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Waterfalls in the wings

Another 558 acres of East Mesa approved for zoning changes

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

The Las Cruces City Council has approved zone changes that allow a development on another parcel of state land on the East Mesa.

Called the Waterfalls by local developer Ken Thurston, the project on nearly 559 acres would be a mix of businesses and homes in a mixed-use "new urbanism" approach similar to what's being proposed at the Vistas at Presidio, the large East Mesa development approved by city council last week.

Along the same lines, the developer – Thurston was representing Roger Cox Western Developers that has a business lease on the land – would be responsible for putting in all roads, including major arterials and utilities before beginning construction. In the case of the Waterfalls, most of the land is south of the Bataan Memorial Highway between Dunn Drive and Hanger Lake Road. Hanger Lake, Dunn and Cortez Drive are the major roads the developer will have to expand.

Unlike the Vistas at Presidio, a major feature of the Waterfalls is a 140-acre ponding area below the state Department of Transportation yard to relieve the kind of flooding seen on the East Mesa during last summer's heavy rains. Although the land was already annexed, it was zoned for agricultural use, so zone changes were brought before the city council at its land use meeting Tuesday, May 29.

Residents along Dunn Drive – mostly from the Hacienda Acres development – told the councillors they are concerned

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Remembering the fallen

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Former Vietnam-era U.S. Marine Carol Gaines sings the National Anthem during the Memorial Day observance, Monday, May 28, at Veterans Memorial Park.

Ags hire WAC aide

Macy to focus on the 'Aggie Vision'

By **John Keith**
The Las Cruces Bulletin

The Bulletin has learned that New Mexico State has hired Steve Macy as associate athletics director for marketing and promotions.

MACY

Macy, the current associate commissioner of marketing for the Western Athletic Conference in Denver, Colo., is expected to join the Aggie staff sometime in July.

Reached by telephone on Wednesday, May 30, Macy said he is excited about the direction NMSU's athletic department is going.

"I am looking forward to working with (Aggie Athletics Director) Dr. (McKinley) Boston and (NMSU President) Dr. (Michael) Martin," he said. "Their vision for athletics at New Mexico State is impressive. There's a lot of energy there.

"When I interviewed, I liked the fact that everybody, from the Board of Regents down through the entire athletics staff, seems to be on the same page.

"You don't find that situation at every university, believe me."

At NMSU, Macy will be in charge of the athletic department's marketing strategy, focusing heavily on

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Is new technology bad for open government?

Mayor questions if text messages, emails, cell calls violate law

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

Laptops have become fixtures of government boards, as do the board members' cell phones and blackberries.

But if – during an open meeting – a board member gets a text message, email or call from a constituent or member of a special interest group, that could be a violation of open meeting law, says Las Cruces Mayor William "Bill" Mattiace.

Mattiace brought up the question at the start of the city council meeting Tuesday, May 29.

Up until now, councillors could – and some city council observers say they believe it has been happening – receive emails, text messages or cell phone calls during the meeting about issues under debate.

Mattiace said a policy banning such practices would prevent rumors by the public that councillors are asking questions or taking directions from the outside.

There are seven members of the council – including the mayor – and they all need hear the same questions and deliberate on the same information.

"Let's put it this way," Mattiace said, "when somebody goes out on stage, they shouldn't be lip-synching."

And that can also be a violation of open meeting law, Mattiace said. "This council (meeting) is open record in my opinion," he said.

Some councillors balked.

"I see no need to back to go the dark ages," said councillor Jose Frietze.

Frietze, who runs Family & Youth Inc., said he sometimes takes cell calls from work and leaves the dais to take the call in a conference room that has the meeting broadcasted on the television so he can monitor the proceedings. On occasion, Frietze will go out into the audience and talk with an individual. "What's the difference?"

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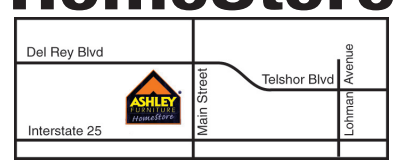

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The U.S. Post Office brought in some ringers Friday, May 25, to mark its release of stamps commemorating the 30th anniversary of the beginning of the Star Wars movie series: Bryan Trumbow as a storm trooper, Leroy Garcia as Darth Maul, Jeff Bahmer as Chewbacca, Kari Bahmer as Princess Leia and John Spaulding as Darth Vader.

TODD DICKSON
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Open government

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Councillors Gil Jones, Steve Trowbridge and Ken Miyagishima said they use the Internet during meetings to do background research on things such as city zoning or the State Land Office.

Still, the question is worth an in-depth discussion after the city's legal department researches the issue, said Mattiace, who would like to see language added to the city's ethics code prohibiting the practice.

While the state's open meetings law doesn't address the new forms of communications, the purpose of holding an open meeting is to give the public "the greatest knowledge possible" about the topic being considered or debated, said Bob Johnson, executive director of the New Mexico Foundation for Open Government, a statewide watchdog organization on issues of open meetings and open records.

> We are in an age of enhanced communication.
>
> MONTE SARVO

That is especially true if a regular fixture of the open meeting is to provide public input for open discussion, Johnson said. The kinds of concerns raised by Mattiace are methods that avoid open discussion, he said.

"It's the purpose of holding an open meeting," Johnson said.

Johnson agreed that the council's code of ethics is a good place to address the concern. A councillor receiving such communications during an open meeting is acting unethically, he said.

"That's my whole point," said Mattiace after hearing Johnson's comments.

Johnson and his organization have taken the Las Cruces City Council to task in the past for conducting "rolling quorums," in which councillors polled each other about their votes before meetings took place.

Mattiace said some people misunderstood his comments to mean that constituents couldn't use emails, text messages or cell phones to communicate with public officials outside of the meeting. Mattiace said he was only talking about such communications during a meeting.

After Tuesday's meeting, Miyagishima sent out a mass email asking for people's opinion on the issue. Monte Sarvo, who is active in the Alameda Depot neighborhood, responded that he was against "adding such a control over our councillors," and that restricting the practice is impractical in a free society.

"We are in an age of enhanced communication," Sarvo wrote in his email response. "Each councillor has the option to shut off their cell phones and all other communication devices if they do not want to be disturbed. Each councillor should be trusted to have the integrity and common sense to not use such technology inappropriately. They may be waiting for much-needed information that is being provided by an outside source. They may have an emergency from home. There are many reasons a city councillor may need communication during meetings."

Opinions

FROM THE PUBLISHER

Stan's the man

LCPS Interim Superintendent Stan Rounds would be a terrific choice to lead our schools

BY **DAVID E. McCOLLUM**
The Las Cruces Bulletin

McCOLLUM

You don't have to spend a lot of time with Stan Rounds to know that he has a passion for education and young people.

Last week, he spoke to a record crowd at the Greater Las Cruces Chamber's quarterly luncheon where he outlined where our public schools need to be focused over the next five years. The plan was not developed in a closet by a self-serving administrator using Las Cruces as a stepping stone to another job. Instead, this outline is the result of many extra hours of strategic planning time invested by a broad base of people, including school executives, staff, teachers, parents, local business leaders and students.

If you have had the occasion to be in the south end of Loretto Town Center around 5:30 p.m. or later over the past few months, you likely would have seen (through the Las Cruces Public Schools board room's glass wall) a room full of people engaged in the business of planning the future of our public schools.

When Rounds was named to the interim position in February, he immediately began visiting with teachers, staff and the business community. He accepted the job knowing many things were broken, including the spirit of many LCPS employees. He knew the broken things needed to be fixed quickly. He also knew the economic future of Las Cruces is hinged on our ability to provide a quality education system.

The result of Rounds' early initiatives is a renewed excitement among staff and teachers. Additionally, respected community leaders including City Manager Terrence Moore, Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance President Steve Vierck, Chamber Education Committee Chair Patsy Duran, New Mexico State University President Mike Martin and Doña Ana Community College Campus Executive Officer Margie Huerta have each recognized and endorsed the positive actions underway at LCPS.

The LCPS plan is currently outlined for the next five years. The plan proposes several new schools including a fifth public high school scheduled to open in 2010. The plan addresses the district's woeful graduation rates and absenteeism. The plan also recommends intensive interaction with NMSU, DACC and the business community to ensure that our young people are being adequately prepared for future workforce opportunities.

Of course for any plan to work, it must be effectively implemented. A plan without action is just pieces of paper in a binder on a shelf. From experience I have found that the most successful plans are executed by those who did the planning. The participants have the intimate knowledge of what went into the plan, and they are likely to have the passion to ensure that the plan is fully executed.

Stan Rounds has the passion to lead our school district as it grows and develops over the next five years. He has the personality and people skills to be effective as the top administrator. He is a native New Mexican whose experience and talent give him the credentials to be the ideal candidate to be our permanent superintendent.

It is our recommendation that the school board immediately begin negotiations with Stan Rounds to remove the "interim" from his title and to allow him to lead the district over the next five years.

If you, too, have faith that "Stan's the man," we encourage you to contact members of the school board and advise them of your support for Stan Rounds. We strongly believe that this decision will benefit our schools and our community both today and into the future.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Coverage appreciated

The New Mexico Nurses Association, District 14, thanks The Las Cruces Bulletin for its coverage of National Nurses Week that was celebrated May 6-12. It was gratifying that you noted the unique and nurturing care that highly educated, knowledgeable and skilled nurses give to their patients. Nurses save lives every day in this community because they are uniquely qualified to give highly skilled nursing care. Nurses touch all our lives and they will speak for you when no one else can or will.

We hope you make it a regular feature in The Bulletin, and not just during National Nurses Week, to interview nurses in our community and thereby educate the public about the unique knowledge and skills that nurses possess. The public entrusts care of the community's most vulnerable populations, the sick, the injured, the newborn and the dying, to nurses. It only seems appropriate that the community know who these individuals are who provide that care.

LEIGH B. DeROOS, RN, BC
president NMNA District 14

TVs turned off!

Across the nation, TV TurnOff Week is observed each April. In Las Cruces we had a great success with the collaboration of media activists and the Las Cruces Public Schools librarians to produce an event unlike any previous contests. Everyone who had the opportunity to view the display of student art and essays at the LCPS administrative offices commented on the creativity of our students as well as the powerful statement from young people about television watching.

The Southern New Mexico Media Awareness Council would like to thank everyone who volunteered time and money to make TV Turn-Off Week in Las Cruces a success: The LCPS administration and librarians, our poster and essay judges, and the City of Las Cruces (for developing TV TurnOff family events at the recreation centers and museum). Prizes for the winners were made possible by generous donations from MountainView Regional Medical Center, Memorial Medical Center, Rotary Club, Optimist Club, Kiwanis Club and Albertson's grocery stores. Partnerships with community businesses and service clubs are vital to the success of extra programs in the schools.

Our hope is that TV TurnOff activities will inspire people to reduce the amount of television, movie and computer screen time they are spending, with a corresponding increase in physical activity, reading and personal interactions during the coming year. If so, then all of the above effort will have been worthwhile!

SKY ARMIJO
president
Southern NM Media Awareness Council

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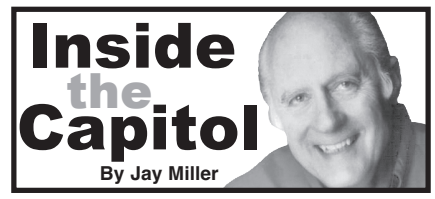
Goodwill ambassadors pay visit to president

Amigos spread state's message to other areas



The New Mexico Amigos, our state's official goodwill ambassadors, visited President George Bush recently for a quick photo op and gift presentation and ended up spending nearly an hour chatting informally with him.

Sen. Pete Domenici arranged the visit, which was held in the Executive Office Building next to the White House in order to accommodate the 140 Amigos who attended.

The annual goodwill flight this year traveled to Williamsburg, Va.; Washington, D.C. and Boston. Locations to be visited are determined by the Amigos presidents. This year's president is Mike Pemberton, a Roswell businessman.

While in Washington, the group toured the Capitol Building, courtesy of Sen. Jeff Bingaman and the Pentagon.

In the Williamsburg area, the Amigos visited Norfolk Naval Air Station, where they split up and toured a submarine, destroyer and cruiser. Their luncheon speaker was Robert L. Dain, a native New Mexican, who will command the yet-to-be-commissioned USS New Mexico nuclear submarine.

The Amigos hosted receptions in all three cities. In Washington, all five members of New Mexico's congressional delegation were in attendance.

Our governors usually join the Amigos on their annual flights. Gov. Bill Richardson has joined them in the past and has arranged for state governors to speak to them.

But this year, Richardson was otherwise occupied, so Lt. Gov. Diane Denish joined them. Denish's father, Jack Daniels, was a charter member of the Amigos and a former president.

The Amigos got their start in 1962 during the celebration of New Mexico's golden anniversary as a state. As part of the celebration, 85 of New Mexico's leading citizens chartered an aircraft at their own expense and visited Chicago, Detroit, Pittsburgh, New York and Washington, D.C. to draw attention to New Mexico's 50 years as a state.

As a result of the trip, a permanent organization was formed, a charter as a private corporation obtained and the governor of New Mexico appointed the Amigos the official goodwill ambassadors for the state.

In all but one year since, the Amigos have chartered an aircraft and made trips to other states, Canada and Mexico to focus attention on New Mexico. The governor is invited as a guest of the organization on the goodwill flights.

In each city, arrangements are made for the Amigos to visit and exchange ideas with large groups of the city's prominent citizens. At luncheons and receptions, the governor addresses local groups and, in turn, that state's governor and other leaders address the Amigos.

While the annual goodwill flight attracts the most attention, the Amigos participate in many other activities to promote the state of New Mexico. Frequently they act as hosts for important groups visiting the state. They support the programs of other organizations that are acting in the interest of New Mexico.

Amigo members are distinguished New Mexico civic, business, industrial and professional leaders who devote time and financial support to the organization.

Amigos must be leaders in their community, decision makers in their business, company or profession and meet rigid membership qualifications. The organization is limited to 260 active members and is governed by a board of directors headed by a president.

To remain active members, Amigos must participate in at least one goodwill flight every three years. The presidency rotates yearly. The list of its 45 presidents is a Who's Who of New Mexico, spread widely throughout the state. Last year's president was Santa Fe art gallery owner Nedra Matteucci.

The position of secretary/treasurer does not rotate. That post has been held by Santa Fe marketing and governmental relations consultant Gary Blakeley for the past 20 years. It's Gary who makes everything work once the decisions are made.

GUEST COLUMN

City officials did little to engage the public in annexation debate

BY STEVE FISCHMANN
The Las Cruces Bulletin

With crickets chirping in the early morning Tuesday May 22, Las Cruces' City Council voted 6-1 to approve annexation and zoning for developing 5,900 acres of mainly state trust land in the shadow of the Organ Mountains. Only one significant amendment that reserved lands for schools was made in response to a broad array of community concerns.

The city council applauded the work of city staff, the city staff applauded developer Philip Philippou, who created the master plan on behalf of the state land office, and the assistant city manager proudly declared he would use the exact same process all over again for future annexations.

All of this carried an air of defiance in the face of broad community complaints that citizens had been excluded from decision-making about the future of taxpayer owned lands. One councillor chided those who had concerns for not making appointments to talk with her – this after failing to answer hundreds of emails voicing specific issues with the plan and the process. Another councillor scolded the public for not attending obscure working hours meetings that might have informed them of the Vistas at Presidio project earlier.

Earlier meetings cobbled together in response to public outcry at being excluded exhibited the same defensive attitudes. Time-share style presentations extolled the advantages of the project, with no focus on details. Meaningful questions were met not with answers, but with testimonials for Mr. Philippou by employees, relatives and associates.

Those of us in the Quality Growth Alliance had a very modest request. Go ahead with master planning but invite the community into the process. Our original request was for six weeks to two months of structured in-depth time to review the plan and suggest improvements to meet community needs. This after all, is primarily taxpayer-owned land, not a private developer's, and like any landowner, we like to think we have property rights too. But even this suggestion was not open to discussion. City staff did little to encourage discussion or engage the public during a four-week legal delay in the approval process.

Regardless of the city's intent, the reaction of a large number of folks is clear. Citizens with perspectives to offer were not treated as contributors to, or as "customers" of their government. Instead, we felt like unwelcome interlopers in decision making about land we own. Frankly, we often felt like the enemy.

Leadership is not taking sides and shoving one point of view down everyone's throat. It is making decisions that respect the full range of concerns and values in the community. Imagine how much more effective government could be if decision-makers remembered this, instead of pursuing predetermined agendas.

Steve Fischmann is the chair of the Quality Growth Alliance and chairman of the Southwest Energy Alliance.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Against immigration bill

This letter is addressed to U.S. Sens. McConnell, Lott, McCain, Kyle, Graham and Domenici.

There is a great disagreement and disappointment here and across the country with the immigration "reform" bill now working its way through the Senate.

I believe I can speak by means of this letter for a very large section of the Republican voters here in New Mexico, even though they many not write or call to voice their opinions on this matter.

This bill, crafted in secret and behind closed doors, is amnesty cloaked in convoluted legalese and verbalized to the public dishonestly. This bill would give next-day amnesty to those millions (and their families) who have and are at present breaking our existing laws – laws that are unenforced.

There is only one reasonable approach to the solution of the massive existing illegal invasion.

First, before any consideration of the 12 to 20 million illegals already here, the border must be totally and completely sealed. Build hundreds of miles of impenetrable fencing, and naturally use more border guards, technology, etc. to secure our frontier.

Otherwise, your proposal to legalize on a next-day basis all of the millions currently here will only encourage and inspire more millions to breach our borders – not only from south of the border but from around the world. They will continue to join the mob and reap the benefits offered by this disastrous proposed bill.

You Republicans must return to representing the wishes of those who put you where you are – or sadly, our party will be a big loser in the 2008 presidential election. We cannot be ignored.

President George W. Bush is a lost cause in this matter, and we have long since given up on him.

MARY C. FULLER

Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum thanks supporters

The Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum recently enjoyed its eighth annual La Fiesta de San Ysidro and this special event could not have been such a success without the help of many outstanding people. We would like to thank our wonderful group of museum volunteers, as well as the Farm & Ranch Heritage Foundation, Southwest Dairy Farmers, Little Playmates and Monger Water.

CELINA GARCIA
marketing coordinator
New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum

Airport support needed

I ask the readers to ask themselves: "Why doesn't Las Cruces have a better public airport, with at least one commercial airline, that at least a few times per week, offers flights at reasonable prices, to, say, Phoenix, Denver or Albuquerque, and Dallas?"

Maybe it is because there are massive neo-backwards, neo-primitive attitudes in Las Cruces humanity, and massive "It isn't cool to go places unless from El Paso" attitudes. But sustainably charitable city government and private sector leaders could encourage and advertise for subordinate people in the area to travel more often, and be patriotic, so to speak, to our city county and state, by using our own airport, and such charitable leaders could also suggest that incentives be given, like free airport parking for cars. Again, who the leaders are in a mission, can make a big difference.

JEFF NORTH

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In the News

Man impersonates police detective

A woman on Central Road in Las Cruces avoided unimaginable consequences early Friday, May 25, when a man impersonating a police detective knocked on her door and asked to come inside, according to a Las Cruces Police Department press release.

The man was not a detective and not affiliated with the Las Cruces Police Department, and his identity is still unknown, the release said.

According to the release, at around 11:15 p.m. Thursday, May 24, a woman in the 5100 block of Central Road called 911 and asked police to investigate suspicious noises and possibly a prowler in her back yard. Police officers arrived, searched the area and found no evidence of a prowler, the release said.

A few hours later, at around 3:30 a.m., Friday, the woman reported that a man dressed in black knocked on her front door and said he was a detective from the Las Cruces Police Department, the release said, and when the woman asked the man for proper identification he became disorderly. According to the release, the woman quickly closed the door on him and again called 911. It is unclear what the man's motives were.

The man is described as Hispanic, 6-feet tall and around 200 pounds, and he was wearing a black shirt, blue jeans and black dress shoes the release said.

The Las Cruces Police Department reminds the public that it is well within their right to ask an officer or detective for proof of their identity – a badge and picture ID – before talking to them. It is also OK to ask that a marked police unit be present when dealing with police matters, and, when in doubt it is recommended that you call 911 to verify if an officer or detective has been dispatched to your location, the release said.

FFA Convention this week

FFA members from across the state will meet June 4-6 in Las Cruces for the 79th Annual State FFA Convention.

New Mexico State University will host the three-day event, during which FFA members will gather for contests, elections, workshops and awards. This year's theme is "Blue Jackets, Gold Standards," inspired by the organization's colors, national blue and corn gold.

"The State FFA Convention is really about leadership. It's the culmination of a year's work for the students who attend," said Les Purcella, state FFA supervisor.

Students will compete in a variety of contests, such as public speaking and marketing. The winners of the contests will receive their awards during the convention. Some students will also receive awards for projects completed during the year.

Current state officers will give their retiring addresses, and the new officer team will be introduced and installed. National FFA officers also will be at the convention presenting workshops.

The keynote speaker will be Roger Crawford, "America's Possibilities Coach." He focuses on helping people to overcome obstacles "in order to inspire a winning attitude in life," according to information from the state FFA offices. Crawford has been inducted into three separate halls of fame because of his achievements.

The length of the convention will be shorter this year than in the past. "This year, a day has been trimmed in order to save money for school budgets. This way, schools can continue to come," Purcella said.

New Mexico FFA has more than 4,000 members spanning 87 chapters and is dedicated to making a difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for growth and success through agricultural education.

For more information call Les Purcella at 644-7987.

High gas prices fuel demand for corn

Few people think of corn when they fill up their gas tanks, but rising gasoline prices are not just putting a strain on the nation's pocketbooks. An economist at New Mexico State University said they also are putting a strain on the nation's corn supply.

"As long as gas prices go up, corn prices will go up too," said Terry Crawford, an agricultural economics professor at NMSU. He said as the price of gasoline increases, so does the demand for alternative fuels such as ethanol, and its key ingredient, corn.

"Right now, the industry is rushing to build capacity to meet demand," he said.

For years, ethanol has been used as a gasoline additive in big cities in colder months. Ethanol helps gasoline burn cleaner and prevents air pollution. In recent years, the demand for ethanol has taken off with more need for its use as an additive and as more vehicles are being modified to run on E85, a fuel blend containing 85 percent ethanol. Government leaders have said they would like to see ethanol and other alternative fuels reduce the need for foreign oil.

"This past year the U.S. produced four to five billion gallons of ethanol," he said. "That took up 20 percent of the nation's corn crop. The industry would like to produce about seven times that amount ... so we're going to need more corn, or we need to come up with something else. In the short term, anywhere corn growers can grab land, they are taking it."

Crawford said corn growers intend to plant more than 90 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2007, up 15 percent from 2006.

As growers convert more land to corn, they are also affecting other crops as well. With less area available for other crops, there is a decrease in supply, translating to higher prices. Alfalfa and wheat growers are also earning more for their crops as demand increases from feed buyers finding it harder to purchase corn.

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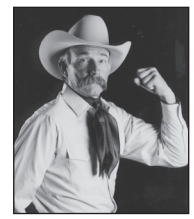

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

The number of rural food animal veterinarians is diminishing rapidly nationwide. So if you still have one, it would be beneficial to know how to get the most from the one you have.

Recently I read an article by a rural DVM entitled "Before you Call the Vet." In the interest of expanding on his suggestions, I will try to clear up and remove any confusion you might have.

Suggestion No. 1 – "If you have no intention of paying for your vet's services, do not call."

On the surface, this seems self-explanatory. But to be more specific it definitely includes the spotted owl that flew into your picture window, the neighbor's dog you hit with the truck trying to drive him off your sheep and the National Park buffalo that was wounded by a deer hunter in your backyard.

Suggestion No. 2 – "Do not call your veterinarian if what you want is illegal."

Say you have been quarantined by the State or Federal Livestock Department for Brucellosis, tuberculosis, B.S.E., scabies, having poor facilities or misplacing your last veterinary bill, you may be thinking of asking your vet to fudge the test results. A simple little thing, no one would know, you'd tip him 50 or 60 bucks, maybe promise to give him the hide off your next slipped calf. And, although the offer of the hide sounds tempting, don't bother. When veterinarians take their state boards, they have to promise to be honest.

Suggestion No. 3 – "Always capture and identify the animal in question before calling the doctor."

Capture means in something smaller than 40 acres. "She's the one over by that scrub oak, Doc. The one just left of the red cow, or is that the mule? Anyway, she's the solid black one, no, wait a minute … Phil, which cow did you say had the lump on her jaw?"

Suggestion No. 4 – "Avoid blanket treatments – not all downer cows have milk fever, not all lame cows have foot-rot."

No amount of calcium/dextrose solution IV will cause a cow that has been hit by a feed truck, to stand and walk away! And no formaldehyde footbath or tetracycline injection will cure the steer that limps till you pull the nail out of his hoof.

The doctor's article included many more useful tips on how to better use your rural veterinarian, but it all boils down to this: Take care of your local cow vet. Treat him like visiting royalty. Pay him like you do your bookie. Remember his (or her) birthday, share your pheasant, quail, sweet corn, homemade cookies or 4-H pig sausage. And it's always nice to offer to co-sign his note for his house, his car or his bass boat. Because remember, he can always desert you for a comfortable cat and dog practice in someplace like Orlando or Cabo San Lucas!

Waterfalls

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about losing a more rural lifestyle. They noted that there are a number of people who own horses that they ride in the area.

With the addition of an estimated 1,200 dwelling units and a commercial sector planned for along Dunn Drive and the Bataan frontage road, the residents asked for more open space along the improved roadway so that people could still enjoy horse riding in the area. Resident Bridget Hayes added that she was concerned about the impact of development to the area's natural habitats for quail, rabbits, roadrunners and coyotes.

But councillor Steve Trowbridge said the state trust lands are not the same as public lands, so they'll have to accept the loss of this open space to development. State Land Commissioner Pat Lyons is obligated to get the most money he can for the state lands released for development, he said.

In return for providing the large ponding area, the land commissioner is even more obligated to seek a good return on the other property being released for development, according to Trowbridge.

The ponding is expected to catch a lot of the water that last summer flooded East Mesa neighborhoods along the federal highway.

"I put a high value to anything that supports the development of that pond," said councillor Gil Jones.

Under new proposed FEMA flood plain maps, the area will require homeowners to have flood insurance if the pond is not built, he said. The retention pond, he said, could take care of that concern.

With the commercial section likely to include stores, people won't have to drive into town "to get that gallon of milk," Jones added.

Steve Fishmann, who helped form the Quality Growth Alliance in reaction to the Vistas at Presidio development, cautioned that the mixed-use approach may not relieve as much of the traffic as city officials anticipate. "Some people are used to shopping in the big box stores and will drive into town anyway," he said.

While the Waterfalls wasn't an annexation request, residents at the meeting brought up what they consider to be a short time frame for responding to notifications of the request for zoning changes – the earliest mentioned was in March.

Mayor William "Bill" Mattiace said the city tries to notify residents as soon as possible, but the city's popularity is resulting in development proposals coming to council at a fast pace.

Scarlett Ayers, president of the Hacienda Acres Neighborhood Association, said she wasn't convinced that the ponding area would address all the flooding problems out there. When heavy rains hit, Dunn and Reynolds Drive will still resemble rivers, she said, "just not with so much mud."

Thurston said he would be willing to look at making adjustments to the commercial section along Dunn to lessen its penetration into the residential portion, but that will depend on retaining enough room for the businesses. Residents also were asking for a "buffer" or some kind of horse trail off to the side of the road, but Thurston said that will depend on city standards for streets and if the city can accommodate such a request.

In the end, the council unanimously passed the changes. Councillor Ken Miyagishima, who had voted against the Vistas at Presidio that will be to the south of the Waterfalls development, said he approved this because of the retention pond and because of the project's development focus on affordable housing.

Thurston, who specializes in affordable housing developments, said he expects the cost of the affordable housing homes to range between $125,000 and $135,000. That is based on the city's average family annual income of $36,000 getting a mortgage at a 6.18 percent interest rate, he said.

In response to some residents asking for larger lot sizes on the western end so the new development will resemble the nearby existing homes, Mayor Pro Tem Dolores Connor said that would defeat the purpose of providing housing that a first-time homeowner can afford.

In terms of schools, the district isn't asking for any sites to be set aside for schools, Thurston said.

For the time being, Moongate Water is the supplier for the portion on the north side of the Bataan Memorial Highway and Jornada Water for the larger portion south of the highway. That could change, Thurston said, if the providers can deliver adequate water flow for fire protection.

The city will provide sewer service, which neighboring residents on septic tank systems may want to take advantage of, Jones said.

The Waterfalls development is expected to be built out over the next 10 years.

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The city council has approved zone changes for the Waterfalls development in the area of open desert east of Dunn Drive, pictured here at the Reynolds Drive intersection. Neighboring residents are concerned about the development's more dense housing than the larger lots seen here in the Hacienda Acres subdivision.

New Mexico Republicans mourn Mike Laurance

Mike Laurance, former chairman of the Doña Ana County Republican Party and former Southern Regional Political Director for the Republican Party of New Mexico, passed away in Las Cruces May 24.

As county chairman, he was instrumental in bringing about the indictment of Ruben Ceballos, a former Doña Ana County Clerk who was convicted of numerous counts of voter fraud. He routinely designed and printed the programs for the annual Doña Ana County Republican Party Lincoln Day Dinner at his own expense.

According to Republican Party of New Mexico First Vice Chairman Ceil Levatino, "Mike was a mentor to me and so many others. He remained committed to the Republican Party and involved in what we do until the very end. New Mexico lost one of its finest; we'll miss him very much."

Republican Party of New Mexico Chairman Allen Weh offered his condolences to Laurance's family, friends and Republican colleagues. "On behalf of Republicans throughout New Mexico, I salute Mike for his service to our party and his commitment to the principles on which we stand," he said. "His work was admirable, and he will be missed."

Get your kicks with Route 66 license plates

The New Mexico Motor Vehicle Division announces the availability of a new license plate that celebrates Route 66, the first transcontinental roadway in the United States.

The license plate is available for purchase and can be ordered online at www.tax.state.nm.us/pubs/specplat.htm.

The MVD has ordered 500 of the special issue plates. A portion of the sales proceeds will be distributed to the New Mexico Tourism Department, which oversees the project through the State Scenic Byways Program. New Mexico Route 66 is a National Scenic Byway.

Macy

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"Aggie Vision," NMSU's plan to televise 45 Aggie athletic events across the Southwest, most notably football, men's and women's basketball, volleyball, baseball and softball.

Macy, who joined the WAC office in 1994, said the decision to change jobs was a difficult one. "Believe me, I have a great situation here, and it will be tough to leave.

"I've really enjoyed working with Karl Benson (WAC commissioner) and the staff here. Although this was a hard decision for me, but when the opportunity to join New Mexico State was presented, I just could not turn it down.

"The entire athletics department is on an upward swing, and I want to be a part of it."

Before joining the WAC, Macy worked in marketing at the Mid America Conference office, currently based in Cleveland, Ohio.

He is a graduate of the University of Toledo and earned his master's degree at Georgia Southern.

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City petitioned on country club development

Neighboring residents ask officials to consider land swap or purchase

By Todd G. Dickson
The Las Cruces Bulletin

A group proposing to merge Las Cruces Country Club with Apodaca Park is petitioning city officials to make a deal to make the "premier park" happen.

The country club, located adjacent to Apodaca Park, is being turned over to developer Philip Philippou, once he builds a tournament-class golf course in his Sierra Norte development on the northeast edge of the city.

Although the 18-hole golf course was carved out of what was once the desert outskirts of Las Cruces in 1928, it is now considered to be in the central core of the city – and a landmark of sorts with its three crosses facing the intersection of North Main Street and Solano Drive. Also, Apodaca Park's baseball stadium is often used by local teams.

But the country club in recent years has fallen on hard times, and its membership sees the future tournament course and new facilities as necessary steps to solvency.

The deal has Philippou acquiring the country club's 110 acres once he's built the new 200-acre golf course as Sierra Norte's centerpiece. Philippou has agreed to assume $1.1 million of the club's debt.

At the city council meeting on Tuesday, May 29, representatives for the Country Club Neighborhood Association presented a petition signed by almost 2,200 people calling for the city to offer a land swap – or even a land swap with money – for the city to acquire the property and merge it with Apodaca Park.

John Stevens, who presented the petition to the council, said his group recently met with Philippou, who has not yet drawn up plans for the country club development. While Philippou said he wasn't interested in donating the land to the city, he indicated he was open to the possibility of some kind of land swap, according to the neighborhood association representatives.

Such a deal would be of benefit to the city in its efforts to lure a minor league baseball team, said Connie Potter, also with the association.

Potter noted that she was recently browsing a copy of Money magazine, in which the city didn't make the list of desirable cities because, she conjectured, the magazine evaluated cities, in part, on the amount of "green space." Large inner-city parks are important to the attractiveness of a city, she said,

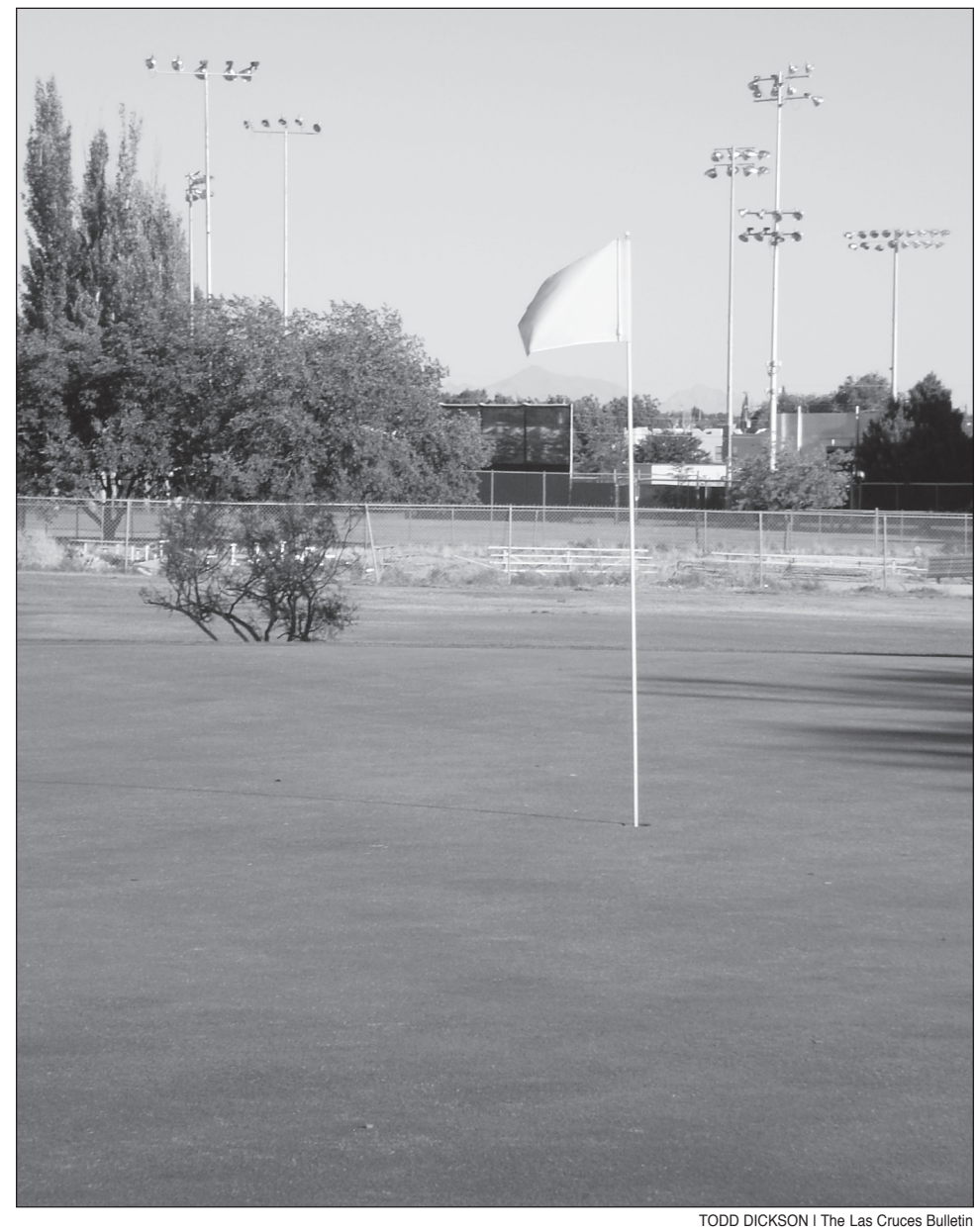
City Manager Terrence Moore cautioned that the land transfer to Philippou has yet to take place, so it still is owned by the country club. "There is still time to talk," Moore said.

The person to talk to, however, is Philippou, said golf enthusiast and New Mexico State University College of Busines Dean Garrey Carruthers, who brokered the deal with Philippou while on the country club's board of directors. The former governor said he now is acting as the club's liaison to Philippou.

Carruthers said the city should continue conversations on the question with Philippou.

As attractive as the "premier park" proposal is, Carruthers said the complicated deal will take a long time to close. In his role as liaison between the board of directors and the Philippou group, Carruthers said he would recommend to the board that it is more important to focus on completing negotiations with Philippou's group.

Once the transfer is completed, he said, the city could then negotiate with the developer, who could then arrange to give it to the city.



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Apodaca Park's baseball stadium can be seen from this hole on the Las Cruces Country Club golf course. Neighboring residents are asking the city to consider a land swap or purchase to buy the course and merge it with the park, rather than allowing the course to be developed when a new tournament-class golf course is built elsewhere.

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NMSU researchers build desalination prototype

Engineers say approach is low-cost, low-energy

A low-cost water desalination system developed by New Mexico State University engineers can convert saltwater to pure drinking water on a round-the-clock basis – and its energy needs are so low it could be powered by the waste heat of an air conditioning system.

A prototype built on the NMSU campus in Las Cruces can produce enough pure water continuously to supply a four-person household, said Nirmala Khandan, an environmental engineering professor in NMSU's Department of Civil Engineering.

New Mexico and other parts of the world have extensive brackish groundwater resources that could be tapped and purified to augment limited freshwater supplies, but traditional desalination processes such as reverse osmosis and electrodialysis consume significant amounts of energy.

This research project, funded by the NMSU-based New Mexico Water Resources Research Institute, explores the feasibility of using low-grade heat – such as solar energy or waste heat from a process such as refrigeration or air conditioning – to run a desalination process.

Khandan said the project builds on a process first developed by researchers in Florida that makes distillation of saline water possible at relatively low temperatures – 45 to 50 degrees Celsius (113 to 122 degrees Fahrenheit) rather than the 60 to 100 C (140 to 212 F) required by most distillation processes.

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Civil engineering professor Nirmala Khandan, right, and doctoral student Veera Gnaneswar (John) Gude check the control center of their prototype water desalination project. Operational data can be downloaded onto a laptop computer.

The system utilizes the natural effects of gravity and atmospheric pressure to create a vacuum in which water can evaporate and condense at near-ambient temperatures. Two 30-foot vertical tubes – one rising from a tank of saline water and the other from a tank of pure water – are connected by a horizontal tube. The barometric pressure of the tall water columns creates a vacuum in the headspace.

At normal temperatures, Khandan said, evaporation from the pure-water side will travel to the saline side and condense as the system seeks equilibrium. "That's nature," he said. "We want it to go the other way."

Raising the temperature of the water in the headspace over the saline column slightly more than that of the freshwater column causes the flow to go in the other direction, so that pure, distilled water collects on one side and the brine concentrate is left behind in a separate container. A temperature increase of only 10 to 15 degrees is needed, Khandan said.

"That's the trick of this vacuum," he said. "We don't have to boil the water like normal distillation, so you can use low-grade heat like solar energy or waste heat from a diesel engine or some other source of waste heat."

Potentially a desalination system using this method could be coupled to a home's refrigerated air conditioning system, Khandan said.

"When you air condition a house, you are pumping the heat outside the house, and the heat is wasted into the atmosphere," he said. "We want to capture that heat and use it to power this desalination system."

The 30-foot-tall NMSU prototype is powered by a solar panel. Khandan and his research assistant, civil engineering doctoral student Veera Gnaneswar Gude, have modified the process originally developed by Florida researchers to incorporate a thermal energy storage device that allows the system to operate around-the-clock, using stored energy at night.

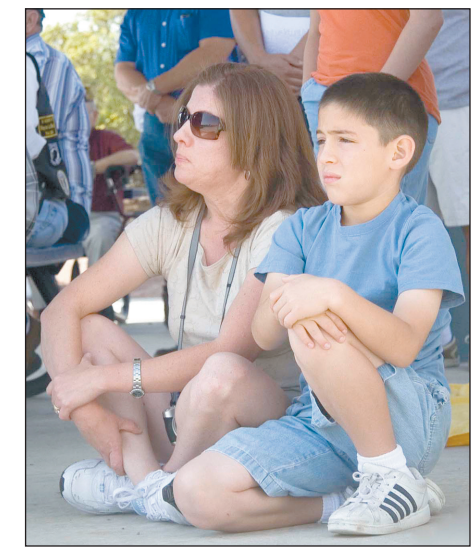
Memorial Day at Veterans Park

Reflecting on the sacrifices of servicemen and women who died while protecting America and our freedom, from front to back, Joe Gamboa, former New Mexico Army National Guardsman; his brother Gilbert Gamboa, and J.R. Casa, who served in the U.S. Navy, read names on the Veterans' Memorial Wall, Monday, May 28, before the start of this year's Memorial Day observance at Veterans Memorial Park.

Right: Marine Corps League member and former U.S. Marine Ron Gall plays "Taps" during the Memorial Day observance.

Above: Yoli Flores, wife of a former serviceman wipes tears from her eyes during the Memorial Day observance at Veterans Memorial Park.

Below: Lillian Montoya and her son Zachary, 9, watch and listen solemnly during the Memorial Day observance.



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Retired Lt. Col. Larry Candelaria, left, master of services; U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce, far right, and members of the Marine Corps League's El Perro Diablo chapter lay a wreath at a symbolic flag-draped coffin during the Memorial Day observance. Candelaria is the district commander for Disabled American Veterans Sector III.

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At the Southwest Quarter Horse Show

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Above: Glenn McReynolds of Anthony, N.M., takes second in the Amateur Barrel Racing for the Southwest Quarter Horse Association show at the Southern New Mexico State Fairgrounds over the Memorial Day weekend. Top right: McReynold's daughter, Rebecca McReynolds, took first in the Youth Working Cow Horse class. Right: J.D. Younker, the heeler, and his father Jack Younker, the header, finished in first place for the Open Team Roping (Heeling) class. Left: Tamara Blaeser of La Mesa came in second in the American Hunter Seat Equitation class. Top left: Eleven-year-old Hallie Padilla of Las Cruces finished fourth in the Youth Hunter Under Saddle class.

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Egg lift-off

Mayfield High School juniors, from left, Melissa Moya, Jessica De La Torre, and Yesenia Rojas watch their rocket take off.

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The Mayfield High School team of juniors, from left, Keegan Thomas-Chappelle, Felicia Costales, and Veronica Ramos launch their rocket in an attempt to have it reach an altitude of at least 850 feet and return to earth without breaking an egg the rocket is carrying. The launch, Saturday, May 26, in NMSU parking lot 34 behind Aggie Memorial Stadium, was part of an egg-loft competition for Las Cruces and Gadsden district high school students. It was sponsored by Doña Ana Community College with their new Space Technologies program partner, SpaceTEC. A total of 38 students from four high schools entered the competition. Mayfield High School teams took the gold and silver trophies, a team from Gadsden took home the bronze trophy, and a Santa Teresa High School team finished in fourth place. The winning rocket reached an altitude of 775 feet.

Reservoir Update

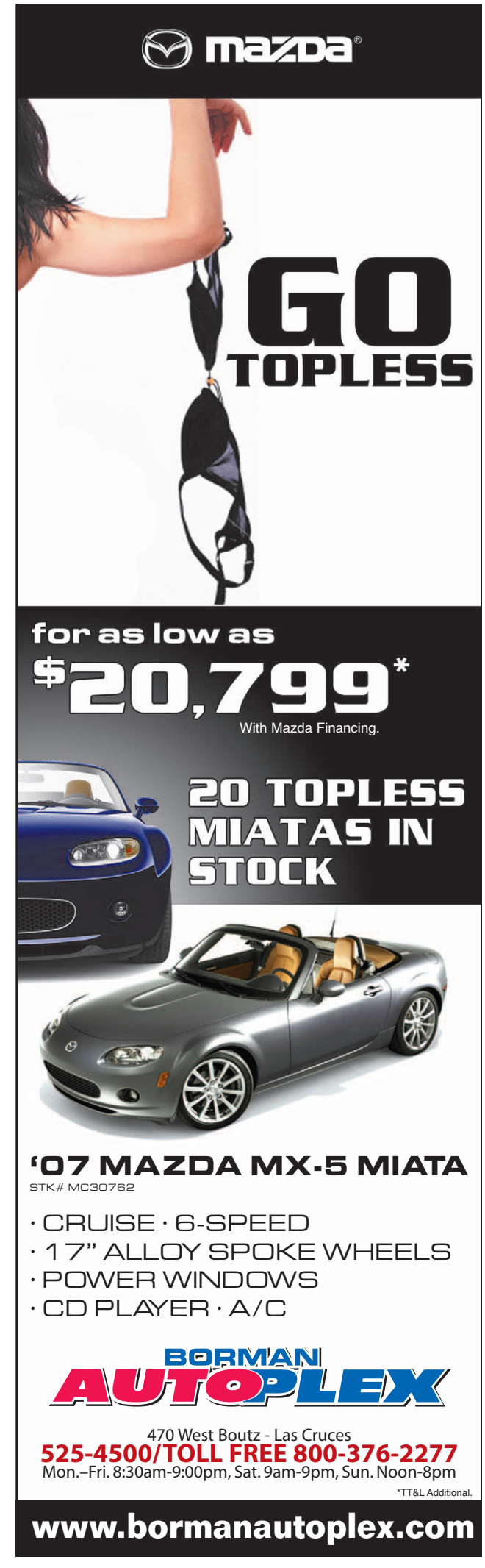
The mountain snow pack runoff still is peaking and last week the inflow added 15,834 acre-feet to the Elephant Butte Reservoir, according to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation El Paso Division's reservoir advisory.

The Rio Grande flow at the San Marcial measuring station is 2,957 cubic-feet per second, or 92 percent of average for this time of year.

With the current flow volume, the bureau expects an increase of 8,000 acre-feet and a boost of half a foot for the Elephant Butte reservoir surface elevation before the river flow diminishes.

The increased inflow has boosted the Elephant Butte storage to 577,855 acre-feet, 30 percent of a full reservoir. The inflow also raised the reservoir level 1.14 feet to an elevation of 4,345 feet, 62 feet below the dam spillway, the bureau reported.

The Caballo Reservoir enjoyed an increase of 2,658 acre-feet to a total of 70,120 acre-feet or 31 percent of capacity.



At Alma d'arte graduation

Above: Music and digital arts instructor Michael Wood plays "The Star Spangled Banner."

Left: Eric Chavez get a big congratulatory kiss from school registrar Dee Dreyer just before donning his cap and gown for participation in the commencement ceremony.

Above: The 23 happy and excited members of Alma d'arte Charter High School's first graduating class celebrate while posing for pictures immediately after the close of the school's commencement ceremony, Friday evening, May 25, at the Court Youth Center.

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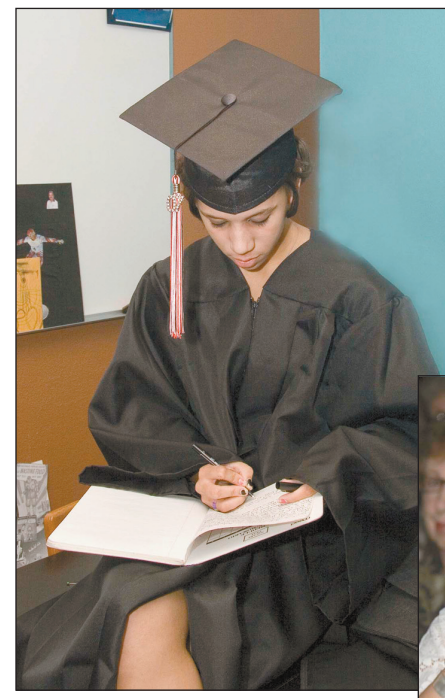

Below: Emotions overcome Americorps artists Jessie Sedore, left, and Kari Benge, who taught visual arts students at Alma d'arte Charter High School.

Above: Cierra Richards keeps herself calm by starting a memoir of the evening, while awaiting the start of the commencement ceremony of Alma d'arte Charter High School's first graduating class.

At the MVCS graduation

PHOTOS BY NIKI RHYNES

Left: Jacqui Banegas and Erin Mitchell sing to guests during the Mesilla Valley Christian Schools graduation ceremony, Friday, May 25.

Above: Salutatorian, Elizabeth White, gives a speech during the ceremony.

Right: Mesilla Valley Christian graduate, Mary Katlyn, hugs her mother, Sabrina Hurt-Widenhofer, during the honoring of the parents.

Rachel Poland looks towards her family.

Right: Keeyoun Moon hugs her father, Guen Ho.

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New Mexico trails nation in recycling efforts

Las Cruces offers drop-off center

By Michael Sears
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

According to an annual report, New Mexico severely trails the nation in recycling, although some officials maintain not all recycling activity is being recorded.

Three percent of trash statewide was recycled in 2005, compared to the national average of 32 percent, according to the 2006 New Mexico Solid Waste Annual Report.

New Mexico Environment Department Secretary Ron Curry said regardless of the low rate, his department continues to support recycling efforts across the state.

"Our goal is to ensure recycling becomes a way of life in New Mexico," Curry said.

New Mexicans produced 3,434,856 tons of waste in 2005 and recycled another 114,169 tons, or 3 percent of all disposed garbage, according to the report. In 2004, five percent of all disposed trash, or 157,986 tons, was recycled and diverted from the remaining 3,410,997 tons that was landfilled, according to the report.

E. Gifford Stack, outreach manager for the New Mexico Environment Department's Solid Waste Bureau, said there are several reasons why New Mexico's recycling rate is lower than the national average. He said one reason may be that there is considerably more recycling and diversion activity in New Mexico than is being reported or counted.

"Only the five largest recycling and three largest composting operations have been required to have solid waste permits and to report diversion tonnages to the Solid Waste Bureau," Stack said. "However, other sources indicate that more than 70 government units have recycling programs. There are 28 active composting operations, and there are numerous private sector recyclers."

New Mexico Recycling Coalition Executive Director English Bird said the report represents the best information available.

"Not every facility in the state reports great numbers," she said. "In our estimates, (the state's recycling rate) is somewhere between 5 and 10 percent."

Stack said another reason recycling numbers in the state are low is because New Mexico is a net importer of waste from surrounding states as well as Mexico.

"While this waste is included in the total solid waste generated in New Mexico, there is little opportunity to recycle or divert these materials once it is in the state. Also, if recycling occurs prior to shipment into New Mexico, we do not count that volume in our state recycling rate," he said.

More than half of the 655,180 tons of garbage managed by Doña Ana County comes from other states, the largest amount of out-of-state waste disposal in New Mexico, according to the Environment Department's report. The report also shows that the county recycled 12,299 tons of refuse.

Stack said New Mexico's low population density makes recycling more challenging than in metropolitan areas with high population densities, adding New Mexico, like other Rocky Mountain States, does not have easy access to recycling markets.

"Recyclables must be consolidated in large quantities to create economies of scale, cover handling and long distance transportation costs, and improve marketability," he said. "We've got to ship recyclables great distances and don't have easy access to overseas markets, unlike the high recycling rate states along the east and west coasts."

Bird agreed long distances to markets and low population densities were largely to blame for the low recycling rate, but said there is also a lack of concern.

"People just don't see it as a priority," she said.

Stack said in many parts of the country, recycling is popular because it's an attractive alternative to high cost refuse disposal.

"In many areas of New Mexico, the cost per ton to landfill waste is less than the cost of diverting or recycling materials. The averaging tipping fee in New Mexico is $17 to $25 per ton, while other parts of the country average $100 or more per ton," said Stack.

> "Our goal is to ensure recycling becomes a way of life in New Mexico."
>
> RON CURRY, New Mexico Environment Department Secretary

Another issue hindering recycling efforts that both Bird and Stack pointed out was a lack of funding, either on the state or municipal level.

"As a whole, solid waste management systems and recycling efforts were and continue to be under-funded," Stack said.

According to the report, landfills statewide have an estimated 30 years of disposal capacity remaining. Despite this timeline and the low reported recycling rate, Stack said he doesn't think New Mexico will run out of refuse storage space any time soon.

"Solid waste management is not a growing problem in New Mexico in terms of available space to put the refuse," he said.

Recycling can and should play a role in waste management, Stack said.

"The more recycling that takes place means that much less material going into the landfill, thereby extending the life of the landfill, thereby saving taxpayers' dollars," he said.

With new recycling efforts under way in Albuquerque and Santa Fe, Bird said she is hopeful New Mexicans will start recycling more.

"Albuquerque wants to become a zero waste city, where recycling becomes a priority for citizens," she said. "It's going to take some time, probably just three to five years to get the word out on the street."

Bird said construction of a recycling processing plant called a material recovery facility, or MRF, was completed in February.

"They are not only collecting Santa Fe's recyclables, but they want to use a hub-and-spoke model where lots of the small communities around Santa Fe will now have a place to take their recyclables," said Bird. "It can be like a jointly marketed event where we have more recyclables coming in."

Stack said recycling has been an on-going process in New Mexico for many years. He said in the 1960s, businesses started recycling cardboard for a number of reasons.

"It kept it out of trash, thereby maintaining low disposal costs," he said. "Several recycling companies were getting into the business of recycling cardboard for markets in the United States and Mexico, thus creating competitive markets for cardboard."

Perhaps most importantly, he said, was the construction of a cardboard mill in Prewitt, near Grants.

"This mill, now owned by Durango-McKinley, is the only end-use facility for a recyclable material in the state. It offers a great market for cardboard," said Stack.

While cardboard remains the most recycled item in New Mexico, Stack said paper is the single most common recyclable item that continues to be landfilled, representing 36 percent of material discarded. According to the report, if paper was recycled at a rate of 70 percent instead of the current 11 percent, the overall state recycling rate would increase to 30 percent.

Stack said there are plenty of alternatives to just throwing things away.

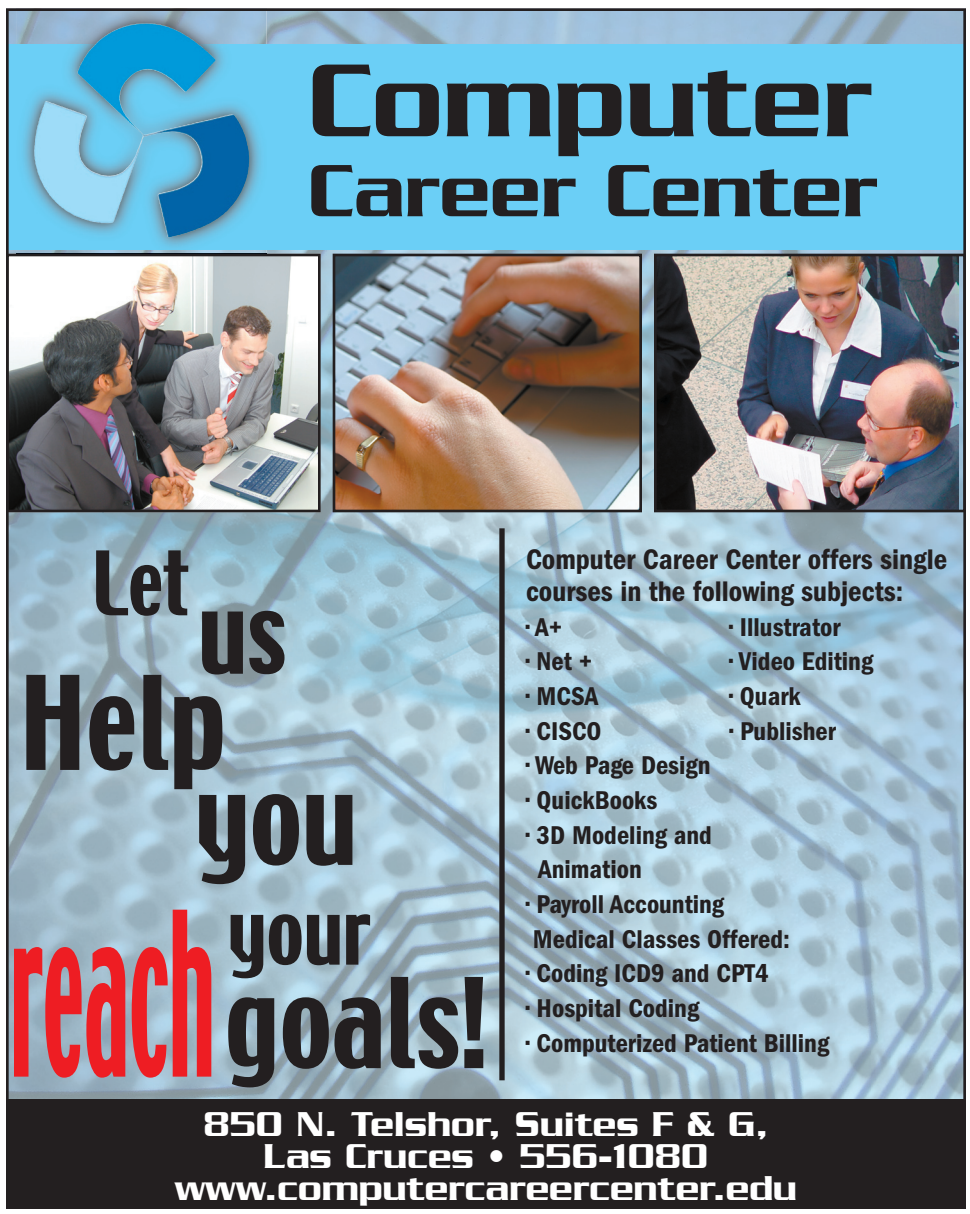
"Re-use is indeed an option rather than discarding an item," he said. "Some communities have communal bulletin boards or listings in the paper for items wanted and items for giveaway."

Another method Stack mentioned was "freecycle," or leaving items at a central location for someone who can put it to use.

Although Las Cruces does not have a recycling plant, the city recycling center provides basic drop-off services for newspapers, aluminum, corrugated cardboard, certain plastics, yard waste and household hazardous wastes. Bonnie Tafoya, recycling coordinator for the city recycling center, said many people don't know they also accept appliances, scrap metal and tires.

"One thing that concerns me is dumping waste in the desert, specifically old appliances," she said. "The only thing we take for a charge is tires, everything else at no charge."

The Las Cruces Recycling Center is open from 7 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays. It is located at 2855 W. Amador Ave.



Spreading the big news about very small stuff

NMSU team lands $174,777 for nanoscience undergrads

Faculty members from New Mexico State University have been awarded a $174,777 grant intended to support development of a statewide network of faculty at research universities and community colleges that will work to integrate nanoscience into undergraduate biology and physics courses. The award is provided by the National Science Foundation through the Course, Curriculum and Laboratory Improvement Program.

A team of three New Mexico State University biology and physics professors and a biology professor from NMSU-Alamogordo is spearheading the project, the New Mexico Nanoscience Education Initiative (NMNEI).

They plan to collaborate with faculty at the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, Northern New Mexico College, Dine College and the University of New Mexico in a series of workshops as the statewide network is formed. Participants will develop course materials that weave nanoscience into the curriculum and help students to integrate knowledge from different scientific fields, like biology and physics.

The NMSU team will lead the organization and coordination of the workshops and development and distribution of the course materials that are developed.

"Most importantly, this is to prepare our students for the 21st century," said team member Boris Kiefer, physics professor at NMSU. "Breaking down boundaries between traditionally different scientific units, in this particular case biology and physics, will help them to be more competitive in high-tech jobs."

Physics professor Jacob Urquidi, another member of the team, said while science often is compartmentalized into the different disciplines, one must step back to understand the overall processes at work when considering important questions in science. The project will be a good chance to develop ways to help undergraduates use such an approach.

Team member Vicente Lombraña, a biology professor at NMSU-Alamogordo, added that at community colleges, too, students usually think in terms of separate departments. Bridging the gap between departments can help lead students to more interdisciplinary opportunities.

The study of nanoscience is one way to create such a bridge between science departments.

"Nanoscience isn't included in many undergraduate textbooks," said Elba Serrano, professor of biology at NMSU and principal investigator for the project. But an understanding of nanoscience is critical for students who wish to be competitive for high-tech jobs after graduation, she said. The team plans to look at nanoscience education within three themes: health, water and energy. Serrano said the themes should help interest more students in the sciences.

Already, some of the professors are deciding how to incorporate the study of nanoscience into their curriculum.

"I am thinking about having modules that highlight certain developments in nanotechnology and nanobiotechnology," Kiefer said, "and how to relate concepts in biology, say, on a systems level as well as an atomic level, or a physical level and try to make the connections between these two ways of thinking more transparent to the students so they can more easily move in each field, as well as among different fields."

Serrano plans to offer an Honors College class (HON 115-01) for entering freshmen in the fall – The Art of Scientific Discovery. Within that will be a lab – Exploring the Invisible: Measurement at the Nanoscale – which will be developed as a module that other faculty can access online and use in their own classes.

Other ways of incorporating nanoscience will come from ideas developed by participants at workshops this summer. Serrano said the project will bring faculty from community colleges and four-year institutions across the state together in an equal partnership to discuss how they will educate students.

Serrano said the project also is intended to motivate undergraduate students to pursue internship opportunities in nanoscience at government research facilities such as Los Alamos National Laboratory, Sandia National Laboratories, Oak Ridge National Laboratory and Argonne National Laboratory.

The first workshop will be held in July and will be hosted by the NMSU Honors College. More information about the New Mexico Nanoscience Education Initiative can be found at the project website: http://physics.nmsu.edu/~jurquidi/nmnei/nmnei.html.

The team of New Mexico State University faculty members leading the statewide nanoscience undergraduate education initiative include, from left, professors Jacob Urquidi, Elba Serrano, Vicente Lombraña and Boris Kiefer.

NMSU

At the MV Hospice capital campaign appreciation luncheon

From left, Fred Hueston, campaign consultant; Judy Tipton, campaign volunteer; Buddy Ritter, owner of the Double Eagle; and Kiel Hoffman, Las Cruces market president of Pioneer Bank and president of the board of Mesilla Valley Hospice

From left, Keith Austin, MV Hospice board member; Cindy Hoffman, MV Hospice development director; Terry Meyer, MD, MV Hospice founder; Barbara Hall, campaign volunteer; and Martha Loustaunau, former MV Hospice board member

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Right: From left, Melanie Goodman, field representative for U.S. Sen. Jeff Bingaman; Terra Van Dyke, MV Hospice director of marketing; and Charm Winrich, MV Hospice physician liaison

From left, Rose Byrum, representing the Ted and Mary Zilliax estate from which came the first large contribution to the campaign; Donna Brown, MV Hospice executive director; and Jack Barclay, campaign volunteer

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From left, Philip Hosford, campaign volunteer; Margaret Connealy, campaign volunteer; Jackie Clark, who is making the stained glass windows for the MV Hospice; and Val Hosford, campaign volunteer

From left, Roseann Bensley, campaign volunteer; John Egbert, volunteer; campaign chairs Amy and John Hummer; and Scott Wallis, campaign volunteer

Coming Up

This Week at White Sands

White Sands National Monument has released its schedule of activities for June 1-9.

Each Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. there will be a Sunset Stroll Nature Walk.

At 8:30 p.m. on Friday, June 1, and Friday, June 8, there will be evening programs on "Star Talk: Learn the Summer Constellations."

At 8:30 on Saturday evenings the programs will be "Discovering America's National Parks," on June 2 and "Thirteen Special Places: New Mexico's National Park Areas," on June 9.

Due to heavy rains and flooding, only the first seven miles of the Dunes Drive are open for travel.

The schedule is subject to change. For more information, call 479-6124 or 679-2599, extension 230, or visit the park's website at www.nps.gov/whsa.

Passport fair

The U.S. Postal Service will hold a passport fair from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 2, at the Las Cruces main post office, 201 E. Las Cruces Ave. More than one employee will be on hand to process passport requests. It will be conducted on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information contact the post office at 523-2250.

Common Cause lunch

Southern New Mexico Common Cause will hold its annual luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on June 14 at the Best Western Mesilla Valley Inn, 901 Avenida de Mesilla. The guest speaker will be New Mexico Attorney General Gary King. His topic will be "Ethics in State and Local Government."

King, elected attorney general in 2006, formerly served on the state board of directors for Common Cause. His appearance follows Gov. Bill Richardson, who used last year's annual meeting to announce his appointment of a state ethics committee to recommend ethics legislation for public officials.

The public is invited to attend. Luncheon tickets are $15 each and will be sold at the door. Reservations are required. To make reservations, please call or email Mike McCamley at 524-0018 or McCamley@aol.com.

Raft the Rio

The Southwest Environmental Center's 10th annual Raft the Rio will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 16, on the Rio Grande near Las Cruces. The family-friendly event is open to individuals and teams of all ages willing to get wet and have fun.

The three-mile rafting adventure will begin at La Llorona Park beneath the Picacho Avenue bridge and end just upstream from the Calle del Norte Bridge ("Mesilla Bridge"). Creativity and the use of discarded materials in building rafts is highly encouraged. Prizes will be awarded in the following and possibly other categories: Best use of recycled materials; most people on one raft; least likely to finish (must be floating at start of race); first to finish; best mascot; most creative; best use of a patio umbrella; most likely to hang around the back yard and show up again next year.

The river is expected to be full, due to releases of irrigation water from Caballo Reservoir. Teams may register at the starting line beginning at 8:30 a.m. or in advance by contacting the Southwest Environmental Center. The race begins at 10 a.m. The entry fee is $10 per raft in advance (or $15 on race day), plus $5 for each adult crew member (17 years and older) after the first two. Motorized crafts are not allowed. New Mexico law requires that all participants wear flotation devices.

This year's event offers something new. All participants will be entered in a drawing to win an exciting whitewater raft trip for two on the Rio Grande near Taos, courtesy of event sponsor Far Flung Adventures.

For more information, call the Southwest Environmental Center at 522-5552.

Kids Fishing Clinic

The Annual Kids Fishing Clinic, sponsored by the Mesilla Valley Flyfishers, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, Sportsman's Warehouse, and Wal-Mart will be held Saturday, June 2, at Alumni Pond on the New Mexico Sate University main campus.

The event will begin at 8 a.m. and run through noon. The clinic is open to all children and their parents, but especially for kids 6-11 years old with little or no fishing experience.

Topics that will be included in the program include Casting, Fly Tying, Baits and Tackle, Aquatic Insects, Conservation and Ethics, Rules and Regulations, and Fish Identification.

The event is free to children 11 and younger. Kids are required to bring their own fishing gear. Each participant must pre-register with the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish by calling 532-2100 or by stopping by the office at 2715 Northrise Drive. An adult must accompany their children attending the event.

There will be free fishing goodies, posters and more for the kids.

Make a Mancala

A family-oriented workshop will be held at the New Mexico State University Museum from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, June 2.

Individuals will make their own "Mancala," an African board game, and learn how to play it. Children accompanied by an adult are welcome.

The event is free and supplies will be provided.

For more information call 646-3739.

Las Compañeras Mentor Training

Las Compañeras: Mothers Mentoring Mothers, a program of the Healthcare Foundation of Southern New Mexico, is seeking mentors for new mothers to offer positive parenting skills and emotional support.

After the child abuse deaths of several children in Doña Ana County, the program was developed to support young mothers with the challenges and responsibilities of motherhood. Mentors provide information on infant care, the mother's well-being, positive parenting skills, handling stress and community services.

Las Compañeras mentors meet First Step Center expectant mothers in their third trimester and will mentor them through the baby's first six months. Mentors are provided with comprehensive training.

A comprehensive training course for mentors will be conducted at First Step Center, 390 Calle de Alegra, beginning Friday, June 8, from 1 to 5 p.m. and continuing Saturday, June 9, at Aprendamos Intervention Team, 301 Perkins Drive, Suite B, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Those who can't attend some of this training can make up the training hours by videotape at First Step Center.

Interested volunteers are encouraged to contact Joyce Gormley at 556-8188 or email lascompaneras@firststepcenter.org for more information.

Candelabra Conservation demonstration

Native New Mexican Santera artist Tomasita Rodriguez will be working on conserving a pair of tin candelabras for the public to observe from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 2, on the second floor of the New Mexico State University Museum.

Rodriguez will demonstrate the removal of rust from delicate, intricate objects belonging to the NMSU Museum. Her work is funded by the Spanish Colonial Art Society in Santa Fe.

The public is invited to watch the process and to talk with her about museum conservation.

For more information call 646-3739.

Collecting seeds

Mike Howard will give a talk about seed collecting for the Las Cruces Chapter of the New Mexico Native Plant Society at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13, at University Terrace Good Samaritan village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. The presentation is free and open to the public. For more information, call 541-1877.

Crime Stoppers: Auto theft ring

Las Cruces Crime Stoppers is offering a $1,000 reward for information that leads to the arrest of the person or persons involved in an auto theft ring.

Recently the Doña Ana County Sheriffs Department has recovered several stolen Honda automobiles in and around the Anthony, N.M., area. Most of the vehicles have had extensive damage and were originally reported stolen out of either Texas or New Mexico. Investigators believe that the auto thefts and disposals of the vehicles are related.

CRIME STOPPERS LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO

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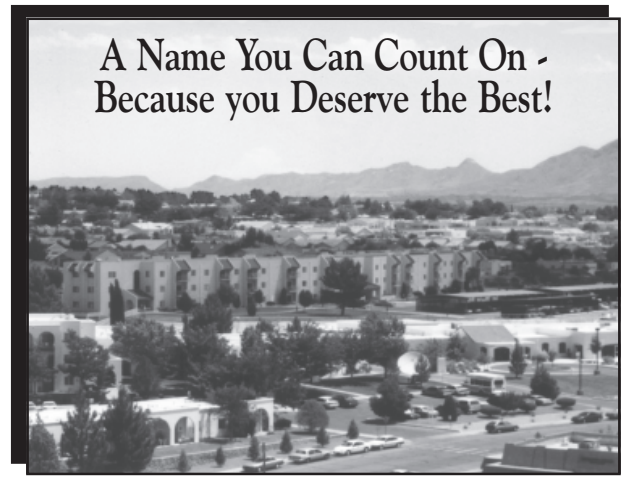

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CHURCH NEWS

MASS & BENEDICTION

Immaculate Heart of Mary Cathedral, 1240 S. Espina St., will host a Mass and Benediction from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, June 1, with a generational healing of families, prayer, meditation and a chaplet of Divine Mercy in song. Special guests will be the Knights of Columbus Honor Guard and the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. For more information, call 524-8563.

BIBLE STUDY

"A Study of the Doctrines of the Faith" discussion and word-by-word Bible study will be led by Robert L. Blanc at 7 p.m. beginning on Wednesday, June 20, at 3203 Mercury Lane. The Bible study will also be held on Wednesday, June 27. "Is not My Word like a fire? Saith the Lord; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?" (Jeremiah 23:29)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Morning Star United Methodist Church invites children to become Sky Scouts at their summer Vacation Bible School, "Lift Off! Soaring to New Heights with God." The action begins June 18 and ends June 22 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. This program offers fun, interactive activities that combine the world of hot-air ballooning with the discovery of how to reach new heights with God. Each lesson will be supported with Bible stories, science activities, songs, crafts, games and snacks. Those interested should meet at Morning Star Methodist Church, 2941 Morning Star Drive, at 6 p.m. Monday, June 18, to be a part of the Bible School. For more information, call the church office at 521-3770.

MEDITATION CLASSES

Eight Steps to Happiness with Buddhist nun Kelsang Chenma will be offered Mondays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. through June 25. Each class includes teaching, meditation and discussion. Meditation classes with Chenma are offered Tuesdays from noon to 1 p.m. through June 26. Classes are held at 116 W. Las Cruces Ave., (between Water and Church streets). The cost is $8 per class. Guests are invited to drop in to any class. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call the Shakyamuni Buddhist Center at (505) 292-5293 or visit www.meditationinnewmexico.org.

HAND BELL PLAYERS

Hand bell players meet at 5:15 p.m. every Tuesday at St. Paul's Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave., in the choir room (entrance on Alameda Boulevard). For more information, call Cathy at 373-9075 or Mary Ann at 527-5136 (after 3 p.m.).

Mesilla Valley Hospice, 299 Montana Ave., is nearing the goal of their "Continuing the Dream" capital campaign, which runs through the end of September.

MV Hospice nears $6 million capital campaign goal

More than 150 volunteers contributed to project

Mesilla Valley Hospice announced that as of May 30 it has reached 63 percent of its capital campaign goal, according to Terra Van Dyke, Mesilla Valley Hospice director of marketing.

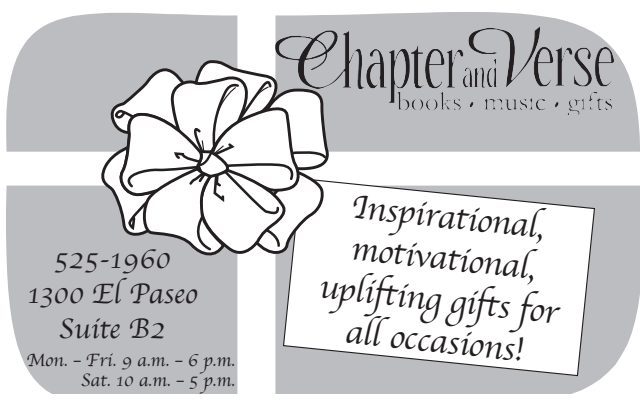
Thanks to the efforts of the agency's campaign team of nearly 160 volunteers, $3,915,079 has already been raised for the agency's "Continuing the Dream" expansion project.

John and Amy Hummer, "Continuing the Dream" campaign co-chairs, said they are especially pleased with the widespread support Mesilla Valley Hospice has received for this campaign to date. One hundred percent of Mesilla Valley Hospice's employees, campaign steering committee members and board members have made personal financial contributions to the project. More than 50 percent of the individuals, businesses and organizations that have made gifts and pledges to "Continuing the Dream" had never before contributed to Mesilla Valley Hospice.

Amy Hummer, who was recently named Las Cruces Association of Realtors' Citizen of the Year, said, "I can really feel the momentum building as we head into the final months of this campaign. We now have just under $2.5 million remaining to be raised in 100 short days! If you have been considering a gift or pledge to 'Continuing the Dream,' now is the time to act. We need your help over the next 100 days to ensure that future generations of southern New Mexicans will receive compassionate care at the end of life and die with dignity."

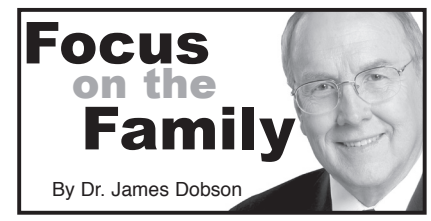
According to Van Dyke, Mesilla Valley Hospice is working to raise a total of $4.7 million by June 30. She added the organization hopes to finish fund-raising the entire $6 million by the end of September.

For more information on Mesilla Valley Hospice's "Continuing the Dream" capital campaign or to help the agency meet its goal, contact Cindy Hoffmann at 525-5720 or choffmann@mvhospice.org.



A child's personality type does not determine the child's destiny

Lack of motivation doesn't equal lack of ability



What can you tell us about the differences between Type I and Type II kids? I have one of each and want to understand them.

First, you should know that these characteristics are not highly correlated with intelligence. By that, I mean there are bright children who are at the flighty end of the scale, and there are slow-learning individuals who are highly motivated. The primary difference between them is a matter of temperament and maturity, although there are more smart kids in the Type I category.

Second, Type II children are not intrinsically inferior to Type I. Yes, it would be wonderful if every student used the talent he or she possessed to their best advantage. But each child is a unique individual. Kids don't fit the same mold – nor do they need to. Education is important today, and we want our boys and girls to go as far as they can academically. But let's keep our goals in proper perspective. It is possible that the low achiever will outperform the academic superstar in the long run. There are many examples of that occurring in the real world (Einstein, Edison, Eleanor Roosevelt, etc.). Don't write off that disorganized, apparently lazy kid as a lifelong loser. He may surprise you.

Third, you will never turn a Type II youngster into a Type I scholar by nagging, pushing, threatening and punishing. It isn't in him. If you try to squeeze him into something he's not, you will only produce aggravation for yourself and anger from the child. These attempts can fill a house with conflict. I have concluded that it is simply not worth the price it extracts.

I am certainly not recommending that children be allowed to float through life, avoiding responsibility and wasting their opportunities. My approach to the underachiever can be summarized in these suggestions:

1. He lacks the discipline to structure his life. Help him generate it. Systematize his study hours. Look over his homework to see that it is neat and complete, etc.

2. Maintain as close contact with the school as possible. The more you and your child's teacher communicate, the better. Only then can you provide the needed structure.

3. Avoid anger in the relationship. It does not help. Those parents who become most frustrated and irritated often believe their child's irresponsibility is a deliberate thing. Usually it is not. Consider the problem a matter of temperament rather than defiance.

4. Seek tutorial assistance if necessary to stay on track.

5. Having done what you can to help, accept what comes in return. Go with the flow and begin looking for other areas of success for your child.

Let me say it once more: Not every individual can be squeezed into the same mold. There is room in this world for the creative "souls" who long to breathe free. I'll bet some of you parents approached life from the same direction.

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

A person doesn't go to college just to prepare for a line of work -- or at least, that shouldn't be the reason for being there. The purpose for getting a college education is to broaden your world and enrich your intellectual life. Whether or not it leads to a career is not the point. Nothing invested in the cultivation of your own mind is ever really wasted. If you have the desire to learn and the opportunity to go to school, I think you should reach for it. Your career plans can be finalized later.

Dr. Dobson is founder and chairman of the board of the nonprofit organization Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, CO 80903; or www.family.org. Questions and answers are excerpted from "The Complete Marriage and Family Home Reference Guide" and "Bringing Up Boys," both published by Tyndale House.

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I love this game

What does a man gain for all his efforts he labors at under the sun? A generation goes and a generation comes, but the earth remains forever. — Ecclesiastes 1:3-4

My son's "15 and under" AAU baseketball team scrimmaged a "17 and under" team and were losing badly. Although it was painful to watch, I noticed two distinct styles of play that greatly affected the outcome.

Our team's guards repeatedly dribbled through obvious traps in the opponent's defense. Our coach switched players, changed the offense and diagramed simple plays to run, but often the player with the ball tried to dribble into oncoming pressure. Each player had different mechanical problems. One dribbled with his head down, and another wouldn't use both hands. Our coach spent all his time trying to correct mistakes.

On the other hand, I watched in awe as two skinny, six-foot two-inch, barely 170-pound boys with a three -nch vertical leap doggedly worked for rebounding position, fought through picks and never stopped chasing even one loose ball. The older, better-skilled opponents outjumped and outran our younger, less-skilled team and were determined to work as hard as they could. It was a wouderful testimony of two players who refused to give up. Their coach did not particularly acknowledge or congratulate them for their hard work, but I wanted to give them a standing ovation.

How are the struggles in this game similar to the ones we face in life every day? In our battles with the enemy of our soul, I pray that we would act like those two boys who fought under the basket and played their hearts out. We must use our strengths in whatever measure God has given us to make an impact for Him on those around us.

1. Are you losing the spiritual battles in life because of a lack of effort?

2. How can you gain new strength for the battle? Read Isaiah 40:1-31.

3. Who do you know that will go to battle with you? Reach out to that person.

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Looking Back

This week in the history of the Mesilla Valley

MARVIN TESSNEER
Out of the Past

75 years ago 1932

• Katherine Buckley, Las Cruces High sophomore, won the National Livestock and Meat Board, Western Division, essay contest with her entry, "Meat in the Diet and Why." The board awarded her $50 and a $150 college scholarship.

• Mesilla Valley farmers signed up to grow 600 acres of hegari, a sorghum, as a cattle feed for the Barbicora Co. of Mexico, which was owned by William Randolph Hearst.

• A.O. Peabody won the contract with the low bid of $140,934 to pave 18 miles of the Alamogordo Highway from the Country Club to Organ.

• The Elephant Butte Irrigation District reported that its disbursements for the previous year had totaled $192,205.

• Murray Beene reported that his electric hatchery had turned out 22,000 turkey chicks.

• Farmers Compress baseball team announced it was ready to play any team at any place after it had defeated the Hill Cowboys 4-1.

• The El Paso Hay Association was paying $10 a ton for alfalfa and a 60 percent advance to members.

• The combined storage at Elephant Butte and Caballo reservoirs was 124,768 acre-feet. The gates at Caballo had been closed on April 30 to conserve water, and Elephant Butte had received 70,760 acre-feet.

50 years ago 1957

• Santo Tomas Produce Association started grading and shipping its first load of vegetables from the Mesquite-Brazito area. It was organized during a Santo Tomas Co-op Gin meeting to handle lettuce and onions and to expand to other produce later. Victor P. Koenig was the president and Harry Williams was the sales manager. County Agent Don Chappell helped as an adviser to organize the association.

• The La Mesa Blue Jays moved into first place in the Interstate Baseball League by defeating the Bayard Indios 3-1 at La Mesa.

• The Elephant Butte Irrigation District increased the farmers' allotment from 1.20 inches to 2.75 inches. Although slowing down, the snow pack runoff had brought in 8,500 acre-feet of water to increase the combined reservoirs' storage to 161,270 acre-feet since the gates at Caballo had been closed on April 30.

An undated photograph of the former Amador Hotel, now proposed for a museum. The coach was reportedly used to transport people from the railroad station.

• More than 3,000 people attended the Solemn High Pontifical Mass at Aggie Memorial Stadium during the 49th annual New Mexico Knights of Columbus state meeting.

25 years ago 1982

• Ruidoso-Sunland Inc. named John Augustine to its board of directors. He also had served on the New Mexico Racing Commission.

• More than 200 people were attending the River Valley Dairy Goat Show at the Southern New Mexico State Fairgrounds.

10 years ago 1997

• The New Mexico FFA named Eva Madrid, 19, of Hatch president, the first female to hold the state position.

• Taggers defaced the Veterans of Foreign Wars mural.

• U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici and U.S. Rep. Joe Skeen toured the Santa Teresa Port-of-Entry and were impressed how computers provided smooth passage of autos and trucks.

(Sources: Las Cruces Bulletin, Las Cruces Sun-News and Las Cruces Citizen and New Mexico State University Library's Branson Microform Area.)

FREE EVENT

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

2007 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

TUESDAY, JULY 3

9:00 pm **Wells Fargo Electric Light Parade**
Start: Madrid Avenue south on Solano Drive
End: Corner of Walnut Street and Spruce Avenue.
To enter call (505) 528-3170.
Parade Marshals – Returning National Guard from Afghanistan and Iraq.

9:45 pm **Street Fest Presented By Comcast**
Spyro Gyra Contemporary Jazz (1600 E. Hadley Ave.)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4

8:00 am Big Blast Baseball Tournament
Paz & Harty Baseball Fields (1600 E. Hadley Ave.)

10:00 am Voz Vaqueros (Choir)
Patriotic Music/Sing-along (Young Park, 1905 E. Nevada Ave.)

Street Fest Presented By Comcast
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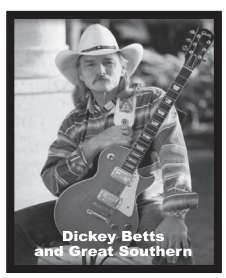

3:00 pm **4th Annual Bling Bling Car Show** (Magg Parking Lot)
Hopping Contest, People's Choice *"Best in show"*

4:00, 5:30 & 6:30 pm **Arthur and Ms. Paige Turner** (Meerscheidt Center)
PBS Children's Character (meet and greet after each performance)

4:00 pm **Local Bands**

6:00 pm **The Fabulous Thunderbirds**
Rock & Roll, Blues, R&B

8:00 pm **Dickey Betts and Great Southern**
Southern Rock - Formerly of the Allman Bros. Band
Hits: *Ramblin' Man, In Memory of Elizabeth Reed*

9:30 pm **Mayor Mattiace's Welcome**
Presentation of Colors
Awards presented to Wells Fargo Electric Light Parade Winners

10:00 pm **Annual Fireworks Display**

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If you have been considering a gift or pledge to Mesilla Valley Hospice's expansion project, *Continuing the Dream*, now is the time to act! Between now and September 30, 2007, we need your help to ensure that quality end-of-life care will be available in Southern New Mexico for many generations to come.

Many of the newly created interior and exterior spaces in the expansion are available as naming opportunities by which you may choose to honor or memorialize an individual, family, or organization. An attractive plaque with the name of you and/or your loved one will be permanently mounted in the appropriate "named" location and serve as a lasting symbol of the bond between you and Mesilla Valley Hospice.

Of the 86 naming opportunities originally available for donations of $4,000 or more, fewer than 40 remain. If you are interested in honoring or memorializing a loved one or creating a family legacy, please contact Cindy Hoffmann at (505) 525-5720 or choffmann@mvhospice.org.

Below is an example of some of the remaining naming opportunities. If you would like the complete list please call now!

Naming Opportunities Still Available 5/29/2007

Commercial Kitchen	$ 100,000
Staff Resource Room	$ 50,000
Employee Lounge	$ 50,000
Playground	$ 50,000
Consultation Rooms (Only 2 Remaining)	$ 35,000
Small Gardens (2 Remaining)	$ 35,000
RV Spaces (5 Remaining)	$ 35,000
Medication Room	$ 15,000
Gazebos (Only 1 Remaining)	$ 10,000
Pergola	$ 10,000
Stained Glass Windows in Chapel (Only 8 Remaining!)	$ 4,000+

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Health News

Being tan not ideal

Fear of skin cancer drives increased use in sunscreen

Just in time for summer, new survey results show that the appeal of tanned skin may finally be waning – 53 percent of people surveyed believe they don't look better with a tan, and 63 percent say they are not more attracted to someone who is tan. Sixty-nine percent do not think a tan makes them look slimmer. The survey was conducted by GfK Roper Public Affairs and Media for iVillage in partnership with The Skin Cancer Foundation.

"These findings are encouraging," said Perry Robins, MD, president of The Skin Cancer Foundation. "Once people stop linking their self-esteem to tanned skin, we will really begin making headway in the fight against skin cancer. For now, there is still a lot of work to be done since an alarming number of people never use sunscreen."

Forty percent of people revealed that they never use sunscreen and only 11 percent use an SPF 15 or higher daily. Forty-two percent of people are still getting sunburned at least once a year. A person's risk for melanoma (the most serious form of skin cancer) doubles if he or she has had five or more sunburns.

The small percentage of people applying sunscreen daily is surprising, given that 58 percent of people say they are concerned about skin cancer. These findings demonstrate a lack of understanding that everyday incidental sun exposure, like intermittent, intense exposure (such as on beach vacations), seriously damages the skin over time. But, people are getting better about using sunscreen when outdoors – 59 percent of people use sunscreen at least occasionally – a 20 percent increase from a survey done in 2003.

Women still do a much better job than men when it comes to using sunscreen. Forty-seven percent of men say they never wear sunscreen, compared to 34 percent of women.

"We have always made a point to communicate the dangers of overexposure to the sun, especially within our health and beauty channels," said Deborah Fine, president of iVillage. "While these new results show that women are typically more responsible about using sunscreen, there are still 34 percent not wearing any at all. We feel a sense of obligation to push the sun safety message to our millions of users."

The survey also revealed that 74 percent of those who wear sunscreen reapply at least every four to six hours or after swimming or sweating. While only 28 percent of people comply with the Foundation's recommendation to reapply sunscreen every two hours, at least people are reapplying once during the day.

A surprising 57 percent of women and 53 percent of men think they can spend more time in the sun if they use sunscreen, but The Skin Cancer Foundation advises against this. Sunscreen does not allow you to spend hours in the sun without risking damage since no sunscreen blocks 100 percent of UV rays, and most people do not apply it adequately or frequently enough.

There seems to be similar confusion about the protective ability of clothing. Thirty-six percent of people think that clothing provides the same level of protection as sunscreen. A new academic review from Switzerland shows that clothing (hats, sunglasses and clothing made from certain fabrics) may be a more effective method of protection. However, it depends on the type of clothing. An untreated white cotton T-shirt only provides the equivalent of an SPF 5 to 7. Darker, more densely woven fabrics provide a much higher SPF.

Fun in the sun

The sun gives us all warmth and a sense of well being. In fact, the majority of people surveyed, 76 percent, say that being out in the sun makes them feel happy. As the leaders in sun safety education, The Skin Cancer Foundation encourages people to enjoy the outdoors, as long as they do so safely. Follow the Foundation's tips to reduce the risk of sunburn, skin damage and skin cancer:

- Seek the shade, especially between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- Do not burn.
- Avoid tanning and UV tanning booths.
- Use a sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher every day.
- Apply 1 ounce (2 tbsp) total of sunscreen to all exposed areas, 30 minutes before going outside. Reapply every 2 hours or immediately after swimming or excessive sweating.
- Cover up with clothing, including a broad-brimmed hat and UV-blocking sunglasses.
- Keep newborns out of the sun. Sunscreens should be used on babies over the age of 6 months.
- Examine your skin from head to toe every month.
- See your physician every year for a professional skin exam.

Locks of Love for a friend

Discovering that one of their teachers at Mesilla Valley Christian Schools has cancer, three friends, from left, Sammie Hites, Caitlin O'Donnell and Caroline O'Donnell, decided to have their long tresses cut and donated to Locks of Love. The girls, seen here in before and after photos, visited the Clip Joint together, where their hair was braided and cut. Locks of Love is a public non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis. To learn more about Locks of Love, visit the organization's website at www.locksoflove.org.

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Health News

Study links substance abuse, STDs

Risky behavior magnifies need for testing, says study

A grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is helping New Mexico State University educate students about alcohol and substance abuse as a factor in HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases. SAMHSA is a public health agency within the Department of Health and Human Services.

Lisa Dalton, an assistant professor in NMSU's School of Social Work, was awarded the $100,000 grant that can be renewed over three years. Grant money is used to pay for safe sex supplies and other educational materials, peer educator education and to sponsor special events.

People who drink heavily may be more likely to practice risky sex after drinking. High-risk sexual behaviors may include multiple sex partners, unprotected intercourse, sex with prostitutes or injection drug users, and the exchange of sex for money or drugs. Others may use alcohol to excuse socially unacceptable behavior or to reduce their conscious awareness of risk.

Drinking, risky sexual behavior and the "invincibility" mindset of many 18-to-25-year-olds on a college campus magnify the importance of HIV testing, said Dalton, who recommends different ways to reduce the stigma of HIV testing.

"You put it (HIV testing) in a context that normalizes it for them, like a classroom," she said. "Or you offer them extra credit to get tested. Just because they're getting tested doesn't mean they're promiscuous."

Sometimes a real-life example is the best way to get a point across. Dalton tells her classes that of 86 NMSU students who were recently tested for HIV/AIDS, one tested positive.

"As we continue to gather these statistics, people will see that it is happening here," she said. "I also talk about the experiences at Camino de Vida Center for HIV Services. Their rate of transmission is growing among 18-to-25-year-olds, particularly the women, because men are having sex with men or prostitutes or IV-drug users and then going home and having sex with the women in their lives. And even though the man may be the only partner the woman has ever had, the woman is still turning up positive."

Workers from Camino de Vida Center, 2805 Doral Court, come to campus to test students because legal considerations prevent peer educators from doing so. The peer educators' job is to visit classrooms, talk with students outside class and hand out literature on sexually transmitted diseases and substance abuse. Because peer educators tend to be closer in age than faculty members to their classmates, this is an effective way to get the message across, Dalton said.

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HIV educational material

The peer educators are graduate students who use the acronym "SHAG" for "Sexual Health Advocacy Group." Five graduate students – Shelly Oakes, the project manager; Janine Froehlich, the peer managers' trainer; Stacey Berry; Katy Eichenberg; and Javier Garcia – are SHAG members.

"We respect the fact that not everyone is having sex," Oakes said. "We're not there to shove the information down the students' throats. This is knowledge to use if you do decide to have sex. We respect the rights of the students, and if they don't want to ask certain questions in front of their classmates, they can come to the College of Health and Social Sciences on Fridays and ask the peer educators questions."

The work done by Dalton and the peer educators is "a great vehicle for building a university/community partnership," said Stephen Anderson, academic head of the NMSU School of Social Work.

Larry Olsen, associate dean for academics and research in the College of Health and Social Services, said NMSU has a responsibility to the population and that the university should be involved in stopping the spread of communicable diseases.

"It would be nice if we could say we don't have any communicable diseases on campus," Olsen said.

Monthly HIV testing will continue in the College of Health and Social Services until the end of the year. HIV testing and education are part of NMSU's continuing outreach efforts to help educate and improve the lives of citizens of our community and state.

Hannah Goldblatt, 12, of Las Cruces, hangs from the rock climbing wall during the 2006 Lions Survivor Camp held at New Mexico State University's Activity Center. This year the camp will run June 4-8.

Lions Survivor Camp to be held at NMSU for children who are deaf or hard of hearing

The Lions Survivor Camp, a summer program aimed at providing physical activity to children who are deaf or hard of hearing and their hearing siblings, will be held June 4-8 at New Mexico State University.

The program is sponsored by grants from the Sunrise Lions Club and the New Mexico Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and donations from local businesses. It focuses on the development of physical motor skills and fitness by emphasizing balance, agility and cardiovascular endurance.

This is the fourth year the camp will be held and about 30 children are expected to participate.

"Our goal is to facilitate communication through play," said Jennifer Dahlgren, director of the Lions Survivor Camp. "Our program reaches not only campers, but impacts the whole family and the entire community."

The camp is named after the "Survivor" reality television series, which featured a deaf contestant during the first season. Following exercises that teach participants new physical skills, they will compete against one another to test their progress.

The children will participate in activities such as swimming, dancing, gymnastics, horseback riding and rock climbing, as well as outdoor and gymnasium games.

Participants can stay at NMSU from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day or stay overnight in the student dormitories. Overnight campers will participate in various evening activities including bowling, star gazing and feeding the ducks at the NMSU duck pond. Students also have constant access to adults and other children who can communicate with them, whatever their preferred communication mode.

"When our campers stay in the dorms here at NMSU, they start to ask questions about their futures," said Leah Geer, assistant director of the camp. "They see themselves going to college when they grow up."

All of the overnight campers and the majority of the day campers have received scholarships to attend the camp. The scholarships are provided by Lions Clubs throughout the state of New Mexico and private donors from the community.

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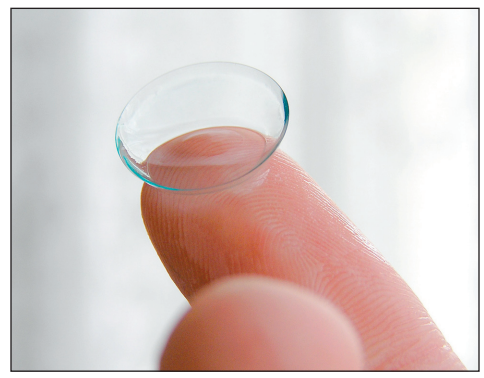
Contact lens solutions recalled

Acanthamoeba may cause eye infections



Advanced Medical Optics has voluntarily recalled its Complete® MoisturePlus™ contact lens solutions over concerns that they may have contributed to serious eye infections.

In a news release The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), said that it completed interviews with 46 patients who had developed Acanthamoeba keratitis (AK) since January 2005. A total of 39 of these patients were soft contact lens wearers, 21 of whom reported using Complete® MoisturePlus™ products.

The CDC estimates a risk of at least seven times greater for those who used Complete® MoisturePLUS™ solution versus those who did not. While AMO continues to work with the CDC and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to further assess the data, it is acting with an abundance of caution to voluntarily recall Complete® MoisturePlus™ from the market according to the CDC.

There is no evidence to suggest that the recall is related to a product contamination issue, and this does not impact any of AMO's other contact lens care products, including hydrogen peroxide disinfecting solutions. As patient safety is paramount to AMO, the company is recalling the product from the marketplace, and encourages consumers to discontinue the use of AMO Complete® MoisturePlus™ until further information is available. Given the potential seriousness of the reported Acanthamoeba infections, AMO is working in close partnership with the CDC, the FDA and others to make sure consumers are aware of the need for proper contact lens disinfection and proper lens handling the release said.

Acanthamoeba is a microorganism commonly found in water, soil, sewage systems, cooling towers and heating/ventilation/air conditioning (HVAC) systems. Acanthamoeba keratitis (AK) is a rare but serious infection of the cornea. AK is usually found among people who improperly store, handle or disinfect their lenses (e.g., use tap water or homemade solutions for cleaning), swim or use hot tubs/shower while wearing lenses, come in contact with contaminated water, have minor damage to their corneas, or have previous corneal trauma.

Contact lens wearers should consult with their eye doctor if they have any of the following symptoms: eye pain, eye redness, blurred vision, sensitivity to light, sensation of something in the eye, and excessive tearing.

Consumers who believe they are in possession of the recalled product should discontinue use immediately and call 1-888-899-9183.

Around Town Health events and support groups

INSOMNIA AND OTHER SLEEP CONCERNS

Jana Weisborn, founder of the Insomnia Clinic and member of American Academy of Sleep Medicine, will present a workshop titled "Insomnia and Other Sleep Concerns" on Wednesday, June 6, from 11 a.m. until noon. This presentation will discuss the basics of sleep, the difference between normal and abnormal sleep, and sleep through the lifetime. In this session, the definition of insomnia will be explained as well as specific issues related to insomnia.

The workshop will be held at the Women's Resource Center, 4351 E. Lohman Ave., Suite 404. The class is free and open to the public, but pre-registration is required as space is limited. To register or to learn more, call 556-6890.

TURNING NEGATIVE EMOTIONS INTO POSITIVE

Al Galves, PhD, will lead a class titled "Turning Negative Emotions into Positive" on Friday, June 8, from 10 to 11 a.m. Emotions such as anger, jealousy, anxiety, fear, guilt and sadness are uncomfortable, dangerous, scary and sometimes shameful. But they are also useful and can give us important information and energy. In this session, Galves will present some practical ways of using these feelings to live more enjoyable, satisfying lives.

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Classes & Events

JUNE 6 — Wednesday · 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
Insomnia and Other Sleep Concerns with Jana Weisborn Founder of the Insomnia Clinic and member of American Acadamy of Sleep Medicine

JUNE 8 — Friday · 10 - 11 a.m.
Turn 'Negative' Emotions into Positive with Al Galves, Ph.D

JUNE 11 — Monday · 1-2 p.m.
Living with Arthritis with Maria Lourdes Lopez, Registered Occupational Therapist (OTR) of MountainView Regional Medical Center

JUNE 12 — Tuesday · 10-11 a.m.
Tips for Managing You or Your Loved One's Swallowing Problem with Dora Jasso Speech Language Pathologist from the MountianView Regional Medical Center Therapy Services Department

JUNE 12 — Tuesday · 2:30-3:30 p.m.
What is Probate? with Doña Ana County Probate Judge Alice Salcido and Attorney Katherine Blackett

JUNE 14 — Thursday · 10-11 a.m.
What You Need to Know About Decisions at the End of Life with Attorney Katherine Blackett and Terra Van Dyke of Mesilla Valley Hospice

JUNE 15 — Friday · 11 a.m.– 12 p.m.
The Law of Attraction Workshop with Barbara Alpher of Alpher Wellness Plus

JUNE 18 — Monday · 10-11 a.m.
Introduction to Yoga with Jane Allen, RYT

JUNE 21 — Thursday · 11 a.m. – 12p.m.
Information and Assistance for the Primary Caregiver of a Loved One with Dementia with Jan Wimsatt of Home Instead Senior Care

JUNE 23 — Saturday · 10-11:45 a.m.
Breast Cancer Support Group at the MountainView Regional Medical Center Community Education Room

JUNE 26 — Tuesday · 9-10 a.m.
How to Manage your Blood Pressure with Angelica Reyes, RN of Cardiac Rehabilitation Program at MountainView Regional Medical Center

JUNE 27 — Wednesday · 10– 11 a.m.
How Medicare, Medicaid and Long-Term Care Insurance Pay for Long-Term Care with Long-Term Care Insurance Specialist Gerald Carson

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Business an important part of education

Interim superintendent reviews public school system

By Natisha Hales
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Stressing the importance of a partnership between business and education, Las Cruces Public Schools Interim Superintendent Stan Rounds asked for help from members of the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce during its quarterly luncheon Thursday, May 24, which was attended by 137 members of the business community.

"Business and education need to work together to prepare graduates for the workforce or higher education," Rounds said. "We need you on the team. A dual approach to public schooling is mandatory, otherwise we fail."

He asked the business community to assist with the dropout rate, policies and regulations and redesigning high schools, literally and figuratively.

"We have to develop relationships with students, so the structure being included is relevant," he said. "Kids are better learners when they see a good learning environment. And we have to increase family involvement. That's easy to say, but it's hard to do."

Specifically targeting the business community, Rounds suggested employers in Las Cruces who hire high school students should implement programs that encourage school attendance by rewarding those who attend 95 percent of class time. If students don't attend, they face the consequences.

"Let's have those talks," he said. "If these students don't attend class, they're not going to make it to work, either."

To address the dropout rate, Rounds recommended strengthening the career cluster approach – calling for students to remain interested in school by deciding on a career path as early as eighth grade – and dual-enrollment programs, where high school students can attend Doña Ana Community College or New Mexico State University and earn college credit and high school credit for the same course.

He said too many students who have already fallen behind in attendance and passing courses, "give up and quit," and several programs need to be in place.

"We have to strengthen alternative programs such as credit recovery and other options," Rounds said. "We are going to need you as partners."

The business community can become partners by providing one-on-one mentoring relationships for students and working with the juvenile probation office, the district attorney's office, the courts and the New Mexico Legislature to solve truancy issues.

Rounds said he will do what he can by providing a "transparent administration" and "being absolutely honest."

Rounds said the Board of Education will review school policies and regulations, beginning in January 2008.

"The Legislature is going to have to help us," he said.

Improving the local school system also calls for high school redesigning, both physically and in the curriculum, Rounds said. He said the site selection process has begun for a new high school, which will be open by August 2011 with construction beginning as early as next year.

"We must design buildings to meet our current and future workforce needs," he said.

However, Rounds said no high school will have an "elite" status, and all high schools will be brought "up to speed," which includes meeting energy efficiency standards.

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Stan Rounds, interim superintendent of Las Cruces Public Schools, stressed the importance of building a partnership between business and education at the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce quarterly luncheon May 24.

"We have to keep pace with the growth," he said. "We've passed the bond issue, and now we can begin to move forward. We need to maintain and repair existing schools. We need to hold hands and do it right."

Growers produce onions to fit consumer tastes

Researchers develop disease resistance

By Marvin Tessneer
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Onion ring lovers will be pleased to learn that growers can custom-produce bulbs for processing into the tasty rings.

Chris Cramer, New Mexico State University onion specialist, explained during Onion Field Day May 23 at the Fabian Garcia Research Center how growers can custom-grow onions to meet the demands of consumers and the market.

"The commercial market determines the character of the onions," he told a group of visitors who were touring the fields. "They tell the growers, 'this is what we need that we can sell.'" And the growers say, 'this is the kind of onions the buyers want and that I need to grow so that I can sell them.'"

Before processors buy bulbs for onion rings, they want an assurance from the growers that 85 percent of the bulbs will have single centers that can be processed into onion rings, Cramer said.

Cramer and other onion breeders at the Research Center are incorporating other qualities that are requested by buyers, Cramer said:

- Red onions with darker, almost purple color and red-colored rings inside the bulbs.
- A tougher outer scale to prevent damage during grading.
- Round shapes on both the top and bottom of bulbs to make them more attractive to consumers.

Onion breeders can modify or combine qualities of onions to meet these buyers' demands.

The onion breeders also have developed varieties so that New Mexico growers can coordinate harvest with fresh onion market demands.

New Mexico offers 26 different varieties of onions, many that were developed at NMSU, including the popular sweet onions.

Breeders also have developed several varieties that mature at different periods to supply buyers' orders throughout the summer, Cramer said.

New Mexico's onion harvest starts in late May and extends to early August. But harvesting requires close timing. Growers need a schedule to allow them to ship onions within 10 days of maturing, Cramer said.

Doña Ana is the leading onion-producing county in the state with an average of 4,000 acres, according to the latest New Mexico Agricultural Statistics booklet. In 2005, growers produced 2.2 million pounds of onions, received an average of $15.80 per hundredweight and had a crop value of $53.5 million.

One familiar observer at the field day was Joe Corgan, a retired NMSU horticulture professor, who had worked on onion breeding for 10 years.

"I always enjoy seeing what new varieties that Chris has developed and seeing people I've known for years," Corgan said between presentations.

NMSU

NMSU assistant professor Manoj Shukla explains how the solar-powered field sensor measures and records soil salinity, moisture content and temperatures during Onion Field Day at the university.

The field program included a high-technology solar-powered field soil sensor.

In irrigated fields salt build-up can hamper plant development if the water does not drain down past the root zone. The sensor measures the salinity accumulation in the root zone, demonstrator Manoj Shukla said. Shukla is an assistant professor in Plant and Environmental Sciences.

The sensor also measures plant water stress and soil temperature.

"Temperature is the driving force in evaporation," Shukla said. "It also influences root growth."

The research center also is breeding onions for disease resistance. NMSU graduate student Ashish Saxena showed visitors onion bulbs in an experimental plot that is part of the research to develop varieties to resistant what growers know as fusarium basal rot.

The rot starts where the roots attach themselves to the bulb. Breeders are making progress to develop resistance to this disease, Saxena said.

PROFILE

LeGretta Ross-Rawlins:

Becoming a part of Las Cruces postal history

Ross-Rawlins became first woman postmaster in nearly 70 years

By Natisha Hales
The Las Cruces Bulletin

LeGretta Ross-Rawlins has made history in Las Cruces.

The Las Cruces postmaster, who will be officially installed at 1 p.m. June 1 at City Hall, is the first female Las Cruces postmaster in 69 years and the first African-American to be named postmaster in Las Cruces.

"I really love the post office. I know it is one of the best companies to work for and be associated with," said Ross-Rawlins, who moved to Las Cruces in 2003. "It has one of the best diversity programs. That's exhibited in Las Cruces. We have a good mix."

Born and raised in Louisiana, Ross-Rawlins began her career with the U.S. Postal Service in 1994 as a city letter carrier in Lynnwood, Wash. From there, she was promoted to a confidential secretary position and started her first management position in Mercer Island, Wash., in 1998.

"My career has progressed fast since then," Ross-Rawlins said.

When she decided to further her career with the postal service outside of the Seattle area, she was manager of customer service.

"I knew it was time for me to leave," she said.

Because of her successful postal career, Ross-Rawlins had five interviews set up at different post offices around the country, including Las Cruces.

"The weather was beautiful, the employees were nice and the people were very open and friendly," she said of her first impression of Las Cruces. "I was thinking this wouldn't be such a bad place to work." The Las Cruces postal service had a one-year opening for manager of customer service and Ross-Rawlins took the job before going to the remainder of her interviews.

"Really and truly, I have not regretted my decision," she said.

After several temporary positions in Albuquerque and Denton, Texas, Ross-Rawlins returned to Las Cruces.

She became officer-in-charge in 2006, a rough time for the Las Cruces postal service, which includes 203 employees, 42 city routes, 36 rural routes and post offices at New Mexico State University, White Sands Missile Range and several locations throughout Las Cruces.

"We were getting daily complaints from customers and a lot of negative media attention," she said. "It was really disheartening to see because that's not what the post office represents."

To redeem the local post office, Ross-Rawlins made several changes.

"I changed a lot of processes and perfected some that were in place but not fully utilized," she said.

That meant establishing good relationships with all local postal service unions, hiring new employees and establishing the Consumer Advocacy Council, which acts as a liaison for the community, the postal service and its customers.

"It opens the door for an open dialogue," she said.

As she's turned the local postal service around, Ross-Rawlins was recently named Las Cruces postmaster. Despite the history she's made, she said she's received nothing but positive feedback.

> "I believe in leading by example."

"I'm just happy for the opportunity to be postmaster for Las Cruces," she said. "I'm also happy because I'm a female. It's been a while since another has been in place. I've received a lot of positive responses from employees, and that's important. Employees put you in a position to be successful or not successful."

Part of that positive feedback is because of Ross-Rawlins' leadership style.

"I believe in leading by example," she said. "I try to do the right things as a human being. There are some obstacles, but I treat people the way I want to be treated."

She also tries to make herself visible to employees of all three post office shifts – day, evening and overnight.

"My door is always open," she said. "I don't want them to not follow protocol (when they have a complaint), but I am always here if they need to talk to me."

Ross-Rawlins' open-door policy is for the community as well.

"If there's something a customer needs, and I can provide it, I'm here," she said.

She's responding to the growth of the community by petitioning for another facility off U.S. Highway 70 on the East side of Las Cruces.

"Rather than react to the growth, I want to be proactive," she said.

Becoming an integral part of the community outside of work also is important to Ross-Rawlins.

Though she's still becoming acquainted with the community and its organizations, Ross-Rawlins has joined the New Mexico Citizen Review Board, which meets on issues regarding child abuse and negligence. She has been a member for more than a year.

"I really like what they do," she said. "In a sense, it's a voice for the child. Their primary concern is the best interest of the child.

"My goal is to get more involved in charitable organizations. We're part of both chambers (the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce and the Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces). I like anything dealing with children and anything to empower women."

In addition to charitable organizations, Ross-Rawlins has had the chance to attend New Mexico State University basketball games, including the Western Athletic Conference tournament in March, and she's now interested in becoming a season ticket holder.

"It's such an advantage to have the university in town," she said. "Everything you need is pretty much right here."

As she becomes more involved in the community, Ross-Rawlins said there is no place she'd rather live.

"The cost of living is reasonable, and the people in general are friendly and courteous," she said. "My youngest can play down the street, and I'm not really worried.

"Las Cruces really grows on you."

LeGretta Ross-Rawlins

Las Cruces Postmaster
U.S. Postal Service

Family
- Husband Steven, Sonoma Elementary employee and education student at New Mexico State University
- Five children – Chris, Kourtney, Dee Dee, Trey, Zarius
- Three grandchildren – Jordan, Jada, Terrin

Education
- Graduate, USPS Advanced Leadership Program
- Candidate, bachelor's degree in business administration, New Mexico State University

Organizations
- Member, New Mexico Citizen Review Board
- Member, New Life Missionary Baptist Church
- Member, Three Crosses Chapter of the Federally Employed Women

Awards
- Generation of Women Moving History Forward, Rep. Heather Wilson, March 2007
- Special Achievement Award for Las Cruces postal service improvement, USPS, April 2007

Local, national home prices mixed in April

Sales rates drop 2.6 percent

GARY SANDLER'S
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According to reports from the National Association of Realtors (NAR), April new home sales across the United States were up 16.2 percent over the number of sales posted in March. That's the largest increase in 14 years. At about the same time, the NAR also announced that April sales of existing homes, townhomes and condominiums dropped 2.6 percent below the number of sales closed a month earlier.

Prices were also mixed across the United States with the $229,100 median price of a new home sold in April falling 11.1 percent or $28,605 from the March median of $257,705. That's the largest one-month decline ever recorded. Existing home prices increased by $3,300 or 1.5 percent in April, however, rising to $220,900 from March's $217,600 median sales price.

According to a May 28 report from the Las Cruces Association of Realtors, the 48 new home sales closed in April fell 20 units or 29.4 percent below the 68 units closed in March. The 188 existing home sales closed in April also represented a month-over-month decline, falling 15 units or 11.3 percent below the 133 units closed in March.

The median sales price of new homes, townhomes and condominiums sold in the Las Cruces area during April rose to $234,175 from March's median sales price of $209,115. That's a $25,060, or 12 percent, increase in just one month. The $167,725 median sales price of an existing home sold in April dropped $7,275, or 4.2 percent, below the $175,000 median posted in March. The median price is where half the homes sold for more and half sold for less.

When it comes to the number of new and existing homes currently for sale, the numbers are again mixed. The 538,000 new homes, townhomes and condominiums currently offered for sale across the United States represent a 6.5-month supply at the current sales rate. In Las Cruces, our current inventory of 744 new homes pencils out to be a 12.8-month supply at our present sales rate.

The 4.2 million existing homes, townhomes and condominiums currently offered for sale across the United States represent an 8.4-month supply at our nation's current sales pace. The 808 existing homes that now make up our local Las Cruces existing home inventory represent a 7.7-month supply, according to the same pencil.

What other indicators provide clues to the future direction of our market? Tune in next week for some interesting facts. Until then, I hope to …

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 5:30 p.m. on KSNM-AM 570. Sandler also published the Real Estate Connection newsletter and is a member of the Board of Directors of Las Cruces Downtown. Questions or comments may be directed to Sandler at 525-2400 or by emailing gary@sandlerteam.com.

Existing Homes Report March-April 2007

U.S. vs. Las Cruces		March	April	Change	Percent
Median price	(U.S.)	$217,600	$220,900	+$3,300	+1.5
	(Las Cruces)	$175,000	$167,725	-$7,275	-4.2
Sales Rate	(U.S)	6.15 million	5.99 million	-16,000	-0.003
	(Las Cruces)	133	118	-15	-11.3
Inventory	(U.S)	3.8 million	4.2 million	+400,000	+10.4
	(Las Cruces)	687	808	+121	+17.6
Month's Supply	(U.S.)	7.4	8.4	+1	+13.5
	(Las Cruces)	6.4	7.7	+1.3	+20.3

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New Homes Report March-April 2007

U.S. vs. Las Cruces		March	April	Change	Percent
Median price	(U.S.)	$257,705	$229,100	-$28,705	-11.1
	(Las Cruces)	$209,115	$234,175	+$25,060	+12
Sales Rate	(U.S)	844,000	981,000	+137,000	+16.2
	(Las Cruces)	68	48	-20	-29.4
Inventory	(U.S)	545,000	538,000	-7,000	-1.3
	(Las Cruces)	637	744	+107	+16.8
Month's Supply	(U.S.)	7.8	6.5	-1.3	-16.7
	(Las Cruces)	11.7	12.8	+1.1	+9.4

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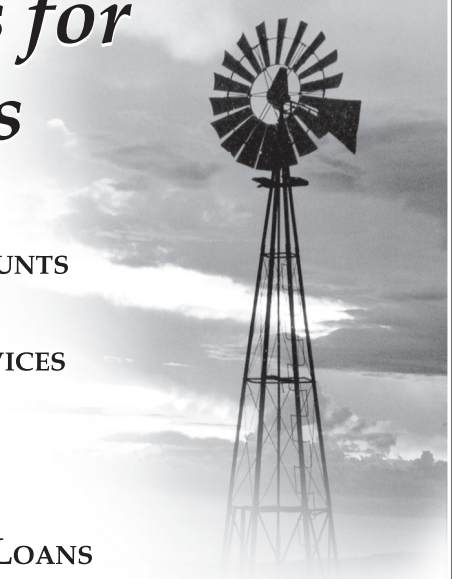

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1st Valley Realty welcomes new employee

McCLURE

Randy K. McMillan, owner and president of NAI 1st Valley Realty, announced that Paula McClure has recently joined the company as project manager. McClure hails from Boca Raton, Fla., where she spent 17 years in management of master-planned communities, homeowners associations and condominium projects. McClure is a member of the Association of Professional Community Managers and is currently involved with the development of Casitas at Morningstar Condominiums.

NAI 1st Valley Realty, with sales, leasing and property management divisions, is the southern New Mexico affiliate of NAI Global, a managed network of commercial real estate offices with over 350 offices and 5,000 brokers in 45 countries around the globe.

East Picacho receives Lowe's grant for outdoor classroom

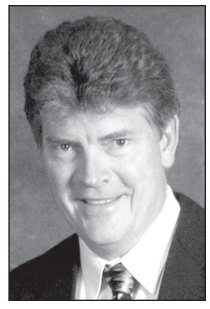
East Picacho Elementary will receive a $5,000 "Toolbox for Education" grant this month from the Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation, said East Picacho Elementary Assistant Principal Sarah Finke.

The money will be used to help the school pay for a new awning/roof for a sun shade (metal roof) on the big part of the school's playground, also known as its outdoor classroom.

With the grant and funds from the school's April 2007 jog-a-thon, East Picacho Elementary now has $21,000 of the $24,000 total cost of the project.

Through the Toolbox for Education, program, Lowe's will donate $5 million to schools and school parent groups at more than 1,000 different schools in 2006 and 2007. Grants are awarded to "projects that encourage parent involvement and build stronger community spirit will be favored. There is a preference for funding requests which have a permanent impact such as facility enhancement (both indoor and outdoor) as well as landscaping/clean up type projects," according to www.toolboxforeducation.com.

McMillan achieves SIOR designation



McMILLAN

Randy K. McMillan, president and owner of NAI 1st Valley Realty has achieved the SIOR (specialist, industrial and office real estate) industrial designation awarded by the Society of Industrial and Office Realtors, an international association of professional commercial real estate brokers.

To achieve the SIOR designation, McMillan completed at least five years of credible experience in the highly specialized field of industrial real estate and demonstrated to the society professional ability, competency, ethical conduct and personal integrity.

Individuals who hold the SIOR designation, working throughout the U.S., Canada, Mexico and overseas, are top producers representing more than 800 commercial real estate offices in 450 cities. The society enforces a strict code of ethics and requires designees to complete its ethics course within their first three years of membership.

Last year, SIOR designees closed more than 68,000 buying, selling or leasing transactions involving 2.4 billion square feet of commercial real estate. These transactions totaled $51.7 billion, or an average of $25.7 million per member.

McMillan is the president and qualifying broker of NAI 1st Valley Realty. He became a real estate broker at the age of 18 and founded First Valley Realty Inc. two years later in 1979. First Valley Realty recently became part of the NAI Global network, giving the company global resources while maintaining its local expertise. McMillan has had more than 30 years of experience with numerous investment properties representing notable clients. McMillan is a graduate of Las Cruces High School and attended both University of New Mexico and New Mexico State University. He graduated from the New Mexico Real Estate Institute in 1978. McMillan has completed all of the CCIM courses and is currently a CCIM candidate. McMillan plans to take the final exam in October 2007 to become a CCIM designee.

Local elementary teacher earns Golden Apple

Valley View Elementary School first-grade teacher Cherie Love is one of seven New Mexico elementary and pre-school teachers who have been named recipients of the 2007 Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching, Golden Apple Fellowship of New Mexico (GAFNM) Executive Director Celia Merrill announced. The Golden Apple award winners were honored by a Tribute to Teacher Excellence luncheon on April 20 in Albuquerque. Love has been a teacher at Valley View Elementary for 13 years. She received the 2005 NEA-New Mexico Award for Teaching Excellence.

Mayor William "Bill" Mattiace congratulates Cherie Love on her outstanding achievement at a city council meeting.

Domenici votes for non-defense funding

Almost $120 billion to support NM programs

U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici voted for final passage of a $119.9 billion emergency supplemental spending measure that is primarily intended to support U.S. military operations, but does include non-defense items that are of interest to New Mexico.

The U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans' Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act of 2007 (HR.2206), passed 80-14, now goes to President Bush. The bill provides about $17 billion in non-defense funding to address critical needs around the country. It also increases the federal minimum wage for the first time in 10 years – to $7.25 an hour over two years.

"This is not a perfect bill and a mixed bag in terms of the nondefense items in the bill for New Mexico. But I am pleased that we are finally getting it done so that these resources will be available for critical needs in our state and around the nation," Domenici said. "I'm pleased we've finally got an accord on raising the minimum wage, and I am pleased that funding has money to allow federal agencies to help New Mexico towns with water projects."

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Domenici, a senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, said the supplemental includes funding that will positively impact New Mexico, including $18 million in Bureau of Reclamation funding to address drought issues in the West, and another $7 million in Army Corps of Engineers funding to communities with temporary measures to restore drinking water. This Corps aid includes extending water intakes, hauling water, and the like.

As ranking member of the Senate appropriations subcommittee that funds the Bureau and Corps, Domenici worked to secure the added drought funding which has been used in New Mexico to assist small communities facing water crisis.

While the funding is not specifically designated for any particular project, Domenici noted that it could be used to ensure the completion of emergency water wells being drilled in New Mexico by the Bureau for small communities like Capitan, N.M. Another 11 water systems in New Mexico have identified a need for similar water well aid, including water user associations in Catron, Cibola, Grant, Luna, Otero, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval counties.

The bill also provides $465 million in emergency fire suppression funding – $370 million for the U.S. Forest Service and $95 million through the Bureau of Land Management.

"We have had a relatively wet spring in New Mexico, but the wildfire threat can change quickly in a matter of a few dry weeks. The existing pot of federal wildfire funding will be exhausted soon and we need to have this new funding in place," Domenici said.

Despite efforts involving Domenici and Senator Jeff Bingaman to gain a five-year reauthorization for the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-determination Act with a new distribution formula, the final bill includes just a simple one-year extension of the program. When the bill is signed into law, New Mexico counties will receive about $2.3 million in rural schools funding and about the same amount of Payment in Lieu of Taxes funding as they received last year. These payments will arrive between Sept. 30 and Dec. 31.

Related to the national laboratories in New Mexico, the bill also provides $135 million in additional funding to support Department of Energy nonproliferation activities. Of interest for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center at Artesia, the bill makes $3 million available to the FLETC system for training costs of new personnel.

As supported by Domenici during Senate debate, the final bill imposes a one-year implementation of a new regulation for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid that would result in the reduction of millions of dollars in Medicaid payments to hospitals in New Mexico, including an estimated $15 million to $30 million annually for the University of New Mexico Hospital.

While the bill does offer $3 billion in emergency agriculture aid including $16 million for dairy producers in disaster areas, Domenici said he is disappointed the final bill does not add any new funding for peanut storage and handling, a program used by peanut producers in eastern New Mexico. The lack of peanut storage and handling money in the supplemental will mean the lack of a funding baseline for supporting such a program in the upcoming 2007 Farm Bill reauthorization. Domenici said he will continue his work to address this situation.

Other Non-Defense Provisions of Interest to New Mexico:

MILC – One-month extension of MILC, a program Domenici opposes as being unfair to New Mexico dairy industry.

Mexican Trucking – The agreement contains a provision requiring equal and simultaneous access for U.S. trucks in Mexico during the Department of Transportation's pilot project giving Mexican trucks greater access to U.S. roads.

Forest Service Anti-Drug Effort – $12 million for the implementation of a nationwide initiative to increase protection of national forest lands from drug-trafficking organizations, including funding for additional law enforcement personnel, training, equipment and cooperative agreements.

State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) – $650 million is to cover anticipated shortfalls in 14 states.

Minimum Wage Increase – The package increases the federal minimum wage to $7.25 an hour over 26 months.

Homeland Security Funding Highlights:

Aircraft Procurement – $75 million for Air and Marine Interdiction, Operations, Maintenance and Procurement, including funding for the procurement of additional fixed-wing aircraft, helicopters and unmanned aerial systems. Domenici is pushing for new Border Patrol helicopters to serve New Mexico.

Federal Air Marshals – $5 million to address needs brought about by the threat level for the aviation sector, which has been at "orange" or "high" since August 2006. Air Marshals receive some training at FLETC-Artesia.

Emergency Management Performance Grants Program – $50 million to assist state and local governments in updating emergency plans.

U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services – $8 million to address a 170,000-case backlog.

CVB celebrates National Tourism Week

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KGRT Morning Show personality Joel Hixon was on hand, doing live remote broadcasts during the Las Cruces Convention & Visitors Bureau's open house, Wednesday, May 16.

Local resident Alexandra Janowiecki looks through pamphlets and other materials available to visitors.

The LCCVB is located at 211 N. Water St.

Racks of free informational pamphlets and booklets provide a wealth of information about Las Cruces and the surrounding areas for both residents and tourists, as long-time Las Cruces resident Mary Ann Koşan discovers during the open house.

Las Cruces area new business resources

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In Good Company: La Fiesta Bakery, LLC

Baking for the neighborhood and community

La Fiesta baker has more than 23 years of experience

By Natisha Hales
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Since La Fiesta Bakery opened a little more than a year ago, owners Ray and Eugenia "Gina" Ortega have worked hard to make their business part of the community.

They started by offering products to satisfy every one of their customers. Ray Ortega is the main baker and bakes bolillos, hamburger buns, loaves of bread, cookies, pastries and sugar-free items. Once a week, Ray Ortega makes jalapeño-cheese bread and has a list of customers that special order it.

"We do a lot of everything. I love what I do," he said. "You have to love it in order to be successful."

Another baker comes in at 1 a.m. each morning to make yeast and cake donuts.

For most of his baking career, Ray Ortega worked in the bakery department of local supermarkets, but he said the actual "baking" wasn't being done any more.

"There's no more good bakers," he said. "They just take it out of the box and heat it up. I make everything from scratch."

His love for baking came from his mother, who always baked biscochos, cookies and fudge during the holidays.

His baking career, however, came as a surprise.

In 1984, Ray Ortega began a job as a security officer for Save 'n' Gain – known today as the So:Lo grocery store that was demolished to make way for the new City Hall. He had gone to school with the bakery manager, who asked Ray if he was interested in working with him. He accepted the job and began his baking career.

With 23 years of baking experience behind them, the Ortegas opened La Fiesta Bakery at 455 N. Valley Drive, Suite 3.

"There was no bakery this side of town," Gina Ortega said. "This space was vacant for a long time."

Because the space only had framing – no floor and no walls – the Ortegas spent at least a year working with an architect and city regulations to open their commercial bakery.

"It was nice coming and starting with a clean place," Ray Ortega said. "Other places weren't willing to do this with us."

Now that the business has been open, almost the entire family plays a part. The Ortegas' daughter, Vanessa, assists Gina with cake decorating, which is also done out of the business.

When ordered at least a day in advance, the two can create simple designs on sheet cakes for weddings, birthdays, quinceañeras and graduations.

Their youngest daughter Jessica, an elementary school student, also helps where she can, and Gina's father, Eugenio Ortega helps out by making all of the bakery's boxes.

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La Fiesta Bakery, 455 N. Valley Drive, Suite 3, is a neighborhood business that offers one-on-one customer service.

Where many bakeries have sales for day-old items, the Ortegas use that as an opportunity to contribute to the community. They donate all of their day-old goods to the El Caldito Soup Kitchen and the Gospel Rescue Mission. The organization comes every morning at 7 a.m. to "pick it all up," Gina said.

So far, the Ortegas say the company is growing successfully.

"We knew the business before we opened," Ray Ortega said. "I knew we'd be successful. We're still growing and will continue to grow."

As La Fiesta Bakery has grown, they have still kept competitive prices.

"We don't get prices on ingredients like the big stores do," Gina Ortega said. "I think we're way under for a smaller business. It's not a goal to just make money."

As for the future, the Ortegas hope to expand, but they face a bit of a challenge, they said.

"The city is growing," Ray Ortega said. "We'd like to have two or three more outlets, but there are no more good bakers."

Though they may not have all the help they need to expand, they'd still like everyone to come in and try their bakery.

"I wish everyone would try us," Gina Ortega said. "Try it, you might like it. If you don't like it, I respect it. We come in and we do the best we can, and we all have different tastes."

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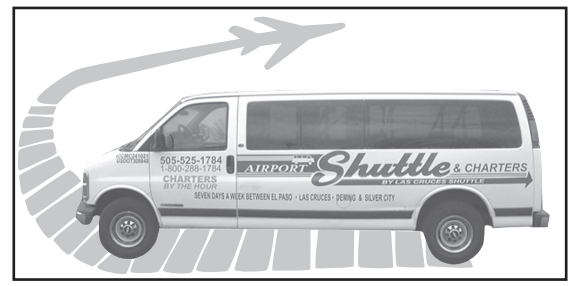

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Business and personal briefs must be received by noon Friday for consideration in the next week's Bulletin. Stories may be edited for length or content.

In Good Company: La Fiesta Bakery, LLC

Q&A: Talking business with owners Ray and Gina Ortega

What inspired you to go into business?
After working many years for others and mass producing what we were told, we decided to go into business for ourselves, producing what people want, as well as working with people on a one-on-one basis.

What is unique about your business?
Our business is considered a neighborhood business, where we know or will get to know all our customers.

Who are your customers?
Our customers come from different walks of life – from very young customers to the elderly, ordinary people to professionals and all in between.

How would you define success in the short term?
Success in the short term would be to give quality products at a fair, honest price and to produce what people want when they need it.

Where do you see the business in five years?
We see this business in five years growing moderately at a pace that can maintain a neighborhood atmosphere with quality service.

What is the best part of your job?
The best part of our job is dealing with people, meeting new people and seeing them satisfied with what we produce.

How do you keep your competitive edge?
We keep our competitive edge by giving people competitive prices and offering friendly service.

How are you marketing the store?
We are marketing our bakery with a little bit of public advertisement by stamping all of our boxes, and mostly by word of mouth from satisfied customers.

What do you look for in an employee?
In an employee, we look for an honest person with a good attitude who enjoys working with the public.

What is the best business decision you've made so far?
The best business decision we have made so far is to treat people with respect and to show them that their business is appreciated.

What adjustments or improvements have you made so far?
Adjustments or improvements made so far is to keep up with the latest technology in order to give our customers the best products and service possible.

What best prepared you for entrepreneurship?
What has prepared us for entrepreneurship is 58 years of customer service and 23 years of experience as a baker.

What advice would you give to others starting a business?
The advice we would give to others starting a business is to be honest and always remember to appreciate people.

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Address: 455 N. Valley Drive, Suite 3
Hours: Tues-Fri 6am-6pm, Sat 6am-4pm
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With a wide variety of cookies, donuts, breads, cakes, pastries and sugar-free items, there's something for everyone at the bakery.

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La Fiesta Bakery is a family-run business. Clockwise from left: Co-owner Eugenia "Gina" Ortega, Gina's father Eugenio Montoya, co-owner Ray Ortega and daughter Jessica Ortega all pitch in at the bakery.

What items do you carry, in brief, and their price ranges?
We carry donuts, cookies, cakes, pies, breads, bolillos, Mexican pastries and sugar-free products, from 17 cents to $5.99.

What is your most popular item?
Our most popular items are our donuts and our breads.

What is the most important thing about your business that you wish people knew?
The most important thing about our business is that we are big enough to accommodate, but small enough to appreciate.

What is your opinion of the Las Cruces business climate?
Actually it is very good thus far. People are very supportive.

What obstacles do you face or have you overcome?
The obstacles we have faced or overcome is getting business going and established.

What are your business goals?
Our business goals are to offer the best product possible, the best customer service and to grow, yet remain as a neighborhood business and keep it in the family.

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Commercial Properties

Across from Pep Boys, this stand alone office building is a perfect location for a small office. Containing 1315 SF of space complete with a kitchen, it is perfect for a small company in need of high visibility.

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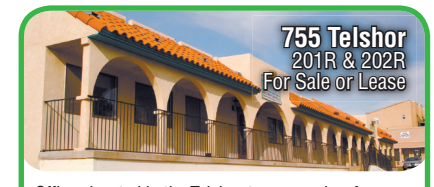

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How much life insurance do you need?

Amount depends on individual circumstances

BENJAMIN A. LIECHTI
Financial Representative

Here's a reliable rule of thumb when it comes to buying the right amount of life insurance: there is none. While it's easy for some so-called "experts" to say everybody needs life insurance protection equal to 10 or 20 times their income, the truth is everyone's situation is unique, and the amount you need can only be determined by looking at your individual circumstances.

Having the wrong amount of life insurance can be devastating for your survivors and "one-size-fits-all" recommendations can leave you under protected. In fact, according to a 2004 report by the life insurance industry's research association LIMRA International, the average person is underinsured by more than $300,000. The study also found that 45 percent of widows (35 percent of widowers) say their spouse was inadequately insured. And one to two years after the death, half the widows and one third of the widowers are just getting by financially.

As you try to decide how much life insurance you need to reach your personal and financial goals, there are many questions you need to ask yourself. Here are just a few:

- Is it important to ensure that your survivors – whether they are parents, siblings, spouses, or children – can take care of their financial obligations after you're gone?
- Do you want to make sure those who depend on your income and support have the means to maintain their current standard of living?
- Is it important for you to make certain your children will have the money to pay for a quality education even if you are not around?
- How will your spouse cope with your death? Will he or she need to take time off to grieve after your death? Will he or she need assistance around your home? Will your spouse need counseling to recover?
- Will estate taxes be an issue? Add up the value of your home, cars, investments, pension, 401(k), life insurance proceeds and other assets. If the total exceeds the lifetime exclusion amount, your estate may be subject to estate taxes. Life insurance can help replace assets that may be lost to taxation.

Once you have determined your goals, there are many other factors that will have an impact on the amount of life insurance you need. Here are ten of them:

1. Age and number of family members
2. Blended families
3. Risk tolerance/investment objectives
4. Existing planning, savings, life insurance, investments, retirement programs or other assets
5. Current and expected income
6. Estate tax liability (current and expected)
7. Current health
8. Children with special needs
9. Expected inheritance
10. Budget

While this is not a complete list, it gives you an idea of the considerations that should be included in proper life insurance planning. The impact of these factors should also be measured in relation to each other.

Because there are so many considerations and everyone's situation is unique, answering the question of "how much do I need" is not always easy. Many people become overwhelmed and put-off buying any life insurance because they don't know how much or what kind they should have. Meeting with a trained financial professional who understands your individual needs and goals can help you determine the right amount that makes sense for you.

The bottom line is this: having or not having the right amount of life insurance when you die can have a dramatic impact on those who depend on you. It is a personal decision too important to rely on a "one-size-fits-all" recommendation. Don't make the mistake of having the right amount of life insurance … for someone else's circumstances.

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NMSU research chemist profiles food compounds for FDA

University lab first of seven to conduct tests

Each day as Omar Holguin reports to work at the Counter Terrorist Chemical Technology Laboratory at New Mexico State University, he is aware that he is helping to build a shield against bioterrorism.

As a research chemist, the Los Lunas High School graduate is involved in verifying toxic screening methods established by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

"The FDA knows their methods work, they just want to know how well it works in different food scenarios," Holguin said. "There are many things that could compromise the food. These methods determine if the food has been contaminated with toxins."

As the first lab in a chain of seven sites doing the testing, NMSU's chemists perform chromatography on food that they have spiked with toxins.

Chromatography is a technique used to separate the components of a chemical mixture by moving the mixture along a stationary material, such as gelatin. Different components of the mixture are caught by the material at different rates and form isolated bands that can then be analyzed.

"FDA has a list of toxins that they want to screen for," Holguin said. "We basically spike the food item, extract a sample, analyze it and report back to FDA if yes you can see them all, or no, you can't, there's a problem."

Holguin says through this process he is creating a library of profiles of the components in the food. From the work Holguin is doing, FDA will have a database to compare unknown food compounds against.

"Food gives off a signature. As an example, we create profiles of different green chile from several regions or from different manufacturers to see if they always give off a certain signature," Holguin said. "Now when FDA encounters a food's component that might be an unknown, or they think might have chile in it, they can go to the profile and determine that it is or isn't chile." Holguin is the son of retired Valencia County Extension agent Frank and Rosa Holguin.

When Holguin graduated from Los Lunas High School in 1997 he did not expect to become a research chemist. He planned to go to NMSU and earn a degree in engineering. But those plans changed when he received a scholarship from NMSU's College of Agriculture and Home Economics and decided to pursue a degree in an agricultural field.

"I chose a degree that had the most overlap with engineering – environmental science. At the bachelor's degree level of that major you learn a little bit of everything – chemistry, biology and a little civil engineering," he said.

JANE MOORMAN I NMSU

Research chemist Omar Holguin profiles chemical compounds for U.S. Food and Drug Administration at New Mexico State University's Counter Terrorist Chemical Technology Laboratory.

"I chose to have my emphasis in environmental chemistry and my minor in chemistry."

As Holguin approached the next stage of his education – graduate school – he didn't know he was on the verge of a major impact on his life and career.

In 2002, while trying to decide whether to do graduate work in engineering or environmental engineering, Holguin was approached by classmates about Professor Mary O'Connell's research group, which is working in plant chemistry and medicinal uses of plants.

"I thought the work they were doing was interesting, so I joined up with that group," he said. "It was a phenomenal experience."

While looking for anti-cancer properties of plants found in the Southwest, Holguin's research focused on datura, commonly called jimsonweed.

"We were working with a specific group of chemical classes called saponins. They are the ones responsible for foam in root beer or when you wash your hair with yucca root," he said. "We were interested in that group because literature says there might be anti-cancer qualities or have shown they have anti-cancer qualities. We knew they were a good medicinal plant because they have anti-fungal qualities."

Holguin's work was to isolate and extract saponins from the plants.

"We developed from literature a specific way to isolate saponin. With further work, we discovered the chemical compound inhibits the growth of breast cancer cells in a petri dish," he said. The work was done with scientists at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle, Wash.

"Fred Hutchinson Center is where all of the anti-cancer studies are done for our group. All of the cell tissue work is done there because we don't have the facilities here. We ship samples up there and they test them. When we found out one sample had a lot of activity in it, our relationship became very close with one of their scientists," he said.

The scientists have decided that the anti-cancer compound isn't a sapinon, and are still working to determine the exact chemical structure.

"We will eventually crack it, but it's taken quite a bit of effort. But the outcome will be very promising," he said of the work he has continued while working at the Counter Terrorist Chemical Technology Lab.

Holguin made another discovery at O'Connell's molecular biology lab – the woman who would become his wife, Andrea Medina from Las Cruces.

"Andrea was working with medicinal plants of the Southwest," he said. "Her project was yerba mansa and its essential oils. Her research involved creating profiles of the oils to determine if it was always going to look the same or different depending on where it is found in the state."

One thing the yerba mansa research has verified, said Holguin, is that essential oils have a positive effect on cancer in female reproductive organs such as cervical and ovarian cancers.

The couple married on May 21, 2005, and they are now the proud parents of a daughter, Grace Elizabeth, who was born on Jan. 18 of this year.

Holguin has decided to continue his graduate work and plans to pursue his doctorate. He will begin working with Professor Champa Sengupta-Gopalan's group in May. Her program is working to improve the nutritional value of alfalfa.

"Because of the work and knowledge I gained with Dr. O'Connell's group it allowed me to land this job after my master's," he said of the FDA contract. "And while here, I've developed the knowledge and skills to work with this type of instrument, which takes a while to learn how to operate properly. Now I feel I can be an asset to Dr. Gopalan during the research with alfalfa."

What does the future hold for Holguin? He says he'd like to work in academia and teach while continuing to be a research chemist.

"I've worked with Dr. O'Connell's summer medicinal plant program and really enjoyed teaching," he said. "But I am really not sure what's in the future. Just as long as I keep learning, I'll be happy."

On the Agenda

MVEDA Business on the Border Forum

The June meeting of the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance Business on the Border Forum will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, June 5, at the Best Western Mesilla Valley Inn Columbus Conference Center, 901 Avenida de Mesilla. The meeting will begin with a hot-entrée buffet followed by an update from MVEDA staff.

Bob De Kinder of Delta Ltd. will give a quick introduction to "Cruceswood" and the High Tech Consortium's "pyramid" thrusts in the Rio Grande Technology Corridor for workforce development and potential digital media nanotechnology research and development at New Mexico State University's Arrowhead Research Park. Jonathan Benson, Director of the NMSU Creative Media Institute, will discuss NMSU's digital media initiative and the promising opportunities for growth of the digital media industry within southern New Mexico.

Luncheon cost is $10 per person, payable by cash, check or major credit card. The meeting is open to the public and reservations are not required.

Date: Tuesday, June 5
Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Location: Best Western Mesilla Valley Inn 901 Avenida de Mesilla
Contact: 525-2852

Mexico Border Mission briefing/tour

The Southwest New Mexico Employer Support to Guard and Reserve Committee, in conjunction with the Operation Jump Start Staff, will host a briefing and tour for local area employers and public officials addressing the Mexico Border Mission from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, June 7. The briefings will take place at both the local National Guard Armory and at the Forward Operational Base (FOB) in Deming. For registration and additional information, please contact, Len Boulas at 541-1449 or Lboulas1@aol.com.

Date: Thursday, June 7
Time: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Location: National Guard Armory and Forward Operational Base
Contact: Len Boulas, 541-1449 Lboulas1@aol.com

SNM SHRM breakfast meeting

The Southern New Mexico Society for Human Resource Management (SNM SHRM) will hold its monthly meeting from 7:30 to 9 a.m. Thursday, June 14, at the Best Western Mesilla Valley Inn.

The speaker is Jim Maxon, training consultant/facilitator with Senn-Delaney Leadership Consulting Group of Long Beach, Calif., and BFCI Learning Systems of El Paso, Texas. Maxon will discuss "Is Conflict Inevitable?"

The cost is $11 per person. Please RSVP to Doris Gleason at 527-7552 or gleason@nmsu.edu no later than Monday, June 11.

This program has been approved for one credit hour toward PHR and SPHR recertification through the Human Resource Certification Institute (HRCI).

Date: Thursday, June 14
Time: 7:30 to 9 a.m.
Location: Best Western Mesilla Valley Inn 901 Avenida de Mesilla
Contact: Doris Gleason, 527-7552 gleason@nmsu.edu
Cost: $11

City of Las Cruces Building Permit Report May 24, 2007

Las Cruces Home Builders Association

Permit #	Permitee	Owner	Project	Address	Subdivision	Value	Permit
07-RBI-5361	Desert View Homes LLC	Desert View Homes LLC	Res/New	2929 San Lorenzo Court	Legends West North	$119,700	$1,498
07-OTC-5553	Sunwest Homes Inc.	Sunwest Homes	Res/New	5341 Isabella Court	Las Colinas	$93,000	$3,284
07-OTC-554	Homeowner	Edward Tellez	Res/Add	929 Gilmer Way	NA	$1,500	$41
07-CB1-4597	Salas Homes	Salas Homes	Comm/Alt	3850 Foothills Road #5	N/A	$30,000	$188
07-OTC-5552	Sunwest Homes Inc.	Sunwest Homes	Res/New	5325 Isabella Court	Las Colinas	$124,020	$3,356
07-CB1-3327	Wilger Enterprises	RPS Development	Comm/New	3808 Telshor Blvd.	N/A	$300,000	$12,098
07-OTC-5676	DRH Southwest Construction	DRH	Res/New	4312 Soda Springs	Sedona Hills	$158,280	$3,193
07-OTC-5675	DRH Southwest Construction	DRH	Res/New	4306 Soda Springs	Sedona Hills	$165,180	$214
07-OTC-5674	DRH Southwest Construction	DRH	Res/New	5823 Desert Peak	Vista De La Montana	$150,960	$3,419
07-RB1-5360	Desert View Homes LLC	Desert View Homes LLC	Res/New	2921 San Lorenzo Court	Legends West	$117,480	$1,493
07-OTC-5573	Jones Construction Co.	Robert Jones	Res/New	3919 Morning Dove Place	Dove Crossing	$153,300	$3,425
07-OTC-5669	Homeowner	John W. Drake	Res/Alt	723.5 S. San Pedro	N/A	$5,000	$57
07-OTC-5587	Camino Real Builders	Camino Real	Res/New	4579 Mesa Central	Mesa Grande Estates	$190,080	$3,262
07-RB1-5358	Desert View Homes LLC	Desert View Homes LLC	Res/New	2941 San Lorenzo Court	Legends West North	$143,100	$1,553
07-OTC-5227	Dimsha Construction	Bernard Leinauer	Res/Add	5055 Moonshadow Place	N/A	$2,500	$163
07-OTC-5652	Buena Vista Construction	Denetrio Guerra	Res/New	4612 Mesa Central Drive	Mesa Grande Estates Ph2	$150,600	$3,169
07-OTC-5586	Fine Line Designs Inc.	Joseph Quelch	Res/Add	3781 Agate	N/A	$2,500	$45
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Sisbarro celebrates opening of newest dealership

Sisbarro Luxury Motors celebrated its grand opening Tuesday, May 22, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and a vacation giveaway to Las Vegas, Nev.

The dealership opened Feb. 1 at 125 W. Boutz Road and sells pre-owned luxury imports, including Lexus, Acura, BMW, Mercedes, Porsche and others. Luxury domestics, such as Cadillac and Lincoln, are also available from the dealership.

Aided by the Conquistadores, Lou Sisbarro cuts the ribbon, heralding the official opening of Sisbarro Luxury Motors.

Lou and Pat Sisbarro proudly display the proclamation from the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce Conquistadores. The proclamation promises 100 years of "good fortune" for the new business.

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Butler selected to attend national leadership program

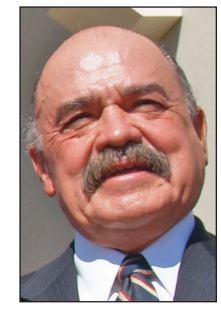
By Teri Hope
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Start spreading the news – award-winning Doña Ana County Commissioner Oscar Vásquez-Butler is going to New York, having been selected to participate in the Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service's 2007 County Leadership Institute (CLI) at New York University. It isn't surprising that Butler, who will represent New Mexico as one of only 30 county officials selected from a nationwide pool of applicants, was selected for this four-day program, beginning May 30. His efforts to build up the local area have made a strong impact not only on the Southwestern region but on an international level as well, only some of which have received recognition.

The CLI's program in New York this week focuses on helping elected officials address complex challenges. Serving as a member of the Southwestern Area Workforce Development Board (SAWDB), Butler has seen first hand and has worked to overcome the challenges that face the workforce in his jurisdiction. The CLI, a joint effort of the National Association of Counties and New York University, will build on Butler's capacity to identify and implement solutions that engage a broad network of interests, crossing boundaries that traditionally separate different sectors.

Butler, who also serves as president of the New Mexico Association of Counties, will expand on his already developed skills in effectively exercising leadership at the local, regional, state, and national levels. He will be collaborating on specific work challenges with other participants, while attending presentations by NYU faculty. He will participate in peer-to-peer learning sessions, where he will exchange ideas with his colleagues on the challenges of public leadership.

Meanwhile, one of the rare opportunities to recognize Butler for his efforts came on April 19, when he received the 2007 Public Service Award from the Border Fair Housing Economic Justice Center. The award recognized Butler as part of a two-day conference devoted to housing and economic justice issues along the border with Mexico for his efforts to promote "economic justice in his official and extra-official capacities (which) have made a great impact in promoting equality in our border communities," according to Anibal Olague, executive director of the Border Fair Housing Economic Justice Center. Butler said he was honored to receive the award, adding that he will continue to support the Border Fair Housing Economic Justice Center as it works on behalf of Doña Ana County's neediest residents.


BUTLER

Butler, however, is not in this business for the recognition, and obviously not for the money either. "Sometimes there's an event of such a magnitude that it moves one to take action," Butler said more than a year and a half ago. Touched by the events along the Gulf Coast after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in 2005, Butler signed over his paycheck beginning in late September through the end of the year to the Roadrunner Food Bank, the New Mexican affiliate of the Nation's Food Bank Network.

"When you see the children and families who are destitute, who don't know where they are going, my heart just went out to them," Butler said. "We rarely experience things like this in America and it came upon all of us without warning." Prompted by Lt. Governor Diane Denish's call on all New Mexicans to donate to the food bank's special hurricane relief fund in an effort to "save the living," Butler said he had wanted to do "whatever I can to alleviate their suffering." He noted that many people lost their homes, cars, loved ones, and "even their pets," adding that he had empathy for their situation.

New Mexico had its own disasters in 2006 with major flooding in Hatch, where recovery efforts continue. Noting that it is important to have emergency teams in place, Butler said he would like to think that the county has prepared for any and all types of disasters.

"What concerns me about the devastation along the Gulf Coast is the lack of immediate response or coordinated efforts from both the local and federal government," Butler said. "I still feel like I didn't give enough, but how much is enough?" And amid his ongoing sacrifice, Butler said "it was the least I could do."

Teri Hope is the SAWDB's Outreach Technical Specialist. She can be reached at (505) 744-4857, or by visiting www.swjobconnect.org. Visit your local office of the Department of Labor for access to computers, the Internet, and Workforce Investment Opportunities.

New Mexico ranks 16th in national drivers test

Study indicates 36 million licensed Americans may be unfit to drive

Results from the 2007 GMAC Insurance National Drivers Test rank New Mexico drivers 16th in the nation for their driving knowledge. In 2006, the state ranked 43rd in the country.

The third annual survey by GMAC Insurance gauges driver knowledge of the rules of the road by testing licensed Americans on actual questions from state Department of Motor Vehicles license exams. Overall, results indicate that one in six drivers on the road, roughly 36 million licensed Americans, would not pass their written DMV exam if taken today. New Mexico drivers had an overall average score of 78.3 percent (70 percent or higher is required to pass the test); 16 percent of New Mexico respondents failed the test.

According to this year's results, New York drivers ousted Rhode Island by ranking last in all 50 states and the District of Columbia on driver knowledge. Idaho, on the other hand, topped the list and dethroned Oregon's tenure at first place as the most knowledgeable drivers in the United States. While the national average score was 77.1 percent, New Yorkers had an average of 71 percent and the highest failure rates (36 percent); Idaho had an average score of 81.7 percent. In general, geographical regions ranked similarly to previous years, with Arkansas, Minnesota, Kansas and Wisconsin ranking in the top five and New Jersey, Washington, D.C., Massachusetts and Rhode Island in the bottom five among all states.

"All Americans need a refresher course when it comes to basic driving rules," said Gary Kusumi, CEO and president of GMAC Insurance Personal Lines. "Being a safe driver is about conduct, judgment and knowledge. We're hoping this year's results encourage people to arm themselves with the knowledge they need to stay safe."

The test was administered by TNS, a major market information resource and the world's largest provider of custom research and analysis. TNS is also a leader in social and political polling and a top supplier of consumer panel, media intelligence and Internet and TV and radio audience measurement services. A national sample of 5,175 total licensed respondents, aged 16-60+, balanced to the latest U.S. Census data were given a 20-question test simulating the experience of taking a standard written drivers test, with questions taken verbatim from DMV tests (but not state specific). For more information about TNS, please visit www.tns-global.com.

Other points of interest drawn from the 2007 GMAC Insurance National Drivers Test

- With age comes wisdom: The older the driver, the higher the test score. Drivers 35+ years old were most likely to pass.
- More than half of respondents (55 percent) don't know how many feet to signal before making right or left turns.
- More than 46 percent of drivers are unaware of the meaning of a diamond-shaped sign (warning sign).
- Fortunately, nearly all respondents (98 percent) know what to do when an emergency vehicle with flashing lights approaches, what to do when hydroplaning and the meaning of a solid yellow line.
- Illinois, Georgia, D.C., Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Rhode Island and Massachusetts were the least knowledgeable states overall, with average scores lower than 75 percent.
- Idaho and Alaska were the most knowledgeable, with average scores higher than 81 percent.
- Regions displaying the highest failure rates were the South Atlantic (20.8 percent) and New England (15.7 percent).

Think you're smarter than the average driver?

GMAC Insurance encourages the public to take the test at www.gmacinsurance.com. Compare your score to the national average, see how your state ranked in previous years, challenge friends to test their skills and brush up on safe driving tips.

Where are the most knowledgeable drivers in the nation?

The following is a complete list of state rankings for the 2007 GMAC Insurance National Drivers Test.

1	Idaho	27	Arkansas
2	Alaska	28	Michigan
3	Minnesota	29	Kentucky
4	Wisconsin	30	Utah
5	Kansas	31	Ohio
6	Washington	31	Colorado
7	South Dakota	33	South Carolina
8	Montana	33	Arizona
9	Oregon	33	Florida
10	Iowa	36	Maine
11	Nebraska	37	New Hampshire
12	Wyoming	37	Mississippi
13	Oklahoma	37	Tennessee
13	Indiana	40	Connecticut
13	North Carolina	41	Virginia
16	**New Mexico**	41	Louisiana
17	North Dakota	43	West Virginia
18	Montana	44	Georgia
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19	Nevada	46	Pennsylvania
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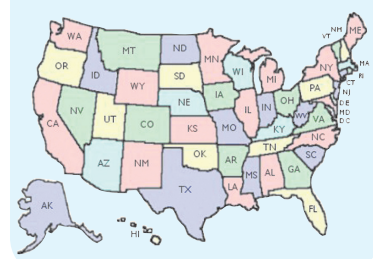

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SECTION C

Come Sail Away

at the DAAC Awards Gala

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Doña Ana Arts Council Award Gala honors contributors to the local arts community

Seven winners speak about strength and importance of DAAC

By Joel Courtney
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Each year, the Doña Ana Arts Council (DAAC) honors those groups and individuals who have given so much to the Las Cruces arts community and have left a permanent mark on the fabric of the city.

The 2007 Awards Gala will be held from 6 p.m. to midnight Friday, June 1, at the Mesilla Valley Best Western Inn, 901 Avenida de Mesilla. The event, titled "Come Sail Away with DAAC," will be a more formal event than DAAC has hosted in previous years.

"This year, we wanted to make it more of a gala event, a full evening of dinner and dancing," said DAAC Executive Director Amy Johnson Bassford.

The awards include: the Papen Family Award, sponsored by Glenn Cutter Jewelers & Gallery and Jo-an Smith; the Newcomers Award, sponsored by EXIT Realty Horizons; the Arts in Education Award, sponsored by White's Music Box; the Community Arts Award, sponsored by Innovative Touch; and the Art in Public Places Award, sponsored by Ron Nims and Studio D Architects.

The Papen Family Award is recognition of a lifetime of service to the local art community, according to Bassford. The winner of this year's Papen Family Award is Rosemary McLoughlin, who has served with several organizations through her time in Las Cruces.

"There's a real sense of support in this community," McLoughlin said.

When contemplating leaving the city in 1977 after graduating from New Mexico State University, she said, "This someday will be a fantastic art center, and I want to be here when it happens."

Through her storytelling, teaching and support of art programs, McLoughlin is partially responsible for exposing a whole generation of Las Crucens to the arts.

> "There's a real sense of support in this community."
>
> ROSEMARY McLOUGHLIN, Artist

The winner of the 2007 Newcomers Award, given to someone who has lived in Doña Ana County for less than five years, is painter and printmaker Ouida Touchon.

Touchon has served on the NMSU Art Gallery board and was a founding member of La Prensa/Southwest Printmakers. She has opened her own studio/storefront, Cruz Nopal Studio on Picacho Avenue.

"I've been here four years, and it has taken me this long to make headway in the community," Touchon said. "I'm optimistic about this town."

The 2007 Arts in Education Award was given to Laurie Norman. Norman has taught music education for the past 26 years, the last 16 of which were at Tombaugh elementary.

"Teaching kids helps keep me young. They make my life a joy," she said.

Norman, who has been playing piano since the age of 3, said she found her calling to teach during high school when she joined the Future Teachers of America.

Since then, she has become instrumental in the forming of the Doña Ana Youth Choir, as well as being the music teacher of three "Hey Mozart" – a child composition contest – winners.

"If I have one child love music as much as me, I was successful," Norman said.

The 2007 Community Arts Award winners are the founding members of the Las Cruces Friends of Chamber Music: John Pleasant, Barbara Toth and Joseph Sylvan.

The idea for the group was originally concocted by Pleasant and Sylvan, but it wasn't until Toth joined that things began in earnest.

"The most fortunate thing we ever did was when we asked Barb to play in the first concert we did," said Pleasant.

"Barb is a complete organizational wizard," added Sylvan.

Through the Friends of Chamber Music, the trio has helped coordinate 44 musical performances over the last year.

Toth said that in addition to providing the opportunity for the community to hear international-caliber musicians through the Friends, the group also works to provide music at venues such as the Good Samaritan Village and for opening receptions of local art galleries.

"We love partnering with others. We want to not just spread music, but encourage all art," Pleasant said.

The winner of the newest honor, the Art in Public Places Award, is Jackie Clark.

Clark is not only a gifted painter, but also has worked in stained glass for the past 28 years, and she is currently making 31 stained glass windows for the new chapel of Mesilla Valley Hospice.

"It's a big thrill for me. This is my second life," said Jackie Clark. "I've been a wife and a mother; it's just a fluke that I ended up doing stained glass."

Although every winner has done their part for the art community, each of them echoed that none of their work would have been possible were it not for the Doña Ana Arts Council.

"The (Doña Ana) Arts Council is here to provide services and support the arts. We do the awards to bring awareness to the community," said Bassford.

"We (Las Cruces Friends of Chamber Music) couldn't exist without their support," said Sylvan.

"I think they're vital to this community," Touchon said. "Anything they can do to support the arts is just critical for our culture."

For more information about the DAAC Arts Awards, the Awards Gala or any DAAC program, call the DAAC office at 523-6403 or visit www.daarts.org.

Sailboats from 35 local artists will be featured as centerpieces at the Doña Ana Arts Council Awards Gala and sold in silent auction throughout the evening.

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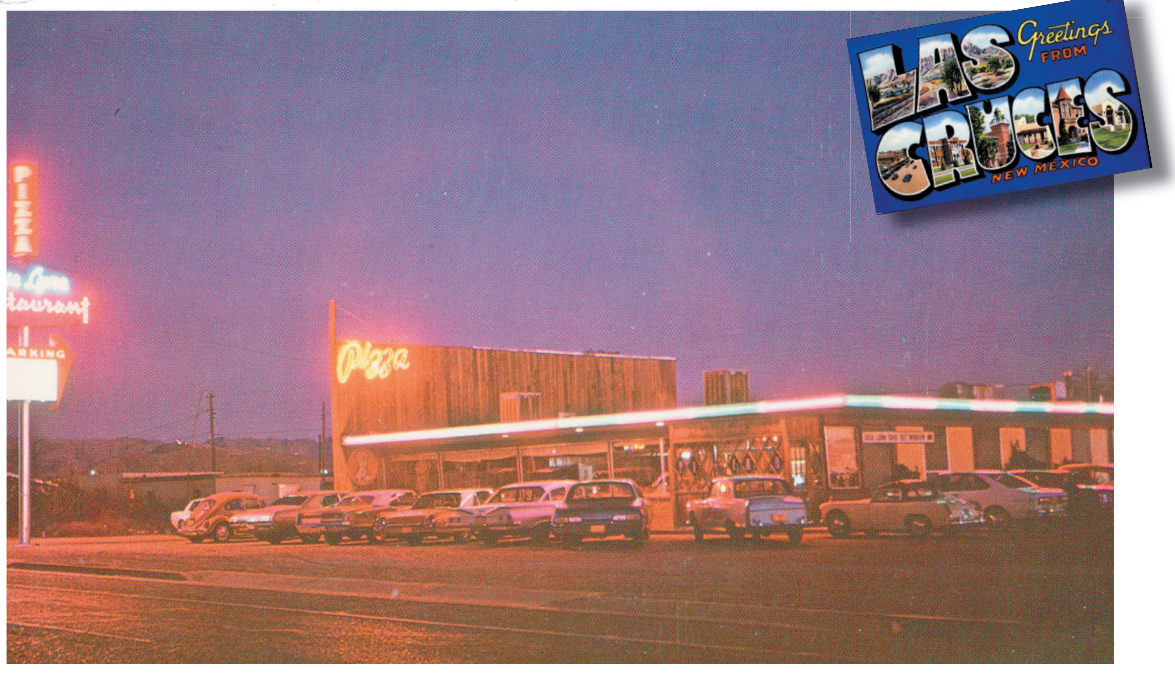

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McLOUGHLIN

This year's recipient of the Papen Family Award, which honors an individual who has demonstrated his or her commitment to the arts through leadership, service and/or financial support, is Rosemary McLoughlin. McLoughlin has worked with a variety of arts organizations in the community as an educator, artist and storyteller. She was instrumental in the creation of a precursor to the Career Arts Path program at DAAC and has donated her time and talent to the Empty Bowls fund-raiser, along with many other causes. These days, McLoughlin can be found in her Mesilla studio working on pieces for the Holy Cross Arts Festival and her one-woman show scheduled at the Glenn Cutter Gallery in late October. This award is annually sponsored by Glenn Cutter's Jewelry and Gallery and Joan Smith. Past recipients of the Papen Family Award include: Mark Medoff (2000), Irene Oliver Lewis (2001), Judith Finch (2002), Ruth Cantrell (2003), Jack Ward (2004), Keith Wilson (2005) and Bishop Ricardo Ramirez (2006).

TOUCHON

Visual artist Ouida Touchon is the winner of the 2007 Newcomers Award. Touchon has been actively involved in the arts community since her arrival in the area. She has served on the board of the NMSU Art Gallery, helped form a collaborative group of print makers, as well as holding life drawing classes and other workshops. Touchon is now working her 'Bodies of Water' series as well as group of landscapes depicting the Mediterranean countryside at her studio on Picacho Avenue. This award is sponsored by EXIT Realty Horizons and recognizes leadership and support of the arts by an individual (or group) who has lived in Doña Ana County for less than five years. Past recipients include: Kathe Stark (2000), Lonnie Klein (2001), Alice Peden (2002), Sylvia Gibson Bowers (2003), Tom Smith (2004), Laurel Weathersbee (2005), and Lucilene de Geus and Paco Antonio (2006).

NORMAN

Laurie Norman has been awarded this year's Arts in Education Award, sponsored by White's Music Box. This award, created in 1997, serves to recognize individuals, whose leadership and pioneering spirit promotes and shapes visual, performing and literary arts education initiatives, which benefit youth. Norman actively encourages her students to pursue their musical interests as active participants and audience members through involvement in the Dona Ana Youth Choir, Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra, Hey Mozart and school music classes. She is the accompanist for the Dona Ana Youth Choir and the music teacher at Tombaugh Elementary School, where she has taught since the school opened 16 years ago. Past Arts in Education recipients include: John Schutz (2000), Terry Alvarez (2001), Leslie Kowalski (2002), Constance Hasapopoulos Suter (2003), Raul Dorn (2004), Debra Knapp (2005), and Diane Schutz (2006).

PLEASANT, TOTH, SYLVAN

The winner of the 2007 Community Arts Award are the founding members of the Las Cruces Friends of Chamber Music – John Pleasant, Joseph Sylvan and Barbara Toth. This award distinguishes individuals, who, by possessing the highest standards of motivation, service and by example have made a significant impact on the cultural fabric of our community. All three individuals have been deeply involved in various musical pursuits and, in forming the Las Cruces Friends of Chamber Music, have brought together an exceptional group of musicians to share a wide musical repertoire with our community. Pleasant currently manages the repair department at White's Music Box; Toth accompanies musical events for students from middle school to music majors at NMSU and Sylvan is a professor of music history and literature at NMSU and continues to play with the El Paso Symphony, El Paso Opera Company, El Paso Sun City Chorale and El Paso Pro Musica, as well as performing several ancillary functions at NMSU. The award, sponsored by Innovative Touch, was created in 1999 and past recipients include: Bob Burns (1999), Bob and Yvette Peticolas (2000), Kevin and Michelle Self (2001), Jose Tena (2002), Bob Diven (2003), Dr. Jerry Ann Alt (2004), Ceil and Peter Herman (2005), and Jim Billings (2006).

CLARK

DAAC is proud to honor Jackie Clark with the Art in Public Places Award. Created in 2003 and sponsored by Ron Nims and Studio D Architects, this award recognizes an individual or group who has created or placed art on permanent public view in Doña Ana County that exemplifies the highest standards and commitment to art in public places. Clark's works of stained glass can be seen local public building, textbooks and galleries throughout the region. Her devotion to her art form can be seen not only in her work but in her dedication to promoting the arts in our community. Clark is currently creating 31 stained glass windows for the new chapel at Mesilla Valley Hospice. Previous recipients of this award are the City of Las Cruces and the NM Department of Transportation and Highways (2003), Tracy Jamison (2004), Zandra Santanova (2005), and Ken Barrick (2006).

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Film noir comes to the desert

'White Sands' brings mystery to southern N.M.

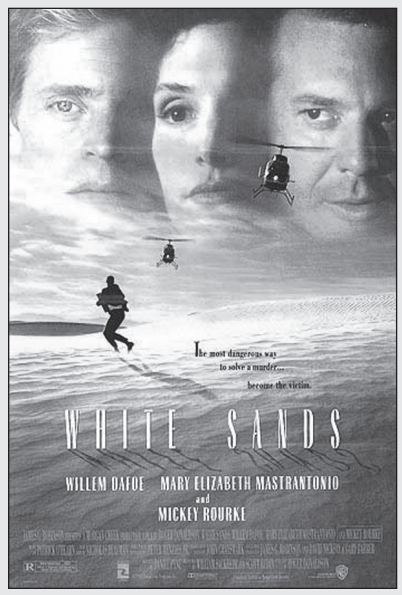
The CineMatinee film at the Fountain Theatre for Saturday, June 2, will be "White Sands" (1992, 101 minutes, Rated R).

The beautiful cinematography in "White Sands" could serve as a travel guide to various places around New Mexico, including Estancia, Taos, Santa Fe, Alamogordo and Las Cruces.

This somewhat "film noir" movie stars Willem Dafoe, Samuel L. Jackson, Mickey Rourke and Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio.

A suicide found in the desert with $500,000 cash stuffed in a briefcase makes Sheriff Ray Dolezal (Dafoe) curious. What was the dead man up to?

Sensing that if he follows the money, he'll find crime at the end of the trail, Dolezal assumes the dead man's identity. He soon discovers the deceased was a paid informant for an FBI agent who is trailing an arms dealer who works with an intermediary.



Dolezal begins to suspect that he's being set up to take a big fall when the money is stolen from him and the dead man's girlfriend gets killed after she tells him that her beau had a partner in a scheme to steal the money from the FBI.

Will his enemies discover his real identity? Will the FBI agent turn on him? Is Rourke really with the CIA? Will he get back the money?

Each and every Saturday afternoon, a quality, talking picture (with an occasional silent one) will be screened at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla. The general theme of this ongoing series is life in the West, which could mean the "new" West, the Old West, the historical West or anything in between.

All screenings begin at 1:30 p.m., unless otherwise noted. Admission is $3 or free for Mesilla Valley Film Society members. The Fountain Theatre is located at 2469 Calle de Guadalupe, one block south of the plaza.

Ralph Nader is the subject of the documentary "An Unreasonable Man," which is screening at the Fountain Theatre.

Fighting for the unreasonable men

Mantel and Skrovan tell Nader's story up to 2000 election

By Jeff Berg
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

A maxim by George Bernard Shaw opens the interesting and effective documentary, "An Unreasonable Man."

Shaw says: "The reasonable man adapts himself to the world; the unreasonable man persists in trying to adapt the world to himself. Therefore all progress depends on the unreasonable man."

It is a good analogy for Ralph Nader, the subject of this film, which is nicely co-directed by Henriette Mantel, a former employee of Nader, and Steve Skrovan, whose previous work was in stand-up comedy and comedy show writing.

It is not a tribute to Nader, but rather an informative piece of work that covers his pre-presidential candidate career in its first hour and uses the last hour to cover all of the bases of his Green Party candidacy in the 2000 election.

Nader, who of course first came into the public eye with his work against the auto industry in the mid-1960s, has a public record that remains spotless. His work has all been for the good of society, working through the system rather than against it. His list of credentials includes involvement in at least eight major federal consumer protection laws and also the births of agencies such as the Environmental Protection Aagency and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Mantel and Skroven interview almost 50 different people in compiling the information for this documentary, including Nader and his two sisters, and less likely acquaintances such as Pat Buchanan and former television talk show host Phil Donahue.

Never one to steer away from adversity, Nader is the target in an eyebrow-cocking scene taking place shortly after Nader's accusations against General Motors are made public. It seems that GM was so desperate to find some "dirt" on Ralph, that they sent attractive women to follow him around, encountering him at such places as a grocery store and inviting him to partake in who knows what. The sight of the then president of GM apologizing for this ridiculous stunt during a hearing before the U.S. Senate is truly a scene to behold.

Nader's continued influence is shown, as Nader's Raiders are formed soon after, and through hard work and harder honesty, they continue to make life rough for big business and narrow-minded government alike.

Nader's political "career," such as it has been, actually started before 2000 when he was a casual presidential candidate for a couple of elections. But it was in 2000, when he headed the Green Party ticket, when people finally took notice.

Mantel and Skrovan use a lot of archival footage as they follow parts of Nader's campaign, including a huge event that took place at Madison Square Garden, which attracted such "progressive" performers as Tim Robbins, Susan Sarandon and filmmaker Michael Moore. My emphasis on "progressive" is because these well-meaning folks embarrass themselves with their backpedaling and caustic remarks when Nader runs again in '04.

As most of us probably remember, after the election was over, Nader took a lot of grief, not to mention a pie in the face, as being the reason that Al Gore lost. Several of the interviewees rant on camera about what has happened since then and drop the blame directly on Nader's toes. To help balance that, we also get reminders that polls indicated that most of the people that voted for Nader wouldn't have voted for either Gore or Bush in 2000 – they came out to vote for Nader, period. Other data notes that both Arkansas and Tennessee, states that everyone thought Gore would win, were lost. Not to mention that Nader only spent three days campaigning in Florida during the whole election run.

The film could have used a few less of the sound-bite-type interviews that sometimes make it a bit difficult to follow. One talking head is quickly replaced by another, and the amount of heads introduced also makes it a bit confusing. It would also have been interesting to hear from Nader's running mate in the election, LaDonna Harris, the former chief of the Cherokee Nation.

All in all, this is a very well done and balanced film. No fawning, no pedestal hopping, and it gently draws the conclusion that in 2000, this "unreasonable man" was trying to introduce a true option into our current form of corrupt and hyperventilating government.

"An Unreasonable Man" is screened nightly at 7:30 p.m., with a Sunday matinee at 2:30 p.m. only. The Fountain Theatre is located at 2469 Calle de Guadalupe in Mesilla.

Jeff Berg, freelance writer and local ne'er do well, has a lot of agendas. Find out about them at jeffberg@lascrucesbulletin.com.

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Fern (Kelsey Bowman) shows off her flexability to brother-in-law Joey (Danny Manning) in "The Walkers," which is playing at the Black Box Theatre through June 10.

A split personality family

'The Walkers' has audiences looking inward

REVIEW BY JOEL COURTNEY
The Las Cruces Bulletin

"The Walkers," by Barbara Lindsay and directed by Alice Little, opened Friday, May 25, at the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Downtown Mall.

Laura (Cortney Newtson) tells her father Boyd (Bob Singer) with one look to fix the door knob.

The script was originally sent to No Strings Theatre Company's Artistic Director Ceil Herman and was read for possible production by NSTC and Sin Fronteras/Writers Without Borders.

Lindsay, who currently lives in Seattle, Wash., has written 45 plays, many of which have been produced.

According to the playwright's notes: "All of my plays ask, one way or another, 'What will it cost me to be true to myself?' That's the central question in my work because it is the central question in my life."

"The Walkers" tackles this question through a very unique family. Parents Boyd and Grace and their girls Laura and Fern, like many people, keep their true feelings hidden throughout the day. Unlike others, the family acts on their true feelings while they're sleepwalking.

Boyd (Bob Singer), the bitter father of the dysfunctional family, spends the day yelling at his wife, despite her continued efforts to treat him like a king. At night, Boyd lives out his life as a true romantic, dancing the night away with his wife. Grace (Susie Whelpley), who lives to please by day, is angry and violent by night.

Fern (Kelsey Bowman), the youngest member of the family, tries to act like a mature and sexual woman in front of people, but at night reverts to the scared little girl she is inside.

Laura (Cortney Newtson) is much like her father, angry by day and a hopeless romantic by night. She is recently separated from her husband Joey (Danny Manning), but her nighttime activities lead her to call Joey and tell him to not let her go.

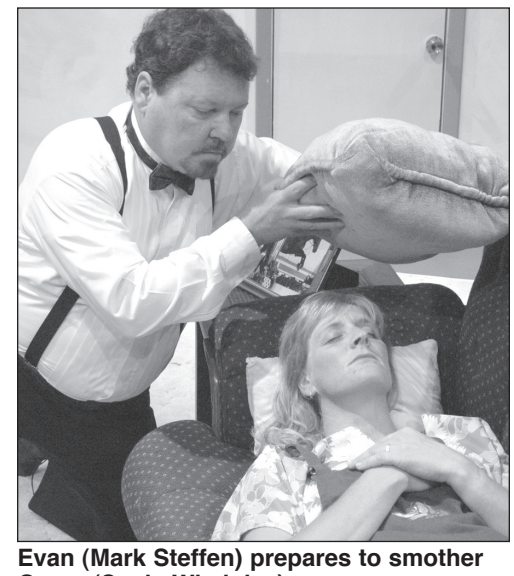
The family seems content to go through their roles as usual until Joey arrives looking to win back Laura's heart. He alone seems aware that something is amiss in the household, with very strange behaviors occurring early in the morning that no one else seems to remember.

The final piece that helps unravel the family comes from Evan (Mark Steffen), a friend of Boyd's that marries often due to the "disappearances" of his previous wives.

Chaos in the family ensues, but by the end, some have come to terms with their true selves, and others have buried it even deeper.

This production introduces a few new faces to NSTC, many of which are high school students who perform the complicated dialogue of the piece magnificently. Many scenes require two separate conversations to run concurrently with fine timing.

Singer and Whelpley, who display the chemistry a dysfunctional couple would possess, play the love-hate relationship of Boyd and Grace expertly.



Evan (Mark Steffen) prepares to smother Grace (Susie Whelpley).

Bowman easily pulls off the young girl pretending to be an adult, switching from teasing her brother-in-law to clutching a pillow like a teddy bear.

The relationship of Newtson and Manning borders on abusive, with Newtson drawing Manning back before berating him away again. Manning shows the frustration of someone in love that is stuck in a no-win situation. As he screams and jumps up and down, the audience can't help but feel for him while growing frustrated with Newtson's character's refusal to allow anyone close to her.

Another fine performance, the story contained in "The Walkers" forces everyone to take a look at how their actions reflect – or don't reflect – their true feelings. Although hardly anyone can say they always act in accordance with their heart, the story of "The Walkers" makes one wonder if they could do more to be themselves.

"The Walkers" continues to play at the Black Box Theatre through June 10. Performances of "The Walkers" are Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays, June 3 and 10, at 2:30 p.m. and Thursday, June 7, at 7 p.m.

Ticket prices are $9 for regular admission, $8 for students and seniors over 65, and all seats on Thursdays are $6. A high school student rush ticket for unsold seats ($6 with student ID) is available 10 minutes before each performance.

For reservations, call 523-1223 or visit www.nostrings.org.

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Tickets: $7-$10
Opens June 22

EIGHT DAYS A WEEK

FRIDAY, JUNE 1

■ CD RELEASE CONCERT

The "Spanish Guitar through the Ages" CD release concert will feature Joseph Mancilla, guitar, and guest artist Tracey Anne Trambley, singer and Spanish dancer, at the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road, on Friday, June 1, at 8 p.m. Tickets are $12 and can be purchased in advance at White's Music Box, 200 S. Downtown Mall, or at the door.

■ FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOKSALE

Stock up for summer reading at the big booksale sponsored by the Friends of Branigan Library in the Dresp Rooms, 200 E. Picacho Ave., on Friday, June 1, from 1 to 5 p.m. Audiobooks, videos, puzzles and books for all ages and interests will be available. Donations of materials always welcome. For information call 521-4845.

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

■ STORYTELLERS OF LAS CRUCES

COAS Bookstores present family storytelling by Storytellers of Las Cruces every Saturday from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Judith Ames will be the featured storyteller at the Main Street Downtown store location, and Sonya Weiner will be the featured storyteller at the COAS Solano store, located at 1101 S. Solano Drive. All children who attend receive a free book. Call 524-8471 for more information.

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Upcoming Events

UPCOMING EVENTS	START DATE	LOCATION
DAAC Arts Awards Gala	Fri., June 1	Mesilla Valley Best Western
Raft the Rio	Sat., June 16	La Llorona Park
Tortugas Turtle Fiesta	Thur., June 21 - Sun., June 24	Our Lady of Guadalupe

■ SWINGING SENIORS DANCE

Couples and singles 50 and older are invited to dance with the Swinging Seniors at the Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St., Saturdays from 8 to 10 p.m. Doors open at 7:30, and there is a $5 cover charge. Music will be provided by Mark Coker. Call 528-3000 for more information.

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

■ FOLK, BLUEGRASS JAM

The Southern New Mexico Music and Dance Society will host a folk and bluegrass jam session at the Doña Ana Community College, room 129, from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 3. All players are welcome. For more information, call Janet at 526-5174.

■ CD RELEASE CONCERT

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MONDAY, JUNE 4

■ COMMUNITY KIDS SHOWINGS

Allen Theatres will be offering free showings for the community throughout every Monday throughout the summer at the Video 4, 1005 S. El Paseo Road. The free showing for June 4 is "Zoom" (PG), which will be shown at 9 a.m., 11:20 a.m., 1:40 p.m. and 4 p.m. For more information, call 523-6900.

TUESDAY, JUNE 5

■ 'MURDER ON THE WHITE SANDS' SIGNING

Who murdered Col. Albert Jennings Fountain and his son in January of 1896 as they traveled home from Lincoln by wagon? A jury of the day came to no conclusion and no bodies were ever found. Fountain brought 8-year-old Henry with him when he went to Lincoln to testify before a grand jury. His testimony secured a number of indictments on cattle rustling charges against several prominent local "hard characters." Fountain understood that he was taking his life into his own hands by testifying even before he left his home in Mesilla. But, as his wife said, "No one would be so evil as to kill an eight-year-old child." So, Henry accompanied his father. During their stay in Lincoln, Fountain felt uneasy. On the final day of the court session, he received a crude death threat. But he was not a man who was easily intimidated. Father and son never made it home.

Corey Recko has some ideas about this legendary cold case from the Old West. Recko is the author of "Murder on the White Sands: the Disappearance of Albert and Henry Fountain" to be released on May 30 by the University of North Texas Press. You can hear Recko talk about his work, the first full book-length treatment of this crime, at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho, on Tuesday June 5, at 7 p.m. After the presentation, he will have copies of the book on hand for purchase and signing. For more information on the program at Branigan Library, contact Mark Pendleton at 528-4001 or mpendleton@las-cruces.org.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 8

HAFLA AT THE GRAPEVINE

The fifth annual Hafla at the Grapevine will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. on Friday, June 8, at The Grapevine, 3900 W. Picacho Ave. Everyone is invited for a special evening of Middle Eastern and Mediterranean flavor and culture, including food, dance and music. Admission for those with a pot-luck dish for costume and performers is $3, those with no dish are $5, for walk-ins is $7 and kids are free. Performers, musicians and dancers from all walks of life are invited. For more information, call 526-1153, 382-9101 or 644-4156.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

PHOEBEJOY WONG RECITAL

PhoebeJoy Wong will have a piano recital on Saturday, June 9, at 3 p.m. at the NMSU Music Center Recital Hall. Wong will present a program of Chopin, Schumann, Haydn, and Szymanowski. Currently a sophomore at NMSU, she is majoring in piano and studying with Laura Spitzer. This summer, Wong will be attending the Aspen Music Festival and School for nine weeks. The festival features the best of the music world in performance and provides classes with master teachers. This recital program will be preparatory for the lessons she will have there. Free-will donations will be accepted at the recital to help with the cost of attendance at Aspen.

'CHAMIZAL' BOOKSIGNING

Alamogordo-based author Virginia A. Tepfer will be selling and signing copies of her new novel "Chamizal: Territory-War-Statehood" on Saturday, June 9, at COAS Books in the Downtown Mall from 10 a.m. to noon. "Chamizal" tells the story of New Mexico's history through real and fictional characters. For more information, contact at 524-8471 or events@coasbooks.com.

STORYTELLERS OF LAS CRUCES

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MESILLA VALLEY WRITERS

Leslie Ullman will be guest speaker at the June 9 meeting of the Mesilla Valley Writers to be held 11:30 a.m. at the Las Cruces Country Club, 2700 N. Main St. Ullman is an award-winning poet who has published three collections of poetry. A recent retiree from UTEP, she currently teaches for the low-residency MFA Program at Vermont College and does freelance editing for creative writers. Her topic will be "How a piece of writing asserts its intentions and establishes authority." The Mesilla Valley Writers normally meet the first Saturday of every month for lunch ($8, including food, tax and tip – or order from the menu), which is followed by a guest speaker and short business meeting. Annual dues are $10. All are welcome. For additional program information call Cheryl Fallstead at 521-3838; for general information, call Vesta Siemers at 532-5897.

HAND KNITTING GUILD

The Unravelers Hand Knitting Guild holds monthly meetings the second Saturday of the month. Guests are welcome – both new and experienced – bring your knitting. The meeting will be held at 11 a.m. at the Branigan Cultural Center, 500 N. Water St, in the Shannon Room. The Unravelers Hand Knitting Guild is associated with The Knitting Guild of America, and their dues are $12 per year. For more information, contact LeeAnn Meadows at 525-1625 or meadows@zianet.com.

SWINGING SENIORS DANCE

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MONDAY, JUNE 11

PHOEBEJOY WONG RECITAL

PhoebeJoy Wong will have a piano recital on Monday, June 11, at 7 p.m. at the University Terrace Good Samaritan Village Auditorium, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Wong will present a program of Chopin, Schumann, Haydn, and Szymanowski. Currently a sophomore at NMSU, she is majoring in piano and studying with Laura Spitzer. This summer, Wong will be attending the Aspen Music Festival and School for nine weeks. The festival features the best of the music world in performance and provides classes with master teachers. This recital program will be preparatory for the lessons she will have there. Free-will donations will be accepted at the recital to help with the cost of attendance at Aspen.

TUESDAY, JUNE 12

ST. PETERSBURG QUARTET CONCERT

Las Cruces Friends of Chamber Music announced an up-coming concert, "From Russia With Love," at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 12, in the historic Rio Grande Theatre, 411 N. Downtown Mall. The concert will be performed by the internationally acclaimed St. Petersburg Quartet. The program will feature the Borodin Quartet #2, with its much-loved Nocturne as well as the Dvorak "American" Quartet.

St. Petersburg Quartet has garnered noteworthy awards from a number of prestigious competitions; among them are first prize at the All-Soviet Union String Quartet Competition, first prize and both Special Prizes at the International Chamber Music Competition in Florence, Italy, and first prize and "Grand Prix" at the Australian International Chamber Music competition. Widely recognized as eloquent and insightful interpreters of a vast array of repertoire for the string quartet, the group has performed in 46 states and on five continents.

Tickets are $20 each, available at White's Music Box, 200 S. Downtown Mall, or by calling 571-1000 or 523-7714. Advance purchase is advised. For additional information visit www.lascrucesfriendsofchambermusic.org.

THURSDAY, JUNE 14

SLIM RANDLES BOOKSIGNING

Author Slim Randles enlightens and entertains readers in "Ol' Slim's Views from the Porch," the latest book from New Mexico Magazine. Randles will share his wisdom and humor at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road, during a program and booksigning at 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 14. The program, which is part of the Museum's ongoing monthly lecture series, will take place in the theater. Admission is free. The book features 26 of Randles' monthly humor columns, which have delighted readers of the state's popular magazine since 2003. The cartoon-style illustrations of Grem Lee, with their realistic bent and teasing manner, embellish the author's down-home vignettes. Randles has been an award-winning journalist for the Anchorage Daily News and the Albuquerque Journal. In addition to his monthly column in New Mexico Magazine, he writes a popular syndicated column called "Home Country" that appears in more than 80 newspapers nationwide. Randles is the author of eight novels and nonfiction books based on rural living. A former cowboy, hunting guide and mule packer, he was also a long-distance dogsled racer in Alaska. Randles lives both in Albuquerque and a small cabin outside Belen. For more information, call 522-4100.

SATURDAY, JUNE 16

STORYTELLING AT THE RIVER

An adult storytelling for adults and youths 12 years and above will take place at 8 p.m., June 16 in La Llorona Park on West Picacho Ave, at the Rio Grande. Scheduled storytellers include Douglas Jackson, Florence Hamilton, Sara Addison (Juba), Louise O'Donnell, Emily Guerra, Loni Todoroki, Terry Alvarez and Benjy Rivas with music. Bring a seat and a La Llorona tale if you wish to share. Cold drinks and La Llorona items can be purchased prior to the storytelling and during intermission. The program will end by 11 p.m., when the park closes. The program is sponsored by the Storytellers of Las Cruces and is free. For more information call Loni Todoroki at 521-1819 or email todoloni@yahoo.com.

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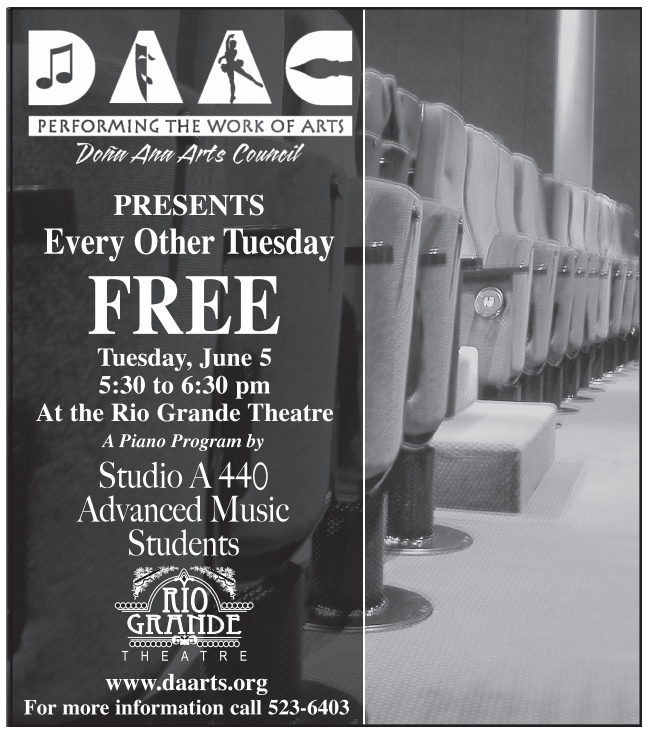
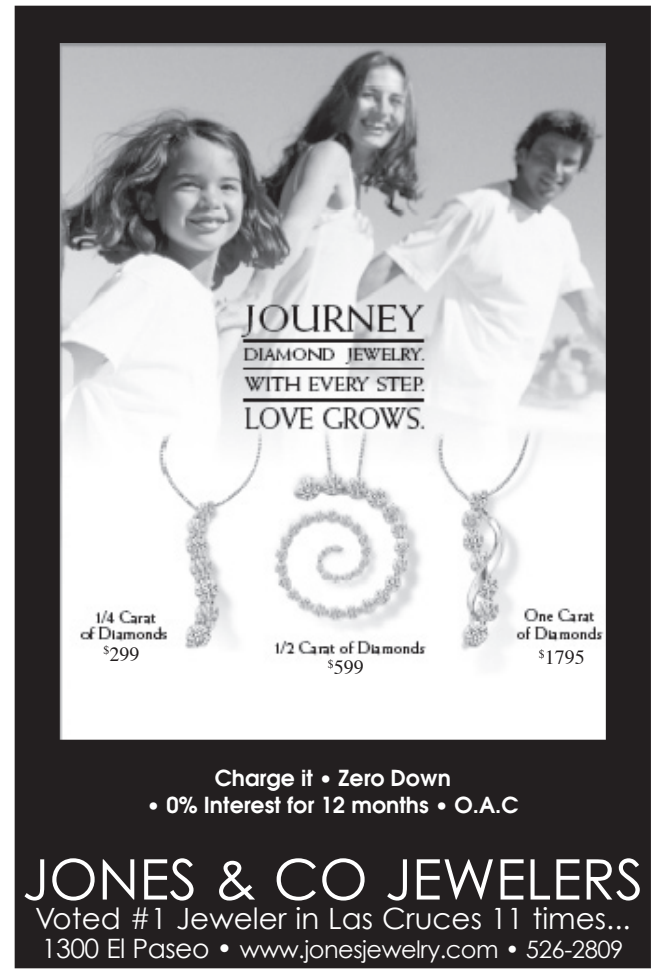




At the Mayor's Jazz Fest

PHOTOS BY JOEL COURTNEY

Luis Corrales, left, and Alicia Alvarado dance to the latin jazz music of Azucar at the Mayor's Jazz Fest at Apodaca Park Sunday, May 27.

World-famous jazz trombonist and Jazz Fest headliner Bill Watrous thrilled the attendees of the Mayor's Jazz Fest. The Mayor's Jazz Fest is the traditional opening concert of the Music in the Park series, held each summer by the City of Las Cruces.

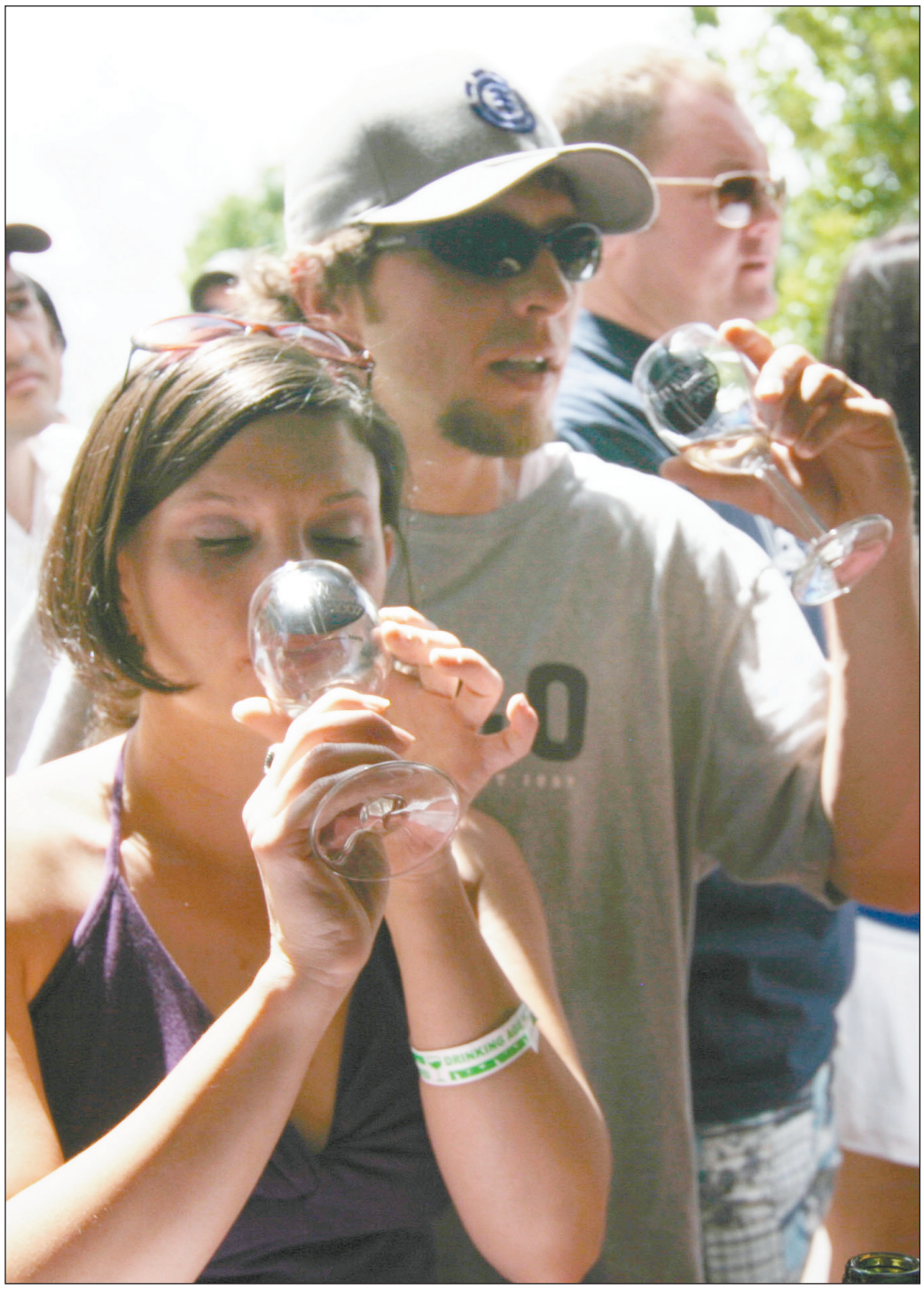
Debbie Romero, Mike Matthews and Pancho Romero enjoy the afternoon. Mathews (drums) and Pancho Romero (trumpet) accompanied headliner Watrous on stage.

Kay Alley, left, and Les Clary enjoy the jazz sounds and a nice blanket at the Mayor's Jazz Fest.

Best friends Fiona McCrossin, left, and Christine Shirkey

Bill Connor, Mayor Pro Tem Dolores Connor and Mayor William "Bill" Mattiace showed up early to get good seats at the Mayor's Jazz Fest.

At the Southern NM Wine Festival



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Connie and Wilson Narcisso sample wine at the Blue Teal wine tent last Sunday.

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Maggie Martinez-Nuñez, left, and her sister-in-law Jessie Martinez, both of El Paso, enjoy themselves and the taste of good wine during the 2007 Southern New Mexico Wine Festival, Saturday, May 26, at the Southern New Mexico State Fairgrounds.

Tommy and Cynthia Armendarez enjoy the wine festival Sunday afternoon.

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Joseph Chavez, of Rio Rancho, sips a sample of wine during the 2007 Southern New Mexico Wine Festival last Saturday.

Crowds packed the New Mexico State Fairgrounds last Sunday.

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Twin sisters Ashley, left, and Aubrey Macias, 17, of El Paso, show off the face painting they had done while enjoying 2007 Southern New Mexico Wine Festival last Saturday.

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Restaurant Guide

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La Posta de Mesilla

Location: 2410 Calle de San Albino (near the plaza in Old Mesilla)
(p) 524-3524

Hours: Sun. & Tues. – Thurs. 11 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 11 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Closed on Mondays.

Food: New Mexican Food, steaks, tacos, tostadas, salads, enchiladas and more.

Pricing: *Reasonable*

Crowd: **Regulars, families, tourists, locals.**

La Posta de Mesilla

Earliest records indicate the La Posta Compound was originally constructed in the 1840s. Sam Bean and his brother, Roy Bean, operated a freight and passenger service line to Pinos Altos from this building in the 1850s. After the Civil War, the La Posta Compound became an important stop on the Butterfield Stagecoach Line. During the 1870s and 1880s, the Corn Exchange Hotel, one of the finest lodges in the Southwest, operated from the building. John Davis, the proprietor of the hotel, died in the late 1870s. However, his wife, Augustina, continued to operate the hotel, a restaurant and other businesses in the building until the early 1900s. La Posta de Mesilla Restaurant originated in the northwest corner of the building in 1939 by Katy Griggs Camunez. The business has grown to become one of the most famous restaurants in the Southwest, occupying 10,000 square feet of the La Posta Compound, which now includes several shops. After Katy passed away, the prosperity and business was acquired by a great niece, Jerean Camunez Hutchinson and her husband Tom, a.k.a. "Hutch," who continue to offer the same quality food and great service in the unique dining environment Katy created.

The restaurant offers many fine traditional "New Mexico" Mexican dishes made from century-old recipes handed down over the years from the Fountain, Chavez and Griggs families. 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, dice tomatoes and grated Cheddar cheese. If you prefer green chile, the "locals" 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!)

The staff of La Posta welcomes you to Mesilla and hope you enjoy your visit!

On the Menu

New York Cut

12 oz. U.S.D.A. Choice served with rolled red enchilada and a tossed green salad

Combination Plate #1

Rolled red enchilada, tamale, red chile con carne, rolled taco, frijoles, rice and garnish

Banquette Elegante

"A dinner of gourmet foods - this one will be long remembered."
Starter of chile con queso, corn tortillas and guacamole salad. Your entree includes carne adobada, camotes jalisco, refritos, rice and a sopaipilla

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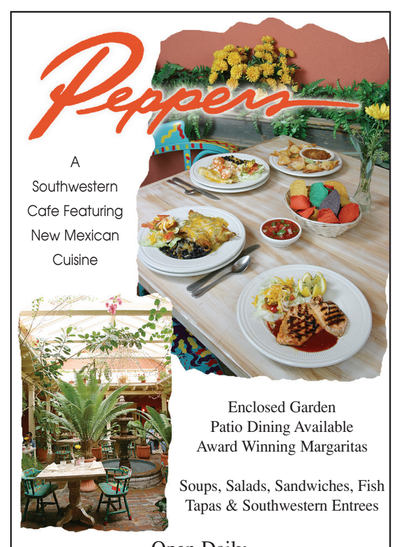

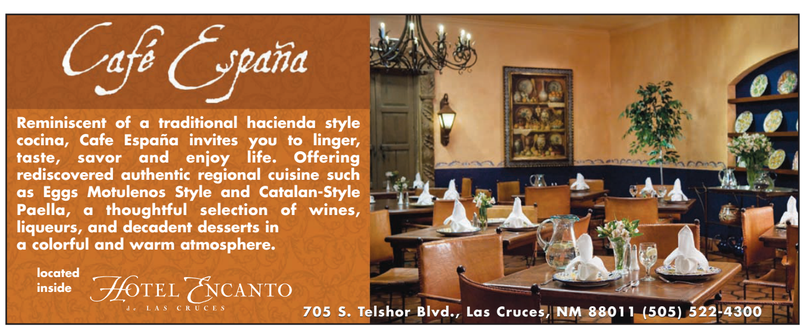

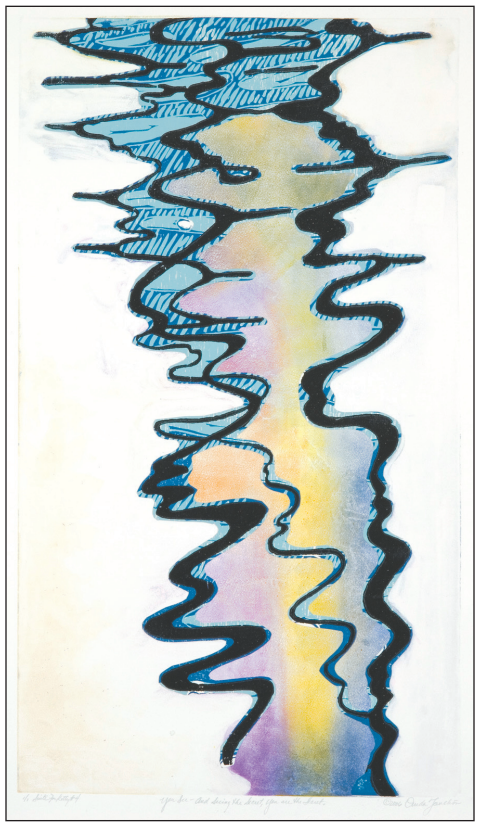

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A woman on the verge

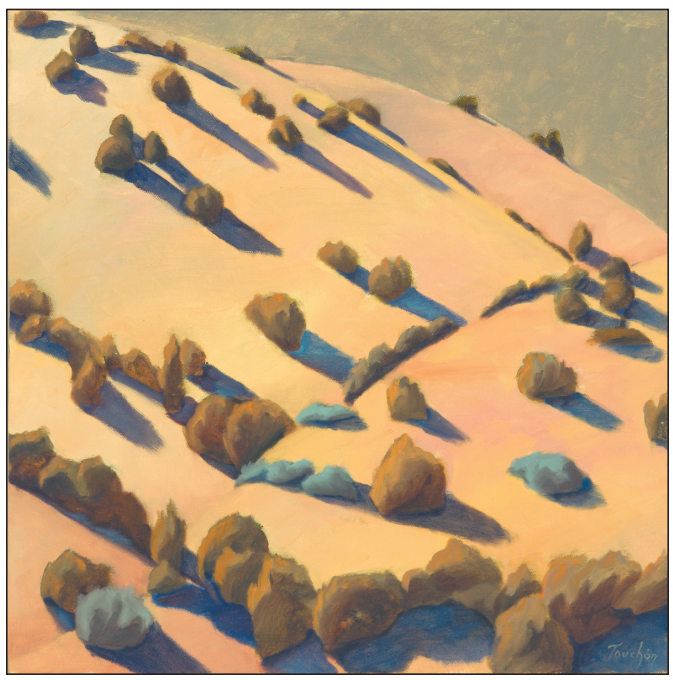
Ouida Touchon's prints keep an ancient art fresh

By Joel Courtney
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Ouida Touchon, a relative newcomer to the Las Cruces area, not only brought her printmaking skill to the City of the Crosses, but she also helped form the first print-making organization in the area.

Touchon is a founding member of La Prensa/Southwest Printmakers, an affiliation of independent artists committed to the art of printmaking. The eight professional artists of La Prensa work in virtually all print media, including intaglio, relief prints, screenprinting, monoprints and monotypes. In addition to producing limited editions of their work, La Prensa is also dedicated to promoting printmaking as an art form, providing hands-on workshops for young artists and developing a collector's base for prints.

Right: Flow



Left: Spotted Hills IV

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Touchon works as a relief printmaker, the oldest form of printmaking. Touchon explained she carves an image into wood, which is then painted and printed onto paper.

"I like the press," she said. "You start with a preconceived idea, but when you finish it's beyond your imaginings. It adds an element of surprise."

Touchon is currently working on her "Great Bodies of Water" print series, which features rivers and oceans, as well as paintings from her recent three-week visit to Spain.

Touchon said she first became interested in printmaking while receiving her bachelor's of fine arts in painting from Kansas City Art Institute. She later earned her master's of fine arts from University of Missouri-Kansas City.

She said she has been interested in painting "since day one," and still paints at times.

Touchon said she enjoys plein air, or painting outdoors, and she will compete in a "paint out" with the New Mexico Plein Air Painters, which will exhibit the work of the paint out on Aug. 3 at the Mark Zoeller Studios in Santa Fe.

Recently, Touchon moved her studio from her Mesilla home to the Cruz Nopal Studio on Picacho Avenue to allow room for her second press. She also sells her work out of her storefront/studio, although she said she would prefer to focus on creating her art and have another person deal with selling her work.

"I'm so passionate about my work. I'm driven," she said. "I'm a woman on the verge."

Touchon said she originally wanted to move to Mexico, but realized that she couldn't make a living there. She began researching a city with good weather, a decent amount of light, proximity to Mexico, a Spanish-speaking community, and a strong art community.

"When you put all that together, it spells Las Cruces," she said.

In addition to her studio work, Touchon sat on the board of the New Mexico State University gallery for several years. She spearheaded the group's work to take the gallery's retablo collection and make them into notecards, which were sold as a fund-raiser. The retablo notecards are still available for sale at the NMSU gallery.

When the NMSU gallery raffled two tickets to Chicago for their "Kick Up Your Heels in Chicago" fund-raiser, Touchon donated an original woodcut titled "Kick up your heels in Chicago" for 30 limited prints, event posters and postcards.

Touchon explained she had to leave the NMSU gallery board because she needed more time to create her work.

Touchon was recently awarded the 2007 Newcomer Award by the Doña Ana Arts Council for her contributions to the Las Cruces art community.

To see more of Ouida Touchon's work, visit Cruz Nopal Studio, located at 1175 W. Picacho Ave. Her work can also be seen online at www.ouidatouchon.com.

Below: View from the Village of Ronda, Spain

Television Listings

Sports News Movies

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FRIDAY EVENING — JUNE 1, 2007

	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
KRWG 2 22	Business	News-Lehrer		Minding	Wash Wk	Group	NOW (N)	My Music: The British Beat CC				Suze Orman: Women & Money		
CBS 4 4	News (N)	News	News (N)	Fortune	Ghost Whisperer		Close to Home		NUMB3RS CC		News (N)	Late Show		Late Late
KCOS 5 13	Curious	News	News-Lehrer		Wash Wk	NOW (N)	Group	Engelbert: Totally Amazing			Business	Charlie Rose (N)		(Off Air)
ABC 7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Entertain	Home Videos		National Bingo Night		20/20 CC		News (N)	Nightline	Blitz	Kimmel
KFOX 8 14	Dr. Phil CC		Simpsons	Seinfeld	TV's Funniest Moments (N) CC				News (N) CC		Simpsons	Seinfeld	Sex &	Friends
NBC 9 9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Raymond	1 vs. 100 CC		Law Order: CI		Law & Order CC		News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
KINT 10 26	Noticias	Noticiero	Duelo de Pasiones		La Fea Más Bella		Destilando Amor a lo Grande				Noticias	Noticiero	La Hora de la Risa	
KTDO 11 48	Daniela	Noticiero	Dame Chocolate (N)		Marina (N)		Zorro - Espada		La Esclava Isaura		Noticiero	Boxeo Telemundo		
KTFN 13 65	La Hija del Mariachi		Qué Dice la Gente		Solo Boxeo Tecate (En Vivo)				Así Es la Vida		Contacto	"Pensamientos Mortales"		
KVIA 14	My Wife	My Wife	Scrubs	King-Hill	WWE Friday Night SmackDown! (N) CC				Scrubs	Comics	Cheaters	Eye Eye	Holly	Date
WGN 15	Videos	★★★ "Good Will Hunting" (1997) Matt Damon. CC					WGN News at Nine		Sex &	Scrubs	Scrubs	Becker	Home Videos	
ESPN 16	SportsCtr	NFL Live	NBA Shootaround		NBA Basketball: Conference Final -- Spurs at Jazz					SportsCenter (Live) CC			Fast	Baseball
USA 31	Law & Order: SVU		"Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl" CC						House "Euphoria"		★★ "Blue Crush" (2002) Kate Bosworth.			
TNT 32	Charmed CC		★★★ "Gladiator" (2000) Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix. CC						★★★ "Gladiator" (2000) Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix. CC					
TBS 33	Raymond	Raymond	★★ "The Fighting Temptations" (2003) CC				(:25) "Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit"				★★★ "Save the Last Dance"			
SPIKE 34	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		UFC: The Final Chapter (In Stereo)				Sports	Most	Game	Wild
LIFE 39	Still Stnd	Still Stnd	Reba	Reba	"The Last Trimester" (2006) CC				Housewives		Frasier	Frasier	Golden	Strong
A&E 43	Cold Case Files		CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami CC		Intervention (N)		Intervention CC		CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami CC	
HIST 44	Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels "Walt Disney World"				Jonestown Paradise Lost CC				Modern Marvels "Walt Disney World"			
TLC 45	Chef	Chef	What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear	
DISC 47	I Shouldn't Be Alive		Edge of Existence		Man vs. Wild CC		Deadliest Catch		Stunt	Stunt	Edge of Existence		Man vs. Wild CC	
FAM 51	Smallville CC		★★ "Uptown Girls" (2003, Comedy) CC				Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club CC		Videos	Videos	Paid	Paid
DISN 52	Replace	Replace	Montana	Montana	Suite Life	Suite Life	Montana	Suite Life	Montana	Cory	"Jump In!" (2007) Corbin Bleu.			Suite Life
NICK 54	OddPar	Neutron	Nicktoon	Nicktoon	Nicktoon	Nicktoon	Videos	Full Hse.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Cosby	Cosby	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.
AMC 57	(2:00) "Braveheart"		★★★ "Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story" (1993) CC				★★★ "Magic" (1978) Anthony Hopkins.				(:45) ★★ "Puppet Master"			
SCIFI 58	Level 9 "Mail Call"		Stargate SG-1 (N)		Stargate Atlantis (N)		Painkiller Jane (N)		Stargate SG-1		Stargate Atlantis		Painkiller Jane	
CNN 62	The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Cooper 360	
HBO 306	"Star Wars-Phantom"		★★ "Star Wars: Episode II -- Attack of the Clones"						"Star Wars: Episode III -- Revenge of the Sith" CC				Star	
MAX 322	(:10) ★★ "The Man" (2005)		★★ "Domino" (2005) Keira Knightley.				(:45) ★★★ "The Rock" (1996) Sean Connery. CC						"Dukes-Hazzard"	
SHOW 343	Hockey	★★ "The Big White" (2005)			(:15) ★★ "Sahara" (2005) Matthew McConaughey.					Heroes	The Tudors (iTV)		Penn	Heroes

SATURDAY MORNING — JUNE 2, 2007

	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30
KRWG 2 22	(Off Air)				Christiane Northrup: Menopause and Beyond				America's Home Cooking: One Skillet CC			
CBS 4 4	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Saturday Early Show (N) (In Stereo) CC				Madeline	Sabrina	Trollz (El)	Horseland	Cake	Revolution
KCOS 5 13	(Off Air)				Big World	Clifford	Curious	Dragon	Christiane Northrup: Menopause and Beyond			
ABC 7 7	Overdrive	Business	News (N)		Good Morning America		News (N)		Emperor	Replace	So Raven	So Raven
KFOX 8 14	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Winx Club	Viva Pinata	Viva Pinata	Turtles	Turtles	Chaotic	Sonic X	Yu-Gi-Oh!
NBC 9 9	Poker After Dark CC		Today (N) (In Stereo) CC				Babar	Dragon (El)	3 2 1 Pen	Veggie	Dragon	Jacob
KINT 10 26	Control	Caliente	Tu Desayuno Alegre: Fin			Pinky	Carmen	Bill	Lente Loco	Trato	Mochila Azul	
KTDO 11 48	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Dragón	Penguins	Veggie	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Tu Hogar:
KTFN 13 65	Carita de Ángel		Tu Pulso	Tu Pulso	Betty	Betty	Plaza Sésa	Plaza Sésa	Escuadrón	Escuadrón	Pepsi Música	
KVIA 14	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Krypto	Krypto	Loonatics	Tom Jerry	Shaggy	Johnny T	Legion	Batman
WGN 15	Enterprise	Adelante	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	HomeTeam CC	
ESPN 16	SportsCenter CC		SportsCenter CC		SportsCenter CC		SportsCenter (Live) CC				College Softball	
USA 31	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Get Thin	Monk CC		Starter Wife CC				Starter Wife CC	
TNT 32	★★ "Dangerous Minds" (1995) Michelle Pfeiffer.				★★ "The Wood" (1999) Omar Epps. CC				★★★ "Set It Off" (1996) Jada Pinkett. CC			
TBS 33	Harvey	Harvey	★★★ "Save the Last Dance" (2001) CC				★★ "Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit" (1993)				"Fighting Tempt"	
SPIKE 34	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	The Bean	Paid Prog.	Reality Racing (N)		★ "Firestorm" (1998) Howie Long, Scott Glenn.				Hrsepwer	MuscleCar
LIFE 39	Paid Prog.	Married	Paid Prog.	The Bean	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	"Homeless to Harvard: The Liz Murray Story"			
A&E 43	"Murder, She Wrote: The Last Free Man" (2001)				★ "Murder, She Wrote: The Celtic Riddle" CC				Sell House	Spender	Design	Design
HIST 44	Heavy Metal CC		Mail Call CC		Wild West Tech CC		American Eats Beer.		Decoding the Past		Decoding the Past	
TLC 45	Get Thin	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Flip That House CC		Flip That House CC		Flip That House CC		Flip That House CC	
DISC 47	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Get Thin	Fat Burn	Mega Builders CC		Oil, Sweat and Rigs		Futureweapons CC		MythBusters CC	
FAM 51	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Step-Step	Step-Step	Full House	Full House	Boy World	Boy World	Grounded	Grounded	Sabrina	Sabrina
DISN 52	Maggie	Mermaid	Lilo Stitch	Lilo Stitch	Doodlebop	JoJo	Wiggles	Higglytown	Einsteins	Einsteins	Mickey	Mickey
NICK 54	LazyTown	OddParent	Neutron	Neutron	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	OddParent	El Tigre	Avatar	Nicktoon	Nicktoon	Nicktoon
AMC 57	Wyoming	★★★★ "Garden of Evil" (1954) Gary Cooper.			(:45) ★★ "Backlash" (1956) Richard Widmark.					★★★ "Warlock" (1959) CC		
SCIFI 58	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	The Bean	Paid Prog.	★★ "The Fog" (1980) Adrienne Barbeau. CC				★★ "Night of the Comet" (1984) CC			
CNN 62	CNN Saturday Morning			House Call	Saturday	House	CNN Saturday Morning		CNN Saturday Morning		CNN Live Saturday	
HBO 306	"Star Wars VI: Return"		Do You Believe		Indian Point: Imagining		★★★ "The Secret Garden" (1993)				(:45) ★★ "Firewall" (2006) CC	
MAX 322	(4:30) "Love & Sex"		(5:50) ★★ "Screamers" (1995) CC		(:40) ★★★ "The In-Laws" (1979) Peter Falk.						(:20) ★★★ "Gremlins" (1984) CC	
SHOW 343	(4:05) "This Girl's Life"		(5:50) ★★★ "My Date With Drew"		★★ "Napoleon" (1995) CC				(8:55) ★★★ "Camp" (2003) CC			Mystery

SATURDAY AFTERNOON — JUNE 2, 2007

	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30
KRWG 2 22	Home Cooking		Animusic (In Stereo)		Suze Orman: Women & Money (In Stereo) CC				Haley's Hints Household tips. (In Stereo) CC			
CBS 4 4	To Be Announced				PGA Golf Memorial Tournament -- Third Round. (Live) CC						Paid Prog.	Latin Lif
KCOS 5 13	Retire Smart, Retire Happy CC			Brenda Watson's H.O.P.E. Formula			Andre Rieu: Live In Tuscany (In Stereo) CC				Suze Orman	
ABC 7 7	Montana	Suite Life	Overdrive	Overdrive	TBA	WNBA Basketball: Mercury at Sun				To Be Announced		Ebert
KFOX 8 14	Baseball	Paid Prog.	Outdrsmn.	Girls-Badly	Girls-Badly	MLB Baseball St. Louis Cardinals at Houston Astros. (In Stereo Live) CC						TBA
NBC 9 9	Tennis French Open -- Men's and Women's Third Round. From Paris.						LPGA Golf Ginn Tribute -- Third Round. CC				Paid Prog.	Reporter
KINT 10 26	Mochila Azul		Bajo el Mismo Techo		Casate y Veras		La Parodia				Primer Impacto	
KTDO 11 48	Nitido		Frecuencia		WWE Raw				"El Patrullero 777" (1977) Ana Bertha Lepe			
KTFN 13 65	Mega Match		★★ "Liberen a Willy 3: el Rescate" (1997)				★★★ "Efectos Especiales 2" (1991, Acción)				"Silencio-Crimen"	
KVIA 14	Xiaolin	Johnny T	Kids Club	Wild Am.	Beakman's	Beakman's	Animal	Animal	Exploration	NASCAR	Movie	
WGN 15	MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Chicago Cubs. CC					Inning	★★★ "He Got Game" (1998) Denzel Washington. (In Stereo)					Idol
ESPN 16	College Softball: NCAA Tourn.			College Softball NCAA Tournament Game 8 -- Teams TBA.					SportsCenter (Live) CC			
USA 31	(10:00) Starter Wife		Starter Wife CC				Starter Wife CC				Starter Wife CC	
TNT 32	Set It Off	★★ "Romeo Must Die" (2000, Action) Jet Li, Aaliyah. CC					★★ "Cradle 2 the Grave" (2003) Jet Li. CC				★★ "Rush Hour 2"	
TBS 33	(10:05) ★★ "The Fighting Temptations" (2003)				(12:50) ★ "Down to Earth" (2001)			★★★ "My Best Friend's Wedding" (1997) CC				Fugitive
SPIKE 34	Xtreme 4x4	Trucks!	The Ultimate Fighter		The Ultimate Fighter		The Ultimate Fighter		The Ultimate Fighter		The Ultimate Fighter	
LIFE 39	★★ "Odd Girl Out" (2005) Alexa Vega. CC				"Last Exit" (2006) Kathleen Robertson. CC				"The Bad Son" (2007) Catherine Dent. CC			
A&E 43	Driving	Driving	King Cars	King Cars	Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Sell House	Flip This House CC		Flip This House CC	
HIST 44	Decoding the Past		True Crime "Blow"		True Crime CC		True Crime Authors		Star Trek: Beyond the Final Frontier CC			
TLC 45	Handyman	Handyman	What Not to Wear		Moving Up CC		Moving Up CC		Flip House	Flip House	Property Ladder CC	
DISC 47	Dirty Jobs "Bell Maker"		Amazon Abyss		Amazon Abyss		Killer Jellyfish CC		Killer Squid CC		Killer Ants CC	
FAM 51	★ "Model Behavior" (2000) Maggie Lawson.				★★ "Uptown Girls" (2003) Brittany Murphy. CC				★★ "Here on Earth" (2000) Chris Klein. CC			
DISN 52	Tigger	Handy	Sprites	Charlie	K. Possible	Replace	★★ "Mulan II" (2004) (In Stereo)			Dragon	Suite Life	Dragon
NICK 54	Nicktoon	Nicktoon	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Neutron	OddParent	Avatar	TEENick	SpongeBob	Drake	School	OddParent
AMC 57	(9:30) "Warlock" (1959)		★★★ "Cheyenne Autumn" (1964, Western) Richard Widmark, Carroll Baker.							"Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story"		
SCIFI 58	"Volcano: Nature Unleashed" (2004) CC				★★ "Inferno" (1998) James Remar. CC				"Disaster Zone: Volcano in New York" (2006)			
CNN 62	In the Money CC		CNN Live Saturday		Special Investigations		CNN Live Saturday		CNN Live Saturday		Lou Dobbs This Week	
HBO 306	Firewall	★★★ "Serenity" (2005) Nathan Fillion. CC				"Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee" (2007) CC				Ocean's 13	★★★ "Robots" (2005)	
MAX 322	(:15) ★★ "X-Men: The Last Stand" (2006) CC				★★ "Kindergarten Cop" (1990) (In Stereo) CC				(2:50) ★★★ "Excalibur" (1981) (In Stereo) CC			
SHOW 343	(10:45) ★★★ "Mystery Date"			(:25) ★★★ "Arachnophobia" (1990)			(:15) ★★★ "Election" (1999) iTV. (In Stereo)				"Lemony Snick."	

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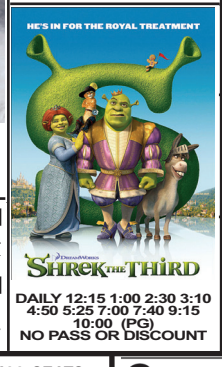

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	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KRWG 2 22	Great Performances (In Stereo) CC				Lawrence Welk's TV Treasures CC				12 Girls Band: Live			Return to Balance		
CBS 4 4	News	News (N)	Jeopardy	Fortune	★★★ "Ocean's Twelve" (2004) George Clooney. (In Stereo)						News (N)	CSI: Miami CC		Paid
KCOS 5 13	Suze Orman		Lawrence Welk's TV Treasures CC				Andre Rieu: The Flying Dutchman CC				My Music: The British Beat CC			
ABC 7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Insider	★★★ "Minority Report" (2002) Tom Cruise. (In Stereo) CC						News (N)	(:45) Cheaters CC		Access
KFOX 8 14	To Be Announced				Cops (N)	Cops	Most Wanted		News (N)	Seinfeld	Mad TV CC		Talkshow	King
NBC 9 9	News (N)	NBC	NHL Hockey: Stanley Cup Final Game 3 -- Ducks at Senators						To Be Announced		News (N)	Saturday Night's Main Event		
KINT 10 26	Noticias	Noticiero	La Hora Pico		Sábado Gigante						Noticias	Noticiero	Otro Rollo	
KTDO 11 48	Pagado	Noticie	Just	Pregame	Rumbo al Mundial México vs Iran.				★★ "Basic" (2003) John Travolta.				Titulares	Just
KTFN 13 65	"Silencio-Crimen"		"Soldado Universal"				★★★ "Cuestión de Honor" (1992) Tom Cruise.				Contacto	"Luna de Miel en Las Vegas"		
KVIA 14	(4:00) Movie		Writer's	CinemAtt	Cold Squad CC		Stone Undercover		Scrubs	My Wife	Comics	Comics	Eye Eye	Eye Eye
WGN 15	Idol	★★★ "Good Will Hunting" (1997) Matt Damon. CC			WGN News at Nine				Sex &	24 (In Stereo) CC		24 (In Stereo) CC		He Got
ESPN 16	College Softball: NCAA Tourn. -- Teams TBA				College Softball: NCAA Tourn. -- Teams TBA						SportsCenter CC		Fast	Baseball
USA 31	(4:00) Starter Wife		"Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl" CC						House "Euphoria"		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	
TNT 32	★★ "Rush Hour 2"		Pregame	NBA Basketball: Conf. Final					Inside the NBA		★★ "Cradle 2 the Grave" (2003) Jet Li.			
TBS 33	(4:30) ★★★ "The Fugitive" (1993) (PA)				★★★ "Ocean's Eleven" (2001) George Clooney.					★★ "The Original Kings of Comedy"				Down
SPIKE 34	The Ultimate Fighter		The Ultimate Fighter		The Ultimate Fighter		The Ultimate Fighter		TNA Wrestling		Amazing Video		★★★ "Fight Club"	
LIFE 39	"My Name Is Sarah" (2007) CC				★★ "Brave New Girl" (2004) Premiere.				Medium CC		"Carriers" (1998) Judith Light. CC			
A&E 43	Flip This House		Flip This House		Flip This House (N)		The First 48 CC		American Justice		Flip This House		Flip This House	
HIST 44	Modern Marvels		True Caribbean Pirates CC				The States (N)		Star Wars Tech		True Caribbean Pirates CC			
TLC 45	The Real Deal		Little People		The Real Deal (N)		Backyard Nation		Little People		The Real Deal		Backyard Nation	
DISC 47	MythBusters CC		Mammals		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC		Man vs. Wild		Mammals		MythBusters CC	
FAM 51	★★ "Never Been Kissed" (1999) Drew Barrymore.				★★ "Never Been Kissed" (1999) Drew Barrymore.						★★ "Get Over It" (2001) Kirsten Dunst.			
DISN 52	So Raven	Life De	Montana	Montana	Phil	Phil	Montana	Suite Life	Cory	Suite Life	★★ "Smart House" (1999)			Life De
NICK 54	OddPar	Sponge	School	Naked	Drake	Mr.	Videos	Full Hse.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Cosby	Cosby	Rose	Rose
AMC 57	"Dragon: Bruce"		★★ "Dante's Peak" (1997, Action) Pierce Brosnan.				★★ "Ladder 49" (2004) Joaquin Phoenix. CC						"Dragon: Bruce"	
SCIFI 58	"Fire Serpent" (2007) Nicholas Brendon.				"Meltdown: Days of Destruction" (2006)				"Fire: Nature Unleashed" (2004)				"Descent" (2005)	
CNN 62	This Week at War		Investigations		Larry King Live		CNN Saturday Night		Investigations		Larry King Live		CNN Saturday Night	
HBO 306	Robots	★★ "Roll Bounce" (2005) Bow Wow.			★ "Date Movie" (2006) CC				★ "John Tucker Must Die"			Count	"Bury My Heart"	
MAX 322	On Set	★★ "Doom" (2005) The Rock.			(:15) ★★ "X-Men: The Last Stand" CC				★★★ "War of the Worlds" (2005) CC				★★ "Accepted"	
SHOW 343	"Lemony Snick."		★★ "Elvis" (2005) Jonathan Rhys Meyers, Randy Quaid. iTV.						The Tudors (iTV)		Xtreme Combat		Penn	Penn

SUNDAY EVENING — JUNE 3, 2007

	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
KRWG 2 22	Suze Orman		Daniel O'Donnell: The Rock 'N' Roll Show				Best of Masterpiece Theatre			Retire Smart, Retire Happy			Travel	(Off Air)
CBS 4 4	News	News (N)	60 Minutes (N)		Without a Trace		Cold Case CC		Without a Trace		News (N)	CSI: Miami CC		Paid
KCOS 5 13	My Music: Country Pop			12 Girls Band: Live			My Music: The British Beat CC				Suze Orman: Women & Money CC			
ABC 7 7	News (N)	ABC	NBA		NBA Basketball: Conference Final -- Jazz at Spurs				Makeover: Home		News (N)	Ebert	Insider	Latino
KFOX 8 14	Idol Rewind		War		★★ "Bad Boys II" (2003) Martin Lawrence. CC				News (N) CC		Seinfeld	Sex &	Sex &	Paid
NBC 9 9	NBC	News (N)	Dateline NBC (In Stereo) CC				Friday Night Lights		Law & Order: SVU		News (N)	(:35) Alias CC		Shield
KINT 10 26	Noticias	Noticiero	"Okey Mister Pancho" (1981, Comedia)				"El Presidente Municipal" (1996, Drama)				Noticias	Noticiero	Tras la Verdad	
KTDO 11 48	Remix TV	Noticie	★★★ "About a Boy" (2002) Hugh Grant.				★★★ "Kill Bill: Vol. 2" (2004, Acción)				Titulares	Pagado	★ "Angel on Fire"	
KTFN 13 65	Guerra-Sexos		"Babe: el Puerquito Va a la Ciudad"				★ "Virus" (1999) Jamie Lee Curtis.				Contacto	★★★ "Super Policías" (1974)		
KVIA 14	The	Chris	7th Heaven CC		Hidden Palms CC		Supernatural CC		Access Hollywood		Kickin' It CC		Stargate Atlantis	
WGN 15	Funniest	Funniest	Idol Rewind		Maximum Exposure		News	Replay	Sex &	Scrubs	Scrubs	Sex &	NASCAR	Exposure
ESPN 16	Baseball Tonight		MLB Baseball New York Yankees at Boston Red Sox. CC						SportsCenter (Live) CC			Baseball Tonight		SportsCtr
USA 31	"2 Fast 2 Furious"		"Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl" CC						Starter Wife CC				★★★ "Heist" CC	
TNT 32	★★★★ "Titanic" (1997, Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet, Billy Zane. CC								★★★ "Erin Brockovich" (2000) Julia Roberts. CC					Miss
TBS 33	"Mission: Imp. 2"		★★★ "Ocean's Eleven" (2001) George Clooney.						★★★ "Mission: Impossible 2" (2000) Tom Cruise.				"Whole 10 Yds"	
SPIKE 34	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		★★★ "Clear and Present Danger" (1994) Harrison Ford.						CSI: Crime Scn		"Clear-Danger"	
LIFE 39	"Lies My Mther"		"Write & Wrong" (2007) Kirstie Alley. CC				Army Wives CC		(8:54) Army Wives		Grey's Anatomy		Army Wives CC	
A&E 43	Angel	Angel	Dog	Dog	Simmons	Simmons	Simmons	Simmons	The First 48 CC		Dog	Dog	Simmons	Simmons
HIST 44	Star Wars Tech		Star Wars: The Legacy Revealed CC				The Universe CC		Mega Disasters		Star Wars: The Legacy Revealed CC			
TLC 45	Obesity Clinic		Obesity Clinic		Obesity Clinic		Lisa Nowak		Obesity Clinic		Obesity Clinic		Lisa Nowak	
DISC 47	Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch	
FAM 51	"Mrs. Doubtfire"		★★★ "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" CC				★★★ "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" CC				J. Osteen	Feed	Zola Lev	Paid
DISN 52	So Raven	Life De	Cory	Cory	Suite Life	Suite Life	Montana	Suite Life	★★ "Max Keeble's Big Move" (2001)				So Raven	Life De
NICK 54	Drake	Jordan	Zoey 101	Unfab	Videos	Full Hse.	Rose	Rose	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby
AMC 57	"Dante's Peak"		"Fast Times at Ridgemont"				(:45) "Fast Times at Ridgemont High"			★★ "Three Amigos!" (1986, Western)				Lonely
SCIFI 58	The Stand (In Stereo) (Part 3 of 4) CC				The Stand (In Stereo) (Part 4 of 4) CC				Heroes CC		Jake 2.0 CC		Twilight	Twilight
CNN 62	CNN Live Sunday		Investigations		Larry King Live		CNN Sunday Night		Investigations		Larry King Live		CNN Sunday Night	
HBO 306	(4:30) ★★★ "In Her Shoes"			(:45) ★★ "Nanny McPhee" (2005) CC			★★★ "Over the Hedge" CC				The Sopranos (N)		Entou	Shot
MAX 322	"Madagascar" CC		★★★ "16 Blocks" (2006)			(:45) ★ "Waist Deep" (2006) (In Stereo)			★ "Problem Child" (1990) CC				★★ "Constantine"	
SHOW 343	(4:45) ★★ "Vice Versa" CC		"Jiminy Glick in Lalawood"				★★ "Last Holiday" (2006) Queen Latifah.				Dexter (iTV) CC		The Tudors (iTV) (N)	

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — JUNE 3, 2007

	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30
KRWG 2 22	Retire Smart, Retire Happy CC			Haley's Hints Household tips. (In Stereo) CC				Great Performances CC			Suze Orman	
CBS 4 4	Track and Field		Talkin' Golf	PGA Golf Memorial Tournament -- Final Round. (Live) CC							Paid Prog.	LatiNation
KCOS 5 13	Elvis Lives: 25th			UltraMetabolism			Animusic 2	Andre Rieu: The Flying Dutchman CC				My Music
ABC 7 7	To Be Announced						IndyCar Racing				Entertainment Tonight	
KFOX 8 14	NASCAR Racing Nextel Cup -- Dover 400. From Dover International Speedway in Dover, Del. CC									Paid Prog.	Sunland Star CC	
NBC 9 9	Tennis French Open -- Men's Third and Women's Fourth Rounds. CC						LPGA Golf Ginn Tribute -- Final Round. CC				Paid Prog.	3 Wide Life
KINT 10 26	"El Moro de Cumpas" (1976) Antonio Aguilar.				Qué Locura		Festival del Humor				Primer Impacto	
KTDO 11 48	Fútbol Telemundo Suiza vs. Argentina. (En Vivo)				Nitido	Titulares	Fútbol Telemundo Costa Rica vs. Chile. (En Vivo)				Ritmo	Just Laugh
KTFN 13 65	★ "El Río de Diamantes" (1990) Dack Rambo.				★★ "Paseo Mortal" (1995) Michael Dudikoff.				Fútbol MLS Houston Dynamo vs. FC Dallas.			
KVIA 14	Health	Woman	★★ "The Big Town" (1987, Drama) Matt Dillon.				Designers	CinemAtt	Latino	Urban	All of Us	Girlfriends
WGN 15	Home Imp.	Real TV	MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Chicago Cubs. (In Stereo Live) CC						Inning	Real TV	Funniest Home Videos	
ESPN 16	College Softball NCAA Tournament Game 11 -- Teams TBA.				College Softball NCAA Tournament Game 12 -- Teams TBA.						SportsCenter CC	
USA 31	★★★ "The Mummy" (1999, Adventure) Brendan Fraser. CC				★★ "The Jackal" (1997, Suspense) Bruce Willis. CC (DVS)						"2 Fast 2 Furious" CC	
TNT 32	(10:00) ★★ "Pay It Forward" (2000)			★★★ "Erin Brockovich" (2000, Drama) Julia Roberts. CC					★★ "Miss Congeniality" (2000) Sandra Bullock.			
TBS 33	(9:30) "The Fugitive"			MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Chicago Cubs. (Subject to Blackout) CC					Harvey	★★★ "Mission: Impossible 2" (PA)		
SPIKE 34	CSI: Crime Scn			CSI: Crime Scn			CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn	
LIFE 39	(10:00) "Plain Truth"			"Infidelity" (2004) Kim Delaney, Kyle Secor. CC			"No One Would Tell" (1996) Candace Cameron.				"Lies My Mother Told"	
A&E 43	Mediums: We See Dead People			Psychic Child		Angel	Angel	Angel	Angel	Angel	Angel	Angel
HIST 44	Return of the Pirates The modern-day pirate.				True Caribbean Pirates CC				History Rocks CC		History Rocks CC	
TLC 45	Home Made Simple			World's Heaviest Man			33 000 Calories		Obesity Clinic		Obesity Clinic	
DISC 47	MythBusters CC			Deadliest Catch CC			Deadliest Catch CC		Deadliest Catch CC		Deadliest Catch CC	
FAM 51	(10:30) ★★★ "My Girl" (1991) Anna Chlumsky.				★★ "One Fine Day" (1996) Michelle Pfeiffer.				★★★ "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993) Robin Williams.			
DISN 52	Tigger	Handy	Sprites	Charlie	K. Possible	Replace	★★ "A Goofy Movie" (1995) CC			So Raven	Suite Life	Emperor
NICK 54	Nicktoon	Nicktoon	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Neutron	OddParent	Avatar	TEENick	SpongeBob	Amanda	School	Naked
AMC 57	(10:00) "Any Which Way You Can"			★★★ "Papillon" (1973, Suspense) Steve McQueen, Dustin Hoffman.						★★ "Dante's Peak" (1997, Action)		
SCIFI 58	(10:00) ★★★ "The Shining" (1980, Horror)				The Stand (In Stereo) (Part 1 of 4) CC				The Stand (In Stereo) (Part 2 of 4) CC			
CNN 62	This Week at War		Special Investigations		In the Money CC		CNN Live Sunday		CNN Live Sunday		Lou Dobbs This Week	
HBO 306	★★★ "Over the Hedge" (2006)			★★★ "Batman" (1989) Jack Nicholson. CC				(:45) ★★ "Major League: Back to the Minors"				In Her
MAX 322	(10:30) "Waist Deep"		(:15) ★★★ "Inside Man" (2006) Denzel Washington. CC					★★ "Constantine" (2005) Keanu Reeves. CC				Madagas
SHOW 343	(10:45) "Into the Fire" (2005) CC			★★ "Beyond the Sea" (2004) Kevin Spacey.				★★★ "Mission: Impossible III" (2006) CC				Vice Versa

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SUNDAY EVENING — MAY 27, 2007

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KRWG 2 22	Globe Trekker		Nova CC (DVS)		Nature (In Stereo)		Memorial Day Concert			Airgroup	Burt Wolf	Smart	Travel	(Off Air)
CBS 4 4	News	News (N)	60 Minutes (N)		The Amazing Race		Cold Case CC		Without a Trace		News (N)	CSI: Miami CC		Paid
KCOS 5 13	Liberty Ships		World War II		Memorial Day Concert			Airgroup	Bill Moyers Journal		Memorial Day Concert			(Off Air)
ABC 7 7	News (N)	ABC	Home Videos		Makeover: Home		Housewives		Brothers & Sisters		News (N)	Ebert	Insider	Latino
KFOX 8 14	(3:00) NASCAR Racing Nextel Cup -- Coca-Cola 600. CC						Sunland Star CC		News (N) CC		Seinfeld	Sex &	Sex &	Cowboys
NBC 9 9	NBC	News (N)	Dateline NBC (N) (In Stereo) CC				Friday Night Lights		Law & Order: SVU		News (N)	(:35) Alias CC		Shield
KINT 10 26	Noticias	Noticiero	"Pobre, Pero Honrada" (1973, Comedia)				"Duro Pero Seguro" (1978) Jorge Lavat				Noticias	Noticiero	Tras la Verdad	
KTDO 11 48	Remix TV	Noticie	★★★ "Tarzan" (1999) Glenn Close				★★★ "Cliffhanger" (1993) John Lithgow				Titulares	Pagado	"Mantenids-Llor"	
KTFN 13 65	"Solo los Fuertes"		La Boda de Charytin			★★★ "Jurassic Park" (1993) Sam Neill, Laura Dern.					Contacto	★ "Americaton" (1979)		
KVIA 14	The	Chris	7th Heaven CC		Smallville CC		Supernatural CC		Access Hollywood		Kickin' It CC		Stargate Atlantis	
WGN 15	Funniest	Funniest	Idol Rewind		Maximum Exposure		News	Replay	Sex &	Scrubs	Scrubs	Sex &	NASCAR	Exposure
ESPN 16	Baseball Tonight		MLB Baseball Cleveland Indians at Detroit Tigers. (Live) CC						SportsCenter (Live) CC			Baseball Tonight		SportsCtr
USA 31	Monk CC		Monk CC		Monk CC		Monk CC		Monk CC		Monk CC		Monk CC	
TNT 32	"Kill Bill: Vol. 2"		Pregame	NBA Basketball: Conf. Final					Inside the NBA		★★ "Dead Presidents" (1995) CC			
TBS 33	"Forrest Gump"		★★★ "Cast Away" (2000) (PA) Tom Hanks, Helen Hunt. CC						★★★ "Cast Away" (2000) (PA) Tom Hanks, Helen Hunt. CC					
SPIKE 34	Sniper	★★★ "First Blood" (1982, Action)			CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn			CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		First Bld
LIFE 39	"Gone but Not Forgotten" (2005, Drama) Brooke Shields, Lou Diamond Phillips. CC								Grey's Anatomy		Strong Medicine		Strong Medicine	
A&E 43	Cold Case Files		Dog	Dog	Simmons	Simmons	Gene Simmons		The First 48 CC		Dog	Dog	Simmons	Simmons
HIST 44	Modern Marvels		True Caribbean Pirates CC				Star Trek: Beyond the Final Frontier				True Caribbean Pirates CC			
TLC 45	The Real Deal		The Real Deal		The Real Deal		The Real Deal		The Real Deal		The Real Deal		The Real Deal	
DISC 47	Man vs. Wild CC		Man vs. Wild CC		Man vs. Wild Kenya.		Man vs. Wild CC		Man vs. Wild CC		Man vs. Wild CC		Man vs. Wild Kenya.	
FAM 51	"A Cinderella Story"		★★ "Ice Princess" (2005) Joan Cusack.				★★ "Ice Princess" (2005) Joan Cusack.				J. Osteen	Feed	Zola Lev	Paid
DISN 52	Sadie	Phil	Cory	Cory	Suite Life	Suite Life	Montana	Suite Life	★★ "Beethoven's 4th" (2001)			So Raven	Phil	Sadie
NICK 54	Drake	Jordan	Zoey 101	Play	Videos	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.
AMC 57	(3:00) "PT 109"		★★★★ "Patton" (1970, Biography) George C. Scott, Karl Malden. CC							★★ "Flying Leathernecks" (1951)				Enemy
SCIFI 58	★★ "Creature" (1998, Horror) Craig T. Nelson, Kim Cattrall, Matthew Carey. CC								"Frankenfish" (2004) Tory Kittles. CC				★ "Blood Surf"	
CNN 62	CNN Live Sunday		Investigations		Larry King Live		CNN Sunday Night		Investigations		Larry King Live		CNN Sunday Night	
HBO 306	"The Break-Up"		★★★ "Clueless" (1995) CC		(:45) ★★ "Mr. & Mrs. Smith" (2005) Brad Pitt. CC						"Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee" (2007)			
MAX 322	Willy	(:45) "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory"			(:45) ★★★ "King Kong" (2005) Naomi Watts, Jack Black. (In Stereo) CC								"Shawshank R."	
SHOW 343	Coach	(:45) ★★ "Beauty Shop" (2005) CC			Tudors		★★ "Elvis" (2005) Jonathan Rhys Meyers. iTV Premiere.						The Tudors (iTV)	

MONDAY EVENING — JUNE 4, 2007

	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
KRWG 2 22	Business	News-Lehrer		News	Barry Manilow: Music and Passion CC				My Music: The British Beat CC				Charlie Rose (N)	
CBS 4 4	News (N)	News	News (N)	Fortune	Comforts	Christine	Two Men	Mother	CSI: Miami CC		News (N)	Late Show		Late Late
KCOS 5 13	Curious	News	News-Lehrer		John Denver: A Song			Elvis Lives: 25th			Business	Charlie Rose (N)		(Off Air)
ABC 7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Entertain	Wife Swap CC		Ex-Wives Club (N)		Supernanny CC		News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
KFOX 8 14	Dr. Phil CC		Simpsons	Seinfeld	On the Lot (N)		Hell's Kitchen CC		News (N) CC		Simpsons	Seinfeld	Sex &	Friends
NBC 9 9	News (N)	NBC	NHL Hockey: Stanley Cup Final Game 4 -- Ducks at Senators						To Be Announced		News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
KINT 10 26	Noticias	Noticiero	Duelo de Pasiones		La Fea Más Bella		Destilando Amor		Cristina		Noticias	Noticiero	La Hora de la Risa	
KTDO 11 48	Daniela	Noticiero	Dame Chocolate		Marina		Zorro - Espada		La Esclava Isaura		Noticiero	12 Corazones		Rojo Vivo
KTFN 13 65	La Hija del Mariachi		Qué Dice la Gente		★★★ "Héroe" (2002, Acción) Jet Li.				Así Es la Vida		Contacto	★★ "Mancha Voraz" (1988)		
KVIA 14	My Wife	My Wife	Scrubs	King-Hill	Chris	All of Us	Girl	The	Scrubs	Comics	Cheaters	Eye Eye	Holly	Date
WGN 15	Home Videos		Home Videos		Home Videos		WGN News at Nine		Sex &	Scrubs	Scrubs	Becker	Home Videos	
ESPN 16	MLB Baseball New York Yankees at Chicago White Sox. CC						Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter CC		Fast	Baseball	SportsCenter CC	
USA 31	"Pirates-Carib."		Law & Order: SVU		WWE Monday Night Raw CC				Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		Monk CC	
TNT 32	Law & Order		NBA Basketball: Conf. Final					(:45) Inside the NBA		(:45) Law & Order		(:45) Law & Order		X-Files
TBS 33	Raymond	Raymond	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Family	Family	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	★★ "I Spy" (2002) (PA) Eddie Murphy.			
SPIKE 34	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		★★ "Fire Down Below" (1997) Steven Seagal.					CSI: Crime Scn		Star Trek: Voyager		Shield
LIFE 39	Still Stnd	Still Stnd	Army Wives CC		"Write & Wrong" (2007) Kirstie Alley. CC				Will	Will	Frasier	Frasier	Golden	Strong
A&E 43	CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami "Recoil"		The Sopranos CC		(:10) The Sopranos CC			Angel	CSI: Miami "Recoil"		The Sopranos CC	
HIST 44	Modern Marvels		Underworld		Underworld		Underworld		Perfect Crimes?		Underworld		Underworld	
TLC 45	Little People		Little	Little	Big Medicine (N)		My Unique Family		Little	Little	Big Medicine		My Unique Family	
DISC 47	Mega Builders		Oil, Sweat and Rigs		Deadliest Catch		Dirty Jobs CC		MythBusters CC		Oil, Sweat and Rigs		Deadliest Catch	
FAM 51	Falcon Beach (N)		Kyle XY "Endgame"		★★ "Groundhog Day" (1993) Bill Murray.				The 700 Club CC		Kyle XY "Endgame"		Africa's Children	
DISN 52	Kim	Kim	Boy	Boy	Phil	Phil	Montana	Suite Life	★★ "The Even Stevens Movie" (2003)				So Raven	Life De
NICK 54	OddPar	Neutron	Sponge	Drake	Videos	Full Hse.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Rose	Rose	Cosby	Cosby	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.
AMC 57	"The Blues Bros."		★★ "National Lampoon's Vacation" CC				"National Lampoon's European Vacation"				★ "Home Alone 3" (1997) Alex D. Linz.			
SCIFI 58	Star Trek: Ent.		Star Trek: Ent.		Star Trek: Ent.		Star Trek: Ent.		"Final Fantasy: The Spirits Within" (2001)				Twilight	Twilight
CNN 62	The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Cooper 360	
HBO 306	"Something New"		Making	★★★ "Wide Awake" (2006)			★★★ "Something the Lord Made" CC				The Sopranos CC		"Bury My Heart"	
MAX 322	★ "Idle Hands" (1999) CC		(:35) ★★★ "Cinderella Man" (2005) Russell Crowe.						★★ "Accepted" (2006) CC			On Set	★★ "Sprung" CC	
SHOW 343	(4:00) "Sahara" CC		(:15) ★★ "Lord of War" (2005) Nicolas Cage. CC					★★ "The Honeymooners"			Weeds	Weeds	The Tudors (iTV)	

TUESDAY EVENING — JUNE 5, 2007

	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
KRWG 2 22	Business	News-Lehrer		News	Nova CC (DVS)		Sinatra: Vegas		Johnny Mathis: Wonderful			News	Charlie Rose (N)	
CBS 4 4	News (N)	News	News (N)	Fortune	NCIS "Smoked"		The Unit CC		48 Hours Mystery		News (N)	Late Show		Late Late
KCOS 5 13	Curious	News	News-Lehrer		Bruce Springsteen-Sessions			Roy Orbison & Friends			Business	Independent Lens		(Off Air)
ABC 7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Entertain	Lopez	Jim	The 2007 ALMA Awards (N) CC				News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
KFOX 8 14	Dr. Phil CC		Simpsons	Seinfeld	On the	The Loop	House CC		News (N) CC		Simpsons	Seinfeld	Sex &	Friends
NBC 9 9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Raymond	Deal or No Deal		America's Got Talent (In Stereo) CC				News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
KINT 10 26	Noticias	Noticiero	Duelo de Pasiones		La Fea Más Bella		Destilando Amor		Ver Para Creer		Noticias	Noticiero	La Hora de la Risa	
KTDO 11 48	Godzilla	Noticiero	★ "Godzilla" (1998) Matthew Broderick, Jean Reno.					Pregame	Rumbo al Mundial México vs Paraguay.				Noticiero	Rojo Vivo
KTFN 13 65	La Hija del Mariachi		Qué Dice la Gente		★★★ "Los Dueños en la Calle" (1991)				Así Es la Vida		Contacto	★ "Nemesis" (1993)		
KVIA 14	My Wife	My Wife	Scrubs	King-Hill	Gilmore Girls CC		Veronica Mars		Scrubs	Comics	Cheaters	Eye Eye	Holly	Date
WGN 15	Home Videos		MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee Brewers. CC						News	Scrubs	Scrubs	Becker	Home Videos	
ESPN 16	SportsCtr	NFL Live	US Poker		US Poker		Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter CC		Fast	Baseball	SportsCenter CC	
USA 31	Law Order: CI		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		The Dead Zone	
TNT 32	Without a Trace		Without a Trace		The Closer CC		The Closer CC		Without a Trace		Law & Order		Law & Order	
TBS 33	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Sex &	Sex &	Friends	Friends	Sex &	Sex &	(:05) ★★★ "Remember the Titans" CC			
SPIKE 34	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		"Today You Die" (2005) Steven Seagal.				The Ultimate Fighter		CSI: Crime Scn		Star Trek: Voyager	
LIFE 39	Still Stnd	Still Stnd	Reba	Reba	"Vanished" (2006) A.J. Cook. CC				Will	Will	Frasier	Frasier	Golden	Strong
A&E 43	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Criss Angel		Angel	Angel	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog
HIST 44	Modern Marvels		Star Wars Tech		The Universe (N)		The Universe CC		Perfect Crimes?		Star Wars Tech		The Universe CC	
TLC 45	SWAT: Tactical		Rides "Driven"		Miami Ink CC		Miami Ink		Miami Ink CC		Miami Ink CC		Rides "Driven"	
DISC 47	Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch (N)		After the Catch (N)		MythBusters CC		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch	
FAM 51	Smallville CC		★★ "One Fine Day" (1996)				Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club CC		Falcon Beach CC		Paid	Paid
DISN 52	Boy	Boy	Phil	Phil	So Raven	So Raven	Montana	Suite Life	"Motocrossed" (2001) Alana Austin. CC				So Raven	Life De
NICK 54	OddPar	Neutron	Sponge	Drake	Videos	Full Hse.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Rose	Rose	Cosby	Cosby	Rose	Rose
AMC 57	"National Lamp."		★★ "Fletch" (1985) Chevy Chase.				★★★ "Stakeout" (1987) Richard Dreyfuss. CC					★★ "Fletch Lives" (1989)		
SCIFI 58	Special Unit 2 CC		Special Unit 2 CC		Special Unit 2 CC		ECW (Live)		Painkiller Jane		Dark Angel CC		Twilight	Twilight
CNN 62	The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Cooper 360	
HBO 306	★★ "Songcatcher"		★★ "Entrapment" (1999) Sean Connery.				Jerry Seinfeld		★ "John Tucker Must Die"			Count	The Sopranos CC	
MAX 322	Falling	(:45) ★ "Get Carter" (2000) (In Stereo)				★★ "Cry Wolf" (2005) CC			★★ "The Rookie" (1990) Clint Eastwood.				"Hills Hve Eyes"	
SHOW 343	"Confessions"			(:45) ★★★ "Rize" (2005) CC			(:15) ★★★ "Election" (1999) CC				The Tudors (iTV)		★★ "The King"	

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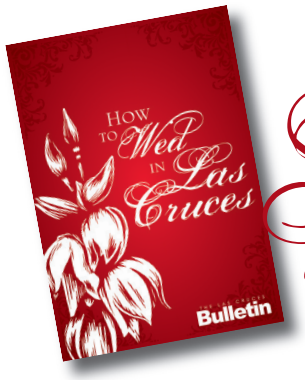

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KRWG 2 22	Business	News-Lehrer		News	Donovan Concert: Live in L.A.			Northrup: Menopause and Beyond				News	Charlie Rose (N)	
CBS 4 4	News (N)	News	News (N)	Fortune	King	King	Criminal Minds		CSI: NY CC		News (N)	Late Show		Late Late
KCOS 5 13	Curious	News	News-Lehrer		Great Performances (N) CC			Encore	Sinatra: Vegas		Business	Charlie Rose (N)		(Off Air)
ABC 7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	Entertain	Next Best Thing		American Inventor		Traveler (N) CC		News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
KFOX 8 14	Dr. Phil CC		Simpsons	Seinfeld	You Can Dance		You Can Dance		News (N) CC		Simpsons	Seinfeld	Sex &	Friends
NBC 9 9	News (N)	NBC	NHL Hockey: Stanley Cup Final Game 5 -- Senators at Ducks						To Be Announced		News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
KINT 10 26	Noticias	Noticiero	Duelo de Pasiones		La Fea Más Bella		Destilando Amor		Don Francisco		Noticias	Noticiero	La Hora de la Risa	
KTDO 11 48	Daniela	Noticiero	Dame Chocolate		Marina		Zorro - Espada		La Esclava Isaura		Noticiero	12 Corazones		Rojo Vivo
KTFN 13 65	La Hija del Mariachi		Qué Dice la Gente		⋆ "Viaje Mortal" (2001) Dolph Lundgren.				Así Es la Vida		Contacto	"Asesinos Por Naturaleza"		
KVIA 14	My Wife	My Wife	Scrubs	King-Hill	Hidden Palms (N)		One Tree Hill (N)		Scrubs	Comics	Cheaters	Eye Eye	Holly	Date
WGN 15	Home Videos		Home Im	Home Im	Becker	Becker	WGN News at Nine		Sex &	Scrubs	Scrubs	Becker	Home Videos	
ESPN 16	MLB Baseball Philadelphia Phillies at New York Mets. CC						Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter CC		Fast	Baseball	SportsCenter CC	
USA 31	Law Order: CI		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		Law & Order: SVU		The 4400 CC	
TNT 32	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Without a Trace		Las Vegas CC		Law & Order	
TBS 33	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Payne	Payne	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	⋆⋆⋆ "Spanglish" (2004) Adam Sandler.			
SPIKE 34	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: NY "Recycling"		CSI: Crime Scn		Star Trek: Voyager	
LIFE 39	Still Stnd	Still Stnd	Reba	Reba	"Long Lost Son" (2006) Gabrielle Anwar.				Will	Will	Frasier	Frasier	Golden	Strong
A&E 43	CSI: Miami CC		CSI: Miami CC		The Sopranos CC		(:15) The Sopranos CC			TBA	CSI: Miami CC		The Sopranos CC	
HIST 44	Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		Man-Machine		Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels	
TLC 45	War Wounds		Untold Stories		627 Lb Woman		Mystery ER CC		Untold Stories		627 Lb Woman		Mystery ER CC	
DISC 47	How	How	MythBusters CC		MythBusters (N)		Cash	Cash	Dirty Jobs CC		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC	
FAM 51	Smallville CC		⋆⋆ "Ice Princess" (2005) Joan Cusack.				Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club CC		Videos	Videos	Paid	Riches
DISN 52	Emperor	Emperor	Suite Life	Suite Life	Cory	Cory	Montana	Suite Life	"The Proud Family" (2005) (In Stereo)				So Raven	Life De
NICK 54	OddPar	Neutron	Sponge	Drake	Videos	Full Hse.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Rose	Rose	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby
AMC 57	(4:00) "Fletch Lives"		⋆⋆ "Red Dawn" (1984) Patrick Swayze. CC					⋆⋆ "Commando" (1985)			(:15) ⋆⋆ "Red Dawn" (1984, Action) CC			
SCIFI 58	Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters (N)		Destination Truth		Ghost Hunters		Destination Truth		Twilight	Twilight
CNN 62	The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Cooper 360	
HBO 306	Star	Making	⋆ "Date Movie" (2006) CC		⋆⋆⋆ "Robots" (2005) CC				⋆⋆⋆ "Over the Hedge" CC			Entou	Barbaro (N) CC	
MAX 322	Scream	(:20) "An Officer and a Gentleman" (1982)			⋆⋆ "The Dukes of Hazzard"				(:15) ⋆⋆⋆ "The Last Boy Scout" (1991)			⋆⋆ "Accepted"		
SHOW 343	Deepwa	"The Great New Wonderful"			(:15) ⋆⋆⋆ "Shame" (2006) iTV.				The Tudors (iTV)		Laugh Whore CC			Queer

THURSDAY EVENING — JUNE 7, 2007

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KRWG 2 22	Business	News-Lehrer		News	Great Performances (In Stereo) CC				Zu & Co: Royal		Aggie	News	Charlie Rose (N)	
CBS 4 4	News (N)	News	News (N)	Fortune	Pirate Master CC		CSI: Crime Scn		Shark "Blind Trust"		News (N)	Late Show		Late Late
KCOS 5 13	Curious	News	News-Lehrer		Blue Man Group: Inside			The Best 25 Years of Pop			Business	Charlie Rose (N)		(Off Air)
ABC 7 7	News (N)	ABC	News (N)	NBA	NBA Basketball Finals Game 1 -- Teams TBA. CC					Fast Cars	News (N)	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
KFOX 8 14	Dr. Phil CC		Simpsons	Seinfeld	You Smarter?		You Can Dance		News (N) CC		Simpsons	Seinfeld	Sex &	Friends
NBC 9 9	News (N)	NBC	News (N)	Raymond	Name	30 Rock	Office	Scrubs	Studio 60-Suns		News (N)	Tonight Show		Late
KINT 10 26	Noticias	Noticiero	Duelo de Pasiones		La Fea Más Bella		Destilando Amor		Aquí y Ahora		Noticias	Noticiero	La Hora de la Risa	
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KTFN 13 65	La Hija del Mariachi		Qué Dice la Gente		Copa Oro USA vs. Guatemala. (En Vivo)				Copa Oro				Así Es la Vida	
KVIA 14	My Wife	My Wife	Scrubs	King-Hill	Smallville "Wither"		Supernatural CC		Scrubs	Comics	Cheaters	Eye Eye	Holly	Date
WGN 15	Videos	White	MLB Baseball New York Yankees at Chicago White Sox. CC						News	Scrubs	Scrubs	Becker	Home Videos	
ESPN 16	SportsCtr	NFL Live	2007 Scripps National Spelling Bee CC				Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter CC		SportsCenter CC		Post	Baseball
USA 31	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Starter Wife (N)		Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		Starter Wife CC		Psych CC	
TNT 32	Without a Trace		⋆⋆⋆ "Mean Girls" (2004, Comedy) CC				⋆⋆⋆ "Mean Girls" (2004, Comedy) CC				The X-Files CC		The X-Files CC	
TBS 33	Raymond	Raymond	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	⋆⋆⋆ "The Score" (2001) Robert De Niro. CC					(:40) ⋆⋆⋆ "Maverick" (1994)		
SPIKE 34	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scene		TNA Wrestling		The Ultimate Fighter		The Ultimate Fighter		Wild	Sports	Most	Real TV
LIFE 39	Army Wives CC		Reba	Reba	"A Lover's Revenge" (2005) CC				Will	Will	Frasier	Frasier	Golden	Strong
A&E 43	Cold Case Files		CSI: Miami "10-7"		The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		Kansas City SWAT		CSI: Miami "10-7"		The First 48 CC	
HIST 44	Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		Decoding the Past		Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		Decoding the Past	
TLC 45	Overhaulin' CC		American Chopper		American Chopper		Wrecks to Riches		American Chopper		Wrecks to Riches		American Chopper	
DISC 47	Dinosaur Planet		A Haunting		A Haunting		A Haunting		Cash	Cash	A Haunting		A Haunting	
FAM 51	Smallville "Gone"		"Dr. Dolittle 3" (2006) John Amos. CC				Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club CC		Videos	Videos	Paid	Riches
DISN 52	So Raven	So Raven	Life De	Life De	Montana	Montana	Montana	Suite Life	⋆⋆ "Johnny Tsunami" (1999) (In Stereo)				So Raven	Life De
NICK 54	OddPar	Neutron	Sponge	Drake	Videos	Full Hse.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Rose	Rose	Cosby	Cosby	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.
AMC 57	(3:30) "Red Dawn"		⋆⋆ "Suspect" (1987, Drama) Cher, Dennis Quaid.					⋆⋆ "Black Widow" (1987) Debra Winger.				Mad Men	"Black Rain" (1989)	
SCIFI 58	"Path of Destruction" (2005) CC				"Dark Storm" (2006) Stephen Baldwin.				"Earthquake: Nature Unleashed" (2004)				Twilight	Twilight
CNN 62	The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 CC				Larry King Live		Cooper 360	
HBO 306	In Her	⋆⋆ "Nanny McPhee" (2005)			(:15) ⋆⋆ "Phat Girlz" (2006) Mo'Nique.				⋆ "Big Momma's House 2"			Evan	Big Love CC	
MAX 322	(:15) ⋆⋆ "Light It Up" (1999) (In Stereo)				⋆⋆ "Doom" (2005) The Rock.			(:45) ⋆⋆ "Message in a Bottle" (1999) (In Stereo)					"Final Destin. 3"	
SHOW 343	(4:00) "Clean Slate"		"Jiminy Glick in Lalawood"				⋆⋆ "The Honeymooners"		⋆⋆ "Say Uncle" (2005) CC			⋆⋆ "Yours, Mine & Ours"		

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Complete the grids below so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains ever 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

	8			5		4		
	4		7	6		5		
	9		2			1	7	3
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	5		1		8		2	
7				2	6			9
8	7	2			5		3	
		9		3	7		8	
		3		1			4	

Difficulty rating: Easy

CHALLENGER

					8		1	
3			6	4		8		
	8			3				
8			9		1		7	
	2	6				9	8	
	1		5		2			3
				1			2	
		2		5	3			4
	6		7					

Difficulty rating: Moderate

EXPERT

5					2	6		
				9				
9		4	8					3
		3			9	5		
	9			7			2	
		2	5			7		
7					1	8		4
				8				
		8	3					6

Difficulty rating: Very difficult

Last week's solutions:

BEGINNER

4	1	2	9	3	5	8	6	7
8	9	3	1	6	7	5	2	4
6	7	5	4	2	8	3	9	1
7	4	8	2	1	3	9	5	6
9	2	6	5	8	4	1	7	3
3	5	1	6	7	9	4	8	2
2	8	9	3	4	6	7	1	5
5	6	4	7	9	1	2	3	8
1	3	7	8	5	2	6	4	9

CHALLENGER

3	5	8	6	1	2	4	7	9
7	1	9	8	3	4	6	2	5
2	4	6	7	5	9	3	1	8
8	9	7	3	4	1	5	6	2
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EXPERT

9	5	7	2	4	3	6	8	1
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3	4	1	6	7	2	8	5	9
7	6	2	9	5	8	4	1	3

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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.

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CROSSWORD PUZZLES

Diagramless, 21 x 21

Like a regular crossword but with an added challenge. Sleuths must also create the diagram and figure out where the numbers and black squares go.

ACROSS
1 Liquors
8 Fearsome fish
9 First woman on the Supreme Court
10 Lounging robe
13 Dress for success?
17 Not many
20 Royal pronoun
21 Fury
22 Commotion
25 Wash. neighbor
26 Dwarflike creatures
30 Farm
33 Joplin piano piece
34 NBC classic
35 2nd Gospel writer
36 Thelma or Tex
37 Atmosphere
38 Saintly light circle
40 Non-invasive diagnostic
41 Self-image
42 If all __ fails...
43 Harp on
47 Back seat in an antique automobile
51 Streaking
52 Small carpet
53 Promissory notes
54 Close attention
55 Miserly Ebenezer
59 Austere
62 Expressed gratitude to
63 Air sacs in the lungs
64 Pointers
67 Ingested
68 Roberto's river
69 Having the skill
73 "Honest" president
74 Drop by
77 Japanese beauty
81 Musical discernment
82 Hamm of soccer
83 Firth and Powell
84 Formed whirlpools
85 Longoria of "Desperate Housewives"
86 Sullivan and Asner
87 The Greatest
88 Confederate commander
89 Fathers
90 Woman's shirt
94 Groups of soldiers
97 Extremely arid
99 Do likewise
100 Overnight flights

DOWN
1 Catch sight of
2 Printer's measure
3 "The Man in the __ Mask"
4 Fled
5 Country hotels
6 Quaker's pronoun
7 New Delhi wrap
10 Gear teeth
11 Dad's sister
12 Out of
14 Coloration
15 Encourage
16 Ibsen drama, "__ Gynt"
17 Go angling
18 Poet St. Vincent Millay
19 Side of a cubicle
22 Shrinking Asian inland sea
23 Raised platform
24 Hideous creature
27 Caribbean dance
28 Swashbuckling Flynn
29 Play bagpipes
30 Actress Garbo
31 Exactitude
32 Expiate
39 Some woodwind musicians
42 Aromatic tropical shrub
44 Son of Cain
45 Dern or Ashley
46 Malicious burning
48 Mother-of-pearl
49 Muse of poets
50 Of hearing
56 Giraffe's cousin
57 Climb aboard!
58 Utopias
59 Bilko's nickname
60 Wielded
61 Circumvent
64 Docile
65 Footnote word
66 Potpie veggies
70 Pager signal
71 Volcanic output
72 Historic periods
74 Scrape evidence
75 Travel charge
76 Melange
78 Farm building
79 Dickens character
80 Fruit coolers
91 Manual reader
92 Identical
93 Barak of Israel
94 Busboy's tote
95 Deserve
96 Wallet fillers
98 Pub favorite

DOGS DON'T TALK

ACROSS
1 Deep, unnatural sleep
6 Studied hard and fast
13 Clobber
20 Hanker for
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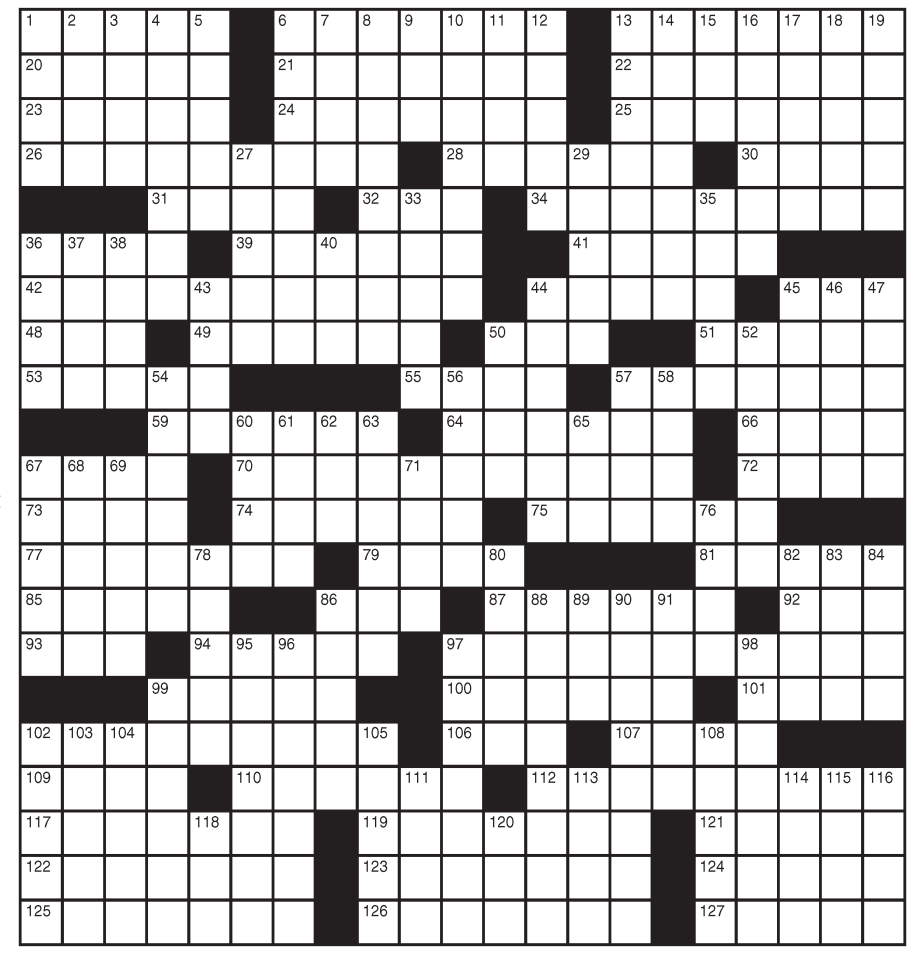

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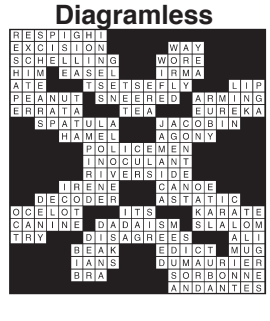

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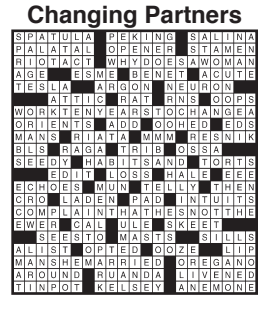

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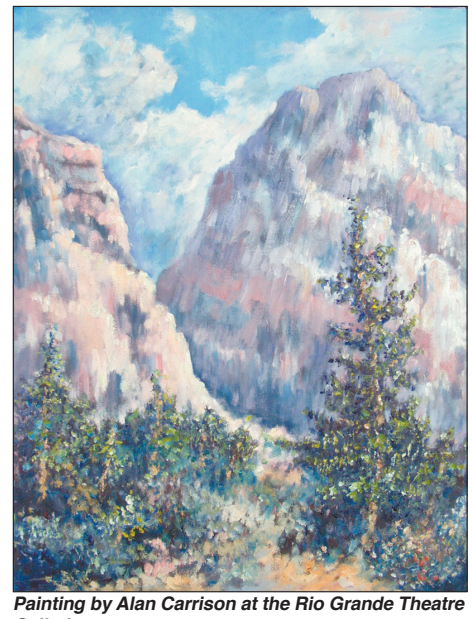
GALLERIES & OPENINGS

Jewelry by Sara Ames at Laughing at the Sun



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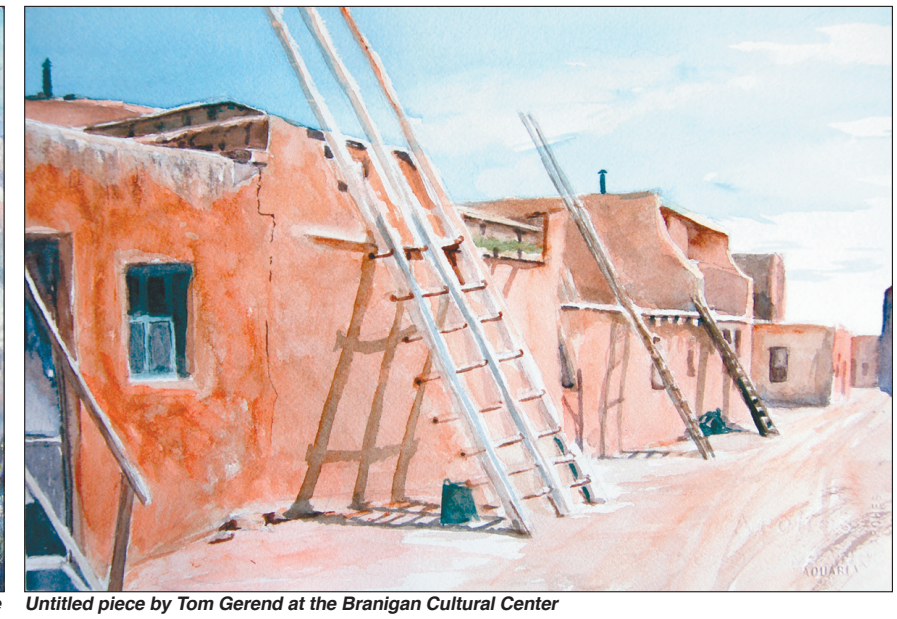

Untitled piece by Tom Gerend at the Branigan Cultural Center

OPENING THIS WEEK

BRANIGAN CULTURAL CENTER

Artamants Spring Show will open Friday, June 1, at the Branigan Cultural Center, with a reception from 5 to 7 p.m. There will be an opening reception with a chance to meet the artists that coincides with the First Friday Ramble on the Downtown Mall. The exhibit will run through Saturday, June 30. Loosely translated from Latin, Artamants means "lovers of art." This group of friends has been gathering weekly for over 10 years to paint and to share techniques and camaraderie. Current members include Nabuko Bassett, Flo Hosa Dougherty, Sheila Duffy, Marie Dwyer, Tom Gerend, Jennifer Goude, Mayanna Howard, Betty Hummer, Darlene Hungate, Susan Kintosh, Jo Ledbetter, Sally March, Burt Rawlings, Susan Rivera and Virginia Roach. The Branigan Cultural Center is located at 501 N. Downtown Mall. There is no charge to visit the center, and it is fully accessible. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, call 541-2255 or visit http://museums.las-cruces.org.

MAIN STREET GALLERY

The Main Street Gallery is launching its guest artist program June 1 featuring the wild and energetic southern New Mexico scenes of Britt Coalson. In addition, the Main Street Gallery collaborative continues including: Penny Duncklee, Daphne Wirthlin, Ruth Drayer, Mark Ploss, Lois Wilson and Lynn Unangst. Main Street Gallery will hold on opening reception in conjunction with the Main Street Downtown Ramble June 1 from 5 to 7 p.m. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The gallery is located at 311 N. Downtown Mall. For more information, call 647-0508.

LAUGHING AT THE SUN

Laughing at the Sun will be featuring two artists during the month of June. Teresa Fernandez will continue to show her unique story boxes and jewel-like mosaics. Also featured during the Saturday, June 2, opening will be bead artist Sara Ames, whose jewelry ranges from her handmade glass oil jar fragrance necklaces to seafoam wire mesh necklaces and watch bands. Ames is one of the resident artists that Laughing at the Sun presents on a regular basis. Join the gallery June 2 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Laughing at the Sun in the Old Tortilla Factory, 1910 Calle de Parian in Mesilla.

RIO GRANDE THEATRE

The Rio Grande Theatre Galleries will feature Alan Carrison as their feature artist for June. Working primarily in oils, watercolors and acrylics, Alan Carrison has been creating landscapes for more than fifteen years. His inspiration comes from photographs he and his wife have taken on their travels throughout New Mexico, other parts of the United States and Mexico. Often using an impressionistic style, Carrison attempts to capture the essence and emotions, the mood and the splendors of the landscapes he loves to paint. Largely self-taught, he has taken numerous classes with local artist, Sally Quillin as well as a workshop with Russian artists and El Paso residents, Aleksander and Lubya Titovets. A nationally certified well driller and pump installer, Carrison turned to landscape painting as a means of expressing his love of nature. The Rio Grande Theatre galleries, located in the lobby of the historic Rio Grande Theatre at 211 N. Downtown Mall, are open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. Gallery volunteers are needed; contact the Doña Ana Arts Council office at 523-6403 for more information.

BRANIGAN CULTURAL CENTER

Our Lady of Guadalupe is one of the most popular symbols of the Americas, especially in Mexico where she is the best known and most loved of all saints. "Morena Moderna: La Virgen de Guadalupe," a photo essay by Diana Molina, opens at the Branigan Cultural Center with a reception from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, June 1. The exhibit is sponsored in part by the Frame & Art Center.

Like so many elements of Mexican culture, the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe is found throughout the Southwest. Finding the presence of La Virgen throughout her travels in Mexico and the United States, photographer Diana Molina began to document the modern-day phenomenon of "La Morena Moderna." Her depictions of the symbol reveal the occurrence and historical evolution of the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe within contemporary society, politics and media. Through photography, Molina shows portrayals of La Virgen in a variety of locations ranging from the Basilica in Mexico City to Washington, D.C., as well as close to home at Tortugas and in El Paso.

Photographer, filmmaker and writer Diana Molina is a native of El Paso and currently resides in New Mexico, on the Texas and Mexico border. She began photography while abroad in Europe, where she lived for 10 years. Focusing on cultural, political and environmental issues, Molina has published feature articles for numerous international magazines, including Elle, Esquire, GEO, GQ, Marie Claire, National Geographic Traveler and Vogue. Exhibits of her photography have been shown at venues including the Art Museum of the Americas in Washington, D.C., the Institute of Texan Cultures in San Antonio, and the Albuquerque Museum of Natural History and Science. Most recently her documentary photography was part of a three-artist exhibit, "North & South of the Border," at the Las Cruces Museum of Art.

"Morena Moderna: La Virgen de Guadalupe" exhibit runs from Friday, June 1 through Saturday, Aug. 25. The Branigan Cultural Center is located at the northern end of the downtown mall, at 501 N. Downtown Mall. The center is free and accessible. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, call 541-2255 or visit http://museums.las-cruces.org.

CONTINUING THIS WEEK

WHITE RAVEN STUDIOS

White Raven Studios presents "Symphony in Color." The exhibit, which runs through June 10, features paintings, collages, wood sculpture and collaborations. "Symphony in Color" featured artists are Roger Atkins, Joshua Rose and Janell Wicht. White Raven Studios is located at 425 W. Griggs St.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ART

Artwork by some very talented Las Cruces Public Schools elementary school students will hang through September in the lobby gallery of the LCPS Administration Building, 505 S. Main St., Loretto Towne Center, Suite 249. Media includes crayon, pen and ink, felt, watercolor, charcoal and paper. For more information, contact LCPS Visual and Performing Arts Coordinator Bonnie Hosie at 527-5888 or bhosie@lcps.k12.nm.us.

LAS CRUCES MUSEUM OF ART

"From the Ground Up XXIII" Juried Regional Ceramics Exhibition will be on display at the Las Cruces Museum of Art through Saturday, June 30. The annual event is sponsored by the Las Cruces Potters' Guild and the Museum of Art. Ceramic works by 25 artists representing five states in the Rocky Mountain region make up the exhibition. They range from utilitarian ceramics to ceramic sculpture and installation works. Included are pieces by Liz Fisher, Klyf Brown, Suzanne Kane and Joe Krasean of Las Cruces; Ben Brooks and Geneva Bailey of Roswell; Kari Rives, Heidi Loewen and Judy Nelson Moore of Santa Fe; Lia Rosen of Albuquerque; Saundra Reynolds of Clovis; Mary Holmes of Belen; and George Rodriguez of El Paso. The exhibit also includes works by artists from other areas of Texas, Colorado, Idaho and Utah. The Las Cruces Museum of Art is located at 491 N. Downtown Mall. Exhibits are accessible and free of charge. For information, call 541-2137 or visit www.museums.las-cruces.org.

NMSU MUSEUM

Photographs detailing the history of the Chiricahua Apache from 1872 to the present will be housed in the New Mexico State University Museum lobby through Aug. 28. The historical photographs feature Cochise and Naiche family descendants. The museum is free and open to the public. Hours of operation are noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call 646-3739.

FARM & RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM

Three legendary saddle makers are featured in the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum's ongoing exhibit, "Legends in Leather: Saddle Makers of the Southwest." For the next year, the historic saddle makers section of the extensive exhibit features three men who played a big part in the booming saddle-making industry in Pueblo, Colo., during the late-1800s and early-1900s. The Museum is displaying the leather work of Samuel Caldwell Gallup, Robert Thompson Frazier and Tom Flynn. While several saddle makers operated shops in Pueblo during this time, Gallup, Frazier and Flynn are most associated and well-known with this community and the Pueblo Saddle. The three men were key figures in the origination and manufacture of the Pueblo Saddle style. All three saddleries made virtually identical saddles, differing only in the custom leather carving decoration and the reputation behind the name stamped on the cantle. All three companies reached their business peak in the 1910s and saw a decline in the 1920s. Ultimately, only Frazier's company survived the Great Depression. The Museum is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is $5 for adults, $3 for senior citizens and $2 for children ages 5 to 17. For more information, call 522-4100.

PATIO ART GALLERY

"Water in the Desert," a Patio Art Gallery Invitational exhibit featuring established and emerging artists, runs through June 16. Carolyn Bunch, Winfrey Hearst, Annetta J. Hoover, Judy Licht, Joyce T. Macrorie, Julie Ford Oliver and Dan Tapper of the Patio Art Gallery, with guest artists Mary Beatle, Jo Ledbetter, Bonnie Mandoe, Lynn Leland, Joan Shepack, Lucia Wilcox and Daphne Wirthlin, will present this timely show. The

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GALLERIES & OPENINGS

From the exhibit "La Virgin de Guadalupe" by Diana Molina at the Branigan Cultural Center

Painting by Alan Carrison at the Rio Grande Theatre Galleries

Artists Lois Wilson; Lynn Unangst; Mark Ploss; Daphne Wirthlin; Main Street Gallery owners Jim and Kris Turrentine; and Penny Duncklee

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artists are from Las Cruces and El Paso. The Patio Art Gallery is located at the corner of University Avenue and El Paseo Road. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays with art classes offered on Sundays and Mondays. For more information, call 541-7401.

■ THETHEATREGALLERY

Inspired by pictographs and scenic landscapes throughout the Southwest, especially in New Mexico, Margaret Bernstein tries to capture the joy of a moment in paint and color. She loves to work with theater because of its tradition and spontaneity both relevant to a painter's perspective. This exhibit, "Under Glass," includes new and recent work in watercolor and acrylic media of landscapes, flowers and abstracts. Thetheatregallery is located in the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Downtown Mall. For more information, call 523-1223.

■ BLACK GOLD FROM THE SUN

Las Cruces artist Seth Frazier will be the featured artist in The Sunspot Gallery at Black Gold from the Sun. Frazier presents his new series "Hymns." Frazier, son of ceramicist Kathryn Story, has primarily focused on interior design, decorating and painting in the past, but has recently branched off into new media such as sculpture and mixed media/collage. These new works focus on current social issues translated through traditional church hymns. Black Gold from the Sun is located in the Old Tortilla Factory at 1910 Calle De Parian in Mesilla. For more information, call 541-9693.

■ NMSU MUSEUM GALLERY

New Mexico State University has opened two new exhibits. "The Pasternack Collection of African Art" shows selected art pieces collected by the late Steve Pasternack. The pieces include masks, sculptures, baskets and various other representations of African life and culture. The second exhibit, "Africa: From Eritrea with Love" is a collection of 13 paintings by Betty LaDuke, an Ashland, Ore., author and artist who traveled to East Africa numerous times. LaDuke's vibrant and colorful paintings are based on sketches made during six journeys to Eritrea, a small nation on the Horn of Africa. The University Museum Gallery, located in Kent Hall at the corner of University Avenue and Solano Drive is open from noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Admission is free. For more information, call the University Museum at 646-3739.

■ DRAWINGS BY MARIA CRISTINA

Local artist Maria Cristina brings comic relief to the public to celebrate For the Love of Art Month. "Unlikely Valentines" and "Alternate Universe" are the dual themes of her special collection of drawings to be shown in her studio in the Old Tortilla Factory. "Unlikely Valentines," a spoof on contemporary American culture, shows such pairings as Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama and other interesting couples. Based on Grant Wood's classic "American Gothic," each is a limited edition of 10 and is signed and numbered by the artist. "Alternate Universe" stretches our usual perceptions of our universe. It features an exotic array of hand-painted portraits of alien beings. Also included in the studio's display are some of Maria Cristina's new drawings in Microsoft Word from her "Day of the Dead" series, such as King Tut and Lynyrd Skynyrd, as well as classics from her "Frog" and other series. The artist's studio hours are Friday and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m., or by appointment. For information, please call 521-4694.

■ FARM & RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM

A new temporary exhibit at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum explores the historical use of the hat by real cowboys in comparison with the hats of movie cowboys and fashionable gentlemen. "Cowboys and Hatters: Bond Street, Sage Brush and the Silver Screen," is a traveling exhibition curated by Debbie Henderson. The exhibit will be in the museum's north corridor through June 26. The Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum is located at 4100 Dripping Springs Road and is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is $5 for adults, $3 for senior citizens and $2 for children ages 5 to 17. For more information, please call 522-4100.

■ STUDIO 309

Las Cruces' newest gallery Studio 309, is featuring three diverse artists: photography by Ken Stinnet, unique one-of-a-kind jewelry by Lavernne Stinnet and paintings by Ruth A. Drayer. Drayer's luminous paintings are layers of colorful acrylics applied to hand textured canvas. Regular hours of Studio 309 are Thursday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and by appointment. For more information, call 649-3781.

"Venezia," by Barbara Howe at Glenn Cutter

Main Street Gallery gets new lease on life

New gallery owner brings mix of artists to newly remodeled building

By Joel Courtney
The Las Cruces Bulletin

After housing photographic artwork for nearly three years, the Main Street Gallery has headed in a new direction under its new owner Jim Turrentine.

"I felt it was time for some new stuff," Turrentine said. "The photography had just run its course."

To fill the gallery with new work, Turrentine said he asked some of his favorite artists that he had seen in other local venue.

Now the gallery features the work of Penny Duncklee, whose Southwest realist watercolor studies interplay color, light and composition; the colorful and capricious designs of Daphne Wirthlin's desert dwellers; the non-objective, deeply textured and colorful dreamscapes of Ruth Drayer; the soft and sublime southern New Mexico scenes of Mark Ploss; the fused glassworks and jewelry of Lois Wilson; and the sculpted "spirit minders" of Lynn Unangst, adorned with natural materials, textiles and intricate beadwork.

"Organs" by Britt Coalson. Coalson will be the first featured artist at the Main Street Gallery during the months of June and July.

"I wanted a nice blend of artists and artwork," Turrentine said.

To help keep the work in the Main Street Gallery fresh, Turrentine began a guest artist program, which begins Friday, June 1. Each guest artist will be featured for 60 days.

"Through the persistence of gallery owners and all the performing arts venues, Downtown has bloomed into the arts and cultural center of our city as evidenced by the success of the Main Street Downtown Ramble – the second most regularly attended event Downtown," he said.

According to Turrentine, the galleries of the Downtown area create a synergy where problems like competition are never an issue.

In addition to running the Main Street Gallery, Turrentine also purchased The Big Picture Studio Custom Digital Image Lab, which is run out of the same storefront, from Jack Welch in July 2006. The Big Picture creates large-format, color-matched digital reproductions for artists, photographers and businesses using state-of-the-art technology.

He said he spent the first six months as owner training himself and promoting The Big Picture as a business, but now feels that it is time to switch his efforts over to the Main Street Gallery.

Turrentine said he recently recommitted to the next three years off his nine-year lease option, despite the fact that the reopening of Main Street may provide problems, especially for businesses such as his that have no "back door entrance" to Water Street.

"I am excited about being Downtown and look forward to the opening of Main Street and seeing other new businesses repopulate downtown. I remember when Main Street was alive and vital to the well being of Las Cruces," he said.

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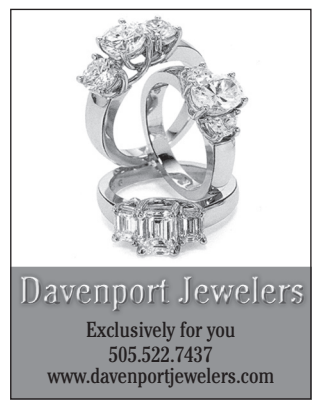

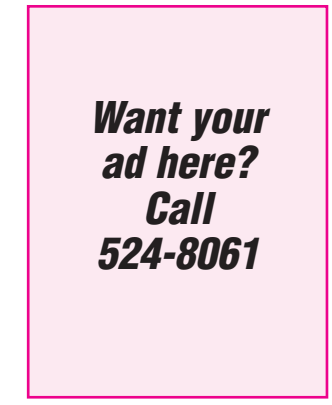

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Swimming takes serious dedication

LCAT coach says NM is behind nationally

NIKI RHYNES | The Las Cruces Bulletin
Las Cruces Aquatic Team member Rachel Dixon takes a breather Tuesday while practicing in the NMSU swimming pool.

By Craig Massey
The Las Cruces Bulletin

From the wide range of their ages, to the varied times of their practices, to the immense dedication that they share, members of the Las Cruces Aquatic Team often deal in extremes.

For the most part, competitive swimmers are different than "land dwellers," and LCAT coach Sean Muncie sees it every day.

"It takes a special breed of person to become a swimmer," said Muncie. "They wake up early every day to practice while their friends are socializing. I don't have one swimmer over 14 who is under a 3.0 grade-point average. Swimmers typically are very good students. There is no downtime. You have to get it done. They learn at a very young age how to manage their time properly."

Muncie is in his first year as head coach of the Las Cruces team. A former University of Alabama swimmer, he came to Las Cruces from North Carolina in September and has dedicated himself to the goal of inspiring the local swimmers to be competitive on a national level. He says New Mexico has some work to do.

"This was about what I expected," he said. "New Mexico is behind the other states and hasn't been competitive for a long, long time. That's something I would like to help change. The kids have bought into it and are excited about it."

Muncie's job as head coach is a full-time position, and he works under the direction of a board of directors. He has four part-time assistant coaches on his staff. The Las Cruces Aquatic Team is in its 42nd year and has over 100 swimmers, ranging in age from 4-year-old Sarah Gormley to 70-something-year-old Jordan Wolle.

There are two seasons for the local swimmers – the short-course season (25 yards) during the school year and the long-course season (50-meters) during the summer. The athletes work out at two sites – the New Mexico State University pools and Frenger Pool.

"We have different groups for different ages and different levels of ability," said Muncie. "Our doors are always open. Anyone can come in anytime and watch practice and see what it's about and see if they want to join."

The LCAT's upper-level swimmers sometimes practice as much as eight times a week, often as early as 6 a.m. to get in a workout before school.

"It's progressive," said Muncie. "The young kids may practice three days a week, then five, then six. As you get older,

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Aggies go global in tennis

Ball leans on foreign talent to build program

JOHN KEITH
Sports Editor

On the women's team there's Anne Fagegaltier and Estelle Guillaumond from France.

Croatia's Roman Stoisavljevic is listed on the men's roster.

We're talking New Mexico State University tennis here. Heavy on foreign names hard to spell, let alone say.

Fortunately for coach Don Ball, unfortunately for journalists, Stoisavljevic has two more years of eligibility.

And, no, he does not have a published nickname. We checked.

All joking aside, Ball's foreign athletes are good students and good citizens with a good work ethic.

The Aggies' Gustave Diep from Paris, France, owns a 4.0 GPA and was recently voted Freshman Rookie of the Year in the Mountain Region.

Ball says that eight out of 10 players on the women's team are foreign born and bred. It's eight to one in favor of foreigners on the men's side.

Ball denies a media grudge. He says foreign players are rapidly becoming the norm in college tennis.

"Teams like Stanford and Georgia stick pretty much to players from the U.S.," he said. "But they have great facilities and great traditions. Most of us can't compete for the best American players with schools like that."

Ball says that most foreign players jump at the chance to play in the United States. European countries seldom offer athletic scholarships. "The focus is on academics," Ball said. "Tennis players have to play on club teams. In the U.S. they get the chance for a college degree and play on a college team in the process.

"Foreign athletes in several sports are competing more and more in our country. Look at basketball. Baseball. And soccer.

"Tennis is such a universal sport, it's not unusual to have so many players from different countries."

I asked Ball if he spoke French. Or Spanish. Or whatever they speak in Croatia where he also recruits. "No," he said. "All of our players speak English. They pretty much have to before they can get accepted here."

Ball, like many in coaching, has developed solid connections outside U.S. borders. "We have good Mexican connections," he said. "We're working hard recruiting the Baltic area. Players in Croatia and Russia are looking for a way out."

Foreign players like southern New Mexico's predominately warm, dry weather. And the Aggies' new tennis facility is an alluring sight.

One that Ball calls, "best in the Southwest. It features 12 post-tension courts that won't crack or come apart with the heat," he said. "The courts are well lit. One-hundred-foot candles. Most tennis courts have 40-foot candles so you can see how strong our lighting is. We could televise our matches at night with no problem."

TV is not on the radar yet. Both the Aggie men's and women's teams finished fifth in the WAC tournament this year. "We were young," Ball said. "We'll be much better next season, I promise you."

The Aggies' coach is traveling through Europe as we speak, in search of future talent.

I asked while recruiting if he might consider the working press. Look for players with names we can spell without leaning on NMSU's press guide.

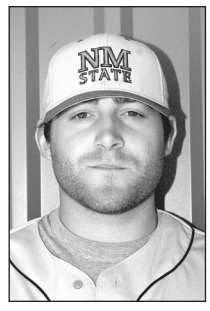
"That's why we print one," he said.

NMSU
Aggie tennis coach Don Ball relies heavily on foreign players.

Three Aggies make All-WAC in baseball

Harvey, Leghorn, Scaperotta named to second team

The Western Athletic Conference announced the 2007 All-WAC baseball teams and awards, selected by the league's head coaches, and three New Mexico State players were named to the second team.



HARVEY

Junior catcher Joe Leghorn (Victoria, B.C.), junior centerfielder Joseph Scaperotta (San Diego, Calif.) and senior utility player Adam Harvey (Celina, Texas) were all named to the All-WAC second team.

SCAPEROTTA

"Although we didn't do as well as we would have liked to, it's good that these players got these honors, because it shows that we do have talent on our team," head coach Rocky Ward said.

This was a first for all three players. Leghorn and Scaperotta will get a chance to come back to NMSU and do it again next season.

Although Leghorn played 38 of the Aggies' 56 games because of a season ending injury, he was still able to put up numbers worthy of placing him on the second team. Leghorn was considered one of the most consistent hitters on the team.

"Leghorn is the kind of player that when we found out we lost him for the season, we knew it would affect our team," Ward said. "We knew we could count on him day in and day out to perform well for us."

Leghorn was also the first player in Aggie history to hit for the cycle as he achieved the feat in a 10-9 comeback win against Sacramento State on Sunday, March 18. Leghorn hit a single in the first inning, a home run in the fourth, a double in the sixth and a triple in the ninth to complete the cycle.

Scaperotta, a transfer from San Diego State University, also got his first All-WAC honor this past season ,putting up the best numbers on the team. He won the Aggie triple-crown for the 2007 season, coming up with a .341 batting average, 10 home runs and 59 RBI. Scaperotta had 21 multiple hit games and 16 multiple RBI games.

"Scaperotta came in and played to his potential," Ward said.

LEGHORN

Harvey, who played in his last season as an Aggie, played six games at third base, 12 games as catcher and 12 games as the designated hitter, hitting four home runs, six doubles and a .254 batting average. Against Hawai'i on April 28, Harvey hit two bombs to lead the Aggies to an 8-6 victory. He was also placed on the Brooks Wallace Award watch list before the season started. The Brooks Wallace award goes to the top-player in the nation and is presented by the College Baseball Foundation.

"I'm very proud of Adam and what he's done for us here at NMSU," Ward said.

The Aggies finished 22-34 overall and 6-18 in conference in 2007. They had the most RBI (21) and runs (23) in a game of any WAC team this season.

Local tennis lessons set

Picacho Hills Country Club and New Mexico State to hold camps

Cathy Tracy's Adult clinics will be at 9 a.m. on June 7, 9, 16, 23, 26, 28 and 30 at Pichacho Hills Country Club

June 7 and 28 are for PHCC members only. The clinics run 1 hour and 30 minutes on Tuesdays and Saturdays and 1 hour and 15 minutes on Thursdays. These can be done on a drop-in basis.

Ryan Cruz, United States Professional Tennis Association, will hold his adult evening classes on Wednesdays (June 6, 13, 20, 27) with beginning adults at 6 p.m. and intermediate adults at 7:30 p.m. The cost is $32 for the series.

Tim Hand, USPTA, and Jason Noble will be running the Jr. Development class for high level advanced teenagers. Players must be upper high school varsity level and play competitively in area tournaments. These classes will be Monday and Wednesday evenings from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon starting on June 4. The cost is $120 for PHCC members and $156 for non-members. Juniors with a 3.8 GPA or above will receive a discount for the month.

Summer Children's Tennis Lessons are as follows: Tiny Tots (ages 4-6) will be Mondays, 9 to 10 a.m., June 25 and July 2 ($10/$16). Beginning Children – Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 to 10 a.m. on June 27, 29 and July 6 ($15/$24). Intermediate Children – Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 11:30 a.m. on June 25, 27, 29 and July 2 and 6 ($38/$50). The children's lessons will be taught by USPTA Pro Ryan Cruz.

The Picacho Hills Country Club Sports Camp is currently taking students for both Session I (June 11 -24) and Session II (July 9-19).

The camp gives participants a choice of two out of three activities – swimming, tennis, and golf. The times are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the club provides lunch. The tennis classes will be taught by Prosfessional Tennis Registry Pro Gregg Tracy and USPTA Pro Ryan Cruz. Several of the area's top high school players will be assisting. For PHCC members, the cost is $195 for one camper and $180 for each additional camper. For non-club members, the cost is $270 for one and $255 for each additional camper.

At NMSU, Carlos Vargas will hold his camp for beginning and intermediate children in three two-week sessions. Session one is June 4-14, session two is June 18-28 and session three is July 9-19.

For more information, Tracy at 526-8109 or 635-9044.

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New Mexico Bowl party

Jeff Siembieda, executive director for the New Mexico Bowl, visits with board member Lou Sisbarro before dinner at Picacho Hills Country Club. The 2007 New Mexico Bowl will be played in Albuquerque on Dec. 22.

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New Mexico Bowl Chairman of the executive board Rudy Davalos, left, stands with Aggie staff members Mike Jordan, Hal Mumme and McKinley Boston. Davalos was in Las Cruces to update board members in southern New Mexico on the plans for the 2007 New Mexico Bowl events.

On the green

Tools of the trade

Some quick reviews of swing assist gear

DR. CHARLIE BLANCHARD
Golf Doctor

Do golfers benefit from swing aids and training aids? Of course they do.

Do they get better using these devices? Some do.

The prevailing sentiment among golf experts seems to be that better players are the ones who are most likely to use swing assist equipment, and that these players tend to improve. The opposite is probably true for poorer golfers. Tour pro Vijay Singh is a good example of "the good get better" idea. He is known on tour as a gadget guru for his willingness to try nearly anything that might help him improve. On the range he always has some sort of swing gadget. I'm a believer in training apparatus for the same reason a carpenter uses a ruler and draws a pencil line on the board before he cuts with the saw. We need a guide to perform best. Over the years I've seen literally thousands of swing and training devices. Recently a few have stood out as truly deserving of mention. The product reviews below are worthy of your consideration.

Power Hitter – The Power Hitter is a weighted driver that you can actually hit balls with. Both the head and the shaft are weighted which makes you slow your swing down and make a more defined transition from backswing to downswing. The club is made by Momentus Golf (www.momentusgolf.com), the originators of weighted warm-up clubs. The idea is to load weight and make you stronger. When you're stronger you'll hit it farther. It's like using dumbbells on the range. One of my golf friends now swears by this trainer, and since he got one a few months ago I have never seen him on the range without it. I can attest that he hits his drives longer, too.

Breakmaster – Have you ever thought you read the break of a putt perfectly only to hit the putt and find that you were way off? Many tour pros and tour caddies have solved the problem of accurately identifying break of putts on sloped greens in practice rounds by using a small, amazing digital level called a Breakmaster (www.exelys.com). Of course, your putter is the biggest force propelling the ball toward the hole, but as your putt slows down, gravity takes over, and the putt breaks much more. To determine the degree of break, or degree of uphill or downhill slope, simply set the Breakmaster on the green surface and it will give a read out in degrees of angle of the break. While useful only for practicing, the Breakmaster is great for checking what the green is doing close to the hole. It cannot determine grass grain and it can't be used in tournament play.

Heavy Putter – The Heavy Putter is exactly what it sounds like. Heavy. Both the head and the handle are weighted. The advantages, based on lab and field tests, are better results from off-center hits, and a more consistent stroke path as the head moves into the ball. This club is legal and dozens of players on all four tours are now using Heavy Putters (www.heavyputter.com). It's also useful as a putting trainer. After having played a few rounds with my Heavy Putter, I could instantly see how beneficial this club will be for someone struggling with a case of the yips. You have to move everything very slowly; the weight prevents jerking. I also noticed the benefit of the greater mass on slower greens. There are now a dozen models of Heavy Putter to choose from, and they come with three sets of interchangeable weights.

Ontrac – This is the all-in-one alignment and putting guide that wins the versatility and cleverness award. In fact, their slogan is: "one tool; every club; every shot; get your game ontrac." The device is a deceptively simple three-sided, two-foot long triangular tube, that can be used with full swings, chipping and with putting. The Ontrac pod (www.ontracgolf.com) sits on the ground either outside or inside your swing line, and can help with both takeaway and swing path. You can place it in a sand bunker, pile some sand on it, and voila, you have a perfect sand explosion trainer. This compact device even comes with its own folding putting mirror that you place on the ground for instant eye and shoulder alignment feedback. I found it to be an excellent guide to help keep my putter square to the line on shorter putts, inside of eight feet.

Most fully stocked golf retail stores carry swing aid and training products, as do catalog and online merchandisers like Golfsmith and The Golf Warehouse. Another good source for practice equipment is www.golfaroundtheworld.com. If you really want to overload on golf training gizmos and gimmicks simply watch the Golf Channel during the day, and snooze through the infomercials. The bottom line is that some of these tools are really great, and others are junk. We report, you decide.

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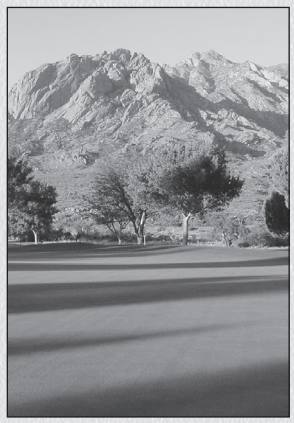

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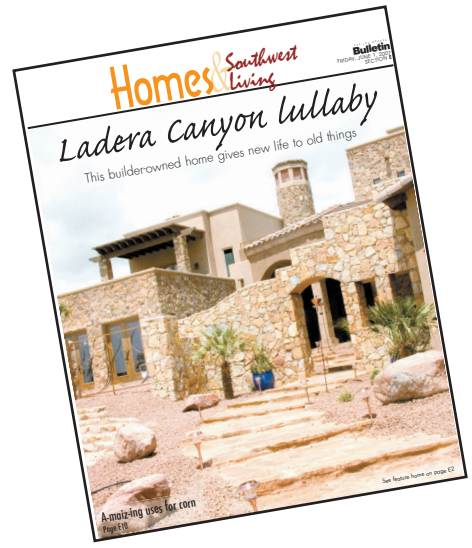

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Who's the best roundball team to come from NMSU?

Pete makes picks for the tops in basketball

PETE
Pete's Ponderings

Ole Pete has put out the campfire for the summer and is sittin' in the shade of a Mexican elder tree these days, ponderin' about which Aggie basketball team could be called the most successful. Not just in terms of wins but lookin' at all of the variables that can mean success in the world of sports and the rest of life itself.

It would be easy to say the Final Four team from 1970 was the most successful with 27 wins and a trio of guys who eventually played in the NBA. Jimmy Collins also coached his Illinois-Chicago Flames into the NCAA postseason and Charley Cross is now a big shot with Turner Broadcasting. John Burgess and Chito Reyes have been strong leaders in various school situations and Roy Neal is a member of the police force back in New York.

A strong contender in Pete's mind is the Aggies' 1999 conference champion and NCAA entrant. There were five pros on that team, one minister, a couple of school teachers and a Donald Trump in the making that all suited up in the Crimson and White. To refresh your memories, Charles Gosa, Daveeno Hines, Billy Keyes, Eric Channing and Mikko Noopila all played or are still playin' pro ball eight years after that championship year. Noopila has retired from the play for pay routine and is working in the local banking industry while raising his daughter Maja alongside his bride Mari.

Channing, Keyes and Gosa were among the top 20 Aggies as determined by the fans vote. Add to that Aaron Brodt, Brad Bestor and Zach Norvell. Brodt did not have the deft offense shooting touch that was needed, but he is busy making his clients fortunes grow in his home of Scottsdale. Brodt was a top student even though he was dyslexia. Bestor had a major role in two of the team's most stirring wins – the '99 title game versus Boise State and a come from behind victory at UTEP the following year. When Bestor got into a shooting groove draining three pointers there was no stopping him. Bestor is now a high school teacher and coach in Milwaukee and like Brodt, Keyes and Noopila, has married and is enjoying a calmer way of life.

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When the Aggies had Billy Keyes, they had lots of victories. He continues to toil in Europe while his wife and children keep the home fires burning in the off season for the likeable Chicago native. Reverend Channing played a couple of years of pro hoops in Europe and now is saving souls rather than wearin' them out on the hardwoods. Daveeno remains a quiet man grabbing rebounds and a pro check overseas, and Norvell works with kids in the Chi-town school system. There is a lot more to making a living and that is making a life. This group of Aggies seems to be succeeding in a big way.

PETE

Welcome to Aggie Country

NMSU Marketing Department prepares to get local businesses as team members

JACK NIXON
Jack's Corner

Fans get ready for "Aggie Country." It is a lot healthier than Marlboro Country but the athletics department hopes it is just as habit forming. "Aggie Country" is an attempt to galvanize the business community and fans on game day. Starting soon, the marketing department will be talking to businesses about the promotion, which involves hoisting an "Aggie Country" logo flag on all game days. Having employees wear shirts that sport the brand and other logo type reminders that will reinforce the fact that game day is here and it is time for fans to head to the stadium, the arena, the field or wherever to support New Mexico State's teams.

The idea was hatched in meetings led by interim marketing coordinator Bump Elliott and conceptually designed by alumni Aaron Villalobos. After getting the design specifics approved by the powers that be, launch time is set for the summer months.

> "... all of the indicators of enthusiasm for the Aggies' product have never been higher ..."

After years of traveling to places like Auburn, Ala., Gainesville, Fla., and Lawrence, Kan., and seeing those towns turned out in school colors and pride the idea resonated that, "We can do that here."

The cost to business owners is the production of the flags, shirts and other items, and the hope is that there will be a greater sense of stewardship in the home team. This is something that Artesia has been doing for several years for its Bulldogs high school teams. If you visit the southeastern New Mexico town on a Friday, there isn't anything left to your imagination about what is going on.

Too often NMSU students and adult fans alike have remained unaware of when the games are being played despite heavy coverage in the local media and publicity on campus. The sight of the "Aggie Country" logo on the fore front when you are getting a sandwich or a tube of tooth paste will act as a less than subliminal reminder of the existence of the Aggies being in action.

An old idea is about to be resurrected as well. The crimson light in the tower of Joe Skeen Hall was supposed to shine after every school victory but somewhere along the way it was never fully implemented by the school. Timing is everything and all of the indicators of enthusiasm for the Aggies' product have never been higher across the board. It is another example of getting the pump primed to catch all of the new residents who have allegiances to teams where they came from but are willing to add NMSU to their rooting favorites since they have put roots in the Mesilla Valley desert.

The new wave of leadership continues to massage the beaches of indifference of the laid back town. Catch the drift or you'll be left at the dock watching the ship sail out to the victory party.

LCAT

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workload increases and they learn to deal with it step by step. By the time they reach high school, it's old hat."

Recently, 11 LCAT swimmers competed in a sectionals competition in Seattle, including teen-aged standouts such as Rachel Dixon, Jorgi Hobson, Sheila Salopek, Josh Thomson and two of Muncie's young assistant coaches – Alex Reed and Luke Egnaczak.

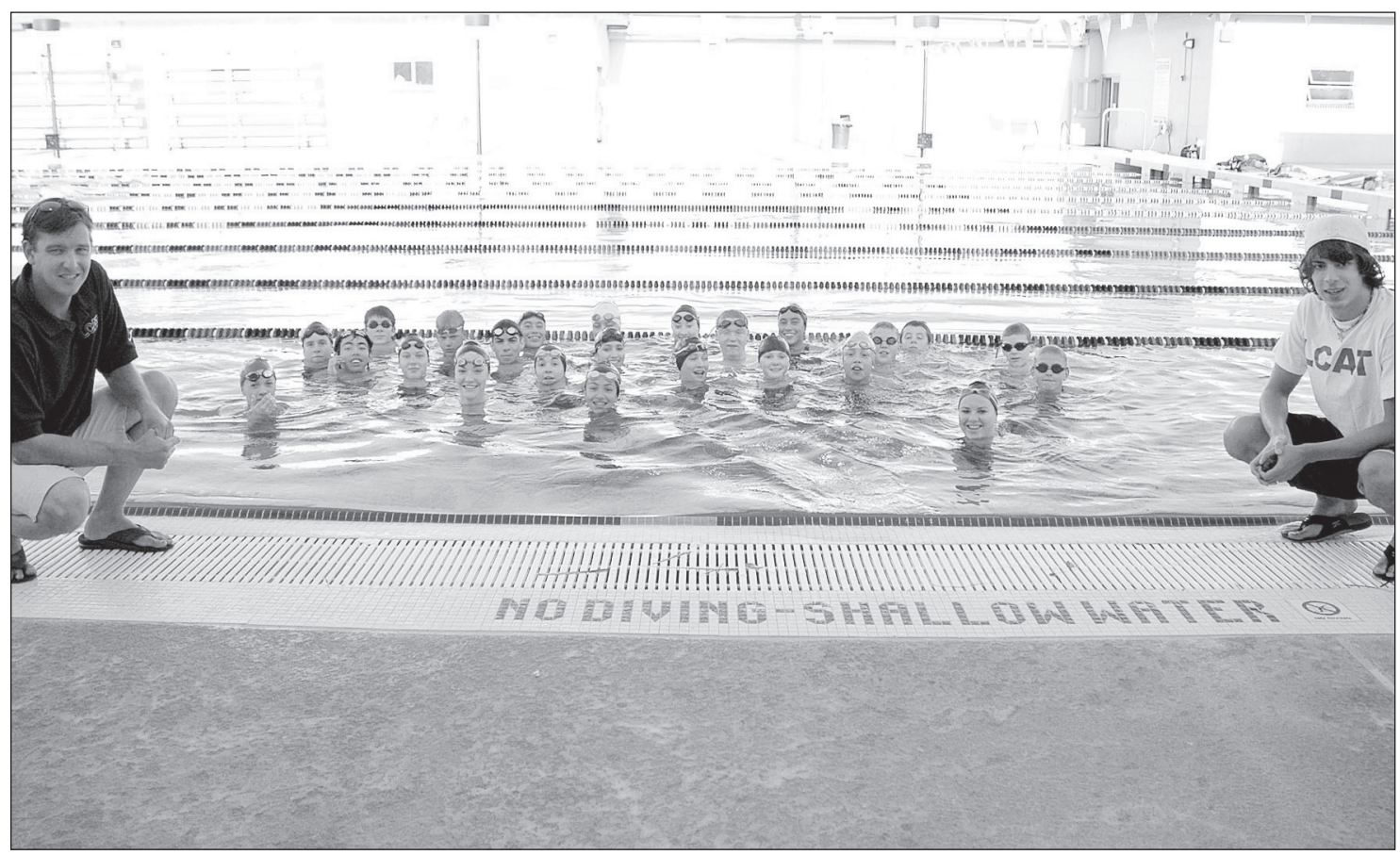
"It was a tough meet and few kids qualify for that," Muncie said. "It was a good experience for all of them."

Muncie said education is a key component to helping the LCAT improve on a state and regional level and New Mexico improve on a national level.

"People don't understand what goes into competitive swimming," he said. "Swimming is sort of pushed aside and then every four years, everyone tunes in to watch the Olympics. They forget that these athletes have been training every day for the past four years."

Muncie says there's a sense of pride in being a swimmer in the U.S., whether you are a member of a local club team or the Olympic team.

"USA swimming is undefeated in the past 45 years," he said. "Nobody beats us in the medal count. We're all on the same team and it's the best team in the world. There are only a select few that represent us."



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Las Cruces Aquatic Team coaches Sean Muncie and Alex Reed kneel in front of their team at the NMSU swimming pool.

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White Sands Golf Club, the ultimate getaway course

Voted Sun Country's best nine-hole facility

By John Keith
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Mark Sanders, the pro at White Sands Golf Club, calls it the "road course."

An attractive getaway for Las Cruces area players who want a quick trip to tee it up in foreign surroundings.

"Number one, it's a short drive from town," he said. "Number two, it's an attractive layout. A beautiful setting with the Organ Mountains as a backdrop. You won't find any course that's prettier than this one."

Nor one with a similar personality. Par is 73. The course plays 6,822 yards and features 11 holes instead of the usual 18.

Sitting quietly at the base of of the Organ's east side, the fairways are flat, tree-lined and green. "Very walkable," Sanders said.

Occasionally you'll hear gunfire, compliments of the National Guard practicing on a nearby firing range. Aside from that, it's golf in uncrowded, peaceful conditions.

"The greens are tough but fair," Sanders said. "And we're putting in a new state-of-the-art sprinkler system in September using a good water conservation plan."

> "You won't find any course that's prettier than this one."
>
> MARK SANDERS, White Sands Golf Club Pro

Why the 11 holes? Simply put, the powers that be decided to move the clubhouse years ago. Eleven holes was the best solution for the new configuration. Golfers play holes 1 through 7 twice.

We're talking a golf course used to change. "In 1978, when we were a nine-hole course, a flood took out six holes," Sanders said. "We were forced to play three holes three times.

"After several changes, we finally settled on our current configuration in 2003."

The course is approximately a 40-minute drive east of Las Cruces on Highway 70 and located on the White Sands Missle Range. It opened to the public three years ago.

Golfers must show a driver's license, proper identification and proof of automobile insurance at the gate.

Sanders welcomes club tournaments as well as individual play. "We have a restaurant, bar, a pro shop with all the equipment golfers need. There's housing on the base for those wishing to stay overnight and play another day," he said.

"For tournaments, we can cater hamburgers or steak dinners, whichever you choose."

The golf course features full practice facilities, complete with driving range, putting and chipping greens.

The course was built "sometime in the 1960s," Sanders said. "It's still ranked as the Sun Country's best nine-hole course even though you play 11 holes."

The golf course is open Tuesday through Sunday each week. The hours are 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on weekends.

Greens fees cost $18 weekdays and $20 on weekends. Carts are $12 per person.

"Once we get you here, you'll want to come back," Sanders said. "I guarantee it."

For tee times and information, golfers should call 678-1759.

NIKI RHYNES I The Las Cruces Bulletin

The greens are well groomed and difficult, but treat the average golfer fairly. See more photos on the following page.

The fairways are flat and tree lined.

The clubhouse features a restaurant, bar and a pro shop with state-of-the-art equipment.

PHOTOS BY NIKI RHYNES

Mark Sanders is the pro and director of golf.

The White Sands Golf Course sits below the east face of the Organ Mountains. It is a picturesque site and lends to the ambience of the 11-hole course.

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

BINGHAM INVESTMENTS, INC., Plaintiff,

v.

MARIA CARMEN SIZEMORE, Defendant.

Cause No. CV- 2006- 02053
Judge Robert E. Robles

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on June 5, 2007 at 10:00 a.m., at the east entrance of the Doña Ana County District Court, located at 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the following described real estate [and personalty] located in said County and State:
Lot 33L, Block 11, ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND & TRUST CO. SUBDIVISION "C" AMENDMENT NO. ONE OF THE PART OF BLOCK 11, 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. 668 on June 6, 1966 in Book 9 Page(s) 97 of Plat Records,
The Property is more commonly known as 5230 Apache Trail, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88012. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Default Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure In Rem entered on April 25, 2007, in the above-entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and 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 $64,594.71 (including interest to the date of sale at the rate of 12.95% per annum), plus costs of sale, and a reasonable Special Master's fee. The 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 sale. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled atthe discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the above-described real estate and improvements located on such real estate will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein and all recorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

DATED at Las Cruces, New Mexico, this 7 day of May, 2007.

/s/M. Lea Brownfield
M. Lea Brownfield,
Special Master
P.O. Box 57
Mesilla, New Mexico 88046
Telephone (505) 524-4924

Submitted by:
Kelly P. Albers
LAW OFFICE OF KELLY P. ALBERS, P.C.
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Pub # 6384
Dates 5/11, 5/18, 5/25, 6/1, 2007

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

No. 0307CV200602195

MATRIX FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION, Plaintiff,

vs.

CHRIS SCANLON; NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHRIS SCANLON, IF ANY, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on June 13, 2007, at 10:00 A.M., Front Entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State: LOT 1D, BLOCK 11, ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND & TRUST CO. SUBDIVISION "C" AMENDMENT NO. ONE OF PART OF BLOCK ELEVEN, 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 JUNE 6, 1966, RECORDED IN BOOK 9, PAGE(S) 97, PLAT RECORDS, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
The address of the real property is 1609 Costales Trail, Las Cruces, NM 88012. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on April 24, 2007, 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 $68,056.97, plus interest from April 20, 2007 to the date of sale at the rate of 5.86% 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: 5/3/2007

Pamela Carmody
Special Master c/o Castle Meinhold & Stawiarski
13725 Struthers Road,
Suite 201
Colorado Springs, CO 80921
(800) 286-0013
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Scanlon, Chris; P291199

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

No. CV-2007-330

BANK OF NEW YORK, as Trustee for the Certificateholders CWABS, Inc., Asset-backed Certificates, Series 2006-6, Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN A. TARRO, aka JOHN TARRO; WANDA R. TARRO; AMERICAN GENERAL FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.; and JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), tenants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 6, 2007, 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 1500 San Acacio Street, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:
LOT 4 IN BLOCK M, COUNTRY CLUB PARK SUBDIVISION NUMBER THREE, 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. 564 ON 12/29/1961 IN BOOK 1 PAGE(S) 60 OF PLAT RECORDS.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on April 27, 2007, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $174,210.27 and the same bears interest at 9.650% per annum from April 13, 2007 to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $2,533.21. 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
(505) 525-2711

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Dates 5/11, 5/18, 5/25, 6/1, 2007

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

Gary Roybal, Petitioner

vs.

Miranda Yanez, Respondent.

NO. DM 2007-93
Judge Murphy

**NOTICE OF SUIT
TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:**
You are hereby notified that a suit has been filed against you in the said Court and County by the above-named Petitioner, requesting a Divorce/Dissolution of Marriage on the grounds of incompatibility, and a division of property, debts, and a determination of child custody, visitation, and child support.

You must file a Response or responsive pleading within 30 days of the date of the last publication of this Notice or judgment by default will be entered against you and the relief requested in the Petition will be granted. Gary Roybal, 999 W. Amador, las Cruces, NM 88005.

WITNESS the Honorable Mike Murphy, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 1 day of May , 2007.

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
BY: ELSA GOMEZ
DEPUTY

Pub #6391
Dates 5/11, 5/18, 5/25, 6/1, 2007

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 13, 2007, Fletcher Farms, Inc., 6105 Shalem Colony Trail, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007 filed application numbered LRG-863 POD6 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-863-S-2 located in the NE 1/4 SE 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 20, Township 22 South, Range 1 East, NMPM on land owned by the applicant and drilling a replacement well to a depth of 400 feet with 18-inch casing to be located in the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 20, Township 22 South, Range 1 East, NMPM 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, supplemental to surface water rights on file with the Elephant Butte lITigation District for the continued irrigation of 485.0 acres of land owned by the applicant located in the NW 1/4 NE 1/4 and SE 1/4 of projected Section 20, Township 22 South, Range 1 East, NMPM and in the NW 1/4 NE 1/4 SE 1/4 and SW l/4 of projected Section 21, Township 22 South, Range 1 East, NMPM and in the SW 1/4 and NW 1/4 of projected Section 16, Township 22 South, Range 1 East, NMPM, as described in Subfile Number LRN-28-004-0008 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The proposed replacement well site is located north of Las Cruces, New Mexico and may be found approximately 2,200 feet southwest of the intersection of Trails End Road and Zorro Trail. Old well LRG-863-S-2 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 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 505-524-6160. 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# 6395
Dates 5/18, 5/25, 6/1, 2007

NOTICE is hereby given that on April 25, 2007, Barry Masters, 106 S. Hwy 28, Anthony, NM 88021, filed application numbered LRG-14136-POD 2 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by abandoning existing well LRG-14136-POD 1, also known as LRS18-0141 as shown on Map No. LRS-19 of the Hydrographic Survey of the Lower Rio Grande and located within the NE 1/4 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 of Section 34, Township 27 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, on land owned by Barbara Poth and drilling replacement well no. LRG-14136-POD 2 to a depth of 140 feet with a 8-inch casing to be located within the SE 1/4 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 of said Section 34, on land owned by the applicant for the irrigation of 18 acres of land situated in the NE 1/4 of said Section 34 as claimed under file LRG-14136. Ground water rights are supplemental to surface rights on record with Elephant Butte Irrigation District. The proposed replacement well site will be placed south of the unincorporated town of Anthony and at the physical address of 106 S. Hwy 28. The old well shall be retained for other rights.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impair-

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ment, 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 how 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. Facsimile's 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. Protest can be faxed to 505-524-6160. If no valid protest is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with NMSA 1978 Sections 72-2-16, 72-12-3.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2007-275
Judge: JERALD A. VALENTINE

CITY OF LAS CRUCES, ex rel., LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.
ERNESTINA LUNA, DAVID LUNA MANCHA, and 1988 FORD TAURUS, Brown; VIN: 1FABP5241KG153519 New Mexico License Plate No. HHN 084, Respondent(s).

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: David Luna Mancha, the above named Respondent.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1988 Ford Taurus, Brown, VIN: 1FABP5241KG153519, New Mexico License Plate No. HHN 084.
2. You are a named Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.
3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.
CITY OF LAS CRUCES
By: Harry S. (Pete) Connelly
Deputy City Attorney
P.O. Box 20000
Las Cruces, NM 88004
505-541-2128
Attorney for Petitioner

Pub# 6397
Dates 5/18, 5/25, 6/1, 2007

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2007-478
Judge: JERALD A. VALENTINE

CITY OF LAS CRUCES, ex rel., LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.
MIGUEL OR EMMA DURAN, and MICHAEL DURAN, 1993 CHEVROLET LUMINA, White; VIN: 2G1WL54T5P257540 New Mexico License Plate No. CWK-820, Respondent(s).

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Miguel Duran, Emma Duran and Michael Duran, the above named Respondents.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1993 Chevrolet Lumina, White, VIN: 2G1WL54T5P257540 New Mexico License Plate No. CWK-820.
2. You are the named Respondents for whom this service by publication is sought.
3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.
CITY OF LAS CRUCES
By: Harry S. (Pete) Connelly
Deputy City Attorney
PO Box 20000
Las Cruces, NM 88004 505-541-2128
Attorney for Petitioner

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Dates 5/18, 5/25, 6/1, 2007

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2007-476
Judge: JERALD A. VALENTINE

CITY OF LAS CRUCES, ex rel., LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.
MARIE MADRID, JOSE HERRERA, and 1988 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS, Black VIN: 2MEBM75F9JX678136 New Mexico License Plate No. HAY 584 Respondent.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Marie Madrid and Jose Herrera, the above named Respondent.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1998 Mercury Grand Marquis, Black; VIN: 2MEBM75F9JX678136.
2. You are named Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.
3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

CITY OF LAS CRUCES
By: Harry S. (Pete) Connelly
Deputy City Attorney
PO Box 20000
Las Cruces, NM 88004 505-541-2128
Attorney for Petitioner

Pub# 6399
Dates 5/18, 5/25, 6/1, 2007

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-06-1239
Judge Valentine
CITY OF LAS CRUCES, ex rel., LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.
DISCOUNT TOWING, QUINTON PETROSS, and 1991 CHEVROLET GEO METRO, Blue; VIN: 2C1MR6469M6712526; New Mexico License Plate No. TEMP DEALER, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Quinton Petross, the above named Respondent.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1991 CHEVROLET GEO METRO, Blue; VIN: 2C1MR6469M6712526; New Mexico License Plate No. TEMP DEALER.
2. You are a named Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.
3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.
CITY OF LAS CRUCES
By: Harry S. (Pete) Connelly
Deputy City Attorney
PO Box 20000
Las Cruces, NM 88004
505-541-2128
Attorney for Petitioner

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NOTICE is hereby given that on April 6, 2007, David A. and Maria A. Trujillo, 211 Blue Sky Lane, Mesilla Park, NM 88047, filed application numbered LRG-1192 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 existing well LRG-1192 located in the SW 1/4 SW 1/4 NW 1/4 of projected Section 4, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, NMPM on land owned by Bill and Mary Smith, and drilling a replacement well to be located in the NE 1/4 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 of said Section 4, located on land owned by the applicant for the continued declared diversion of 6.30 acre-feet per annum claimed supplemental to surface water rights on file with the EBID for the irrigation of 1.26 acres of land owned by the applicant located in the NW 1/4 of said Section 4 as described in Subfile Order No.: LRS-28-002-0128 of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County. The proposed replacement well site is located south of Mesilla Park, NM and may be found at the physical address of 211 Blue Sky Lane. Old well LRG-1192 will be retained for other rights.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show that you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 505-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA 1978.

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Dates 5/18, 5/25, 6/1, 2007

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-06-1541
Judge Jerald A. Valentine

CHARTER BANK, a federally chartered savings bank, Plaintiff,

vs.

ROY W. MAST AND PATRICIA A. MAST, Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on June 21, 2007, at 10:00 a.m., in front of the main door of the Third Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash at the time of the sale all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the following described real estate located in the above-named County and State:
A 2.50 acre tract of land situate in Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 3 E., N.M.P.M., of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys, east of the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and being more particularly described as follows to wit:
BEGINNING at a found iron rod for the northeast corner of the tract herein described, BEING IDENTICAL to the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of the aforementioned Section 5;
THENCE S 01 degrees 08 minutes 26 seconds E, 331.40 feet to the southeast corner of the tract herein described, marked by a found iron rod;
THENCE S 89 degrees 58 minutes 17 seconds W, 328.99 feet to the southwest corner of the tract herein described, marked by a found iron rod;
THENCE N 01 degrees 09 minutes 45 seconds W, 332.50 feet along the centerline of a 60 foot road and utility easement known as Coyote Road to the northwest corner of the tract herein described;
THENCE N 89 degrees 50 minutes 15 seconds W, 329.14 feet along the east line of a concrete lined ditch to the place and point of beginning, containing 2.50 acre of land, more or less, and subject to easements of record and such as may exist on the ground.

The address of the real estate is 6580 Coyote Road, Las Cruces, New Mexico. The sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on March 5, 2007, in the above-entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by Plaintiff and where Plaintiff was granted judgment and has a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of $119,883.19 (including interest to the date of sale), plus additional costs and attorney's fees necessary to protect the real estate, together with costs of sale including a reasonable Special Master's fee. Plaintiff has the right to submit any respective bids verbally or in writing. Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the sale may be postponed and re-scheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

Notice is further given that the real property and improvements will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the county assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

Notice is further given that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale will be null and void. The successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and Plaintiff shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

Notice is further given that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to any rights of redemption provided by applicable law.

DATED at Las Cruces, New Mexico, on May 10, 2007.

John A. Darden III,
Special Master
P.O. Box 578
Las Cruces, New Mexico
88004-0578
(505) 541-6655

Submitted by:
VOGEL CAMPBELL & BLUEHER, P.C.
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Dates 5/18, 5/25, 6/1, 6/8, 2007

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

No. D0307CV200700480

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE STRUCTURED ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION, SERIES 2005-GEL4, Plaintiff,

vs.

JORGE AGUIRRE; GE MONEY BANK; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JORGE AGUIRRE, IF ANY, Defendant(s).

AMENDED NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant(s): Jorge Aguirre; The Unknown Spouse of Jorge Aguirre, if any. GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 2520 Waltz Lane, Las Cruces, NM 88007, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as: LOT 3 IN BLOCK D OF WEST PICACHO ESTATES SUBDIVISION PHASE III, LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON DECEMBER 15, 2000 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 19 AT PAGES 563-564, PLAT RECORDS. Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before July 2, 2007, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted,
CASTLE MEINHOLD & STAWIARSKI
By: Karen Howden Weaver
Sharon Hankla Karen Howden Weaver
13725 Struthers Road, Suit 201
Colorado Springs, CO 80921
800-286-0013;
(719) 634-4868
Attorney for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable JERALD A. VALENTINE, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, of the Third Judicial District Of New Mexico Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, this 4th day of May, 2007.

Nadine Sanchez
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
By: Oralia B. Frietze Deputy

07-0277/Aguirre, Jorge;
P293185

Pub# 6405
Dates 5/18, 5/25, 6/1, 2007

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 15, 2006, Frank Paul Salopek, Kary Samuel Salopek, Gregory Vide and the Frank and Oleta Salopek Trust, of 4915 Snow Road, Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-1940-POD12 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County. Well LRG-1940-S-2, located within the NW 1/4 SW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 7, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, is to be abandoned and a new (replacement) well is to be drilled on land owned by the applicants to a depth of 600 ft with a 18-inch casing in the NW 1/4 SW 1/4 NW 1/4 of said Section 7. Replacement well LRG-1940-POD12 will continue to supplement surface water and existing wells LRG-1940, LRG-1940-S, LRG-1940-S-3 and LRG-1940-S-4 for the continued claimed diversion of shallow groundwater for the irrigation of 310.876 acres of land owned by the applicants and located in said Section 7, Section 12, Township 24 South, Range 1 East, and, Section 6, Township 24 South, Range 2 East and also identified in the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey as Subfile Nos.:
LRS-28-001-0091, LRS-28-001-0097 and LRS-28-001-0105. The proposed replacement well is located at the physical address of 4905 Snow Road.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this notice. Facsimile's 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 505-524-6160. If no valid protest is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with NMSA 1978 Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3.

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Dates 5/18, 5/25, 6/1, 2007

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2007-302

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.

JAMES P. HARRIS, aka JAMES HARRIS; and JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), tenants,

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Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 20, 2007, 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 1855 Hot Peppers Road, Chaparral, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:
Lot PT 34, MOUNTAIN VIEW ESTATES (UNIT ONE), 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. 693 on 7/22/1968 in Book 10 Page(s) 30 of Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on April 27, 2007, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $170,744.12 and the same bears interest at 6.500% per annum from March 30, 2007 to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $2,523.74. 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
(505) 525-2711

Pub #6389
Dates 5/25, 6/1, 6/8, 6/15, 2007

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2006-1245
Judge: VALENTINE

CITY OF LAS CRUCES, ex rel., LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.

ANDREA CASANOVA also known as Andrea R. Osborn, ANTONIO C. ALANIZ and, 1988 Oldsmobile Cutlass, White; VIN: 2G3AM5136J2305226; New Mexico License Plate No. HSL 935, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Antonio C. Alaniz, the above named Respondent.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1988 Oldsmobile Cutlass, White, VIN: 2G3AM5136J2305226, New Mexico License Plate No. HSL 935.

2. You are the named Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.
CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: Harry S. (Pete) Connelly
Deputy City Attorney
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Las Cruces, NM 88004
505-541-2128
Attorney for Petitioner

Pub #6411
Dates 5/25, 6/1, 6/8, 2007

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2006-1414
Judge: VALENTINE

CITY OF LAS CRUCES, ex rel., LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.

LILLY ESTRADA, SILVESTRE GOMEZ and, 1999 SATURN COUPE, White; VIN 1G8ZF5281XZ174939 New Mexico License Plate No. GSG 026, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Lilly Estrada and Silvestre Gomez, the above named Respondents.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1999 Saturn Coupe, White, VIN: 1G8ZF5281XZ174939, New Mexico License Plate No. GSG 026.

2. You are the named Respondents for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.
CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: Harry S. (Pete) Connelly
Deputy City Attorney
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Attorney for Petitioner

Pub #6412
Dates 5/25, 6/1, 6/8, 2007

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-06-1411
Judge: JERALD A. VALENTINE

CITY OF LAS CRUCES, ex rel., LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.

ROLANDO J. GONZALES, CORONADO FINANCE, and 1979 GMC SIERRA C25 PICKUP, White; VIN: TCL249Z530715; New Mexico License Plate No. DWX 063, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Rolando J. Gonzales, the above named Respondent.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1979 GMC Sierra C25 Pickup, White.

2. You are a named Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: Harry S. (Pete) Connelly
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Attorney for Petitioner

Pub #6413
Dates 5/25, 6/1, 6/8, 2007

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

No. PB 07-37
Judge Robles

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BEATRICE WALKER-DAVIS, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative or filed with the Clerk of the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Ste. A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

/s/GEORGE E. DIAZ
GEORGE E. DIAZ
Personal Representative of the estate of BEATRICE WALKER-DAVIS
2 Plaza Drive
Ormond Beach, FL 32176
(386)441-3819

RAY SAGE LAW FIRM, P.C.
Attorneys for the Personal Representative
P.O. Box 6790
Las Cruces, NM 88006
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By:/s/Ray O. Sage
Ray O. Sage

Pub #6414
Dates 5/25, 6/1, 6/2007

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

No. PB 07-36
Judge Valentine

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM JOHN DAVIS, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative or filed with the Clerk of the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Ste. A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

/s/George E. Diaz
George E. Diaz
Personal Representative of the estate of William John Davis
2 Plaza Drive
Ormond Beach, FL 32176
(386) 441-3819

RAY SAGE LAW FIRM, P.C.
Attorney for the Personal Representative
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Las Cruces, NM 88006
(505) 523-7411
By: /s/Ray O. Sage
Ray O. Sage

Pub #6415
Dates 5/25, 6/1, 2007

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

Cause #PB-2007-62
Judge Robles

In the matter of the estate of: YVETTE J. WALL, deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that undersigned has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative, Nancy Hemandez in care of The Pickett Law Firm, P. O. Box 1239, Las Cruces, NM 88004, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, Cause PB-2007-62 , 201 W. Picacho, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

DATED this May 16, 2007.

/s/Nancy Hernandez
Nancy Hernandez
3924 Stern Dr.
Las Cruces, NM 88001
Personal Representative

THE PICKETT LAW FIRM
Attorneys at Law
P. O. Box 1239
Las Cruces, NM 88004-1239
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/s/LAWRENCE M. PICKETT
LAWRENCE M. PICKETT
Attorney for Personal Representative

Pub #6416
Dates 5/25, 6/1, 2007

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

No. PH 2007-58
Judge Valentine

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALBERT A. FRENCH, SR., DECEASED.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Albert A. French, Sr., deceased, and all persons having claims against said Estate are required to present their claims within two [2] months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned in care of Kenneth L. Beal, Attorney at Law, P. O. Box 725, Las Cruces, NM 88004, or filed with the Clerk of the above entitled Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

/s/Gloria A. Veneziano
Gloria A. Veneziano
1520 Ray Dr.
Burlingame, CA 94010

Pub #6417
Dates 5/25, 6/1, 2007

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

No. D0307CV200700705

MIDFIRST BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.

MARGARET L. KRIBS; PATRICK K. FORTSON; CHARLES WALK; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHARLES WALK, IF ANY, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SUIT STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant: The Unknown Spouse of Charles Walk, if any.

GREETINGS: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 5821 Sandpiper Dr, Santa Teresa, NM 88008, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as: Lot 44 Casas Lindas Subdivision, in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the county clerk of said county on February 27, 1987, as Plat No. 1565, in book 14 pages 337 and 338 of Plat Records. Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before July 9, 2007, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted,
CASTLE MEINHOLD & STAWIARSKI
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Sharon Hankla
Karen Howden Weaver
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800-286-0013;
(719) 634-4868
Attorney for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable JERALD A. VALENTINE, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, of the Third Judicial District Of New Mexico Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, this 7th day of May, 2007.

Nadine Sanchez CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT By: Peggy R. Brock Deputy 07-0335/Walk, Charles; P293453

Pub #6418
Dates 5/25, 6/1, 6/8, 2007

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-2006-1412
Judge: JERALD A. VALENTINE

CITY OF LAS CRUCES, ex rel., LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,
vs.

ANGELICA R. GARCIA, TERESSA GARCIA, AND 1995 MERCURY XR7, Green; VIN 1MELM6247SH623316; New Mexico License Plate No. GZA 994, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Angelica R. Garcia and Teressa Garcia, the above named Respondents.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1995 Mercury XR7, Green.

2. You are the named Respondents for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: Harry S. (Pete) Connelly
Deputy City Attorney
PO Box 20000
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505-541-2128
Attorney for Petitioner

Pub #6420
Dates 5/25, 6/1, 6/8, 2007

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NO: DM-2007-00209
JUDGE: James T. Martin

LEGAL NOTICES

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**Victoria L. Sherman,
Petitioner,**

vs.

**Chancey D. Sherman,
Respondent.**

NOTICE OF CIVIL ACTION PENDING THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

TO: Chancey D. Sherman

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Civil Action is now pending in the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, in and for Doña Ana County, wherein Victoria L. Sherman, is the Petitioner and you are the Respondent. The general objects of said action are to obtain a decree of said Court dissolving the marriage now existing between you and Petitioner.

Unless you file an answer to this action on or before the time allowed by law, judgment will be rendered against you by default and the relief prayed for by the Petitioner will be granted.

The address of the Petitioner is 3260 Hillrise Dr., Las Cruces, New Mexico 88011.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court, this 10 day of May, 2007.

NADINE SANCHEZ
NADINE SANCHEZ
DISTRICT COURT
ADMINISTRATOR

Pub #6421
Dates 5/25, 6/1, 6/8, 2007

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

No. D0307CV200601041

**WACHOVIA BANK,
N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR
THE REGISTERED
HOLDERS OF GSRPM
2004-1, MORTGAGE
PASS-THROUGH
CERTIFICATES, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**SHERON E. PICKAR;
PATRICIA KOLB; THE
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF
SHERON E. PICKAR, IF
ANY, Defendant(s).**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on June 28, 2007, at 10:00 A.M., Front Entrance to the Doña Ana County District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State: Lot 1, Block 1, DELARA ESTATES UNIT #1, in the county of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the county Clerk of said county as Plat No. 860 on 01/21/1977 in Book 12 Page(s) 89 of Plat Records. The address of the real property is 213 Jeanne Lane, Chaparral, NM 88021. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on September 19, 2006, 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 $49,838.54, plus interest from September 30, 2006 to the date of sale at the rate of 11.9% 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: May 22, 2007.

Pamela Carmody
Special Master

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Dates 5/25, 6/1, 6/8, 6/15, 2007

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

No. CV-2007-0401

**WELLS FARGO BANK,
N.A., as Trustee for
the Benefit of the
Certificateholders,
Park Place Securities,
Inc., Asset-backed Pass-
through Certificates
Series 2005-WCW2,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**RACHEL GARCIA
BANEGAS; ARTHUR
BANEGAS, aka ARTHUR
A. BANEGAS; TAXATION
AND REVENUE
DEPARTMENT OF THE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO;
and JOHN DOE and
JANE DOE, (true names
unknown), tenants,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 27, 2007, 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 3800 San Ysidro Road, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Parcel 1

A tract of land situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located in Section 35, T.22S., R.1E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys as U.S.R.S Tract 5-103B and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:
Beginning at a 1⁄2" iron rod set at the northeast intersection of San Ysidro Road running north and south and San Ysidro Road running east and west for the southwest corner of this tract, identical to the southeast corner of U.S.R.S. Tract 5-103B;

Thence from the point of beginning and along the easterly line of San Ysidro Road N.23°24'20"W., a distance of 61.00 feet to a point for the northwest corner of this tract;

Thence leaving the easterly line of San Ysidro Road N.66°55'23"E., a distance of 46.01 feet to a point for the northeast corner of this tract;

Thence S.23°25'08"E., a distance of 61.27 feet to a 1⁄2" iron rod found on the northerly line of San Ysidro Road for the southeast corner of this tract;

Thence along the northerly line of San Ysidro Road S.67°15'32"W., a distance of 46.03 feet to the point of beginning enclosing 0.064 acre of land, more or less.

Parcel 2

A tract of land situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located in Section 35, T.22S., R.1E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys as U.S.R.S. Tract 5-103D and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a point on the easterly line of San Ysidro Road for the southwest corner of this tract, whence the southwest corner of U.S.R.S. Tract 5-103B bears S.23°24'20"E., 61.00 feet;

Thence from the point of beginning along easterly line of San Ysidro Road N.23°24'20"W., a distance of 37.30 feet to a 1⁄2" iron rod found for the northwest corner of this tract;

Thence leaving the easterly line of San Ysidro Road N.66°35'40"E., a distance of 46.00 feet to a 1⁄2" iron rod found for the northeast corner of this tract;

Thence S.23°25'08"E., a distance of 37.56 feet to a point for the southeast corner of this tract;

Thence S.66°55'23"W., a distance of 46.01 feet to the point of beginning enclosing 0.039 acre of land, more or less.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on May 16, 2007, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $65,441.23 and the same bears interest at 9.250% per annum from April 19, 2007 to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $1,160.91. 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
(505) 525-2711

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Dates 6/1, 6/8, 6/15, 6/22, 2007

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

No. CV-2007-463
Judge: VALENTINE

**CITY OF LAS CRUCES,
ex rel., LAS CRUCES
POLICE DEPARTMENT,
Petitioner,**

vs.

**ESTHER PONCE,
ERIC J. PONCE,
and 1984 CADILLAC
ELDORADO, Yellow; VIN:
1G6AL5788EE649742; New
Mexico License Plate No.
HBG 003, Respondents.**

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Esther Ponce and Eric J. Ponce, the above named Respondents.

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2. You are the named Respondents for whom this service by publication is sought.

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CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: Harry S. (Pete) Connelly
Deputy City Attorney
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505-541-2128
Attorney for Petitioner

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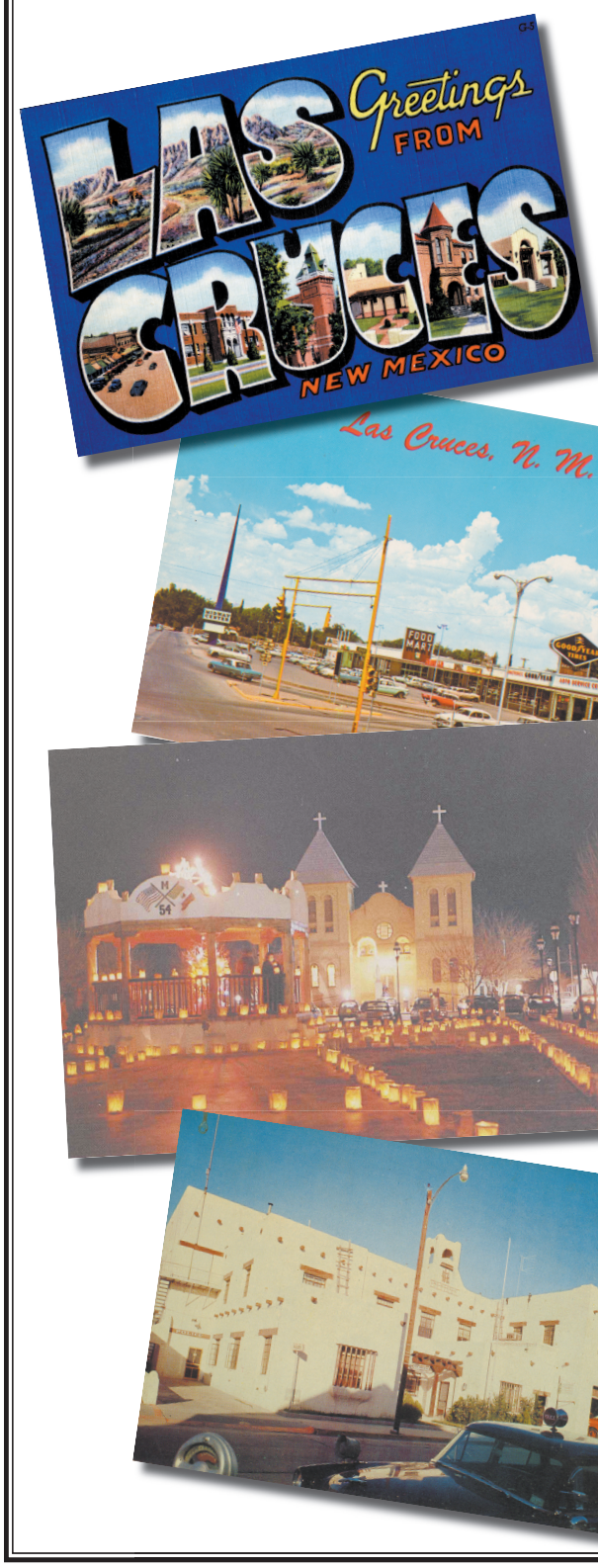

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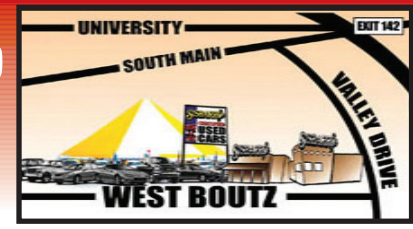

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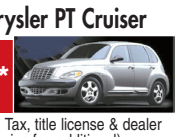
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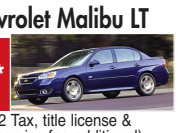
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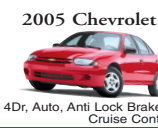
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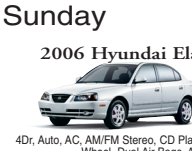
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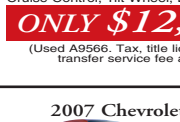
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Old World style in a mountainside home

Extraordinary appeal and unique details make this home a special find

By Melissa St. Aude
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Every house has a story that if it could talk, it would surely tell. But in builder Greg Green's Ladera Canyon house, the special details that comprise the home's interior – from the 100-year-old wooden doors leading to the media room to the antique stone pillars imported from India – each has its own story.

Green enjoys finding a special place in homebuilding for reclaimed materials and his own personal home, 5825 Ladera Canyon Road, is no exception. As he favors building in an Old World style, using reclaimed Old World pieces is a perfect fit.

"Our style of building sets us apart," Green said. "We're not afraid to try new things."

Green said that seeing the beauty in something that others might pass by, and using those things in his homes, gives him an edge. Such is the case with a pair of antique, hand-carved columns imported from India that frame the hammered copper bathtub in the master bathroom.

"When I saw these, they were dirty and covered in cobwebs," he said. "But I knew they were special."

Green designed his bathroom around the columns, using them as support for a Spanish-inspired tiled "roof" that covers the tub.

He said unique elements like the columns will often inspire a design, but other times, he will look for a place in the home that needs a unique touch.

Such was the case with the kitchen – a travertine-tiled room with slate-covered ceiling beams. Green said he wanted something unique that would add character and allow for a transition from the dining/living area to the kitchen. He found that unique something in a pair of antique wooden doors. Weather worn and marked with dents and scratches, Green saw the beauty and potential in the doors and placed them at the entrance of the kitchen.

"The doors were taken off a store," Green said. "The holes and marks are from nails that posters and notices hung on. That's the story that goes with the doors – I don't know if that's true or not, but I like the story."

Green's house is filled with unique touches – antique wooden doors from a church in Mexico lead to the large theater-style media room, travertine-tiled steps lead to the office and Moroccan-inspired wine room and wrought iron flourishes abound.

In building his home, Green was inspired by the desert view and the lot's location at the base of the Organ Mountains. The view, he said, should play a vital role in any home. Green began his design with high ceilings throughout the home and large windows on the far side to capture the views and make them a focal point of several rooms. He also brought in elements of the outdoors inside. Floors

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This mountain side home of builder Greg Green and his wife Eileen, features an Old World style with unique details. See more featured home photos on pages E3, E6 and E7.

are hickory, many walls are slate tiled and brick and stone elements are incorporated throughout the house. Artistic faux finish is used on walls throughout the house to add depth, color and character.

"My brother does all the faux finishes in all our houses. He's an artist," Green said.

To highlight the iron-edged ceiling beams in the living room, Green built an interior balcony from the upper-level office that overlooks the lower floors.

As well as giving the home a sense of blending in with its natural surroundings, these elements also give the home a

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unique look and character.

So that the outdoors could be enjoyed to the fullest potential, Green built a covered back patio and included a grilling area behind the kitchen. He positioned the patio to take advantage of cool afternoon breezes. A pool is being constructed and artificial grass was installed for low maintanence.

Green designed the upper-level rooms, the office and wine room, each with its own private balcony, which offers spectacular views of the area.

The home is 5,825 square feet and has three bedrooms, a media room, office, wine room and fitness room, along with the kitchen, dining room and kitchen.

GL Green & Associates, which is run by Green and his business partner Caleb Neskahi, builds homes that range in price from $200,000 to more than $1 million.

To find their unique ideas, the partners travel extensively to other communities around the country and even to distant continents like Europe to study styles and trends.

"We do like the Old World style of building," Green said. "But we like to include our own style and tastes as well."

An interior upper-level balcony in the office overlooks the heart of the house, the living room and dining room.

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Antique doors from a church in Mexico lead to the home's media room, which Greg Green says is his favorite part of the home. It features a large screen, wooden beams, plush carpeting, ample seating and built-in copper side tables.

Mountain views are as much a part of this master suite as the hickory floors and floor-to-ceiling windows.

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Modern and efficient, this kitchen features granite counter tops, travertine-tile floors and slate-covered ceiling beams. It overlooks the back yard and patio.

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Gardening

TIP OF THE WEEK

By Gary Guzman

Shiny pines?

Look up in the sky, in the trees, it's a pine, it's glossy, it's shiny, it's squeaky clean. No, it's probably infested. Your tree is probably infested with aphids or scale. The shiny sticky stuff is called honeydew; it drips out of the insects and drops on the leaves or anything below it. Ants love this stuff. Sometimes a black powdery substance called sooty mold feeds off this and can weaken plants by blocking light that gets on the leaves. These insects can infest many other types of plants as well.

Sometimes you don't even have to look up at the tree. You can see the evidence on the ground, sidewalk, plants underneath, or even on your vehicle. It will show up as clear small droplets that harden on your car's surface. (Now that you know what it is you can rule out space alien waste!)

So your problem lies not in removing the honeydew but in removing the insects that cause it. There are sprays you can use, or you can use systemic insecticide that can be applied around the soil next to the trunk of your tree or shrub. Bayer has a new product that protects trees and shrubs for up to one year with only one application! A fall application is preferred for this, but it can be applied any time of year.

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LCHBA's Home Improvement and Lifestyles Show starts on Saturday

The Las Cruces Home Builders Association's Home Improvement and Lifestyle Show gets underway this weekend and with more than 90 exhibitors, organizers say this year's 25th anniversary will be a special event.

Anne Reveley of Custom Finishes and Interiors in Ruidoso is the show headliner.

Reveley, who grew up in El Paso, attended the New York City Retailing and Merchandising School where she learned color and fabric coordination and display techniques. Her mother, Cita Schuster, is a former art dealer and appraiser in the El Paso area and encouraged Reveley to develop her artistic side.

"My mother made me go to art classes after school and on Saturdays," Reveley said. "Now, I'm glad she did."

She has studied Italian art form techniques in Rome, Italy, and is an associate member of the Associatzione Culturale of Rome, Italy.

Reveley's company provides design and interior remodeling services, which includes a variety of painting techniques, custom window treatments and upholstery and real estate staging.

She will demonstrate faux painting on Saturday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and again from 1 to 2 p.m. and on Sunday from 11 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Guest appearances from New Mexico State University women's basketball head coach Darin Spence and several players are also planned.

Among the special displays planned for the event are a New Auto Center display planned by the Sisbarro Dealerships and a regional art show by the City of Artists Professional Association.

The show is a regional public marketplace designed to showcase area businesses related to home improvement and new home construction markets.

People who want to build a new home or are working on improving their existing one are invited to bring their project materials to the show to receive free advice from industry professionals.

Several big ticket item door prizes will be given away.

Anne Reveley of Custom Finishes and Interiors in Ruidoso will be the show headliner at the Las Cruces Home Builder Association's 25th annual Home Improvement and Lifestyle Show.

What to know if you go

When
- Saturday, June 2, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Sunday, June 3, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where
- Oñate High School, 6800 N Main. From State Highway 70, take the Mesa Grande exit.

Cost to attend
- Children under the age of 10 – free
- Senior citizens – $3
- All others – $4

Food
- Public food and beverage concession provided by Creative Foods of the Southwest

Highlights
- 90 exhibitor booths
- Show headliner is Anne Reveley who will demonstrate faux painting on stage
- Exhibitor give aways
- 25th anniversary celebration
- City of Artists Promotional Association regional art show
- Sisbarro Dealership's new auto center

CSI: Crime Solving Insects

Critter clues help investigators crack murder mysteries

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They can help solve murders by pinpointing the time and location of death, the month a crime was committed and chemicals ingested in a body. They also can help determine if there was abuse and even the circumstances of automobile accidents. Meet the newest brigade of crime fighters: insects.

Forensic entomology has been in existence for centuries, however, it has only in the past decade gained widespread application toward criminal investigations. The use of insects in murder cases and other crimes is becoming quite significant – with police, FBI and other crime investigators now being trained in this area.

The most forensically important insects are those that undergo incremental growth in larval form, such as the blow fly and beetle.

According to Fred Baxendale, member of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resource's forensic entomology team, insects are usually the first to arrive to the scene of a murder crime – sometimes as early as minutes after a person's death. Within 30 minutes, insects begin to lay eggs.

The growth and reproduction of cold-blooded insects correlates with temperatures in their surroundings. By observing the stage of insect development and matching temperatures with the weather station nearest the crime scene, forensic entomologists can very closely estimate the time of death. The accuracy of the forensic entomologist is very important as a difference in even three degrees in temperature could cause a variation of three or four days.

Insects can also help determine where someone was killed or if a body was moved after death, according to M. Lee Goff, entomologist and author of "A Fly for the Prosecution: How Insect Evidence Helps Solve Crimes." Different species of bugs are native to certain areas of the country, and some are characteristic to specific areas within a region. Goff believes that if someone finds evidence of "city" bugs in a person found in the country, you know the body was moved. Goff has helped solve cases where the blood inside an insect matched that of a rape suspect and has used maggots to detect nursing home abuse because a severely infested sore can reveal how long an elderly person was ignored.

According to Dr. Michael Weiss of North Dakota State University's Department of Entomology, maggots are especially helpful in detecting drugs and other chemicals when they can no longer be detected in a human. While traceable hints of various substances diminish as a corpse decomposes, they multiply as ingested by these insects.

Forensic entomologists have also been called onto the scenes of automobile accidents where the presence of bee stings or wasps have been suspected of cause and in perplexing accidents, remains of bugs impacted on parts of cars have been examined to determine location and direction of travel. For more information, visit www.forensic-entomologty.com.

Maggots are a tool used by investigators to detect nursing home abuse and chemicals in humans.

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Hands on home safety

A new survey by the national nonprofit Home Safety Council reveals that while the vast majority of U.S. adults think about home safety, most are not taking action to make their homes a safe environment. Results show only one-third (36 percent) of respondents said they have ever taken a safety action in their own home.

To help the public take action and make their homes safer, the Home Safety Council is providing simple steps families can follow to protect against the five leading causes of home injury: falls, poisonings, fires and burns, choking/suffocation and drowning. While many people feel safest in their homes, Home Safety Council research shows that nearly 20,000 deaths and 21 million medical visits occur on average each year from injuries in and around the home. In an effort to reduce the toll of home injuries, the Home Safety Council is issuing a national call to action and encouraging all families to be hands-on with home safety.

"Taking a hands-on approach to protect against the leading causes of home injury requires a daily commitment, but the actions we are encouraging families to take are simple and do not require a lot of time or money," said Meri-K Appy, Home Safety Council president. "Making even a few small changes today can go a long way toward improving safety and preventing injuries in the home."

Simple Tips to a Safer Home

Follow these simple steps to protect your family from the leading causes of home injury.

Prevent Falls

Have handrails on both sides of the stairs and steps.

Use baby gates at the top and bottom of the stairs if babies or toddlers live in or visit your home.

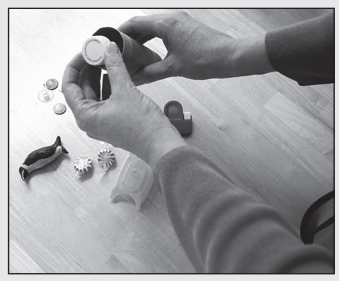
Prevent Poisonings

Lock poisons, cleaners, medications and all dangerous items in a place where children can't reach them.

Use medications carefully. Follow the directions. Use child resistant lids.

Prevent Choking and Suffocation

Things that can fit through a toilet paper tube can cause a young child to choke. Keep coins, latex balloons and hard round foods, such as peanuts and hard candy, out of children's reach.



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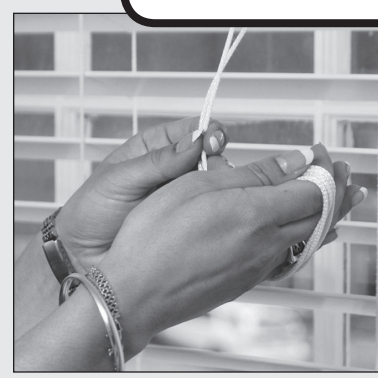

Water Safety

Stay within an arm's length of children in and around water. This includes bathtubs, toilets, pools and spas – even buckets of water.

Make sure your children always swim with a grown-up. No child or adult should swim alone.

Fire Safety

Have working smoke alarms and hold fire drills. If you build a new home, install fire sprinklers.

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This Moroccan-inspired wine room, with its sunset-hued walls, cozy fireplace and superb views, is Eileen Green's favorite room in the house.

To fully appreciate the mountain side setting, Greg Green designed his home with two upper-level balconies, including this rooftop one that is adjacent to the wine room.

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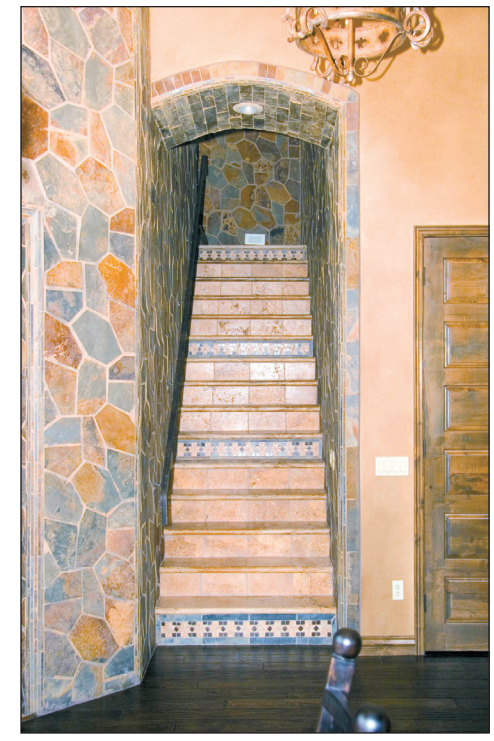
Featured Home: 5825 Ladera Canyon Road



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Travertine tiles imported from Mexico line the stairs that lead to the home's upper level wine room. Stone and brick add accent and detail.

Details

Location
5825 Ladera Canyon Road

Builder
GL Green & Associates

Square feet
5,600

Number of bedrooms
Three

Other rooms
Living room, dining area, kitchen, large media room with built-in copper side tables, fitness room, office and Moroccan-inspired wine room

Special features
This house was designed and built to look and feel at home in its desert surroundings. Use of stone, wood and other natural materials, along with floor-to-ceiling windows that allow for incredible views, add to the home's nature-inspired charm.

Special note
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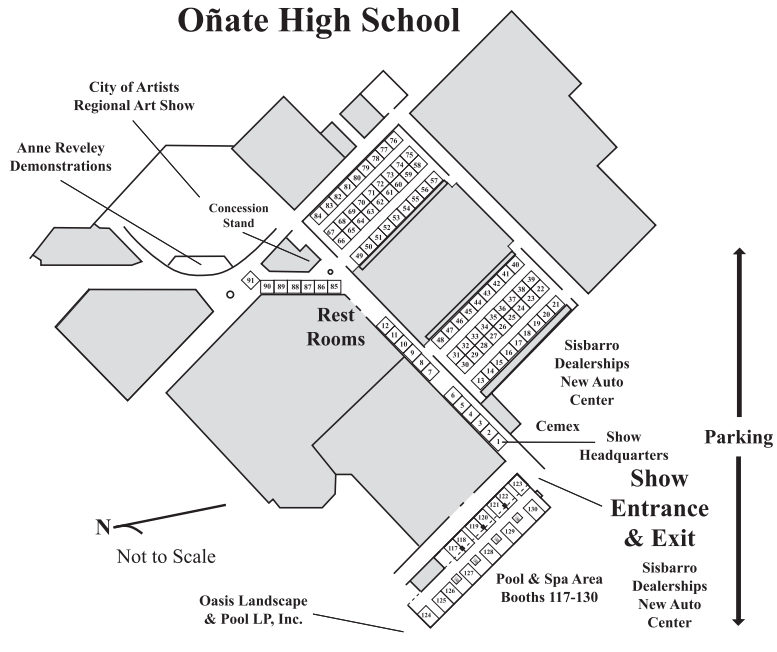

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Designed to be the perfect place to catch a late afternoon breeze, this cozy covered patio features built-in seating, a fireplace and grill and plenty of room to enjoy the view.

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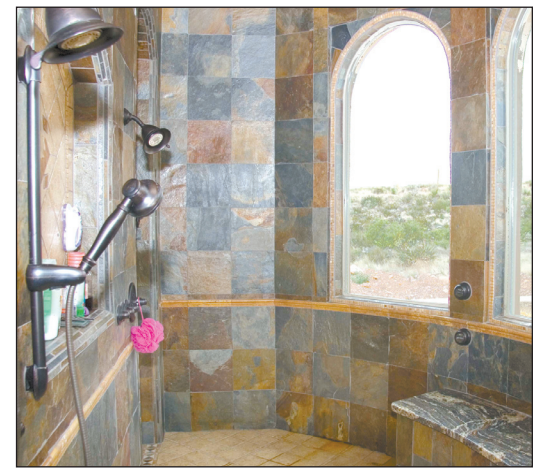

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Slate-covered walls lend unique character to this shower. It also features a granite-covered bench for added comfort.

Hickory floors, brick-lined archways and soft, desert-inspired hues lend an Old World feel to this modern home.

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A slate-covered fireplace graces the master suite. The room also features a huge walk-in closet.

Hand-carved pillars imported from India frame a tub of hammered copper in the bathroom. Greg Green likes to use unusual elements in his homes, like the slate tiles on the walls of this bathroom.

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- City of Artists Professional Association *Regional Art Show*
- Sisbarro Dealership's *New Auto Center*
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Shawn and Amy Stalls work together to build homes for their company, Phoenician Custom Homes. While Shawn builds, Amy completes the interior painting and faux finishes on the homes.

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When Shawn Stalls returned to Las Cruces, a builder was born

By Melissa St. Aude
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Building high-quality, custom-crafted homes is a passion for homebuilder Shawn Stalls of Phoenician Custom Homes, and it is a career path he says he's glad he's found.

Although Stalls spent much of his childhood in Las Cruces attending local schools, his family moved to California when he was a teen. After college, he embarked on a career as a professional soccer player, but after he was injured and discovered he no longer play, some friends encouraged him to return to Las Cruces.

"I have lots of friends who are homebuilders in Las Cruces, and they encouraged me to give it a try and helped me to get started," Stalls said.

When he returned to Las Cruces and started a new life building homes, Stalls chose the Phoenix as the symbol of his company.

"The Phoenix is a symbol of rebirth and starting over," he said.

As well as adopting the name of the bird as his company name, Stalls also uses the symbol of the bird on his business cards and incorporates the symbol in some of his homebuilding projects, such as in the tile work of the foyer of the home Stalls built for himself and his wife Amy.

From the beginning, Stalls made strives to set himself apart from the crowd by adding unique touches to his homes. With an emphasis on designing high-quality homes that are warm, comfortable, homey and adaptable to the lifestyles of the homeowners, Stalls began building homes in such neighborhoods as Mesilla Verde Terrace, Puerta de Mesilla and other relaxing, desirable locations.

He said that while location is very important in homebuilding, respect for the land is equally important.

In building his own home in Mesilla Verde Terrace, Stalls took extra efforts to preserve and accentuate the lot's natural landscaping. Of the 1.1-acre lot's 33 mature pecan trees, Stalls designed a home that would leave 25 of them intact. The result is a spacious home with a peaceful, secluded feel that Stalls says is an important element in any home.

To enhance the home's welcoming feel and to take full advantage of the shady setting, Stalls placed the garage at an angle to allow more room for a front yard. He also added a wrap-around porch in the front and an oversized, covered patio in the back.

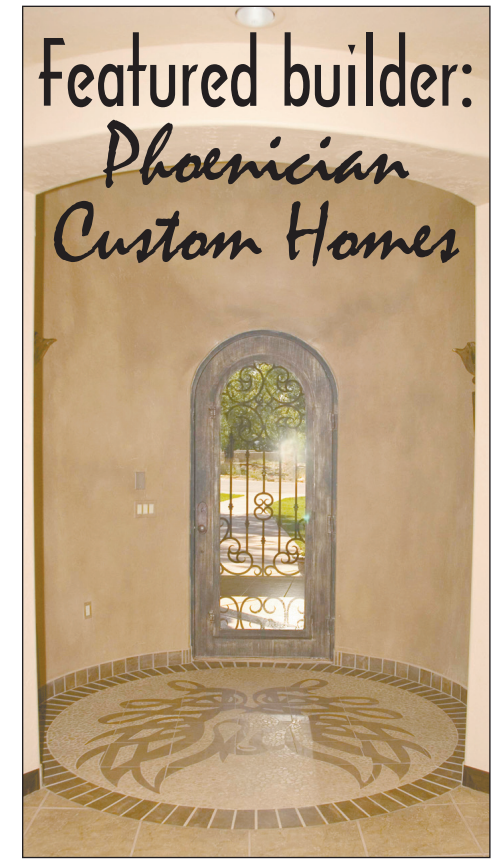
Whether building his own home or one for a client, Stalls tries to incorporate elements that make a house feel like home – flowing floor plan, quality construction and interesting focal points such as floor-to-ceiling windows, stacked-stone fireplaces, wooden accent beams and rounded walls.

Amy is also an important member of the Phoenician team. She designs the interiors and does the company's faux finishes on the walls.

"It is a lot of work," Shawn said.

Phoenician Custom Homes has recently completed construction of its 14th home ,and Stalls said he is excited for his future in homebuilding.

"It's always a challenge," he said, "but we enjoy it."



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Shawn and Amy Stalls named their homebuilding business, Phoenician Custom Homes, after the mythological bird, the phoenix. Symbols of the bird are on the company's business cards as well as incorporated into the foyer of this Mesilla Verde Terrace house.

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Space to accommodate family was a priority in creating this kitchen, which features hand-scraped cabinets that accent the home's Old World feel.

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Even though it's delicious to eat, this popular summertime veggie is also used in many grocery items including cereals, soda and soap.

Don't chuck the husk

A-maiz-ing uses for summer's favorite veggie

By Melissa St. Aude
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Whether it's grown in a backyard garden or purchased at a roadside stand or supermarket, nothing signals the summer eating season better than corn. Roasted, sautéed, boiled or served up in a soup, the ways to enjoy corn are abundant enough to suit even the most finicky of palettes.

A versatile member of the grass family, corn shows up in many unexpected ways in the groceries we buy– many snack items, cereals, instant pie and pudding mixes, vegetable oil and even soda and soap contain ingredients derived from corn. As corn refining technology improves, such things as ethanol and corn bioproducts like degradable plastics are becoming more mainstream.

As well as using corn husks to make toys and baskets, early cultures, who frowned on waste, found numerous uses for all parts of corn including the cob, the husk and the silk. While cobs were often used to insulate homes in colonial times, husks were put to use wrapping and storing food, stuffing pillows or bedding, and sometimes, were even woven together to make shoes.

For those who hate the idea of wasting anything, even a bit of husk, consider the following corn-inspired ideas.

1. Start a garden. An average ear of corn can have as many as 800 kernels in its 16 rows and each kernel can produce a stalk. Try planting a few uncooked kernels and see what grows.

2. Make a bird feeder. Slather an empty cob with peanut butter and coat with bird seed. Push a nail into the cob and tie a piece of twine to the nail. Hang it on a tree.

3. Make a cornhusk doll. This ancient doll-making technique dates back to the early Native Americans, and it's easy. The how-to steps below are appropriate for adults and children age 6 and up.

4. Weave a basket. Early American baskets were often made of corn husks. Use the softer, inner husks and make sure they are soft and pliable by soaking first. Weave "placemat" style or use any basket weaving technique.

5. Make a wreath. Use clean husks and soak them first to make them more pliable.

6. Decorate a gift. Make a corn husk bow with clean husks and use as the perfect topping for a gift.

7. Make a braid. Cut husks into thin strips and soak until they are pliable. Gather a handful and tie at ends and braid. Secure ends with string. Braids can be hung as decoration or used to make a basket. Accent with a corn husk bow.

8. Wrap tamales. Clean and dry husks and store in a plastic zipper bag until you're ready to make tamales.

9. Great grilling. Beyond wrapping tamales or grilling corn, try wrapping fish or chicken in a clean and dry corn husk before grilling.

10. Make corn silk tea. Clean and air dry the silk for a day or two. Make tea either with the silk alone – by steeping in boiling water and sweetening with honey – or mixed with chamomile or lavender. Corn silk is used in many cultures as a diuretic. With its dose of iron, it's also good for nails, hair and skin.

11. Condition your hair. Use leftover unsweetened corn silk tea to condition your hair. Making sure it's not hot, drizzle over hair, rub in and allow to sit for several minutes before rinsing.

12. Add to your compost. Corn cobs are great additions to any compost pile.

13. Dry and decorate. Dry uncooked, uneaten cobs and use in fall themed crafts.

How to make a cornhusk doll

For each doll you will need
8 clean corn husks, still green (do not attempt this with dried husks)
Yarn or string
Scissors
Water
Glue

Thoroughly clean husks and soak in warm water before beginning. The doll is easier to make when the husks are damp. Trim husks so that they are all even with one another. Gather 6 husks and tie together at the top of the bunch. Hold the tip and turn the husks inside out – covering the knotted tip. Tie a piece of string around the neck to form the doll's head.

To make the arms, take one husk and use yarn or string to tie near the center of the husk and again near the end. Repeat on other side. Make a waist for the doll by tying a piece of string around the center of the remaining four husks. Separate the four remaining husks below the waist, two on each side, and secure at the bottom with yarn to make legs.

Use remaining loose husks to dress the doll, using one as a shirt and another as a skirt, or decorate your doll using doll clothes or fabric scraps. Use extra yarn to make hair.

F.Y.I. – Traditionally, a cornhusk doll does not have facial features.

Get a hold on your corn cob

This gadget is designed to keep your fingers cool, clean

By Melissa St. Aude
The Las Cruces Bulletin

Few summer barbecues or cook-outs are complete without corn on the cob. Fresh, sweet corn is a favorite of many, and although there are numerous ways to enjoy it, corn on the cob is the easiest and by far the most fun way to enjoy summer's favorite veggie. Corn on the cob holders – sometimes called "kob knobs," corn skewers, corn spears or corn picks – are simple gadgets designed to keep fingers clean and cool while devouring hot corn on the cob.

What is it?

Corn holders are simple gadgets that resemble a two-pronged tack. On one end, it has two prongs, usually one to two inches in length that are inserted into a cooked corn cob. At the other end is a handle.

Usually sold in a set of eight (four pairs per set), corn cob holders can be plain or whimsical. Many are shaped like corn, golf balls, pigs, chickens or other shapes and bring a sense of fun to summer time dining. The prongs are often made of stainless steel while the handles are generally made of plastic, but sometimes handles are made of wood, bamboo, chrome and some are even silver plated.

What to look for when buying a set:

Look for strong, durable prongs that are long enough to attach firmly to the corn. Handles should be comfortable for a secure grip. This is where many of the fancier and whimsical shapes can be a disadvantage as their shape often makes them difficult to grip.

Dishwasher safe, stainless steel pins are a plus. Also look for a set that either interlocks with one another for storage or comes with its own hard plastic, glass or stainless steel storage case, as loose corn on the cob holders can cause serious injury when they are left loose in a gadget drawer. If holders do not come with a storage system, do your fingers a favor and store them in a plastic zipper bag or an empty pill bottle. This will also keep them together.

How much does it cost?

Depending on style preference, a set of corn cob holders can be found for as little as $1 or more than $20 for the fancier styles.

Collecting:

Like other gadgets that have been around for a while and have changed very little over the years, corn holders are popular collectors' items. They are easy to find ,and compared to other collectible items, inexpensive.

Hint:

Corn begins to lose its sweetness about 24 hours after it is picked. If corn is not prepared the day it is picked, add a teaspoon of sugar to water when boiling corn to replace lost sweetness.

Perfect roasted corn

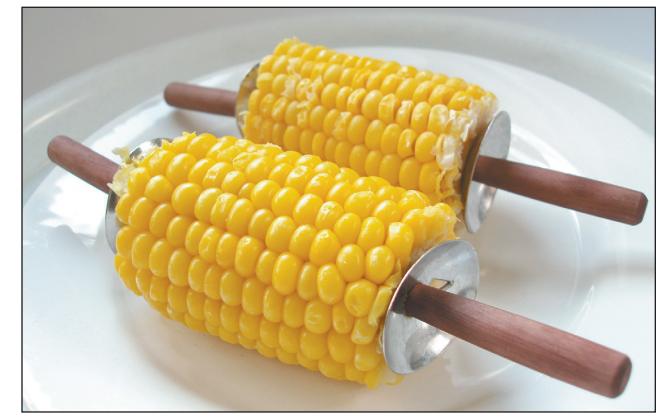
Remove tough outer layers of husk, leaving the softer, thinner husks in place.

Gently fold husk back and remove silk. Soak corn in water for about 10 minutes.

Remove from water and pat dry. Brush with olive oil. Sprinkle with salt or other seasonings.

Replace remaining husks over corn. Place on medium-hot grill and allow to roast for 10 minutes on one side. Turn and allow to cook another 10 minutes on the other side.

Featured Kitchen Gadget: Corn Cob Holders



Corn is a favorite summer treat, but eating it can be messy and painful to the fingers without the right tool. Corn cob holders are easy to find and inexpensive.

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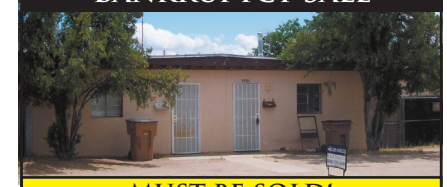

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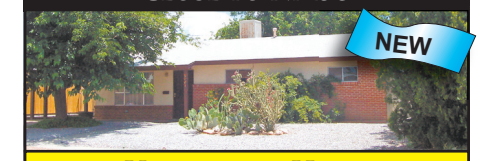

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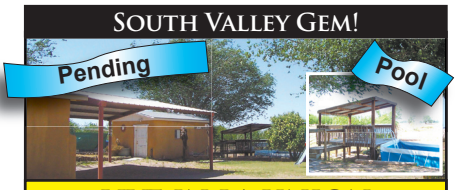

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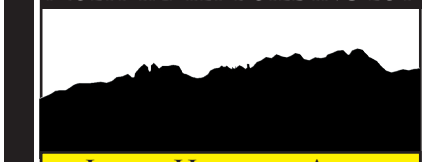

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Trouble free road travel tips

Making summer travel fun and hassle free

Every year millions of Americans take to the roads with their trailers in tow. Whether you're towing a boat, a horse or a houseful of furniture, driving with a trailer presents challenges to both the driver and the tow vehicle. Here are the top tips from hauling experts on how to keep your travel trouble free.

Be Cool

Towing season is usually during the summer months with temperatures regularly between 80 to 120 degrees. Keeping your tow vehicle's fluids cool is critical to keep the engine from overheating or worse. You may want to upgrade to a larger radiator to keep those fluids cool.

Engine temperatures can more easily and inexpensively be reduced by adding a coolant additive to your radiator. These products decrease the surface temperature of water in the radiator to improve heat transfer and therefore lower temperatures. One of the more popular coolant additives, Purple Ice, may reduce engine temperatures as much as 30 degrees.

Another easy way to keep things cool is by upgrading motor oil. Premium synthetic motor oils typically have a lower coefficient of friction and better heat transfer than conventional motor oils.

Remain Level-Headed

Trailers have a tendency to load down the rear of a tow vehicle. As the vehicle rocks further back, the dynamics of the vehicle change. This means that the tow vehicle will not stop, steer, and handle as well as it does when it's not towing something. Investing in overload springs, air bags and/or a weight distributing hitch will help the tow vehicle ride level; which will translate into a safer and better ride.

Breathe Deep

During the life of your engine, thousands of cubic feet of air will pass through the cylinders. Dust and other material in the engine can cause excessive wear and operating problems. It's imperative that you keep air filters clean by regularly replacing them. To further enhance performance, you may want to consider upgrading to a high performance air filter or complete intake system. The relatively low cost of a high performance filter and ease of installation (about 5 minutes) makes upgrading a no-brainer.

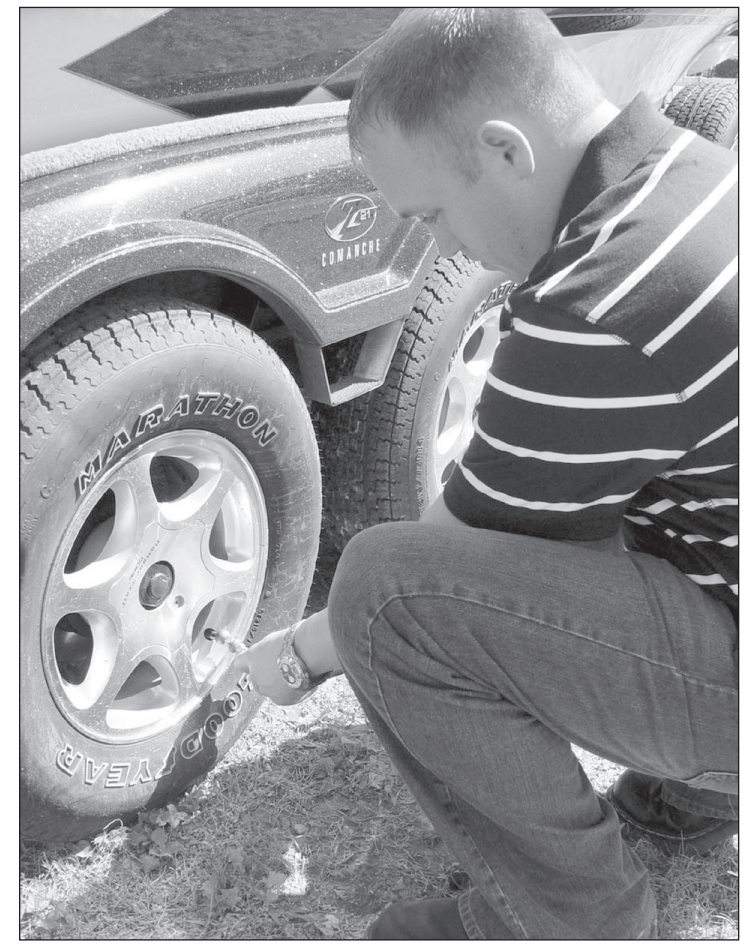
Don't Go Bald or Flat

Whether towing or not, checking the condition of your tires and tire pressure is vital. Tires that are under-inflated or over-inflated may wear out prematurely or potentially blow out and cause an accident. Ideally, tire pressure should be checked every time you fill up your gas tank. By keeping your tires properly inflated, you'll also help reduce fuel consumption and increase your safety while towing.

The U.S. Energy Department reports that under-inflated tires can actually increase fuel consumption by up to 6 percent.

Don't Strip (a gear)

Two components that take the most abuse and are most neglected in tow vehicles are the transmission and differential.



Make sure you know how to change the tires of the vehicle you are traveling in and have the right tools for the job before taking a summer road trip.

In most cases, neither is adequately cooled and both undergo extreme pressure in towing conditions. Keeping the fluids cool is vital for a healthy transmission. The cheapest and easiest solution is upgrading fluids to high quality synthetics.

Consider Hardware and Software Upgrades

Aftermarket manufacturers produce a wide variety of parts from brakes to computer chips that can dramatically improve the performance of your tow vehicle and make towing easier. Upgrading brakes with a larger rotor or better caliper will help slow or stop everything quicker. Premium brake pads that dissipate heat also improve stopping. Aftermarket exhaust systems increase exhaust flow and reduce backpressure for increased torque. Finally, engine management software that optimizes engine performance is available from a variety of manufacturers.

Don't Forget to Brush

Following good maintenance procedure is a lot like brushing your teeth. Failure to do so can cause a lot of pain and unnecessary expense. Checking all of the fluid levels, the air filter and regularly replace the fuel filter will keep the vital components clean and clear of debris. Cleaning windows and mirrors will reduce glare and make the trip a safer and easier for you and your eyes.

It's also a good time to consider adding trailer mirrors which dramatically improve rear-view visibility. And don't forget to check your trailer's brake fluid, electrical wiring and tires. Make sure the lights work properly and everything is in working order.

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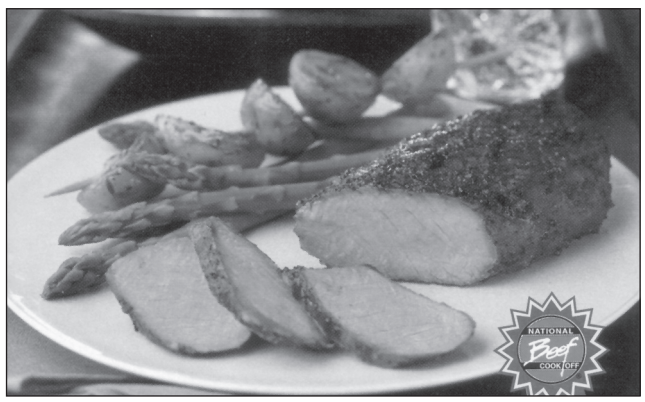
Enjoy the all-American meal staple

During National Beef Month, enjoy these award-winning recipes from the National Beef Cook-Off

June is National Beef Month and the perfect time to sample new beef-inspired recipes. The National Beef Cook-Off is a chance for amateur cooks to share their favorite beef dishes while vying for a $50,000 "best of beef" grand prize. Each recipe is required to use no more than eight ingredients and must be prepared in 35 minutes or less.

The following are a sampling of some of the award-winning dishes from the 2005 National Beef Cook-Off Prize Winning Recipes booklet.



Grilled Espresso Steaks

Submitted by Renee Pokorny, California

4 beef tri-tip steaks, cut 1-inch thick (about 6 ounces each)

Espresso Rub:
2 tablespoons finely ground espresso
1 tablespoon garlic pepper
2 teaspoons kosher or regular table salt
2 teaspoons brown sugar
1 teaspoon ancho chili powder

Combine expresso rub ingredients. Press generously onto beef steaks. Discard any remaining seasoning mixture. Place steaks in glass dish. Cover and refrigerate for one hour.

Place steaks on grill over medium, ash-covered coals. Grill, uncovered, 13 to 17 minutes for medium doneness, turning occasionally.

Carve steaks into slices.

Pan-Seared Steaks with Romesco Sauce

Submitted by Sharyn Hill, New Mexico

4 beef shoulder top blade steaks (flat iron), about 8 ounces each
3 large red bell peppers, cut lengthwise into quarters
2 tablespoons prepared minced roasted garlic, divided
1/2 teaspoon black pepper
3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided
1 cup grape tomatoes
1/2 cup fresh cilantro leaves
1/2 cup toasted pine nuts
2 tablespoons fresh orange juice
1 tablespoon freshly grated orange peel
1/2 teaspoon salt

Arrange bell peppers skin side up on large sheet of aluminum foil. Place on broiler rack so surface of peppers is 3 to 4 inches from heat. Broil 12 to 15 minutes or until skin is blackened. Fold aluminum foil over peppers to enclose. Let stand 5 minutes.

Meanwhile, combine 1 tablespoon garlic and black pepper; press evenly onto beef steaks. Heat 1 tablespoon oil in ridged grill pan or large nonstick skillet over medium heat until hot. Place steaks in skillet; cook 13 to 15 minutes for medium rare to medium doneness, turning twice. Remove to serving platter; season with salt, as desired.

Remove and discard blackened skins from peppers. Place peppers, remaining 2 tablespoons oil, 1 tablespoon garlic and 1/2 teaspoon salt in blender or food processor container. Add tomatoes, cilantro, pine nuts, orange juice and orange peel. Cover; pulse on and off until puréed.

Spoon some sauce over steaks; serve with remaining sauce.

Stockyard Steaks with Mushroom and Peppercorn Sauce

Submitted by Gilda Lester, North Carolina

2 beef round sirloin tip center steaks, cut 1-inch thick (about 8 ounces each)
8 ounces button mushrooms, sliced
1/4 cup chopped fresh chives
2 or 3 tablespoons green peppercorns, coarsely crushed
1 tablespoon Dijon-style mustard
1/2 cup reduced sodium or regular ready-to-serve beef broth
1/4 cup whipping cream

Seasoning
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon ground cumin
1/2 to 1 teaspoon ground black pepper

Combine seasoning ingredients; press evenly onto beef steaks. Spray large nonstick skillet with nonstick cooking spray. Heat over medium heat until hot. Place steaks in skillet; cook 14 to 15 minutes for medium rare doneness, turning occasionally. Do not overcook. Remove to plate; keep warm.

If necessary, re-spray skillet with cooking spray. Add mushrooms and 1/4 cup chives to skillet; cook 4 to 5 minutes or until mushrooms are tender, stirring occasionally. Remove from skillet; keep warm.

Meanwhile, combine peppercorns, as desired, and mustard. Add mixture, broth and cream to skillet; bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Cook and stir 2 to 3 minutes until thickened. Add mushroom mixture; cook until heated through.

Carve steaks into thin slices. Spoon sauce over steaks.

Cornbread Beef Bake

Submitted by Julie Stutzman, California

1 package (17-ounce) refrigerated, fully-cooked beef tips with gravy
1 can (15-ounce) pinto beans, rinsed, drained
1 package (10-ounce) frozen corn
1 cup roasted pepper and garlic prepared salsa
1 tablespoon chili powder
1 1/2 cups shredded Mexican blend cheese
1 package (11- to 12-ounce) refrigerated cornbread twists
Dairy sour cream
Roasted pepper and garlic prepared salsa

Heat oven to 375. Combine beef tips with gravy, beans, corn, 1 cup salsa and chili powder in large saucepan. Bring to boil. Reduce heat and simmer 10 minutes to blend flavors, stirring occasionally.

Meanwhile, spray 13-by-9-inch shallow baking dish with nonstick cooking spray. Pour beef mixture into dish. Sprinkle with cheese. Shape cornbread dough into twists as indicated on package. Arrange twists on top of cheese. Do not overlap. Bake in oven 18 to 20 minutes or until cornbread is golden brown.

Serve with sour cream and salsa.

To learn more or to view all the recipes, visit www.beefcookoff.org. For a free copy of the booklet, send a self-addressed, stamped No. 10 envelope to: National Beef Cook-Off Prize Winning Recipes, ANCW, P.O. Box 3881, Englewood, CO 80155.

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Questions to ask before you build

A contractor has the answers

Imagine the excitement and anticipation of building a new home. You spend months choosing all the right details: the color of the paint and carpets, the style of the light fixtures, even the landscaping to welcome you and your guests. After a long wait and hundreds of thousands of dollars, the day arrives when you unlock the door and step inside. As you walk in, the floor creaks and feels bouncy. Everything else seems perfect, but a squeaky floor makes you wonder about the quality of the home. You can avoid this and similar disappointments by taking time up front to ask your builder some simple, yet critical, questions about the home's structural framing.

Structural framing includes wall studs, rafters, floor joists, beams and headers, floor panels and sheathing. The quality of these materials and how they work together is critical for the long-term value and comfort of your home. In addition to avoiding annoying floor squeaks and bounces, the framing impacts how straight and even the walls are and how well cabinets, doors and windows function. Quality framing also helps ensure crisp rooflines and improves the home's resistance to earthquakes and high winds.

Good decisions regarding structural framing can save money further down the road, experts say.

Consider asking the following questions before construction begins.

"What types of framing materials will be used?" Different materials offer different performance characteristics. For example, many builders use engineered wood products, such as TimberStrand laminated strand lumber (LSL), TJI floor joists and Structurwood Edge Gold floor panels all from iLevel, because of their strength, consistency and resistance to warping, shrinking and buckling. Engineered wood can either be used throughout the home, or in key areas where extra straightness is needed, such as kitchen and bathroom walls, or where straightness and strength are important, such as two-story entry foyers and great rooms.

"What warranties, if any, does the manufacturer offer on the materials?" Some manufacturers offer 25-year to lifetime limited warranties on the framing materials, which is an important consideration given that structural framing accounts for one of the single largest costs in building a new home.

In addition to these two general questions, homebuyers should ask about a few specific areas of the structural frame including:

For floors: **"Will the builder provide a rating number of the floor's anticipated performance, such as a TJ-Pro Rating from iLevel, and will materials be used that help reduce potential squeaks?"**

Such ratings can help predict how stable the floor will feel based on the materials used and how they are assembled in the frame. Homebuyers should also ask about any specific floor warranties available, such as a no squeak guarantee.

For walls: **"Will engineered wood studs be used where strong and straight walls are critical, such as those supporting kitchen cabinets and kitchen and bathroom tiles, and in walls taller than 10-feet high?"** Engineered wood studs can help cabinets hang straight and avoid unsightly cracks and nail pops in finished walls. In addition, the long lengths of such studs eliminate the need to stack walls to form tall walls, which can create a "hinge" point and lead to leaky windows and cracked finishes.

For roofs: **"What type of sheathing will be used?"** A range of options is available, including high quality oriented strand board (OSB) that can protect against costly buckling, warping and sagging. In sunny climates, radiant barrier sheathing (RBS), a form of OSB with a reflective foil, can help reduce ever-rising home cooling costs.

As you dream and plan for your new home, remember that everything in it depends on a strong structural frame. Taking time to ask a few key questions shows that you care about all aspects of your home and provides a way for you and your builder to work together to help ensure it will meet your family's needs from the first day and into the future.

Asking questions about the materials used to build your home may save money and hassles down the road.

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Wrap your way to a healthy meal

Wraps make a quick brown bag lunch, dinner or an appetizer

I love wraps. They're easy to prepare – once you get the "fold of it." I prefer the whole-wheat variety to flour – less greasy in taste and more healthful.

And, if you can find them, flavored tortillas such as spinach, add extra flavor. It matters not which you prefer, wraps make ideal snacks and meals. Add a side salad, and your meal is complete. Use your imagination or try one of my favorite recipes below. If you'd like to share your special wrap recipe with Chile Knight readers, please email sunnyconley@earthlink.net.

How to Fold Roll and Slice a Wrap

1. Choose a favorite recipe.
2. Layer all the ingredients on the tortilla.
3. Leave 4" uncovered at one end.
4. Starting at the bottom, rollup tightly towards the top.
5. Slice roll-up diagonally and serve.

How to Prepare a Wrap

1. Place fillings in the center of the wrap.
2. Fold both sides of the wrap.
3. Fold towards the top of the wrap.
4. Cut in diagonal slices and serve.

Cruces Turkey Wrap

4 slices smoked turkey
1 (8-inch) wheat (or flour) tortilla
2 tablespoons plain non-fat or low fat yogurt
1 leaf romaine lettuce
2 tablespoons New Mexico bottled/ jar medium-hot salsa

Spread tortilla with yogurt. Top tortilla with lettuce and smoked turkey. Spoon salsa over turkey. Fold edges of tortilla in on sides and rollup. Slice diagonally in half. Makes one serving.

Savory Ham Wrap

8 ounces light cream cheese, at room temperature
4 ounces low fat or no fat sour cream
1 or 2 serrano peppers, stemmed, seeded and minced
1/4 cup minced sweet onion
2 tablespoons minced chives
1 teaspoon garlic powder
1 pound deli sliced ham, sliced thin

Blend cream cheese, sour cream, serranos, sweet onion, chives and garlic powder until smooth. Spread mixture on a whole-wheat tortilla. Fold edge of tortilla in on sides and rollup. This recipe can also be used to make rollup appetizers. See directions below. Makes six servings.

Mesilla Valley Chicken Wraps

1 pound baked boneless, skinless chicken breast, shredded
1 (4-ounce) tub light cream cheese
1 green onion, thinly sliced
1 tablespoon snipped fresh cilantro
6 (7- to 8-inch) flour tortillas
1 red sweet pepper, seeded and cut into bite-size strips
1/2 cup (about 2 ounces) shredded reduced-fat or regular Monterey Jack cheese
Favorite New Mexico bottled/jar salsa

In a bowl, stir together the chicken, cream cheese, green onion and cilantro. Spread over tortillas. Top with pepper strips and cheese. Roll tortillas around filling. Cut diagonally in half to serve. Secure tortillas shut with toothpicks. Top with New Mexico-style salsa. Makes six servings.

As well as being easy to prepare, wraps are a healthy way of enjoying many vegetables, meats and other yummy foods. Try whole-wheat wraps for a healthier meal.

Salmon and Asparagus Wraps

6 thin fresh asparagus spears
1/4 tub-style fat-free cream cheese
1 teaspoon finely shredded lemon peel
1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
3-4 ounces smoked salmon, coarsely flaked and skin and bones removed
2 tablespoon fresh basil, snipped
2 (6-7 inch) whole-wheat flour tortillas
1/4 red sweet pepper, cut into thin bite-size strips

Cut or break off woody ends of asparagus. In a covered large saucepan, cook spears in a small amount of boiling lightly salted water for three to five minutes or until al denté. Drain in a colander and immediately rinse in icy-cold water quickly. Pat dry with paper towels. Set aside.

In a small bowl, stir together the first five ingredients. Gently fold in flaked salmon and basil. Spread on tortillas. To prepare wraps, arrange 3 of the asparagus spears and half of the sweet pepper strips atop salmon mixture on each tortilla. Rollup tortillas. Secure with toothpicks. Wrap in plastic warp and chill in refrigerator at least an hour before serving time.

Spicy Veggie Wrap

1 whole-wheat tortilla
Dressing (see recipe below)
Fat free refried beans
Black beans
Shredded vegetables (carrots, cabbage, jicama, avocado, celery)
Tomato, sliced
Lettuce

Spread dressing over the center of the tortilla. Arrange ingredients in center of wrap and rollup.

Spicy Dressing for Veggie Wrap

1/4 cup yogurt
1 fresh jalapeno, stemmed, seeded and finely chopped
1 very small garlic clove, crushed
1 tablespoon fresh orange juice
Pinch ground cumin
Salt

To make the dressing, combine all of the ingredients in a small bowl and season with cumin and salt.

Pineapple-Habanero and Egg Salad Wrap

4 whole wheat flour tortillas
6 hard-cooked eggs, peeled and diced
1/3 cup celery diced
1/2 cup mayonnaise
3 tablespoons canned pineapple, diced and drained
1/4 to 1/2 habanero, stemmed, seeded and minced
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon white pepper

In a mixing bowl, add all of the ingredients and stir. Scoop egg mixture onto each tortilla; fold in ends and rollup. Slice in half diagonally. Serves 4.

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School is out. Summer is here and now is the best time for home improvement projects. Whether you are looking to enhance your property value or building a new patio, paving can set the tone an dcharacter of your yard.

Before you begin a paving project, brush up on the proper paving materials that can turn your project into your home's crowning achievement. Most homeowners want to keep cost low on home improvement projects, but they also view upgrading the exterior of their home as an investment that can create a striking base for furnished seating areas, fountains, spas, and even full-service outdoor kitchens.

When planning any project that includes pavement, there are quite a few elements to take into consideration. Think about the space the pavement will occupy. Will it be used as a large backyard patio, sweeping circular driveway, or a quaint garden path?

For large paving projects, concrete is a vastly popular option because of its versatility, durability and economical cost. Regular concrete, with its uninterrupted flat surface, needs virtually zero maintenance and is easily cleaned. For a driveway that is not only functional but also increases your home's aesthetic value, dress up your poured concrete by adding a dash of color. Colors range from sand to charcoal and light grey to crimson. The color possibilities of concrete are virtually endless. To color your concrete, the cement contractors will mix in the color you request, and then it will be poured. A word of caution; colored concrete is never the same color poured twice, so be sure to have same color poured at the same time.

For those who do not fancy the rudimentary and somewhat unfinished look of flat concrete, there are many professional paving companies now offering concrete that can be pattered to resemble stone, slate and even brick. This method is called "stamping" and can be used to create dramatic pool scapes, luxurious driveways and inviting patios.

If you want your driveway to send an eco-friendly message, install a grass-concrete combination call "turf slab." This material combines the tough surface of a concrete slab with a pleasing look of a lawn.

For smaller paving projects such as walkways and paths, use concrete pavers. Also called "paving stones," these pieces can perfectly interlock to form a beautiful patterned surface. Pavers are manufactured in various textures and colors and can be easily removed.

Tile is a popular product in the Southwest and can be permanently installed to cover existing poured concrete. However, not all tiles are rated for outdoor installation due to freezing. Be sure to check the outdoor rating before installing any tile outside. If you are pouring new concrete, you might want to consider acid washing and staining the concrete. This may all sound easy if you are one who likes do-it-yourself projects, but as with any home-improvement project, you should choose pavement based on your particular skill, budget and time constraints.

Creating the look of an authentic stone or slate patio using stamped concrete is certainly economical. Also, crushed stone or pebbles can lend a beachy, informal feel to an outdoor space, while brick and stone will give your home a sophisticated air. Bricks provide a variety of flooring patterns and can be used to pave almost any space. Brick wears well in almost all weather conditions and its color is permanent.

Just like with any home improvement project, cost is a consideration when adding pavement to your home.

Stone is another classic paving option which can be laid in precut slabs or blocks. Stone is a general term that encompasses many substrates so the color of the stone you use will depend on the type you choose for your paving project. Slate is one commonly used paving stone that ranges from greenish purple to gray or black. Travertine is also a popular paving stone. This stone is commonly available in pre-cut sizes. Most stone pieces can be cut into uniform shapes or split to create pieces with unique variable edges. One note when working with stone: all stones are naturally porous substances and can stain easily. Stone paving is best used on smaller paths and covered terraces versus large, open-air paving projects.

Paving your outdoor living room, garden path or even driveway is one home improvement project that becomes a beautiful extension of your distinctive home design.

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