, which remains of interest to many today.

Repeatedly, we see movies that walk the same thin line between the arts and mental illness. Of course, we all know that anyone who paints, sculpts, writes or makes movies has to be slightly askew to begin with.

All too often we see artists of note who stumble on that line, who lose their dignity and sanity, only to be "discovered" after they are long gone. Such is the case with Séraphine, a finely detailed and bittersweet film with nary a stumble.

FILM REVIEW

"Séraphine" plays for one week at the Fountain Theatre, beginning tonight, Friday, Aug. 21. 133 minutes. Not rated. Deserves an R. In French. Go.

GRADE A-

Las Cruces needs more art that is not locally produced. Agree or disagree? jeffberg@lascrucesbulletin.com

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.

Caine shines at the CineMatinee

Father-son relationships featured at Fountain Theatre

The CineMatinee film at the Fountain Theatre for Saturday, Aug. 29, is "Around the Bend" (2004, 85 minutes, rated PG-13, made in New Mexico).

Director Jordan Roberts' feature debut pulls off the dizzying high-wire act of being both a misty-eyed glimpse into four generations of the men in the Lair family and a steely meditation on manhood, parenting and the pitfalls thereof.

Michael Caine plays the elder Lair, Henry, who, as the film begins, is dying with all the crusty wit he can muster – which is plenty.

He shares the family home with his grandson Jason (Josh Lucas), his great-grandson Zach and all his memories and mementos until a grimacing, wire-haired wraith appears at the front door one evening and turns everything around.

That wraith is Jason's long-estranged father Turner (Christopher Walken), who walked out on his son and his father some 30 years before, following the death of his wife – and the maiming of his son – in an automobile accident.

Jason is less than thrilled at this possibly malignant returner, a former heroin addict and professional sneak thief, but Henry is exultant, and he takes them to the local Kentucky Fired Chicken for a final meal and then pens a last will and testament that takes the surviving trio on a road trip across the country.

The men head cross-country, stopping here and there at various KFCs to read another Post-It note instruction and a revelation or two. This sort of thing rarely works these days – it's just too difficult to steer the modern audience through the treacherous twin perils of brimstone and treacle without capsizing your craft amid gales of laughter – but somehow Roberts manages to make it work, against all odds.

Caine, of course, owns the screen every second he's on it, but after his character exits the scene, it's up to Lucas and Walken to battle it out, and battle they do. There's an exquisite "fine-tunedness" to the screenplay that belies the occasional gush of sentimentality, and a final grace note that will, yes, mist the eyes of all but the most cynical in the audience.

A fine, familial elixir to remedy despair and soften hardened hearts, "Around the Bend" is likely just the first of many feathers in Roberts's shiny, new directorial cap.

Unless otherwise noted, screening time is at 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.

Adult Swim coming to NMSU

'Metalocalypse' band at Pan Am Center on Nov. 16

This fall, the Grammy Award-winning Mastodon and Dethklok – the animated death metal band from Adult Swim's "Metalocalypse" – will come to the New Mexico State University Pan American Center during a 34-city North American tour.

In one of the most highly anticipated tours of the year, the concert will take place at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 16. Adding even more layers to this fall's top metal tour, Oakland's High On Fire and Converge will open each show.

As sponsor for the entire tour, Adult Swim will feature "Brütal Legend" gaming stations for fans to experience the videogame first-hand, while a two-minute animated content piece created by Titmouse will air during each show.

"Brütal Legend" is an epic action game from visionary developer Tim Schafer. Jack Black stars as Eddie Riggs, a legendary roadie summoned to a world of Heavy Metal, where mountains are made of amplifiers, killer spiders spin guitar strings and rock legends roam the landscape.

Co-created by Tommy Blacha and Brendon Small, the "Metalocalypse" TV series follows the on and off-stage adventures of the world's most brutal band as they create a wave of mayhem and destruction wherever they go.

Since debuting in 2006 on Adult Swim, which offers original and acquired animated comedy and action series for young adults, the series has become one of the network's highest-rated original series and the second season was watched by more than 5 million 18- to 34-year-old viewers, according to Nielsen Media Research.

Tickets are on sale at the Pan Am Center Box Office, all Ticketmaster Outlets, by phone at 800-745-3000 and online at http/:ticketmaster.com

For more information about the tour including the pre-sale ticket password, ticket pricing and how to order, please visit www.adultswimpresents.com.

Flick explores complexities of time travel, romance

Bana and McAdams show true talent on the big screen

Review by Jenna Frosch
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Improbable. Impossible. Unexplainable. Don't even try – the idea of time travel leaves one with a plethora of questions – How? Why? When? What? And these all may be racing through the minds of those who sit through "The Time Traveler's Wife."

Based on the best-selling novel by Audrey Niffenegger, this flick, directed by Robert Schwentke, explores the woes of a man who is capable of time travel, Henry (Eric Bana). Henry learns of his abilities while traveling with his mother on an icy highway – just before an out-of-control semi-truck strikes their car.

Before you jump to conclusions – no, he doesn't have the power to change the events in the past or the future. He also travels sans clothes – arriving naked in the middle of the woods, or on a busy street, and everywhere in between. This leaves Henry in some precarious positions, often leading to breaking and entering or stealing clothes off the backs of others (even females aren't safe – as evidenced in one scene). It is this key element to time travel that leads him to meet his future wife.

Time traveling often takes Henry to the same places over and over again – drawing him into places where the "big events" of his life happen. One such big event is the fateful meeting of Clare Abshire, a little girl in a field behind her house. When he first appears, he is naked and the little girl offers her blanket to him. They quickly become friends, and he returns several more times throughout the little girl's life.

The same little girl grows up – played by Rachel McAdams – and finds Henry as he works in a library in the present. One downside to this film is that sometimes, the past, present and future become tangled and you may not know which one is actually being played out – this definitely isn't a movie that allows a bathroom break.

The two pursue a relationship despite the obvious problems with Henry's situation, and the movie explores the power of their connection and Clare's willingness to see beyond the missed Christmases and issues that plague them. One such issue is Henry's genetic mutation that is passed on to their child.

Rachel McAdams and Eric Bana star in the Warner Brother's picture "The Time Traveler's Wife."

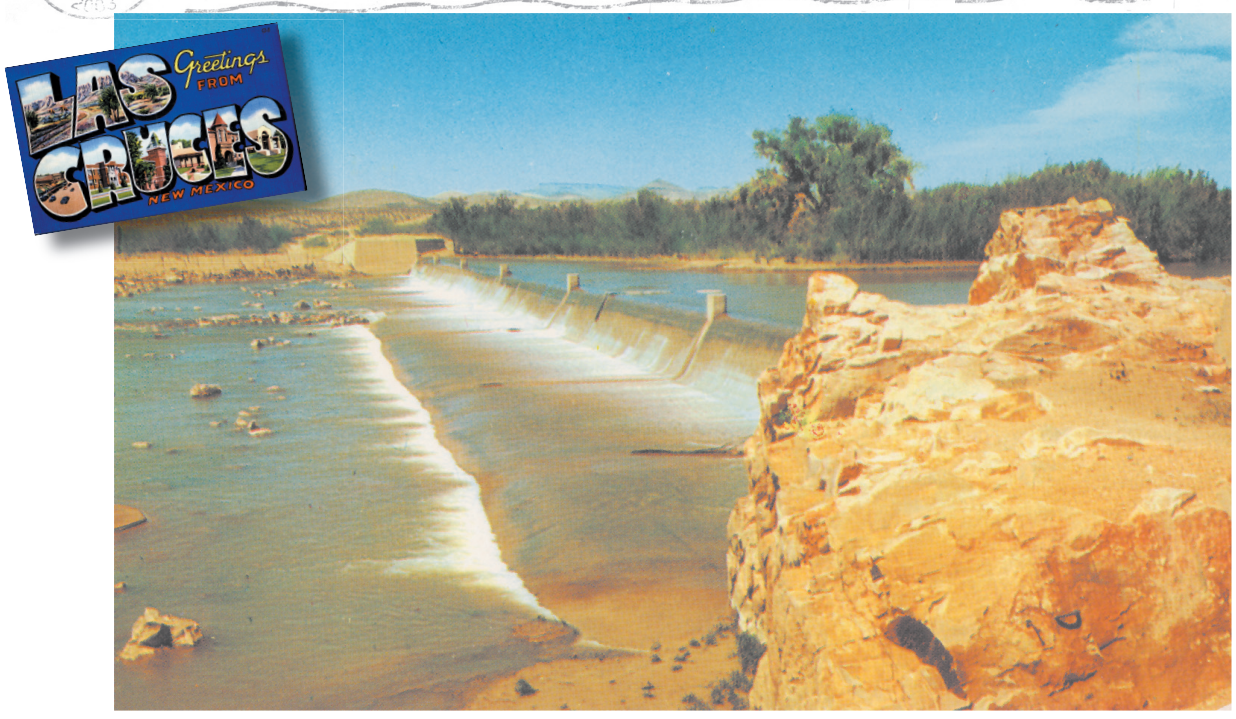
Bana and McAdams are magical in their on-screen romance and McAdams has really found her niche in these novel-based movies, which include tear-jerker, "The Notebook."

She is talented. End of story. And in this film, her talents are well-tested and she finds just the right balance of emotion and sincerity to portray the role of Clare.

Bana is coming off the release of "Funny People," where he plays an entertaining supporting role, but his performance in "The Time Traveler's Wife" solidifies his talent for playing the leading man. He's handsome and damaged, and his ability to play both self-deprecating and sincere is impressive.

The film itself, although plagued with holes that perhaps the novel could answer, is a good way to spend an evening – it's romantic and exciting, at times, and will have audiences clamoring for more info and insight into the world of time travel – whether real or make-believe. But really – How? Why? When? What?

POSTCARDS FROM THE PAST



The back of this postcard reads, *"The Old Leasburg Dam, New Mexico. Just off Highway 85, between Las Cruces and Truth or Consequences, the Rio Grande River is halted momentarily in its course from Colorado to the Gulf of Mexico by the Old Leasburg Dam."*
Thanks to Carol Gaines for her postcard contribution.

THE TIME TRAVELER'S WIFE

Rating: PG-13 for thematic elements, brief disturbing images, nudity and sexuality

Running time: 1 hours, 47 minutes

Directed by: Robert Schwentke

Written by: Bruce Joel Rubin (screenplay), Audrey Niffenegger (novel)

Starring: Eric Bana as Henry DeTamble; Rachel McAdams as Clare Abshire; Ron Livingston as Gomez; and Hailey McCann as Alba

Picking the Flicks

Movie information from www.rottentomatoes.com. Thumbs-up based on a 5-point scale.

The Time Traveler's Wife

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: A romantic drama about a Chicago librarian with a gene that causes him to involuntarily time travel and the complications it creates for his marriage.
Starring: Eric Bana, Rachel McAdams
Director: Robert Schwentke

The Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard

Rated: R
Plot Overview: Used-car liquidator Don Ready is hired by a flailing auto dealership to turn their Fourth of July sale into a profitable event.
Starring: Jeremy Piven, Ving Rhames
Director: Neal Brennan

Ponyo on the Cliff by the Sea

Rated: G
Plot Overview: A Disney animated adventure centered on a 5-year-old boy and his relationship with a goldfish princess who longs to become human.
Starring: Noah Cyrus, Frankie Jonus
Director: Hayao Miyazaki

Perfect Getaway

Rated: R
Plot Overview: Two pairs of lovers on a Hawaiian vacation discover that psychopaths are stalking and murdering tourists on the islands.
Starring: Steve Zahn, Milla Jovovich
Director: David Twohy

G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: An elite military unit consisting of special operatives known as G.I. Joe takes on an evil organization led by a notorious arms dealer.
Starring: Dennis Quaid, Joseph Gordon-Levitt
Director: Stephen Sommers

Funny People

Rated: R
Plot Overview: When a seasoned comedian learns of his terminal condition, his desire to form a genuine friendship causes him to take a relatively green performer under his wing as his opening act.
Starring: Adam Sandler, Seth Rogen
Director: Judd Apatow

Julie & Julia

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: The movie follows Julia and Paul Child through Julia Child's memoir, "My Life in France."
Starring: Meryl Streep, Amy Adams
Director: Nora Ephron

Orphan

Rated: R
Plot Overview: A husband and wife who recently lost their baby adopt a 9-year-old girl who is not nearly as innocent as she claims to be.
Starring: Vera Farmiga, Peter Sarsgaard
Director: Jaume Collet-Serra

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince

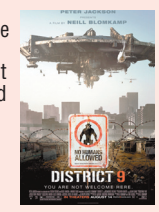
Rated: PG
Plot Overview: As Harry Potter begins his sixth year at Hogwarts, he discovers an old book and begins to learn more about Voldemort's past.
Starring: Daniel Radcliffe, Michael Gambon
Director: David Yates

Bandslam

Rated: PG
Plot Overview: A new kid in town assembles a fledgling rock band to compete in the biggest event of the year, a battle of the bands.
Starring: Vanessa Hudgens, Scott Porter
Director: Todd Graff

District 9

Rated: R
Plot Overview: An extraterrestrial race forced to live in slum-like conditions on Earth suddenly find a kindred spirit in a government agent that is exposed to their biotechnology.
Starring: Sharlto Copley, Nathalie Boltt
Director: Neill Blomkamp



500 Days of Summer

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: An offbeat romantic comedy about a woman who doesn't believe true love exists, and the young man who falls for her.
Starring: Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Zooey Deschanel
Director: Marc Webb

Post Grad

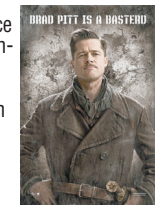
Opening Aug. 21

Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: Ryden Malby graduates from college and is forced to move back into her childhood home with her eccentric family while she attempts to find a job, the right guy and just a hint of where her life is headed.
Starring: Alexis Bledel
Director: Vicky Jensen

Inglorious Basterds

Opening Aug. 21

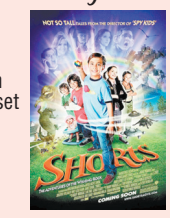
Rated: R
Plot Overview: In Nazi-occupied France during World War II, a group of Jewish-American soldiers known as "The Basterds" are chosen specifically to spread fear throughout the Third Reich by scalping and brutally killing Nazis.
Starring: Brad Pitt
Director: Quentin Tarantino



Shorts

Opening Aug. 21

Rated: PG
Plot Overview: A young boy's discovery of a colorful, wish-granting rock causes chaos in the suburban town of Black Falls when jealous kids and scheming adults set out to get their hands on it.
Starring: Jimmy Bennett, Leslie Mann
Director: Robert Rodriguez



New this week ON DVD

• Tuesday, Sept. 1 •

State of Play
Rated: R
Genre: Suspense, Crime
Starring: Russell Crowe, Ben Affleck
Director: Kevin Macdonald

Earth
Rated: G
Genre: Documentary
Starring: James Earl Jones
Director: Alastair Fothergill

Sin Nombre
Rated: R
Genre: Suspense
Starring: Paulina Gaitan, Diana Garcia
Director: Cary Joji Fukunaga

TOP GROSSING

• Aug. 14-16 •

Rank	Movie Title (Week No.) Weekend Gross
1	District 9 (1) $37,354,000
2	G.I. Joe: The Rise of the Cobra (2) $22,324,000
3	The Time Traveler's Wife (1) $18,623,000
4	Julie & Julia (2) $12,055,000
5	G Force (3) $6,915,000
6	The Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard (1) $5,642,000
7	Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (4) $5,141,000
8	The Ugly Truth (6) $4,448,000
9	Ponyo (1) $3,585,000
10	Funny People (5) $3,010,000

Upcoming Films at the Fountain Theatre
Shows nightly at 7:30, Sunday Matinee at 2:30
Aug. 21 – Aug. 27 Seraphine
(2008, 125 minutes, French & German with English subtitles)
Aug. 28 – Sept. 3 Treeless Mountain
(2008, 89 minutes, Korean with English subtitles)
CineMatinee Saturdays at 1:30 p.m. only
General admission $4, $1 for MVFS Members
Aug. 22 only – Back to God's Country
(1919, 73 mins, silent)
Aug. 29, 10 a.m. – Long Gun New Mexico
(2009, 75 mins, made in New Mexico)
Mesilla Valley Film Society
Featuring the best independent, foreign and classic films in the Southwest. Showing films nightly in the historic Fountain Theatre since 1989!
2469 Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla
mesillavalleyfilm.org • 575-524-8287

CRUISES ON SALE!
BIG DISCOUNTS!
adventuretravelnm.com
521.1400
2460 MISSOURI AVE.
Adventure
TRAVEL & CRUISE CENTER
The Internet NEVER beats our price nor our personal service!

HUGE Selection of Southwest Pottery
200,000 Rugs!
60 Showcases of Turquoise Jewelry
600 Saddles!
El Paso SADDLEBLANKET
6926 Gateway East
El Paso, Texas
• Baskets • Placemats
• Sheepskins • Cowhides
• Oriental Rugs, Persian Rugs & Southwest Rugs
• Leather Goods • Purses
• Pillows • Wool Blankets
• Bedspreads • Baja Shirts
• Jewelry • Buffalo Hides
• Mounted Longhorns
FREE Wholesale Catalog!
SHOP ONLINE:
www.ElPasoSaddleblanket.com
HUGE 1-ACRE SHOWROOM
Owned by Dusty & Bonnie Henson
I-10 FREEWAY, EXIT 25 • ACROSS FROM CIELO VISTA MALL

ALLEN THEATRES

NOW SHOWING

MOVIE LISTINGS
FOR AUG 21- AUG 27!

ALL SHOWINGS BEFORE 6 P.M. $6.00

Buy your tickets early. Advance tickets available at the Telshor 12, Cineport 10 & Video 4. Online tickets available at the Telshor 12 & Cineport 10. Get yours at allentheatresinc.com

Now at the Telshor 12 & Cineport 10 CHRISTIE DLP DIGITAL PROJECTION!

TELSHOR 12

SHORTS	DAILY 2:50, 5:10, 7:20, 9:30 SAT-SUN 12:30 (PG) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT
the ugly truth	DAILY 2:40, 5:00, 7:20, 9:40 SAT-SUN 12:10 (R)
G.I. JOE THE RISE OF COBRA	DAILY 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00 (PG13)
DISTRICT 9	DAILY 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45 SAT-SUN 11:45 (R) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT
X GAMES 3D THE MOVIE (3D)	DAILY 2:25, 4:45, 7:05, 9:30 SAT-SUN 12:00 (PG) $2.00 UPCHARGE NO PASS OF ANY KIND
BANDSLAM	DAILY 2:20, 4:50 SAT-SUN 11:50 (PG) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT
THE HANGOVER	DAILY 2:45, 5:15,7:40, 9:50 SAT-SUN 12:20 (PG13)
A PERFECT GETAWAY	DAILY 7:20, 9:45 (PG13)
(500) DAYS OF SUMMER	DAILY 2:40, 5:00, 7:30, 9:45 SAT-SUN 12:10 (PG13)
THE GOODS LIVE HARD. SELL HARD.	DAILY 2:40, 5:00, 7:20, 9:40 SAT-SUN 12:10 (R) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT
INGLOURIOUS BASTERDS	DAILY 3:05, 6:20, 9:35 SAT-SUN 11:35 (R) MO PASS OR DISCOUNT
post grad	DAILY 2:30, 4:50, 7:20, 9:35 SAT-SUN 12:15 (PG13) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT
ALIENS IN THE ATTIC	DAILY 2:00, 4:20, 7:00, 9:00 SAT-SUN 11:40 (PG)

CINEPORT 10

NOW ENJOY ROCKING CHAIRS!

X GAMES 3D THE MOVIE (3D)	DAILY 11:45, 2:15,4:45, 7:15, 9:45 (PG) $2 UPCHARGE NO PASS OF ANY KIND
The Time Traveler's Wife	DAILY 11:30, 2:10, 4:45, 7:25, 10:00 (PG13) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT
G-FORCE (3D)	DAILY 11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15,9:45 (PG) $2.00 UPCHARGE NO PASS OF ANY KIND
G.I. JOE THE RISE OF COBRA	DAILY 11:25, 2:05, 4:45, 7:25, 10:10 (PG13)
THE PROPOSAL	DAILY 7:10, 9:35 (PG13)
ICE AGE DAWN OF THE DINOSAURS	DAILY 11:55, 2:15, 4:45 (PG)
Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince	DAILY 11:30, 3:00, 6:15, 9:30 (PG)
FUNNY PEOPLE	DAILY 12:15, 3:30, 6:45, 10:00 (R)
Julie & Julia	DAILY 12:00, 2:50, 6:05, 9:30 (PG13) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT
PONYO	DAILY 11:45, 2:20, 4:45 7:10, 9:35 (G) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT
ORPHAN	DAILY 11:30, 2:10, 4:45, 7:25, 10:00 (R)

CINEPORT 10
700 S. TELSHOR BLVD. www.allentheatresinc.com

DAILY 11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45 (PG) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT

TELSHOR 12
2811 TELSHOR BLVD.

DAILY 3:05, 6:20, 9:35 SAT-SUN 11:35 (R) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT

TELSHOR 12
2811 TELSHOR BLVD.

DAILY 2:25, 4:45, 7:05, 9:30 SAT-SUN 12:00 (PG) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT

DAILY 2:50, 5:10, 7:20, 9:30 SAT-SUN 12:10 (PG) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT

TELSHOR 12
2811 TELSHOR BLVD.

DAILY 2:30, 4:50, 7:20, 9:35 SAT-SUN 12:15 (PG13) NO PASS OR DISCOUNT

TELSHOR 12
2811 TELSHOR BLVD.

VIDEO 4

ALL SEATS ALL TIMES $3.00

DRAG ME TO HELL	DAILY 5:00 7:30 10:00 SAT-SUN 2:30 (PG13)
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN	DAILY 4:55 7:25 9:50 SAT-SUN 2:30 (PG)
STAR TREK	DAILY 5:25 8:25 SAT-SUN 2:20 (PG13)
YEAR ONE	DAILY 5:10 7:35 9:55 SAT-SUN 2:40 (PG13)

STARTING FRI AUG 28TH

H2

THE FINAL DESTINATION IN 3D

BECOME A FACEBOOK FAN AT ALLENTHEATRESINC.COM TO RECEIVE UP TO DATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE MOVIES FROM HOLLYWOOD.

Launch Pad CAFÉ
INSIDE THE CINEPORT 10

Bring this coupon to the Video 4 and see the movie of your choice for only $1.00/Person! Good for up to 5 people. Good Wed. & Thurs. only.

VIDEO 4
1005 S. EL PASEO

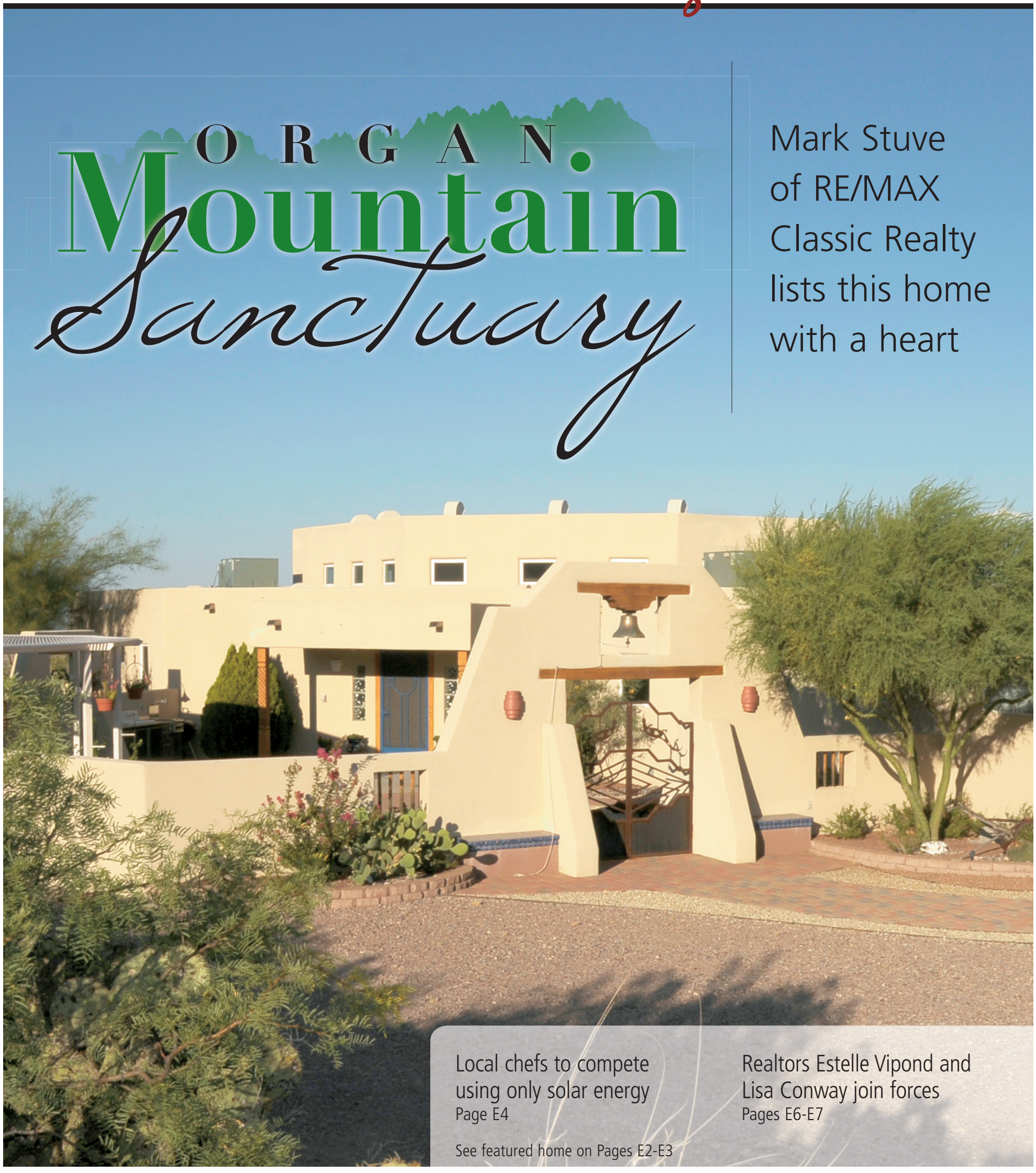
REGISTER FOR E-NEWS AND SPECIALS AT ALLENTHEATRESINC.COM

Homes & Southwest Living

THE LAS CRUCES
Bulletin
FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2009
SECTION E

ORGAN Mountain Sanctuary

Mark Stuve of RE/MAX Classic Realty lists this home with a heart



Local chefs to compete using only solar energy
Page E4

Realtors Estelle Vipond and Lisa Conway join forces
Pages E6-E7

See featured home on Pages E2-E3

Close to nature and city amenities

Find peace and quiet in this spacious mountain retreat

By Kristine Sandrick
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Gorgeous mountain views, peace and tranquility await within this beautiful, well-designed and solidly constructed homestead at 15554 Space Murals Lane. One can only imagine the love, care and dedication that builder Harry Stryker put into this home he designed, built and shares with his wife Donna Stryker and their family.

Located just off Highway 70 at the Baylor Canyon Road exit, the house – built on the side of the mountain – is just 15 minutes from shopping, restaurants and services. The 2,862-square-foot home – with a 1,250-square-foot heated, cooled and insulated garage – sits on 5 acres bordering Bureau of Land Management land. A 500-foot paved driveway, bordered with rock walls, takes one up to this mountain view perch.

Harry and Donna Stryker put a lot of love into the home they designed and built off Highway 70 at Baylor Canyon Road.

Views from every room

Since the home site is carved out of the side of the Organ Mountains, they literally rise up from the house's spacious east side courtyard. Off the patio on the west, the valley, city and western mountains afford breathtaking sunset views.

"We selected this site because of the views and the seclusion," Stryker said. "When we moved out here, we were the only house. We loved the views." Since the property borders BLM land, Stryker said it's not likely another house will block the south and west views.

The home was designed in a Southwestern contemporary style and was built to sit lengthwise on the property from north to south. Stryker said that made it somewhat easier to excavate, but more than that, it maximizes the view from every window.

In fact the mountain views are spectacular; there are even great views from the spacious laundry room, guest bath, large office and spectacular courtyard.

"The home is a sanctuary from everyday life," Donna Stryker said. "If I sit in the front garden, I see the mountains and hummingbirds. If I sit on the back porch I see the valley ... I can watch lightning storms. No matter where I go in the house there is a bit of sanctuary."

Green home that's built to last

When he built it in 1998, rather than framing the house, which is typical of many homes in Doña Ana County, Stryker used Insulated Concrete Forms.

ICFs are "stay-in-place forms used to build a superior concrete home," according to industry sources. This construction is known for its excellent energy efficiency, which provides not only a structurally sound home, but also one that is very quiet.

"This is the best energy-conserving house I could build at the time because of the insulation factor ... the walls offer R36 insulation, at a minimum," Stryker said. "It's also very solid. When you close a door, nothing else moves and when you're inside, the house is very quiet."

Las Crucens can attest to the spring winds, and Stryker said the building style is good during windy days, the house is solid. He added that ICF uses 70 percent recycled Styrofoam.

That's not all that's green about 15554 Space Murals Lane. Stryker incorporated a gray water system, which allows the soapy water from showers, tubs, washers and bathroom sinks to irrigate the property's many trees and plants.

Open floor plan

Turn the heart-shaped handle and walk through the handmade iron gates into a courtyard complete with kiva fireplace, covered eating area and outdoor kitchen, all surrounded by roses. Wooden pillars grace the front entrance, and when the door is open, one can see into the sizeable open area that is the living room, dining room and kitchen, offering spectacular views and a great place to entertain.

> "The home is a sanctuary from everyday life."
>
> DONNA STRYKER, Homeowner

The open rooms, with 15-foot ceilings, feature picture windows with views of the western skies, plus clerestory windows that bring the outdoors in and also open to allow fresh air to circulate.

A gourmet kitchen with custom maple cabinets, upscale appliances and an island with a prep sink make this a great place to cook while entertaining guests.

"It's a very welcoming space," Donna Stryker said. "Since the moment Harry and I opened the door for Christmas – three days after we moved in – everyone has felt warm and welcome ... the space flows so nicely."

Continued on following page

An open kitchen features an island with prep sink and maple wood cabinets.

Large picture windows in the living room, dining room and kitchen afford spectacular views of sunsets, valley lights and the distant mountains. Hummingbirds zoom in and out of the west side patio, just off the great room.

Details

Address
15554 Space Murals Lane

Square footage
2,862

Bedrooms
Three plus large office

Bathrooms
Two and a half

Fireplaces
Two

Special features
Mountain and valley views, great open space

For more information, contact Mark Stuve at 524-8788, or write stuve4homes@zianet.com

Continued from previous page

To the right of the kitchen is the hallway to the garage/workshop, laundry room and half bath, plus the master bedroom, bath and walk-in closet.

Views dominate the master living areas, including those from the window over the garden tub. Rather than typical sinks, glass bowls sit on top of granite vanity tops.

Guests can find their home away from home on the other side of the house. The main guest room has it's own door with access to the west patio and great views of the valley. Even the spacious office affords views of the mountains.

Hangin' with the hawks

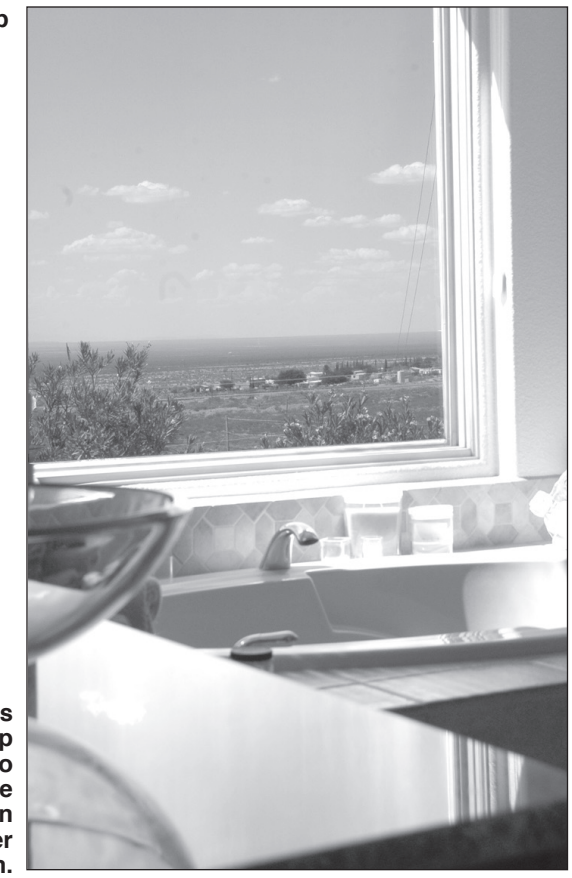
In addition to entertaining human guests, this home is a regular haunt for hummingbirds, hawks and a great horned owl – with a 6-foot wingspan – that hangs out near the garage.

"We have all of that view, beauty and closeness to nature, but we're only 10 minutes from I-25 and Highway 70. It's 15 minutes to the Downtown Mall," Stryker said. "We have the solitude but we can be at every convenience Las Cruces offers in no more than 15 minutes."

The master bedroom has wood flooring, a walk-in closet and a built-in alder dresser with granite top.

A deep garden tub with west views sits in a master bath alcove.

Behind a custom-made iron door is an 8-foot oak door, which leads into an entry foyer with custom tile.



Glass bowls rest atop the two granite vanities in the master bath.

PHOTOS BY STEVE MACINTYRE

The spacious home office has a great view of the adjoining BLM land and the southwestern sky.

Iron gates open to a large patio with a kiva fireplace, outdoor kitchen and covered eating area.

Guests have access to the west side patioor watching sunsets and wildlife.

Biad Chili Products

Every pepper in our packages is fresh hand-picked. No wonder they're hands-down delicious!

Frozen Hatch Green Chile

Retail & Wholesale
6060 S. Main, Mesilla Park, NM 88047 • Open Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
www.biadchili.com • 575-525-0034

POLANCO CONSTRUCTION

25 years experience in concrete!

- General Contractor
- Concrete/Dirt Work
- Quality & Clean Work
- Landscaping/Patios
- Remodeling
- and much more

Louis Polanco • 640-0028
Bonded • N.M. Lic# 357261

$1,500 Stimulus Tax Credit

Install a qualifying Hearthstone renewable energy product and receive a 30% energy tax credit (up to $1,500) towards the product and installation. See store for details!

WESTERN STOVES & SPAS
1103 E. Lohman Ave. • 575-526-5380 • 888-826-5380
www.westernstovesandspas.com

Put some sunshine in your food

Local market hosts its first solar cook-off

By Jonathan Butz
The Las Cruces Bulletin

It's no secret that modern man has developed an addiction for all things electric and high-tech. Constantly in front of a glowing screen, today's humans often forget to look up and notice the sunshine that has been lighting our planet for eons.

Hoping to spread more of that sunshine, the Mountain View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road, will have its first annual South West Solar Cook-Off, from 10 a.m. to 2p.m., Sunday, Aug. 23. Participants will have the opportunity to compete in a cooking contest using only a solar oven.

In conjunction with MVM's Peak of the Season Sunday Growers Market, MVM Coordinator for Community Outreach Heather Rische said the event intends to spread more awareness about the benefits of cooking with solar energy.

"It's really about promoting economically friendly ideas and I hope people see how easy it is to cook while using less electricity and conserving resources that aren't eternal," Rische said.

Recent "green" trends have sparked a movement toward harnessing and using solar energy to heat houses and provide electricity; however, few realize the potential solar energy has in the culinary world. Although solar ovens have been on the market since the '80s, people are starting to warm up to the idea of cooking without a stove.

Rische said the event was conceived in response to the popularity of solar ovens at many of MVM's weekly Sunday Growers Market. A few of the frequent growers at the market began making their own solar ovens and would bring them to the events, Rische said. Eventually Rische and others at MVM became inspired to launch the cook-off.

Las Cruces resident Randy Harris has been building his own solar ovens for some time and said there are a number of benefits of solar cooking.

"The food comes out delicious, it's really moist and it cooks evenly, while there's no risk of burning or overcooking the food," Harris said.

Although there are many different types of solar ovens available on the market, Harris said it is fairly easy for one to construct one's own solar oven.

Most solar ovens use a simple design that redirects and amplifies sunlight, concentrating its heat to cook food.

Harris said solar ovens have countless applications and can cook just about anything a conventional oven can cook. Along with cooking vegetables, chicken, beef, breads and pastries, Harris said solar ovens can also be used to sanitize drinking water and eliminates the need for fire on camping and hiking trips.

"Expect to see different kinds of ovens and lots of different foods," Harris said of the event. "There are a wide range of ovens with wide range of different applications."

Recently, Las Crucens had the chance to meet with a solar oven expert when Sun Ovens President Paul Munson visited on Saturday, Aug. 15 to demonstrate his company's solar oven.

Sun Ovens coordinates outreach programs to educate people in developing nations about the benefits and ease of solar cooking. Munson said the company uses money from its U.S. sales to offset the costs of working internationally. He said solar cooking has become a vital part of food preparation in developing and impoverished areas because it requires no electricity and doesn't produce any harmful by-products.

Munson has been on tour promoting his products throughout the Southwest, including Arizona and Utah. He said he was interested in visiting the Las Cruces area because its weather is ideal for solar cooking.

"There are big financial savings, especially in cooling costs because you don't have to heat up your house by turning on a conventional oven, and you're not using electricity or gas," Munson said.

Although solar ovens have only recently gained popularity, Munson said he thinks solar ovens will continue to receive notice because of their ease of use. He said he thinks it took the idea of solar cooking a while to take off because many people aren't used to alternative cooking methods.

"I remember my grandma refused to use a microwave when they first came out. It's the same thing with the solar oven," Munson said. "It's not exactly a method that Americans are used to. It took rising energy costs to help the idea take off."

Rische said people still have time to participate in the cook-off and may arrive as early as 8 a.m. to begin preparing. All dishes must be ready to sample by 1 p.m., and any non-solar food preparation must be disclosed. Chefs are also encouraged to bring copies of their recipes to share. All participants will receive a free T-shirt commemorating the event, while winners will receive prizes.

Along with the Peak of the Season Sunday Growers Market, the cook-off will feature live music, food sampling and a variety of activities. Anyone interested may call 523-0436.

For more information on Sun Ovens and solar cooking, visit www.sunoven.com.

JONATHAN BUTZ | The Las Cruces Bulletin

Sun Ovens President Paul Munson dishes up a rice recipe he cooked on the spot with his solar oven, at the Mountain View Market, Saturday, Aug. 15.

JONATHAN BUTZ | The Las Cruces Bulletin

Sun Ovens President Paul Munson describes his solar cooking methods during a workshop, Saturday, Aug. 15, at Mountain View Market.

JONATHAN BUTZ | The Las Cruces Bulletin

A large crowd gathered for a solar cooking workshop presented at the Mountain View Market.

Mathers Realty, Inc.

For Rent

6440 Cortez
3 br, 2 ba, w/d hook-up, garage
$950 with $800 deposit

1615 E. University
2, 3, & 4 Bdrms, 2 Baths,
On-Site Laundry, Free Parking
As Close to Class as the Dorms
Best Deal in Town! Gas paid!
Starting at $650

2500 Hagarty
1br, 1ba, near NMSU
Starting at $405

2805 Idaho
2br, 1ba
Onsite laundry
$450

2223 Missouri
1br, 1ba
on-site laundry,
refrigerated air
starting at $400

1620, 1640, 1650 West Park
2 br, 1 ba
Onsite laundry
Starting at $445

2904 Missouri
2 br, 2 ba townhome
w/d hook-up, garage
and yard
$775

3140 Hillrise
2 br, 1 ba
Onsite laundry
Fireplace
Starting at $600

You Matter to Mathers Realty, Inc.

575.522.4224
2223 East Missouri
Laura Mathers Conniff
Van A. Bullock
Co-Qualifying Brokers
For Sales or Rentals

MATHERS REALTY, INC.

For more details on these and other properties, visit www.mathersrealty.net

Getting to know your designer pays off

Avoid costly mistakes with careful planning

With a little design consultation, choosing what works best for your space is a snap.

Have you ever thought, "Gee, I wish I had help in this decorating project?" but you didn't know who to ask or were afraid you couldn't afford it?

Do you have a project that needs more help from a good friend who has good taste?

Here are a few things to help you find an interior designer, prepare yourself to interview him or her and make it a successful joint-venture.

First, ask yourself why you should use an Interior Designer. There are a number of good reasons why you might want to do so. They can help you avoid costly mistakes and can also help you avoid a result where you start saying, "Gee, I wish I had…."

Since the average person remodels every 12 years, designers can bring you up to date on the latest and most cost-effective materials. The 4-inch tile on you shower is now replaced with a minimum of 12-inch tile (less waste to install and easier to keep clean).

A good interior designer can bring extra knowledge and creativity to the project. They have a tendency to think "outside the box" and may be able to bring new thinking about how to achieve your objectives.

One of the best places to find a designer might be references from others who have used an interior designer. You'd want to know that their projects were of the same scale and type as your project. And, you would want to know how well the designer listened to clients and helped meet the objectives.

When searching for an Interior Designer, you need to know the scope of their work. Some designers specialize in drapery, space planning, color and material selections, or staging for home sales.

Be sure your designer has the skills and experience in the areas you need.

MAUREEN VILLMER
Practical Design

If your project will involve construction, your designer has to know something about construction.

Before you start to interview designers, you have some homework to do, which will save you both time and money in working with him or her.

First, start a file for the project. Establish a budget for your project and have a clear (reasonable) idea of what needs to be accomplished within your budget.

Know what your "style" is. Are you a traditional, contemporary or eclectic person? Be prepared to explain to your designer the use you will be giving the area or room. Be able to express your personal likes and dislikes.

Collect materials for your project folder such as paint samples or pictures from magazines that have specific ideas or "looks" that you like. Know what furniture and accessories you want to keep in this area and which ones you would like to take away. See if there are pieces you want to bring in from other areas of the house.

You should now be ready to meet with the designer. In my next column we'll talk about what you need to accomplish with the designer in that first meeting, and how you would want to work with him or her during the actual completion of the project.

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 575-496-7605.

Cordless tool confusion?

How to find a reliable cordless tool

Testing cordless power tools before you buy is a good way to find the right fit.

When you use tools every day, you know the benefits of going cordless. But when it comes to finding the best, most powerful and technologically advanced cordless tools for the job, do you know what to look for?

With so many options out there, choosing the right power tool for you can be overwhelming.

"A cordless tool isn't all about the battery, although it is a critical factor. Safety, ergonomics and durability as well as battery charger technology and versatility are all key," said Terry Tuerk, product manager at Metabo USA – a leading manufacturer of professional-grade portable electric power tools.

Tuerk offers some top tips to help you find the best cordless tools:

- Pay attention to the latest technology. Lithium-ion batteries are lighter, deliver more power and last longer than older battery technology.
- When you're looking for the highest quality tools, check out your local tool distributors. You wouldn't go to the grocery store's freezer section for fresh vegetables, you would go to the local farmers market. The same principle applies to tools. Shop where the experts shop, not at big-box retail stores.
- Handle the tools before purchasing them. Look for agile tools in compact sizes that fit better into tight spaces. A smaller size also reduces operator fatigue and achieves a better balance.
- The charger, and how quickly it works, are as important as the tool itself. Metabo cordless tools have batteries that fully recharge in just 30 minutes. Air-cooled charging technology cools the battery during charging to shorten the process by nearly 30 percent. Cell protection technology extends overall battery life and makes the battery last significantly longer between charges.
- Shop around for special features that best fit your needs. For example, some cordless drills have a removable chuck, exposing a recessed hex spindle that allows you to drive screws in tighter spaces. Look for tools that have a built-in LED light for better visibility in low-light areas.

"Bottom line, find the tool that performs how you need it to," said Tuerk. "The power behind lithium-ion batteries combined with advanced ergonomics makes the newer 18-volt tools rugged enough for tough applications, while providing user comfort and ease of use."

Keep the big picture in mind and calculate the return on your investment. When you purchase high-quality, professional-grade tools they may cost a bit more up front, but they last longer, perform better and are more powerful than typical consumer cordless tools. In most cases, the tools are also covered by long-term warranties.

For more information on choosing the best, professional-grade cordless tools, visit www.cordless-tools.com.

RAWSON
Builders Supply Residential & Commercial
www.rawson-inc.com
"Where Quality Begins"
2355 Nevada • Las Cruces
575-524-3568
12277 Rojas • El Paso
915-791-0100

Any outdoor living purchase over
$499
12 Months
No Interest
No Payment
On Approval

Featured Realtors:
Lisa Conway and Estelle Vipond

Details

Featured Realtors
Lisa Conway and Estelle Vipond

Company
Coldwell Banker de Wetter Hovious

Phone
Lisa Conway - 635-9222
Estelle Vipond - 639-0489

Address
2990 N. Main St. #21

Education
Lisa Conway
- Bachelor's degree in business, Penn State
- Associate's degree in hotel and restaurant management, Paul Smith's University

Estelle Vipond
- Bachelor's degree in music and music education, Cameron University

The dynamic duo of Las Cruces real estate

Lisa Conway and Estelle Vipond bring clients a fresh perspective

By Jonathan Butz
The Las Cruces Bulletin

The homes market isn't as bad as some people would like to think – at least not in Las Cruces, and at least not to local Realtors Lisa Conway and Estelle Vipond.

Conway and Vipond have a fresh outlook on the homes market, as they are the newest members of the Coldwell Banker de Wetter Hovious team.

The two decided to form a business relationship after their recent move to Coldwell Banker, and said it was a natural pairing. Serving as the dynamic duo of local real estate, they said they formed a bond because of their ability to work well together, in addition to their shared interests and personalities.

Vipond said their working style has a strong emphasis on customer service, something in which both Realtors said they have specific experience.

"It's more than selling houses, it's about customer service," Vipond said. "If you don't satisfy the customer, then there's no point in the first place."

Vipond got her start as a music major and earned a bachelor's degree at Cameron University in Oklahoma. Aside from her musical talents as an oboist, Vipond used to own and operate two flower shops. She sold one in 1987 and sold the other to her daughter, Marie, in 2004.

Vipond has lived in California, Texas and Oklahoma; however, her roots in Las Cruces eventually pulled her back home.

Vipond said she was interested in real estate because she initially wanted to remodel homes. After receiving her license, Vipond remodeled eight different houses. Vipond's desire to remain active also led her to real estate, as many other people her age began to retire. Now, after five years in the business, Vipond said she is still enthusiastic and eager about her job and the quality of service she provides her clients.

"It came time for me to retire, but I didn't want to," Vipond said. "I'm too active to retire."

Although Vipond has a natural ability in sales and design, she soon found herself in need of some extra help – in walked Conway.

"Lisa came along and she was new to the area and the real estate business, but we found we worked well together and she was really enthusiastic," Vipond said.

The duo said their new relationship has helped them tremendously, especially while marketing their services. In fact, the pair's recent union helps save marketing dollars. Because the two are able to advertise together, they get more ad space, exposure and advertisement in local real estate publications. Many will be able to find the two in a number of local publications including the Real Estate Press and HouseHunt.

Conway, although fairly new to the business, said her experience traveling around the world, in addition to her experience in restaurant and food service management, has given her a strong sense of customer service, something she said is an integral part of the real estate business. She earned a bachelor's degree

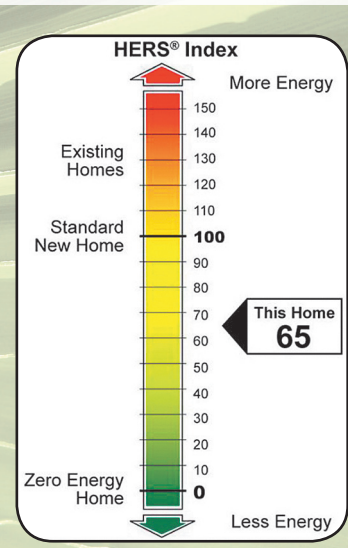
Continued on following page

Are utility $'s and temperatures too high?

Call for a Home Energy Audit Today!

Our certified Energy Rating, Consulting and Professional Home Inspection services will improve EFFICIENCY, SAFETY, and COMFORT in your home.

- In-Home Energy Survey/Audit
- Home Energy Rating (HERS) (RESNET Certified)
- Whole House Infiltration Testing and HVAC Duct Leak Testing
- Professional Home Inspections (ASHI Certified)
- Energy Star Certification
- Build Green NM Verification
- LEED for Homes Rating



Inspection Connection LC is locally owned and operated by Miles Dyson with over 500 inspections completed to date.

Call Miles at 575-202-2457 for details and quotes
icenergyrate.com • amdyson@msn.com

INSPECTION CONNECTION LC
Proudly Serving All of Southern New Mexico

Be a part of something Big.

You can transform the life of a child. Each of us remembers the adults, other than our parents, who brought a little magic into our lives. By becoming a Big Brother or Big Sister, you can do the same for a child.

Volunteer Bigs give their time and energy and, in doing so, find they get as much back as they give.

Generous donors support our organization and its expansion.

Join us and be a part of something Big.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwestern New Mexico
Little Moments. Big Magic.™
1832 W. Amador Ave. • 523-9530
523-9531 • bbbsofswnm.org

Continued from previous page

in business at Penn State and an associate's degree from Paul Smith's University in hotel and restaurant management.

"We've both spent a good amount of time working in customer service, so we connected right away," Conway said of she and Vipond.

A change in Conway's husband's job caused them to move overseas, an experience which eventually took Conway out of the restaurant management business and into the world of real estate.

While living in Germany, Conway met a man who worked in real estate, but struggled with English. Because the area's location near a NATO base presented a vast population of different English-speaking nationalities, Conway stepped in to act as an assistant to the German real estate agent and his clients.

It was during her time in Germany when Conway was able to learn about the real estate business, while carefully honing her newly acquired business skills. She later returned to Las Cruces with a hunger for local real estate.

The dynamic duo is now running at full speed as they continue to help Las Crucens find and sell homes, regardless of what the current housing market may imply.

Vipond said Realtors are often misinterpreted as salespeople who are only interested in their own personal gain. Vipond and Conway, however, said they are the opposite because they consider the specific needs of their clients, in addition to the emotional weight of selling or buying a new house.

"For a lot of people, selling their house that they've lived in for years is the single largest event in their lives. It's an emotional decision, so we want to treat their home the way they feel about it," Conway said.

They said they are open to help anyone find a home, but they also said they don't discriminate based on financial circumstances. Conway said they focus on entry-level home buyers and people with a limited budgets.

"A lot of marketing is based on retirees and that definitely fits a higher-priced market. But we also want to give those other folks a lot of attention. That's the whole point, is getting people in," Conway said.

Despite the recent crisis in the housing industry, they said now is still a good time to buy a house in Las Cruces, particularly with the tax credit recently made available by the U.S. government. Qualified first-time homebuyers purchasing a principal residence on or after Jan. 1, and before Dec. 1, can receive a tax credit of up to $8,000. Additionally, the loan must be closed by Nov. 30.

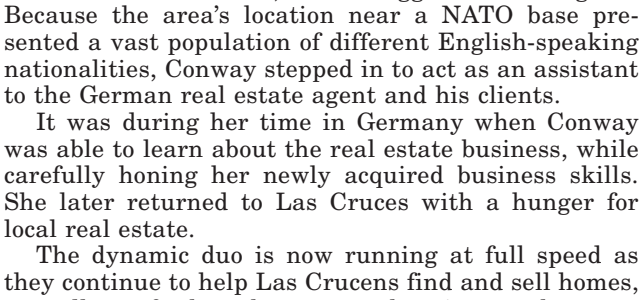
"It's a good time, not a bad time, to buy or sell a house," Vipond said. "If you have to sell, you can do it."

Prospective buyers may save money in the long run by finding a Realtor as soon as possible, Vipond said.

"Why waste your gas driving around when you can call us and we'll drive you around and find something. Why not just use our gas and our knowledge?" Vipond said.

Conway and Vipond feature a variety of homes fit for first time buyers and college students.

BETHANY CONWAY
The Las Cruces Bulletin



• No Phone Line Needed
• Basic and Advanced Alarm Systems
• Medical Alarm Program
• Computer Controlled Lighting
• Structured Cabling
• No Long Term Contracts

(575) 382-9213
www.eaglesecurity.biz

Only Authorized GE Security Pro Dealer in Southern N.M.

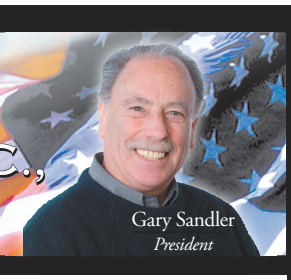
SUN & EARTH INCORPORATED
SUSTAINABLE BUILDING FOR OVER 30 YEARS

☼ Installing the OASys™ High Efficiency A/C
☼ Solar Hot Water
☼ Energy Efficient Construction
☼ Radiant Heating & Cooling
☼ Free Energy from the Sun
☼ Tax Credits, No Sales Tax on Solar
☼ Certified Systems

ENERGY STAR PARTNER

James L. Graham - President
www.sunandearth.net • 575-521-3537

EVERYTHING you need to know about Las Cruces Real Estate www.GarySandler.com



GARY SANDLER INC., REALTORS
Gary Sandler
President

Experience Counts!

Realtor
Broker/Owner
Accredited Buyer Representative
Professional Loan Counselor
Radio Personality
Published Author

Gary Sandler and the entire Sandler Team are there for only one reason: YOU! It is their responsibility to help you make informed decisions in every step of the transaction process.

Service is our bottom line.

LISTEN TO GARY SANDLER'S
REAL ESTATE CONNECTION
MONDAYS 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM,
KSNM AM 570

READ GARY'S WEEKLY
COLUMN IN THE
LAS CRUCES BULLETIN

• We Have Buyer's Agents
• Free Pre-Qualification, Credit Report and Loan Review
• First-Time Home Buyer Counseling
• Plain-Language Explanations
• Full Multiple-Listing Services
• For-Sale-By-Owner Listings
• Foreclosures and Repossession Listings
• HUD Authorized Broker
• Accurate Market Evaluations

100% Satisfaction Guarantee

PRE-FORCLOSURE SALE
BEAT THE BANK TO THE PUNCH

This clean and sharp, near new home with 3 BR & 2 BA +family room with over 2,300 sq. ft. will go on the foreclosure block in October. Priced just above the lender's buy in price, this property can be purchased now with no short sale or lender involvement. Check the prices and compare. This is the buy you've been looking for.
L# NEW $169,900

UNIVERSITY AREA DUPLEX
LIVE IN ONE - RENT THE OTHER

Super sharp duplex with two, 1br 1ba units approx 720 sq.ft. each. New kitchens, baths, paint, carpet, tile, appliances, lanscaping & more. Private, fenced yards with grass, off street parking for 4 vehicles, all on a terrific corner lot. Just 3.5% down for FHA buyers. Exclusively listed by owner/agent at $142,900.
L# NEW

TOWNHOME EXTRAORDINAIRE
ONE OWNER CUSTOM HOME

This impeccable 4-Hills area townhome was custom designed & built by the current owner. 2 master suites, 2 baths, a corner fireplace, custom kitchen and living room cabinets & entertainment center, custom lighting, an oversized attached garage, front courtyard, & a huge covered patio off the great room are just some of the terrific amenities. Others include a full appliance package, a 1-Year Home Warranty, new paint inside and out, surround sound prewire, & blown in insulation. Truly a one-of-a-kind home. Just $135,900. L# 806979

NEAR NMSU
2 BEDROOM CONDO

Clean, sharp and ready to go with new paint, carpet, tile, landscaping. Cute corner unit with vaulted ceilings, all appliances including w&d, a private yard, carport, and its own storage unit. Just listed at only $94,900. L# 808346

1240 S. Telshor Blvd. Ste. A
For tips on buying in today's seller's market...
Visit our website at
www.GarySandler.com
(575) 525-2400
888-880-9611

Can't survive without your morning cup of joe?

Grind your own beans for the freshest cup and brightest day

By Beth Sitzler
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Over the years, the Las Cruces Bulletin has featured several devices to aid in the search of the perfect cup of coffee, including the French press and the single-serve coffee maker.

While these gadgets are essential, the journey to java perfection begins with the beans.

Coffee beans, the seed of the coffee plant, can contain as much as 2.5 percent caffeine. When it is roasted, the chemical and physical properties of a green coffee bean are transformed, changing its color, taste, smell and density as well as creating its distinct flavor.

The roasted coffee beans are then ground into a small, powder-like substance to be brewed. Coffee grounds can be found at every grocery store and coffee house. Store-bought grounds offer a quick and easy way to make a cup, but what about freshness?

One way to assure you get the freshest ground coffee beans is by simply grinding them yourself. This may sound like a labor-intensive task, but thanks to electronic coffee grinders, the job can be done in minutes.

Café de Olla

This sweet coffee drink is made with chocolate and cloves. Preparation is a bit unusual since you steep the coffee grounds with the other ingredients instead of traditional brewing.

8 cups water
4 ounces ground coffee
4 ounces brown sugar
2 cinnamon sticks
3 cloves, whole
1 square of semi-sweet chocolate

While boiling water in a saucepan, add cinnamon, cloves, sugar and chocolate. When the mixture comes to a boil, skim off foam. Reduce the heat to a simmer, and add coffee. Let it steep for five minutes before serving. Recipe adapted from http://about.com.

What is it?

A coffee grinder is a technological gift to man. This handy machine makes brewing this morning staple fool proof. Simply put, a coffee grinder is a mill that grinds coffee beans to a desired consistency.

The device is available in a variety of sizes to accommodate any grinding quantity. For those who want to use the grinder for one pot of coffee, a small hopper – the part of the grinder that holds the beans – is preferred.

For those who wish to grind a large quantity of beans at once, find a grinder with a hopper with a larger capacity.

Grinders come in two forms – blade and burr. While they both produce coffee grounds, they work in different ways.

How does it work?

A blade grinder, generally the less expensive of the two, cuts the beans with metal knives. It sometimes produces uneven-sized grounds, which can lead to an inconsistent brew quality.

A burr grinder, on the other hand, crush the beans between a moving grind wheel and nonstick surface. The position of the wheel regulates grind size, leading to ground consistency.

There are two different types of burr grinders: wheel and conical. Wheel burrs spin at a high speed, which can be loud and create a mess. The conical burr spins at a slower rate, causing less noise and mess.

How much is it?

Coffee grinders come in a wide-variety of prices, depending on the type, its capacity and special features, such as grind settings. A simple, blade coffee grinder can cost as little as $19, while a high-tech, burr grinder with multiple features can cost as much as $200.

Where can it be found?

As with most kitchen gadgets, the coffee grinder can be found just about anywhere, including Target, William-Sonoma, Best Buy and the on the Internet.

Helpful hints

- Be careful when grinding flavored or oily coffee beans since they will most likely clog the machine. If you wish to grind such beans, purchase a conical burr grinder because it doesn't have this problem.
- How long you grind your beans is very important because if you grind them for too long, the coffee can taste bitter. Most home coffee grinders don't have grind settings, so the best way to prevent over-ground beans is by timing how long you grind. Here are some guidelines: **Plunger pot (French press pot)** course grind: 6 seconds, **Flat bottom drip pot** medium grind: 10 seconds, **Drip and filter** fine grind: 25 seconds, **Espresso** fine grind: 25 seconds
- Your coffee grinder also can be used to grind grains and dried spices, such as cinnamon, ginger, cloves, pepper corns and all spice. Just be sure to clean the grinder first.

Chai Iced Coffee

The spiciness of chai isn't only for tea. Spice up your cup of joe with this simple blend.

2 teaspoons cardamom, ground
4 tablespoons sugar
4 tablespoons heavy cream
1 teaspoon almond extract

Use your favorite brewing method to make 4 cups of coffee, mixing the ground cardamom in with the grounds first. Add the sugar and almond extract to the hot coffee, and mix until dissolved. Let it cool before adding it to a glass half-full of crushed ice. Add a spoonful of cream just before serving. Recipe adapted from http://about.com.

Featured gadget: Coffee grinder

Ask the PROS!

Jim Benson
Service Technician

Q: How often should your home or office cooling system be checked?

A: Systems should be checked at-least twice a year. During the cooling and heating period. Sun City Plumbing & Heating INC offers a comprehensive system care plan with many benefits. Call today or visit us on the web.

560 N. 17th St.,
Las Cruces, NM 88005
575.526.9758
www.youknowsuncity.com

Sun City PLUMBING & HEATING
TRANE IT'S HARD TO STOP A TRANE
An independent Trane Dealer

Cure what ails you with aloe vera

Medical plant conquers skin problems and makes hair shiny

By Beth Sitzler
The Las Cruces Bulletin

With the summer quickly coming to an end, families may have left over bottles of aloe vera – a common sunburn treatment.

Instead of throwing them away, put the gooey-goodness to use in alternative ways.

Aloe vera, also known as a medicine plant, is a succulent, as is the cactus, which is a water-retaining plant. By retaining water in its leaves, stems and roots, aloe has a swollen, fleshy appearance not found with other plants.

Inside the swollen leaves is a rich, gel-like substance that has been used for centuries to cure a variety of ailments, both topical and oral.

Orally, aloe can be used to cure several stomach illnesses such as ulcers. For oral uses, be sure to use commercial, certified products.

For topical uses, however, both fresh and bottled aloe can be used.

1. Eliminate infections: Aloe vera can be used to treat bacterial and fungal infections on the skin's surface, such as athletes foot, because it's enriched with natural compounds that reduce inflammation, pain, burning sensations and redness.

2. Take care of blemishes: Regular application of aloe vera can help get rid of blemishes and discoloration of skin. Unlike some other commercial products, aloe can be applied on all ranges of skin types, including sensitive skin.

3. Want radiant hair?: Lush, shiny hair begins with a healthy scalp and aloe can help. Eliminate dandruff and keep hair texture silky smooth by combining aloe vera, coconut milk and wheat germ oil and massage into the scalp. You can also speed up hair growth by massaging aloe in the scalp and letting it sit for 30 minutes. Be sure to rinse out both concoctions.

4. Follow Cleopatra's lead: A legendary beauty, the queen of Egypt maintained her youthful look by applying aloe to her face and body. Thanks to the extracts and natural antioxidants, it can fight the signs of aging and prevent the formation of wrinkles, age spots, pigmentation inconsistency and dark color spots on skin.

5. Stay smelling fresh: With antibacterial properties that eliminate under arm bacteria and prevent body odor, aloe vera can be used in replacement of deodorant.

6. Heal burns: Thanks to its cooling properties, much like those found in menthol, aloe vera is a great relief for burns. Whether it's a minor kitchen mishap – such as grease splatters or a hot utensil – or a sunburn, the gel will sooth the burn and help it heal.

7. Replace lotions: Instead of lotion, use aloe vera daily for smooth, radiant skin. Not only does it quickly soak into skin, it also helps prevent scars and stretch marks.

Around-the-house item: Aloe vera

Foot scrub

1/2 cup oatmeal
1/2 cup corn meal
4 tablespoons aloe vera
1/2 cup unscented body lotion

Combine all ingredients to create and exfoliating foot mask for soft feet.

Sugar scrub

2 tablespoons aloe vera
2 tablespoons brown sugar
1 teaspoon lemon juice

Combine ingredients in a bowl. Use as a body scrub to exfoliate skin.

Salt scrub

2 tablespoons sea salt
2 tablespoons aloe vera
1 teaspoon honey

Combine ingredients in a bowl and use as a scrub to remove rough skin.

Now you have **your Bulletin local news** updated every day!

To get your daily updates, go online to **lascrucesbulletin.com** *and click on*

THE Daily Bulletin

Casa de Esperanza, Inc. (CDE)
Family Living Provider Agency
Serving Individuals on the DD Waiver

- Founded by parents desiring community based services for family members with special needs.
- 30 years of providing a loving environment for our special needs daughter
- Free trainings
- Competitive wages for providers & staff
- Spanish speaking

575-640-8725
CasaDeEspranzaInc@gmail.com

Get Your Fresh Green Chile Roasted!
at the Doña Ana Farmer's Market
Sunday, August 23, 2009 • 8:00am to 1:00pm

Locally Grown, Pesticide Free!

Specialty melons, chile, tomatoes & veggies.

In the Historic Village of Doña Ana at the Plaza next to Our Lady of Purification Church
I-25 N take Doña Ana Exit, W on Thorpe; S on street next to Post Office; bear right to church

Call Rosanne 650-4823 for more information

Take the guesswork out of flooring

How to avoid wasting materials

If you haven't shopped for flooring in the past few years, prepare yourself. The vast array of hard-surface options is extensive, to say the least.

From stone to tile, wood to vinyl, linoleum to laminate, the choices can seem endless. How do you sift through the features and benefits of each to choose the product that is best for your home and your needs, from installation to maintenance and upkeep? Equally important, how much is it going to cost to get the floor of your dreams?

New flooring, no matter what type you select, is more affordable than you may think. The key to success in finding the right floor is to go to a reputable, high-quality flooring retailer who can help you make sense of all the choices available in today's diverse marketplace.

"Besides offering great service, the latest designs and an extensive array of product choices, today's quality flooring retailers also compete when it comes to price," said Gary Finseth, director of marketing for Tarkett Residential, a large flooring manufacturer. "But, their greatest ability is to differentiate themselves with professional sales people who can educate you to make the best purchasing decision for your home and your lifestyle."

There are some great flooring products, such as Tarkett FiberFloor, a resilient sheet vinyl that offers unique designs and the performance consumers prefer for day-to-day living.

A knowledgeable flooring retailer will help you identify the best floor covering choices that complement your style of living, as well as the colors and finishes that suit your individual tastes. This includes more than just showing samples of various flooring options. A quality flooring retailer helps consumers understand how traffic, cleaning needs and other factors can influence a flooring decision – especially when performance and value are the key factors in most every decision.

For example, you might love the look of real hardwood floors, but if your home has a lot of traffic and activity, an indent and wear-resistant laminate might be the best (and far more affordable) choice for you. Today's laminate offerings are designed so authentically to mimic wood and other surfaces, it's often hard to tell the difference.

If you're looking for a more performance-based flooring option, some great new products offer unique designs and the performance consumers prefer for their day-to-day living. One option retailers recommend is Tarkett FiberFloor, a fiber-backed resilient sheet that is warm and comfortable underfoot, which is resistant to water and moisture, stands up to scratches, scuffs, stains and indentations, and is easy to maintain.

Or, if you're interested in a high-end flooring look such as marble, stone or ceramic tile but don't like their cold, fragile and pricey applications, many floor-covering retailers recommend turning to luxury vinyl tile. Products such as NAFCO's PermaStone duplicate the look of natural ceramic and stone tile, but are warm, soft and even come with multiple grout options (or none at all) for installation.

Installation is part of the complete package of details and services that comes with a specialty flooring retailer especially if you don't have the time, tools or temperament to do a quality install yourself. The best retailers take care of all the details so you don't have to worry about them.

A good retailer will provide you with recommendations and services such as:

* Suggest the proper moldings and why moldings are needed for certain flooring transitions.
* Recommend premium underlayments, such as Tarkett's Quiet-Cor, which provide better sound insulation and moisture penetration.
- Proper measuring and estimating services to avoid waste or materials shortages
- Complete installation, including the necessary cutting of door jambs and other accessories
- All the right tools, including specialty saws and underlayment tape (these are tools that most do-it-yourselfers wouldn't think to purchase)
- Full installation warranty
- Individualized follow-up, usually 30 days after installation, to fix any problems

Most people don't shop for flooring every day – or even every year – so with so many choices, styles, prices, features and benefits available, it's nice to know that today's quality flooring retailer is there to help.

For more information, visit www.tarkettna.com.

Rock the Green Chile Cheeseburger vote

Support local restaurant during the Culinary Trails campaign

Thanks to the state's passion for juicy burgers and flaming hot chile, the New Mexico Tourism Department has recently kicked off its New Mexico's Green Chile Cheeseburger Trail.

The search for the state's best green chile cheeseburger kicks off the department's new Culinary Trails campaign. The trail is designed to showcase the best restaurants, farmers markets, wineries and microbreweries the Land of Enchantment has to offer.

Any New Mexico-based restaurant is eligible for nomination in the Trail, as long as it serves a burger – beef, bison or "veggie" – with cheese and New Mexican green chile.

Among the statewide burger hopefuls are a few local favorites. Double Eagle in Mesilla, Burger Nook in Las Cruces and Jake's Café in Doña Ana are all in the running for the elusive title.

For more information or to vote for the best, visit www.newmexico.org/greenchilecheeseburger.

Home Sales Scoreboard

LAS CRUCES AREA

	This Week	Last Week	Same Week Last Year
Homes Sold New	3	4	0
Homes Sold Existing	9	21	13
Pending Home Sales (All)	240	241	201
Median Price New	$164,725	$163,995	$0
Median Price Existing	$210,000	$160,000	$168,500
Total Homes on Market (All)	1,353	1,354	1,565
Average Days on Market (All)	145	169	149
Real Estate Agents	529	538	616

"Homes" include detached single-family homes, townhomes and condominiums

Source: Las Cruces Multiple Listing Service (MLS)* for the period 08/10/09 - 08/16/09
* MLS is wholly owned by the Las Cruces Association of Realtors
** Unknown per LCAR

SUNNY CONLEY
Chile Knights

CHILE KNIGHTS
Chile Lore, Tales & Tidbits.....

Former New Mexicans long for local chile

An old favorite, missed by many

Driving through a large plaza recently, the delicious aroma of roasting green chile seeped through my car vents. I slowed to a crawl, rolled down the window and sniffed my way to the hot spot – a Mexican restaurant that boasted a large banner tacked on a sky-high billboard announcing, "Roasting Hatch Chile."

I stopped to purchase 10 pounds (at $1.99/pound – ouch!) and then drove home to freeze the long, medium-hot gems.

Living in Arizona, I rarely smell roasting chile unless I do 'em myself. Chile is predominately grown in southern Arizona – not in the metro Phoenix area where I now live.

Man, oh man I truly miss New Mexico's harvest. Anyone who has left the enchanting state will tell you the same, as noted by former New Mexicans who often chile chat on the Internet.

Internet Chile Chatter

- I am so missing fresh N.M. roasted green chile!! Currently living in Germany.
- I miss green chile. I didn't know that I would. So that's what I get.
- In need of some green chile in Las Vegas, Nev.
- Lucky for me my mother sends me two or three bushels a year.
- Out of 'Hatch'. Gotta make a N.M. run unless someone out there knows where I can find some Hatch chile here in Las Vegas, Nev.? The good stuff ... hot hot hot!
- Florida has no idea what green chile is ... somebody please send me some. I miss it sooooo much.
- [Hatch] Chile Festival here we come! I'm so excited. I miss home so much.
- Living in Colorado we don't have any good chile. Lucky me, I have a mom who brings me some all the time.
- The best thing about waking up on a summer morning in Las Cruces was the smell of green chile roasting ... I miss that.
- How I miss good New Mexico green chile.
- My mouth is craving some Sandia hots! My daughter brought some home last fall that they had roasted and froze for us. And we are getting low. Very low!
- We've had green chile sent to us in upstate N.Y. for 21 years and can't imagine life without it.
- Going on vacation is nice but not having the chile from N.M. is like not having a cigarette if you smoke. It's bad and you become addicted.
- Ah, one of the few things I miss about New Mexico ... glorious green chile. (Amen!)

Email Chile Chatter

Dear Sunny: I offer the following haiku for your "Ode to a Chile Harvest" issue of Chile Knights.

chile pods
rustling in a breath of air ...
harvest heat
Las Crucen Don Miller

Chile questions

Is it possible to make enchiladas and freeze them for about a week before thawing and heating? When put in the freezer, should they be precooked or uncooked? Barbara H., Las Cruces

I prefer baking the enchiladas first without the cheese on top. Once thawed, I reheat them in the oven sprinkling the cheese on top during the last few minutes (less rubbery). I think freezing them uncooked takes away from the flavor.

- Did you know? Chile peppers aid in digestion, soothes sore throats, clears sinuses, combats cancer and boosts your immune system? Barbara V., Las Cruces (Excerpt from a healthful food chart.)

- I marinate strips of chicken breast in tequila and lime, pan broil or barbecue it, and put it in a whole wheat tortilla with a dressing of lime flavored mayo, some cilantro and a bit of roasted chile. Cold, it makes a nice tea sandwich. Hot, with beans and a salad, it's dinner. Margaret

Enchanting Harvest Recipes

New Mexico Green Chile Stew for Two

1 pound frozen roasted green chiles
1/2 pound beef (stew meat) or, pork, diced into 1/4 inch cubes (or ground beef)
2 cloves fresh garlic, minced
1 dried red chile pod, de-seeded and crushed
1 large potato or 2 regular ones
Water
Salt – optional, plus anything else you'd like to add such as carrots, tomatoes, cilantro, etc.

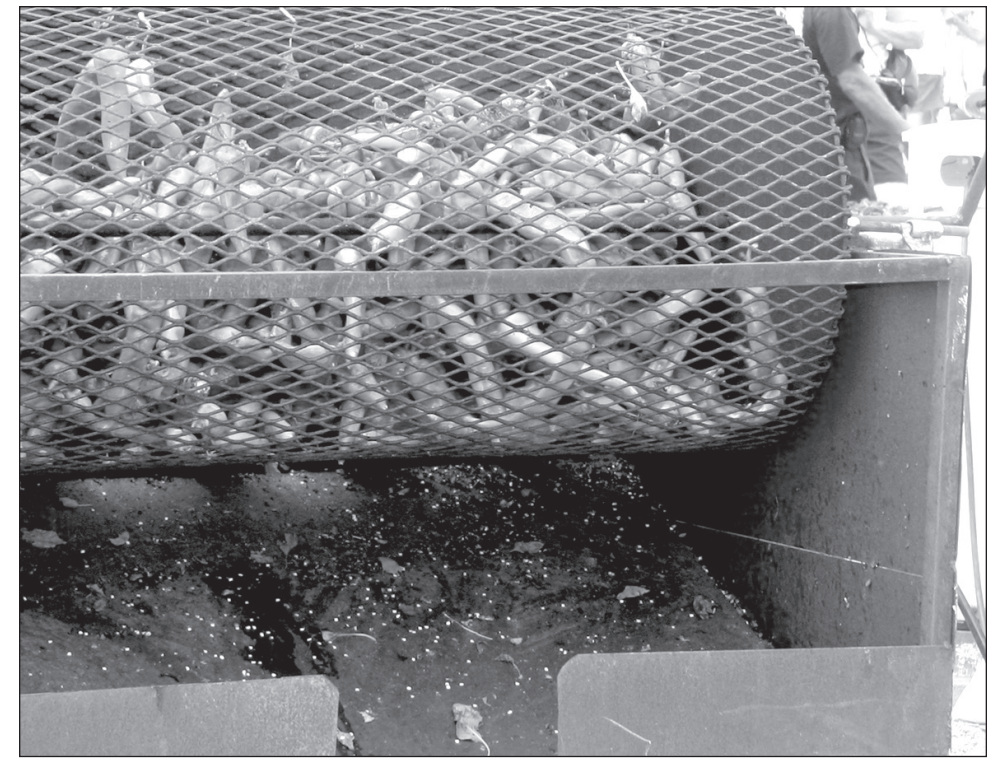
Remove peels from chiles. Cut off tops and slit them down the middle. Unfold chiles and remove most of the seeds. (Removing the veins of the chiles will decrease the heat in the peppers.) Chop chile with the fresh garlic and a teaspoon of salt added in. Set aside.

Cut meat into diced cubes about 1/4 inch each or crumble ground beef.

Brown meat in a little olive oil, lard or the meat fat. When finished place meat into a medium sized pot and dump chopped chiles on top, plus crushed red chile flakes. Pour water into pot until it just covers the chiles and meat. Bring to a boil and then tightly cover and set to simmer.

Simmer for about two hours then peel and dice potatoes into small bite sized squares. Add potatoes to stew and continue to simmer for 45 more minutes or until potatoes are done. (Add more water to cover potatoes, if needed, and add any additional vegetables.)

When finished, let it cool a couple of minutes and serve with grated cheese over top and warm tortillas. (Recipe from newmexicoconnections.com e-newsletter)



The aroma of roasting chile marks the beginning of the chile harvesting season in New Mexico.

Sizzlin' Chile-Hot Apple Pie

Prepare your favorite pastry dough recipe, enough for two crusts. Divide it in two balls and wrap each separately in wax paper.

6 green chiles, roasted, peeled, seeded and chopped
6 to 8 medium size tart apples, peeled and quartered, cored and cut into 1/2-inch slices
3/4 cup sugar
2 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
1 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1 1/2 tablespoons butter

Toss apples with sugar, flour, lemon peel, nutmeg, cinnamon and chiles. Set aside. Place oven rack at its lowest position and heat oven to 425 degrees Roll out 1/2 pastry dough and gently fit into pie plate; trim edges, leaving a 1-inch overhang. Spoon filling into pastry-lined plate. Dot with butter. Roll out remaining dough. Moisten edges of bottom crust with water. Place second crust on top to seal; flute or crimp edge. Brush top crust with a mixture of egg and water. Cut leaves or little apples with remaining dough and decorate top of pie crust. Bake 40 to 50 minutes or until apples are tender and crust is golden brown. If crust browns too much near end of baking time, cover loosely with foil. Serve warm or at room temperature. Makes 1 pie or 8 servings.

Sunny Conley, a former Las Crucen, is an award-winning cookbook author and food columnist. If you have a chile recipe or idea to share, contact Sunny at sunnyconley@earthlink.net.

Your Full Service Realty since 1953 • Sales – Commercial & Residential
1546 Missouri Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88001 • info@jamiestullrealestate.com • (575) 522-6424

Assassin bug lies in wait

Beneficial bugs help exterminate other pests

BARRY MURRAY
The Bug Guy

The assassin waits so still, he appears frozen. When the victim nears, the assassin silently strikes. The killer's sharp beak pierces the mark and he injects a poison, which swiftly dissolves the victim's internal organs to liquid. The creature then drinks its prey, as if through a straw.

You might have mistaken this for science fiction – straight out of Dr. Who – if you didn't know me as "Barry the Bug Guy."

Frightening and incredible as it may seem, it's a true story that's played out routinely – in miniature, of course.

This insect, called the assassin bug, lives in plants as one species, but there are other species, such as the western bloodsucking conenose, aka the kissing bug, which prefers human bedrooms as well as the sleeping spaces of other critters.

Fortunately, the conenose doesn't turn human insides to Slurpees; although it does numb the human bite site and thin the blood it intends to sip. The kissing bug, which needs a blood meal to reproduce, gets its name because it tends to bite around the human mouth.

The assassin bug, which is up to 1-inch long and appears to be armored, dines primarily on caterpillars, although other bugs, reptiles, birds and mammals are all prey, too. The assassin is aggressive and can kill creatures several times its size.

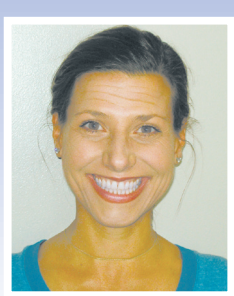
Predators need beware as well – the assassin can spray its lethal poison at them. The bug's poison is potent enough to cause irritation and sometimes temporary blindness in humans, according to http://desertusa.com. Its defensive bite can cause reactions ranging from mild to severe.

While hitmen may not be thought of fondly in the human sector, assassin bugs are considered beneficial because they exterminate other bugs. The kissing variety, however, is associated with carrying disease such as Chaga's disease.

As national spokesperson for Truly Nolen of America, Barry "The Bug Guy" Murray has more than 20 years of experience in the pest control industry. Murray brings an informative and uniquely entertaining perspective to pest problems of the 21st century. Founded in 1938, Tucson, Arizona-based Truly Nolen of America is one of the largest family owned pest control companies in the United States. For more information, to ask the expert a question or to see the brand-new "Insect Inquirer" blog, visit www.trulynolen.com.

The assassin bug uses its beak to pierce its victims and inject them with a poison that dissolves internal organs.

We're Cleaning House!
You'll love our leftovers!
Huge TILE Liquidation!
FROM 59¢ sq.ft.
Thousands of Feet in Stock
While Supplies Last!
Select styles. No holding. All sales final.
FlooringAMERICA
THE STAINMASTER FLOORING CENTER
CASEY CARPET
OF LAS CRUCES, INC.
Southern New Mexico's Only Stainmaster Flooring Center
1515 W. Amador • 523-9595
W. AMADOR
N Casey Carpet (Just west of Valley Dr. on Amador)
VALLEY DR.
Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
www.flooringamerica.com
"We measure our success by your level of satisfaction."
Gina Hoffman Schweinebraten
Vice-President
Casey Carpet of Las Cruces, Inc.
VISA MasterCard DISCOVER



ALLEN THEATRES
TELSHOR 12
2811 TELSHOR BLVD.
Come enjoy a movie!
Click for Movie Showtimes
Daily Movie Listings
Just click on the Allen Theatres ad on our home page at
lascrucesbulletin.com