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Bulletin's Best Inside



PHOTO BY KRISTI DIXON

Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley staff pose with some of the many adorable animals available for adoption this holiday season. Read about the adoption process and how you can help the ASCMV animals during the cold weather months through donations of goods and cash. Full story, page 9.



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Your Partner in Progress



73 Dogs fly to their new homes

On Saturday morning a group of staff from Doña Ana County Animal Control and Barkhouse, a non-profit animal rescue group, and some dedicated volunteers braved the cold weather to transport 73 homeless animals to the Las Cruces International Airport for their "freedom flight" to Portland, Oregon.

The animals were being housed in the Doña Ana County Court Hold facility, using the vacant kennels as temporary housing after COVID-19 broke out at the Animal Services Center of Mesilla Valley and their operations and adoptions came to a halt. Barkhouse wanted to help and the partnership between Doña Ana County and Barkhouse began.

Barkhouse is an animal advocacy group that does rescue by relocation. It does not adopt out animals, but through its network of animal shelters and organizations, it transports healthy animals to areas of the country where they can be adopted or fostered in private homes.

Dr. Lauren Short worked with Barkhouse to make sure that every dog transported was healthy and able to travel. South Aero, a charter flight service out of Albuquerque, provided the cargo plane and pilots for the journey.

"It is a win-win for everyone, especially the animals," said Jeanne Quintero, interim director of Doña Ana County Animal Control and Codes. "And these dogs are truly wanted. We have been told that people line up at night to submit applications for our dogs. Within 48 hours of this flight, 11 dogs were adopted by our Oregon friends," she said. "And, Charlie Brown was right: happiness is a warm puppy."

For more information about Doña Ana County go to, www.donaanacounty.org.

Applicants sought for two Mesilla valley Public housing authority commission seats

Doña Ana County seeks two applicants to serve on the Mesilla Valley Public Housing Authority Commission, a five-member board of volunteers.

The MVPHA Commission is an independent public agency that provides affordable housing and related services in the City of Las Cruces and the unincorporated County, except in areas where an established housing authority or agency already exists.

The MVPHA Commission consists of two appointees by the Doña Ana Board of County Commissioners, two appointees by the Mayor of the City of Las Cruces and a Resident Commissioner, appointed by both the Mayor and the County Commission.

Two County appointments are vacant, & County residents who reside outside the City of Las Cruces are eligible for appointment. The terms are for 5 years and are staggered. The vacant appointments have two years and four years remaining on their terms, both starting on January 1.

Meetings are generally 90 minutes long and start at 10 a.m., every third Tuesday of the month, at the Mesilla Valley Public Housing Authority, 926 S. San Pedro Street in Las Cruces.

Since its establishment in January 2012, the commission decides on matters related to annual budgets, federally mandated planning documents, policy documents, tax-credit developments and the annual performance evaluation of the Housing Authority's executive director. Applications, comprised of a letter of interest, current resume and three references will be accepted through 5 p.m., January 15, 2021, via one of the following

email:
input@donaanacounty.org

Mail:
Jana Padilla
County Manager's Office
Attn.: MVPHA Applications
845 N. Motel Blvd.
Las Cruces, N.M., 88007
Fax (575) 525-5952

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OBITUARIES

Mary Alice Ross Aylor

Mary Alice Ross Aylor was born July 14, 1921, near McKenzie, Tennessee, where she attended high school and Bethel College. Later, she was a student at the City Business College in Columbus, GA, the University of Tennessee in Memphis and the University of Hawaii in Honolulu. She was a graduate of New Mexico State University in Las Cruces.

She served as a homeroom mother at Alameda Elementary and was a Girl Scout leader and den mother in Cub Scouts.



MARY ALICE ROSS AYLOR

She was an active member of Prime Timers, belonged to Foreign Arts, Knife and Fork, Beloved

Vagabonds, Doña Ana Historical Society, High Nooners Extension Club, Friends of Fort Selden, NMSU Golf Association, City of Las Cruces Beautification Program, several bridge clubs and was Progress Club auditor for 25 years. Since 1952, she was a member of St Paul's Methodist Church, the Women's Society for Christian Service and Chairperson for Viola Broadus Circle.

She taught school in Tennessee, was employed by the U.S. Forest Service in Indio, California, was an employee of the U.S. Post Office in Camp Polk,

Louisiana, clerk for the General Electric Credit Corporation in Memphis and was a bookkeeper for J Strickland & Co., also of Memphis. For 16 months, she worked for the Clinton Engineering Firm at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, where she was awarded the Army/Navy Award for the years 1944-1945. Both she and her husband, John E Aylor, worked for Public Health Screening in Atlanta before coming to Las Cruces in August 1950. She assisted her husband in his dental practice, acting as bookkeeper/auditor and office manager

for 37 years.

Being an avid traveler, she visited 47 states in the continental United States and traveled north to Alaska, east to the Greek islands, south through the Panama Canal and west to Hawaii and Australia.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John E Aylor, DDS, her parents and three sisters. She is survived by her daughter, Anne Aylor and her husband, David Wilson of London, England; son John K Aylor and his life partner, Lorraine Smyth of Rio Rancho, NM and by her

grandson, James Keaton Aylor and his wife, Philippine de Mauléon, of Toulouse, France, several nieces and nephews, cousins, bridge buddies, faithful pen pals and neighbours at the Good Samaritan Society in Las Cruces.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Bethel College, 325 Cherry Street, McKenzie, Tennessee, or to a charity of your choice.

Arrangements by Getz Funeral Home, 1410 E. Bowman Ave. Las Cruces. Please visit www.getzcares.com to sign the local online guest book.

Mike Simone, 82

Michael Rocco Simone, aged 82, passed away peacefully in Las Cruces, New Mexico, Dec. 2, 2020, with his family by his side.

He was preceded in death by his father, Anthony, his mother, Carmela, his sister, JoAnn, his brother, Joseph (Angela) and his son, Anthony. He is survived by his wife of 55 wonderful years, Marilyn, his son, Andrew (Melissa), his daughter-in-law, Stephanie, his grandchildren, Ruby, Carmela, Orion, Zach and Izzy, as well as many extended family members and friends.

Mike was born in Providence, Rhode Island, and grew up in Staten Island, New York. He completed his bachelor's degree in hotel and res-

taurant management and business administration at Denver University in Denver, Colorado. Shortly afterward, he moved to California to begin his career. It wasn't too long after that, while on a work assignment, that he met his future wife, Marilyn.

Fast forward four years, and they were married and headed to Northfield, Minnesota, to begin their life together. There, Mike worked at St. Olaf College for 30 years. He was hired as the director of food services and in

time promoted to director of auxiliary enterprises and purchasing. He was elected and served on the Northfield City Council and as mayor. Mike was extremely active in many roles at St. Dominic's Catholic Church in Northfield. While all of this, and much more, was going on, his two sons were born and grew up there, as well.

After too many Minnesota winters and humid summers, Mike and Marilyn moved to Las Cruces. Although retirement was the stated goal of this

move, anyone who knew Mike will understand that this was not who he was.

He continued to work with many organizations and people in his new community: the Vista program, Community of Hope, St. Albert the Great Newman Parish, the City of Las Cruces as director of nutrition for senior programs, and most recently as office manager and coordinator for Dona Ana County Senior Olympics.

Mike was a loving and devoted husband, loving father and grandfather

and a friend and mentor to many people. His work was always his hobby, and his hobby was serving and helping others. Mike was a deeply spiritual man, and his faith guided his actions in all aspects of his life. Due to the current situation, a private interment will be held at St. Albert the Great Newman Parish. A celebration of life service

will be held in the coming months. If desired, please donate to the charity of your choice in memory of Mike, rather than sending gifts.

Arrangements are with La Paz – Graham's Funeral Home, 555 West Amador Ave., Las Cruces, N.M., 88005. To sign the online guest book, visit www.LaPaz-Grahams.com.

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Virgin Galactic pilots on their way to the Virgin Galactic Spaceflight System

VG flight aborts after separation

By ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH
Las Cruces Bulletin

Because of an ignition sequence failure, the SpaceShip 2 Unity rocket motor failed to fire during a test flight Saturday, Dec. 12. The mission to space was aborted.

According to a release from Virgin Galactic Holdings, following this event, the pilots glided to a safe landing at Spaceport America as planned. The company is conducting post-flight analysis and can so far report the onboard computer -- which monitors the propulsion system -- lost connection, triggering a fail-safe scenario that intentionally halted igni-

tion of the rocket motor.

The system is designed such that it defaults to a safe state whenever power or communication with sensors is lost.

“Our flight landed beautifully,” Virgin Galactic CEO Michael Colglazier said. “The flight did not reach space as we had been planning. After being released from its mothership, the spaceship’s onboard computer that monitors the rocket motor lost connection. Seeing first-hand how our pilots brought Unity in for a picture-perfect landing after an off-nominal condition confirmed this approach, I am even more confident this is the level of safety consumers

will want and will be expecting from us.”

Colglazier said the company remains focused on the test-flight program and will repeat the test as soon as is feasible. The aborted flight included two pilots and NASA payloads. The next test flight will include mission specialists in the cabin. The third test flight, scheduled for the first quarter of 2021, will include the company’s founder, Sir Richard Branson.

“We look forward to sharing information on our next flight window in the near future,” Colglazier said.

Visit www.virgingalactic.com.

COMING UP

Editor's note. Despite the COVID-19 virus, some events are being scheduled. The Bulletin will resume publishing calendar items, emphasizing that event attendees and venues should comply with all social-distancing and mask-wearing protocols to prevent spread of the virus.

By JESS WILLIAMS

Las Cruces Bulletin

Wednesday, Jan. 6

» East Lohman Plan feedback and development selection: 5:30 p.m. Zoom meeting.

» <https://zoom.us/j/95749718641?pwd=RTQwMVZTSXdqZEptYm9TQXNvMytSQ090. Meeting ID: 95749718641. Passcode: 307305. Info: PlanEastLohman.com/Participate>

ONGOING

Mondays

» Velo Cruces bike rides: Gather 7:05 a.m., depart 7:15 a.m. second Mondays. Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Helmets, masks, and social distanced safe bike ride demonstrating riding safely with traffic. Info: velocruces@gmail.com www.velocruces.org

The format for Coming Up calendar submissions is: Day/date – Name of event: time, location, physical address, brief description, free or fee, telephone contact and/or email contact.

For instance, an acceptable submission for a date-specific calendar item will look like this: Wednesday, Sept. 23 -- Tree Planting for Dummies: 9-10 a.m., Arbor Station, 322 E. Elm St. Learn how to plant trees with style. Free. Info: 575-555-5555 or rootzilla@guy-plantstrees.com

For recurring events, acceptable submissions will look like this: Hop-scotch lessons: 9-10 a.m., first Wednesdays, The Hop-Scotch Center, 123 N. Leapfrog Ave. Instructed by Chris Nimblelimbs. \$5 adults. Kids free. Info: 575-555-5555 or hupalong@webeleaping.org. No other formats will be accepted. Submissions must be emailed a minimum of 10 days in advance of the desired publication date. Only Word documents submitted via email will be accepted. Limit 45 words. Calendar submissions must be properly formatted for publication consideration. Email calendar submission to jess@lascrucesbulletin.com. No PDFs or flyers.



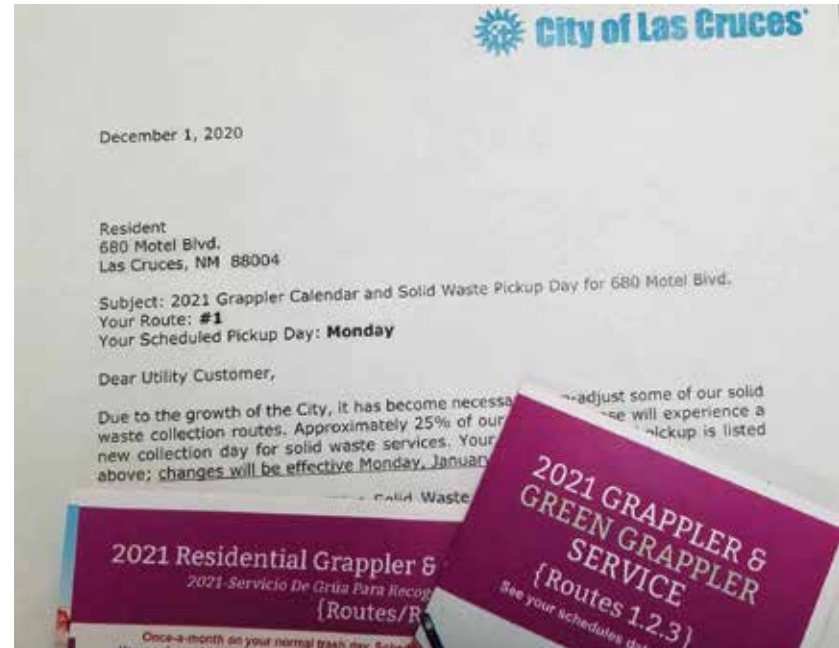
City of Las Cruces

The handy Grappler schedule probably either gets hung up or kept in a drawer and referred to when there is some extra-large trash to be set out by the curb. This year, Las Cruces Utilities' (LCU) letter, accompanying your 2021 Grappler schedule, currently arriving in mailboxes, tells residents that their trash day may change.

For 25 percent of LCU Solid Waste residential customers, their trash collection day will change effective January 2021. Robin Lawrence, LCU deputy director Solid Waste said, "Our city is growing, so it's natural that we'll be needing to re-balance our routes to best serve our customers."

Double Check Your Trash Day with Mailed Grappler Schedule

By Cassie McClure



Double check the letter that comes with the 2021 Grappler Schedule – currently being mailed out – to confirm what day to set out your residential trash container.

LCU's consultant, Easy Route — a subsidiary of Routeware, LCU's on-board Solid Waste technology, helped analyze how different routes operate in detail. Currently some routes have more pickups per day than other routes due to growth of developments over

the years. Currently, LCU services roughly 38,000 residential and 2,100 commercial containers, Monday through Friday.

LCU predicts the Solid Waste customer base will potentially increase by 25 percent over the next five years. This information is based on the current

permits and plan reviews for master-planned subdivisions and the number of residential lots expected.

To double check the collection date, please review the letter that is mailed with the Grappler schedule, which will confirm each resident's trash collection day.

"We want to make sure everyone reviews their information because we know that after a while, that day becomes hardwired into your memory as something you need to remember to do that morning or the night before," Lawrence said.



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2020 losses continue mounting

My favorite interview of 2020 was a conversation with New Mexico State University Aggie basketball legend Jimmy Collins. Aggie Nation was saddened to learn Collins passed away Dec. 12.

When Aggie coach Lou Henson passed away in July, I really wanted to talk to Collins. We're in the 50th anniversary year of the Aggies' 1970 Final Four team. Henson was coach, and Collins was the star player.

"I'll always make time to talk about Coach," Collins said when I reached him. "We all have guardian angels, whether we recognize them or not. I was lucky enough to recognize my guardian angel, and it was Coach Henson."

The sadness in Collins' voice was eclipsed by the obvious joy he had when thinking about Henson, the role he played in

his life and that Final Four team. Collins sounded so vibrant, I would never have guessed he himself would be gone less than five months later. But the two were only separated by 14 years. It's a reminder of the youth of everyone involved with that long-ago Final Four team.

**RICHARD COLTHARP**
From the Publisher

Truly a complete player, Collins averaged 24.3 points a game his senior year, along with 4.6 rebounds and 2.9 assists. He could score from anywhere on the floor, and he did so that senior year at a 51-percent clip. Had he played in the three-point era, he probably would have averaged close to 30.

In the semifinals of that Final Four, the Aggies' opponent was UCLA, which had won five of the previous six NCAA championships. The Bruins' coach,

John Wooden, is generally considered the greatest college coach in history. In the ultimate compliment to Collins, Wooden told his team: "Don't worry about Collins. He's going to get his points and we can't stop him. But if we contain their other players, we will win."

Indeed, Collins lit up the scoreboard, leading everyone on the floor with 28 points. But the rest of the Aggies combined for only 49 points, and the Bruins won going away, 93-77.

With the support of Henson, Collins got into coaching, and was the head coach at University of Illinois-Chicago for many years. RIP, Jimmy.

The Las Cruces Bulletin family also had a difficult weekend.

Our circulation manager, Teresa Tolonen, lost "the best aunt, godmother (Nina), mother figure a girl could ever ask for." We are sending thoughts and

prayers to Teresa and her family.

The Bulletin owners, the Osteen family, lost their father, Hubert Osteen Jr., Dec. 12. The Osteen family has owned the newspaper in Sumter, S.C., since 1894, and no, that's not a typo. It's 126 years. Hubert led the operations for decades.

I had the pleasure of meeting Hubert once, and found him to be passionate about journalism and community. He was the dean of South Carolina newspapermen, and the state's press association executive director, Bill Rodgers, described him as "an icon in South Carolina journalism."

Our hearts go out to his widow, Jackie, and the entire Osteen family.

The isolation and emotional stress of the pandemic has added extra weight to the many losses of 2020.

Pleasure Horse

I consider myself among other things, a former horse mechanic. The horses I did veterinary work on were ranch and feedlot beasts of burden. Workin' animals from man's point of view.

Up until about 50 years ago, that would describe most of the horses vets worked on. I was always a little vain about distinguishing that my patients worked for a living,

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earned their daily oats and made a contribution to the good of mankind.

Backyard horse practice sorta ranked with spayin' cats and trimming Chihuahua's toenails.

That same kind of 'snobbery' still exists, I think. Somehow working on a valuable race horse, a Tennessee walkin' show horse, an endurance Arabian, a Budweiser Clydesdale, Fred Whitfield's

ropin' horse, Kathy Petersen's barrel racin' horse, a New York city policeman's horse, a ranch horse, a rodeo buckler, a Quarterhorse cutter, an outfitter's packmule or a Lippizan performer is interpreted as doing something more worthwhile than floating the teeth on a backyard plug.

These working horses have a purpose. That dignifies your veterinary efforts, lends some value to your education and experience. All your acquired

ability isn't being wasted in a frivolous endeavor on a horse that isn't really 'workin' for a livin'.

But, with all that being said, what's work to a horse? Is it something they feel good about? Does it give them a sense of self-worth? Of course not.

"Well, my little mare, I better finish this hay. Crooked Jack will be comin' to take me to the

States needs resources to survive the winter

During the early days of his political career, the knock against Bill McCamley was that he never had a “real job.” Now, it could be argued that he and Dr. David Scrase have the two toughest jobs in the state.

Scrase, the state’s Secretary of Health and Human Services, is charged with helping us stay healthy. McCamley, secretary for Workforce Solutions, is charged with helping those who have lost their jobs. In both cases, a lot of help is needed.

New Mexico has been more restrictive than most states in addressing the coronavirus pandemic. That has undoubtedly saved lives

and reduced hospitalizations, but it also has resulted in more businesses closing and workers losing their jobs.



WALT RUBEL

The View
From Here

New Mexico’s unemployment rate held steady at about 4.8 percent throughout 2019. By this July, when \$600 weekly benefits from the federal CARES Act were ending, it had climbed to 12.7 percent.

The number of displaced workers seeking benefits went from an average of about 600 to 800 a week to more than 60,000 by early April, when so many calls came into the state unemployment line that they crashed the system.

Each month since then has brought thousands

of new displaced workers seeking benefits from a system they have paid into for years. Our state long ago exceeded its capacity to help all of those who are deserving.

McCamley told legislators during a Nov. 24 special session that we had borrowed about \$156 million from the federal government to meet our unemployment obligations, and that number was increasing by about \$10 million a week.

The cooler temperatures have brought a deadly second wave to the pandemic that all the experts predicted last spring. Former FDA Commissioner Dr. Scott Gottlieb warns that we are likely to see 4,000 deaths a day in the United States next month.

New Mexico Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham has imposed tighter restrictions in response to the increase in infections. That will surely lead to more people losing their jobs and needing assistance.

The situation is not sustainable, but it doesn’t need to be. Vaccines are being rolled out just as this second wave is taking its toll. The end of this nightmare is in sight. We just need to get through what is expected to be a long, deadly winter.

The election of Joe Biden will bring two changes to our nation’s effort against the virus. The first will be a unified

and consistent message on prevention based on science and research. That’s the good news.

However, with a Democrat in the White House, Republicans in Congress have predictably rediscovered their distress over budget deficits, which disappears each time they’re in power.

According to a recent story by Forbes, the deficits accumulated under Trump are greater than those in the first four years of Barack Obama, who took office during a recession. So-called budget hawks have been as timid as doves for the past four years, voting for tax cuts and spending bills that greatly added

to our nation’s debt.

But now that a Democrat is about to be in office, their talons are back out. It’s part of the hypocrisy we’ve come to expect from both parties each time there’s a change in power. It’s business as usual, but these are unusual times.

As I write this Monday, Dec. 14, Congress is finalizing a \$908 billion relief package that won’t be nearly enough. They can all get back to their traditional budget squabbles soon enough, but we’re going to need their help this winter.

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We are capable of building needed bridges

By **REV. XOLANI "XK" KACELA, PH.D.**

Can people of faith serve as bridge builders for the political divide gripping our country? Yes, we can. We can lean forward, reach across the proverbial aisle and find common ground.

First, both sides must understand the other. As a liberal of faith, I often hear other liberals decry conservatives, saying, "I don't know how anyone can vote for Trump!" Liberals and progressives need only to open their eyes and see.

The president's appeal to his supporters is rooted in the concrete

results his administration has amassed: police reform legislation, being tough on immigration, reversing diplomatic protocols with China and Russia, the Cares Act that paid working Americans \$1,200 each during the pandemic and promises to restore America to a time that white, blue-collar workers expected economic security and a place atop the food chain.

Conservatives of faith must open their eyes, too. They should acknowledge President-elect Biden's appeal. His



REV. XOLANI "XK" KACELA, PH.D.

supporters value truth-telling, rights for people of color and immigration. Progressive voters support health insurance for everyone and believe climate change is real.

Many believe it's impossible to talk to the other side. Others are afraid of losing a friend or estranging a family member. We can't let disbelief and fear rule our lives. The stakes are too high.

After acknowledging the other side's values, we must find a conversation partner different

from ourselves. Then start listening. I practice speaking directly and listening curiously to persons whom I know think differently than me. I avoid arguing. Instead, I try to understand their political positions.

People of faith own a powerful tool for bridge building: our spiritual practices. We know about compassion, prayer, meditation, gratitude and patience. These practices enable us to lean forward without judgment.

Spiritual disciplines are more than paths to piety. They represent practical pathways to respectful relationships with our neighbors.

Rather than acting on instinct, spiritual practices train us to stop, breathe and reflect. Then act. That action sequence provides a path to understanding.

In my faith, Unitarian Universalism, we teach people to pivot toward love when things get tough. Love is more than a concept. It is a practice that transforms lives. Love calls us to acknowledge each person's intrinsic worth. It empowers us to break down barriers caused by skin color, privilege, sexual orientation and political persuasion.

Here's my charge to the Las Cruces faith com-

munity: Put down your swords and shields. Use your grounding in your spiritual practices. Find someone from the opposite side of the political divide and start a conversation. Seek understanding, not persuasion.

There is plenty of common ground. We only need to open our eyes and recognize it. Faith calls us to act on behalf of the common good. People of faith lead the way!

Rev. Xolani "XK" Kacela, Ph.D., is the minister at Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces. He also hosts "Take on Faith" on KTAL-LP community radio. Visit <https://rev-drxk.com>.

HORSE

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mall, where I can walk in circles all day, giving joy to little boys and girls."

"I'm so proud of you, Geldy. You bring so much happiness into the world."

Coyote Cowboy Proverb: Work to a horse is anything he does, because you make him do it.

I tell people my horse likes to rope. Meaning, I guess, that he likes to chase cattle. But he spends a lot of time in the pasture with cows

and calves, I've never seen him chase them on his day off.

Ah, but you good horsemen say, "This horse loves to run," or "He was born to buck," or "I can tell he loves to pull this plow. He can't wait for me to crack this whip!"

I see them run and kick up their heels in an open pasture, but not for long. Are they having fun? Can horses have fun? Are they bored? Can they get bored?

I'd be hard put to argue that they can't have fun, get bored or get mad.

Horses are domesti-

cated animals. Under the care of and at the pleasure of those who pay for their keep. It is not their choice. It is ours. Like teenagers, if we give them room and board, we expect something in return. At our pleasure, even if our pleasure is team roping, showing

Arabians or just a good companion.

But in the end, it's all work to a horse.

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Scrooge can take a hike: Adopt Marley!

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Does your house feel just a little too quiet this holiday season? How about adopting a dog named Marley? Or a cat named Ollie? There's even a cat named Brad Pitt and a dog named Ichabod.

In fact, the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley (ASCMV) has many dogs, cats, puppies and kittens you can adopt at Christmas or any time of the year.

ASCMV's adoption program is still proceeding with some slight changes because of the pandemic, said ASCMV Executive Director Clint Thacker.



[HTTPS://ASCMV.ORG/ADOPTABLE-ANIMALS/](https://ascmv.org/adoptable-animals/)

Marley

"A person interested in adopting an animal must find the animal on our website (www.ASCMV.org) and secure the animal number," Thacker said. "The potential adopter then calls the Center at 575-382-0018 and requests an adoption appointment. ASCMV staff will ask for the animal number. When the number is provided, they

will look the animal up in our shelter software to see if there are any issues with the animal that need to be reported to the caller. If nothing, an appointment will be made. You come at the appointed time and meet the animal. You can request up to two animals per appointment. If one

(or both) animals make a connection with you, you proceed with the adoption paperwork in the lobby.

If the animal is sterilized, then nothing else needs to be done, and the adoption is finalized. If the animal is not sterilized, the potential adopter becomes a foster

to-adopt. The animal is in your care and your responsibility, but still is property of the ASCMV.

"You sign a contract saying you will bring the animal back when requested by the center. After sterilization, the animal belongs to you," Thacker said.

The cost is \$25, which

includes vaccinations, sterilization and a microchip.

ASCMV needs donations of kennels or crates, dog sweaters, blankets (without filling, no sleeping bags), collars and leashes and towels.

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NOTICE is hereby given that on November 11, 2020, the Arnold Brothers Partnership, P.O. Box 450 Fairacres, NM 88033 filed with the STATE ENGINEER Application No. LRG-12890-POD 1, OSE File No. LRG-12890-1, for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin of the State of New Mexico by discontinuing the use of well LRG-01473, located within the SW¹/₄ SE¹/₄ of projected Section 4, Township 23 South, Range 1 East (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32 ° 19' 53.67" N, 106 ° 50'

30.31" W (WGS84), on land owned by Amado Rivas, by discontinuing the use of well LRG-01473-S, located within the SW¹/₄ SE¹/₄ of projected Section 4, Township 23 South, Range 1 East (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32 ° 19' 53.77" N, 106 ° 50' 29.91" W (WGS84), on land owned by Amado Rivas, and by drilling new well LRG-12890-POD1, to be located within the SE¹/₄ SW¹/₄ of projected Section 4, Township 23 South, Range 1 East (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32 ° 19' 49.71" N, 106 ° 50' 46.66" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the August 22, 2011 Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 7.29 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SE¹/₄ SW¹/₄ and the SW¹/₄ SE¹/₄ of projected Section 4, Township 23 South,

Range 1 East (NMPM) and the NE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ and the NW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ of projected Section 9, Township 23 South, Range 1 East (NMPM), as described by Subfile Order No. LRN-28-009-0026-A of the Third Judicial District Court, Dona Ana County, State of New Mexico. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-23

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Dates: 12/04, 12/11, 12/18, 2020

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 13, 2020, Dino Cervantes for Cervantes Farming Operation, PO Box 158, La Mesa, NM 88044 filed with the STATE ENGINEER Application No. LRG-5063 POD5, OSE File No. LRG-5063, for Permit to Change Point of Diversion within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin of the State of New Mexico by discontinuing the use of well LRG-5063-S located within the SW¹/₄ SE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ of Section 18, Township 25 South, Range 3 East, NMPM and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 8' 3.60"N, 106° 40' 45.70"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, and drilling replacement well LRG-5063 POD5 to be located within the NW¹/₄ of Section 18, Township 25 South, Range 3 East, NMPM and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 8' 2.11 "N, 106° 40' 45.05"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the August 22, 2011 Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No.

101, SS-97-101, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 264.36 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the following:

Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
Part NE ¹ / ₄	13	25 South	2 East
Pan SE ¹ / ₄	13	25 South	2 East
Part NW ¹ / ₄	18	25 South	2 East
Part SE ¹ / ₄	18	25 South	2 East
Part NW ¹ / ₄	19	25 South	2 East
Part NE ¹ / ₄	19	25 South	2 East
Part SE ¹ / ₄	19	25 South	2 East

The site of replacement well LRG-5063 POD5 is located northeast of La Mesa, NM and may be found approximately 0.7-mile northwest of the intersection of Highway 478 and Holguin Road. Old well LRG-5063-S will be plugged.

The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-23.

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Dates: 12/11, 12/18, 12/25, 2020

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 25, 2020, Claude and Elizabeth Sapien, 4141 Stryker Rd. Las Cruces, NM 88005 filed with the STATE ENGINEER Application No. LRG17829-PODI, OSE File No. LRG-17829-1, for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin of the State of New Mexico by drilling new well LRG-17829-PODI to a depth of 280 ft. with a 10 in. casing, to be located within the NW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ of projected Section 5, Township 24 South, Range 2 East (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 15' 24.75" N, 106° 45' 57.08" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, and by discontinuing the use of well LRG-01 447, located within the NW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ of projected Section 5, Township 24 South, Range 2 East (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 15' 24.82" N, 106° 45' 59.81" W (WGS84), located on land owned by Roberto Marquez, for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the August 22, 2011 Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 0.88 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the NW¹/₄ of projected Section 5,

Township 24 South, Range 2 East (NMPM), as described by Subfile Order No. LRS-28-0027004 of the Third Judicial District Court, Dona Ana County, State of New Mexico.

Dates: 12/18, 12/25, 2020, 01/01/2021

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 5, 2020, Van C and Susan Wamel Revocable Trust, P.O. Box 303 Mesilla, NM, 88047 filed with the STATE ENGINEER Application No. LRG-13760-POD2, OSE File No. LRG-18041-1 for Permit to change an existing water right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin of the State of New Mexico by using existing domestic well LRG-13760-POD2 located within the NE¹/₄ of Section 16, Township 19S, Range 3W, NMPM and more specifically where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 39'36"N, 107° 8'47"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant to replace existing well LRG-13731-PODI located within the NE¹/₄ of Section 16, Township 19S Range 3W, NMPM, and more specifically where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 39'44"N, 107° 8'54"W (WGS84), on land owned by Evelyn Kay Turner for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the August 22, 2011 Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 1.63 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the NE¹/₄ of Section 16, Township 19S Range 3W, NMPM as described by Subfile Order No. LRR-28-008-0122 of the Third Judicial Court, Dona Ana County, State of New Mexico.

Dates: 12/04, 12/11, 12/18, 2020

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 17, 2020, Shawn and Kristen Worthington, 559 Fort Filmore Rd., Mesilla Park, NM 88047, filed with the STATE ENGINEER Application No. LRG-12043-POD3 for Permit to Change Groundwater Point of Diversion, associated with Water Right File Nos. LRG-12043-1A and LRG12043-2 within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin of the State of New Mexico. Dona Ana is the County affected by the diversion and in which the water has been or will be put to beneficial use. This notice is ordered to be published in the Las Cruces Bulletin. To view the application and supporting documentation contact the State Engineer District Office to arrange a date and time for an appointment located at 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Any person, firm or corpora-

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Stetson and Rebecca Herrera, and instead drill a new well, LRG-12043-POD3, to a proposed depth of 160 feet below ground surface with a 10 inch casing to be located within the SW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ of said Section 15 and more specifically described as where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 13' 30.54" N and 106° 43' 28.71" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the August 22, 2011 Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 4.8 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the NW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ of said Section 15, as described in Subfile No.:LRS-28-004-0017, Right A of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey, and for the irrigation of 0.13 acres of land with groundwater only, as described in Subfile No.: LRS-28-004-0017, Right B. The place of use and proposed well can be found approximately 0.22 miles east of the intersection of Shiloh Rd. and Fort Fillmore Rd. The move from well can be found 0.19 miles north of the same intersection. The applicants have requested Emergency Authorization to Drill and Use well LRG-12043-POD3 under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-23.

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Dates: 12/11, 12/18, 12/25, 2020

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 19, 2020, Gose Farms LLC, P.O. Box 128 Mesilla Park, NM, 88047 filed with the STATE ENGINEER Application No. LRG-980-POD7, OSE File No. LRG-980-6 for Permit to change an existing water right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin of the State of New Mexico by drilling replacement well LRG-980-POD7 located within the SE¹/₄ of Section 7, Township 26S, Range 3E, NMPM and more specifically where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 3'23 "N, 106° 40'11 "W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant to replace existing well LRG-980 located within the SE¹/₄ of Section 7, Township 26S Range 3E, NMPM, and more specifically where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 3'41 "N, 106° 40'37"W (WGS84), on land owned by Farms El Consuelo LLC for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the August 22, 2011 Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 27.68 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SE¹/₄ of Section 7, Township 26S Range 3E, NMPM and NE¹/₄ of Section 18, Township 26S, Range 3E, NMPM, as described by Subfile Order No. LRS-28-011-0078 Right A of the Third Judicial Court, Dona Ana County, State of New Mexico. The site of

replacement well LRG-980-POD7 is located in the NE¹/₄ corner of Gose Farms LLC found off of Highway 28. Well LRG-980 will be retained for other rights.

The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-23.

Dona Ana is the County affected by the diversion and in which the water has been or will be put to beneficial use. This notice is ordered to be published in the Las Cruces Bulletin.

To view the application and supporting documentation contact the State Engineer District Office to arrange a date and time for an appointment located at 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number, email address, and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 on or before February 12, 2021. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest if the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, at 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 12/18, 12/25, 2020, 01/01/2021

LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE is hereby given that on November 5, 2020, James Salopek on behalf of Salopek 6U Farms, 5090 Snow Road, Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed with the STATE ENGINEER Application No. LRG-1483-POD2 for Permit to Drill Additional Groundwater Point of Diversion, associated with Water Right File No. LRG-1483-1 within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin of the State of New Mexico.

Dona Ana is the County affected by the diversion and in which the water has been or will be put to beneficial use. This notice is ordered to be published in the Las Cruces Bulletin.

Request to drill additional groundwater point of diversion LRG-1483-POD2, to an approximate depth of 600 feet below ground surface with an 16 inch casing, to be located within the SE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ of Section 18, Township 24 South, Range 02 East, NMPM, and more specifically described as where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 13' 35" N and 106° 46' 24" W (WGS84), to be used in conjunction with existing well LRG1483, also located within the SE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ of said Section 18 and more specifically described as where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 13' 30.67" N and 106° 46' 22.89" W (WGS84), both located on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the August 22, 2011 Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 42.87 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the of said Section 18 and the NW¹/₄ of Section 17, Township 24 South, Range 02 East. Proposed location of well LRG-1483-POD2 is approximately 0.65 miles southeast of the intersection of Snow Road and Pajaro Road, south of San Pablo, NM. The applicant has requested Emergency Authorization to Drill and Use well LRG-1483-POD2 under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24.

To view the application and supporting documentation contact the State Engineer District Office to arrange a

date and time for an appointment located at 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J. Las Cruces, NM 88005.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number, email address, and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J. Las Cruces, NM 88005, on or before January 22, 2021. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest if the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, (575) 524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 12/11, 12/18, 12/25, 2020

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff, vs. Case No.: D-307-CV-2017-01733

PHILLIP JOHN MONTOYA; FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF DONA ANA COUNTY; NORMA JEAN LEDESMA, THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE MONTOYA, SR. AKA GEORGE WASHINGTON MONTOYA AKA GEORGE MONTOYA Defendants. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Dona Ana

County, New Mexico, commonly known as 623 Weinrich Rd., Las Cruces, NM 88007, and more particularly described as follows: A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE WEST OF LAS CRUCES, DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS PART OF THE N 1/2, SW 1/4, NW 1/4, SE 1/4 OF SECTION 20, T.23S., R.1E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD SET ON THE NORTH SIDE OF A 33.00 FOOT WIDE RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR ROADWAY AND PUBLIC UTILITIES, FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, WHENCE A BRASS CAP FOUND FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE N 1/2, SW 1/4, NW 1/4, SE 1/4 OF SECTION 20, T.23S., R.1E., BEARS THE FOLLOWING TWO COURSES AND DISTANCES: S.89°58'12"W., 297.25 FEET; THENCE N.0°05'00"E., A DISTANCE OF 330.13 FEET; THENCE FROM THE PLACE OF BEGINNING N.0°05'31"E., 330.10 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET AT THE NORTH SIDE OF THE 33.00 FOOT WIDE RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR ROADWAY AND PUBLIC UTILITIES FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY N.89°58'30"E., 110.00 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE NORTH-EAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE S.85°41'30"W., 10.00 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR AN ANGLE POINT OF THIS TRACT; THENCE S.0°05'31"W., 28.89 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR AN ANGLE POINT OF THIS TRACT; THENCE N.85°41'30"E., 12.13 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR AN ANGLE POINT OF THIS TRACT; THENCE S.4°18'30"E., 63.17 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR AN ANGLE POINT OF THIS TRACT; THENCE S.85°41'30"W., 6.99 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR AN ANGLE POINT OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.0°05'31"W., 51.92 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET ON THE NORTH SIDE OF A 33.00 FOOT WIDE RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR ROADWAY AND PUBLIC UTILITIES FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE NORTH SIDE OF SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY S.89°58'12"W., 110.00 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 0.8336 ACRE OF LAND MORE OR LESS, SUBJECT TO A 33.00 FOOT WIDE RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR ROADWAY AND PUBLIC UTILITIES PARALLEL AND IMMEDIATELY SOUTH OF THE NORTH BOUNDARY LINE. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 9:00 AM on February 12, 2021, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on March 2, 2020, in the total amount of \$237,035.36, with interest at the rate 3.0000% per annum from November 14, 2019 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Freedom Mortgage Corporation, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to

the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING. By: Robert Doyle c/o Legal Process Network P.O. Box 51526 Albuquerque, NM 87181 2 NM-17-768881-JUD IDSPub #0172871 12/18/2020 12/25/2020 1/1/2021 1/8/2021

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, vs. Case No.: D-307-CV-2019-03129 SYLVIA ESPARZA; OSCAR ESPARZA; NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY; Defendant, PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Dona Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 1640 Smith Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows: LOT NUMBERED 5 IN BLOCK NUMBERED F OF MONTECITO SUBDIVISION, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID MONTECITO SUBDIVISION, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MARCH 5, 1953 IN PLAT BOOK 7, FOLIO 36. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 9:00 AM on January 29, 2021, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on November 20, 2020, in the total amount of \$106,102.77, with interest

at the rate of 4.00000% per annum from February 20, 2020 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. U.S. Bank National Association, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING. By: Robert Doyle c/o Legal Process Network P.O. Box 51526 Albuquerque, NM 87181 2 NM-19-873675-JUD IDSPub #0172872 12/18/2020 12/25/2020 1/1/2021 1/8/2021

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that Graham and Elva Stone shall sell the following described property at 205 W. Boutz Rd., Bldg. 1, Las Cruces, NM 88005 on the 23rd day of January 2021 at the hour of 10:00 a.m. by public auction. Said sale shall be for cash to the highest bidder provided however that Graham and Elva Stone may bid the amount due on the unpaid lease. The property to be sold is described as follows:

1 Conference wood table with a glass top and 9 chairs, 58 screens, 37 desks, 27 office chairs, 24 server towers for desktop computer Windows 7, 2 rack servers, 2

tower servers, 11 printers, 15 calculators, 15 file cabinets, 2 shredders, 2 double wide file cabinets, 1 projector, 19 scanners, 3 label makers, 1 hole puncher, a tool cabinet and miscellaneous office supplies.

This sale is to satisfy a landlord's lien in the amount of \$12,200 plus the cost of sale and attorney fees.

Dates: 12/18, 12/25, 2020

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

D-307-PB-2020-114
Judge Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DORIS A. LINDQUIST, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BETH ANN RITTENHOUSE has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present their claims within four (4) 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 counsel for Personal Representative or filed with the Clerk of the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

/s/ Melissa J. Reeves, P.C.
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Dates: 12/04, 12/11, 12/18, 2020

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

No. D-307-PB-2020-00194
Judge Martin, James T.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS LYLE OLSON, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CRED-

ITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned ELIZABETH IDA LEWIS has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) 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 c/o The Law Offices of Dana M. Kyle, P.O. Box 2277, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court of Dona Ana County, 201 W. Picacho, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005. Dated this 10th day of December, 2020.

/s/ELIZABETH IDA LEWIS
ELIZABETH IDA LEWIS,
Personal Representative
of the Estate of THOMAS LYLE OLSON, deceased.

Prepared by:
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Dates: 12/18, 12/25, 2020,
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

NO. CV-2020-02459
Judge Marci E. Beyer

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Deborah Kay D' Antonio FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Deborah Kay D' Antonio, a resident of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, and State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name



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Creativity, variety spice up Bulletin's Best contest

More than 25,000 people participated in the first-ever Bulletin's Best community favorites contest.

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During the voting phase in October, 371,117 votes were cast.

This special section lists all the award-winners in each category, along with ads, thank-yous and articles from some of the winners.

"This was a fun, engaging competition," said Bulletin Publisher Richard Coltharp. "It was cool watching all the nominations and votes come in. And we also learned a lot about the community."

The 12 groups were Arts & Entertainment, Automotive & Transportation, Business, Community, Eating & Drinking, Education, Health & Wellbeing, Home, Life is Good in Las Cruces, Professionals, Shopping and Sports & Recreation.

As usual, Las Cruces demonstrated their creativity. Finishing second in the Best Tanning Salon category was "The sun, Nature's tan." The winner in the Best Place for a Kid's Birthday Party was "My backyard." That answer might be pandemic-influenced, but we all know, even in non-Covid times, people love

to celebrate children's birthdays at home. And even though we've been without New Mexico State University Aggie activities for nine months now, the winner of the Best Personality category was Pistol Pete.

The Bulletin's Best "cover girls" (and boys) are the emergency and COVID-19 units from Memorial Medical Center, who won the category of Best Local Hero. In this stressful year of a pandemic, there could have been no more appropriate winner in this category.

The Las Cruces community has found many ways to express its thanks to all the local healthcare workers, including those at MountainView Regional Medical Center, the Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico, Mesilla Valley Hospital and all of the people who have worked so tirelessly during the pandemic.

Thankfully, the Bulletin's Best votes were tabulated by an online computer program, so the Bulletin staff did not have to get involved with that portion of the contest.

The staff did add several categories to the initial stock list of categories, and created its own grouping: Life is Good in Las Cruces, with categories unique to our Mesilla Valley. There was a wide variety of nominees and vote-getters. Responses reflected the diversity and variety of Dona Ana County itself.

Also in the Life is Good in Las Cruces winners were two local legends who are no longer with us.

Winning the Best All Time NMSU Aggie Coach was – and it wasn't even close – longtime men's basketball coach Lou Henson, who passed away in July 2020.

The winner of the Best Local Historical Figure was Tony-Award-winning playwright Mark Medoff. Medoff could have gone anywhere in the world to practice his craft, but remained teaching at NMSU, spawning more generations of talented Aggies. Medoff passed away in April 2019.

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Austin's has largest jewelry inventory in Las Cruces

Austin's Fine Jewelry is owned by Keith and Kathy Austin. Keith manages the store of three salespeople and one goldsmith/jeweler. The store specializes in retail sales and repair of fine and estate jewelry. Austin's opened its doors in 1988 at 230 E. Idaho Avenue, where it remains today. Hours of operation are Tuesday through Friday 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. and Saturday 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

In this pandemic, they all wear masks and require their customers to do the same. They disinfect the store ongoingly, as they want everyone to be safe.

Austin's Fine Jewelry has the largest inventory of jewelry in Las Cruces. They take trades and have a lot of gold and silver estate jewelry. They clean jewelry for free and offer great repair services by their jeweler of 25 years. Austin's also has a great ring museum for every shopper to enjoy!

They can be reached at 575-525-3340, www.austinsjewelry.com, rylc@gmail.com, [facebook.com/austinsjewelrylc](https://www.facebook.com/austinsjewelrylc).

The Austin's Fine Jewelry team thanks everyone who nominated and voted for their business. They look forward to seeing everyone as we move through the pandemic. They thank their customers for their patience while they had to be shut down in 2020 and wish all good health in 2021!





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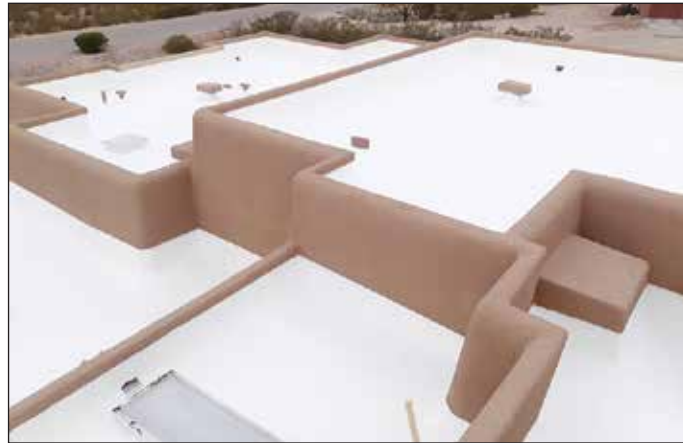
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"Covid-19 has affected us in the way we do things every day, of course," Sosa said. "But we have found ways to still do the things we have always done by socially distancing, wearing masks, and sanitizing frequently.

"We would like to thank Las Cruces and everyone who voted for Anthony Sosa Roofing & Construction!"



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Best Art Gallery
Winner: Art Obscura
 Second Place: New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum
 Runner Up: Doña Ana Arts Council

Best Attraction
Winner: Farmers & Crafts Market of Las Cruces
 Second Place: Organ Mountains
 Runner Up: Amador Live Jax

Blues Band/Act
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 Runner Up: Derrick Harris

Best Club DJ
Winner: Tommy Black
 Second Place: Dj Johnny Kage
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Best Country Band/Act
Winner: SATISFIED with Johnny and Karlos Saucedo
 Second Place: Chris Baker
 Runner Up: Frank Ray

Best Cultural Event
Winner: Dia de Los Muertos in Mesilla
 Second Place: Christmas Eve Mesilla Plaza
 Runner Up: Zombie Walk

Best Dance Club
Winner: Palacio Bar Since 1936
 Second Place: Jax at Amador Live
 Runner Up: Whiskey Dick's

Best Entertainment Venue
Winner: Las Cruces Community Theatre
 Second Place: Amador LIVE
 Runner Up: Fountain Theatre

Best Family Entertainment
Winner: Mayfield vs Las Cruces Rivalry
 Second Place: Las Cruces Community Theatre
 Runner Up: Las Cruces Renaissance ArtsFaire

Best Female Vocalist
Winner: Bri Bagwell
 Second Place: Zeta Sherrill
 Runner Up: Daisy Blue

Best Festival
Winner: Southern New Mexico State Fair
 Second Place: Doña Ana Arts Council Renaissance ArtsFaire
 Runner Up: Zombie Walk

Best Fine Artist
Winner: Bob Diven
 Second Place: Virginia Maria Romero
 Runner Up: Michael Ponce

Best Fundraising Event
Winner: Men Who Cook
 Second Place: Cowboys for Cancer Research
 Runner Up: March of Dimes

Best Gaming Venue
Winner: Rad Retrocade
 Second Place: Lucky Dog Billiards
 Runner Up: Galaxy Gaming Lounge

Best House/Cover Band/Act
Winner: SATISFIED
 Second Place: Caliente
 Runner Up: Ghetto Blasters

Best Jazz Band/Act
Winner: Roman Chip
 Second Place: Derrick Lee Trio
 Runner Up: Lush Life Quintet

Best Live Music Venue (Large)
Winner: Amador LIVE
 Second Place: Pan American Center
 Runner Up: Picacho Peak Brewing Company

Best Live Music Venue (Medium)
Winner: Amador Patio Bar Grill
 Second Place: The Game 1 & The Game 2
 Runner Up: El Patio

Best Live Music Venue (Small)
Winner: High Desert Brewing Co.
 Second Place: The Game Sports Bar and Grill
 Runner Up: Vintage Wines

Best Live Theater Group
Winner: Las Cruces Community Theatre
 Second Place: NMSU Theater
 Runner Up: Toad Hall Productions

Best Live Theater Venue
Winner: Las Cruces Community Theatre
 Second Place: Rio Grande Theatre
 Runner Up: Black Box Theatre

Best Local Actor
Winner: Brandon Brown
 Second Place: Mark Vasconcellos
 Runner Up: Nick Check

Best Local Actress
Winner: Nora Brown
 Second Place: Erin Wendorf
 Runner Up: Jessica Jimenez

Best Local Author
Winner: Rus Bradburd
 Second Place: Denise Chavez
 Runner Up: David Salcido

Best Local Band
Winner: SATISFIED
 Second Place: Chris Baker Band
 Runner Up: Los Chile Rellenos

Best Local Casino
Winner: Sunland Park Racetrack & Casino

Best Local Clothing Designer
Winner: Organ Mountain Outfitters
 Second Place: Cassandra Galban
 Runner Up: Robert Young (Bobcat)

Best Local Event
Winner: Farmers & Crafts Market of Las Cruces
 Second Place: Southern NM State Fair and Rodeo
 Runner Up: Zombie Walk

Best Local Hip Hop Artist
Winner: DJ Sauna
 Second Place: Naekwon
 Runner Up: Jordano Baby

Best Male Vocalist
Winner: Karlos Saucedo
 Second Place: Chris Baker
 Runner Up: Joseph Acosta

Best Mariachi Band
Winner: Karlos Saucedo
 Second Place: Mariachi Aguilas
 Runner Up: Mariachi Jalisciense

Best Movie Theater
Winner: Telshor 12 - Allen Theatres
 Second Place: Fountain Theatre
 Runner Up: Cineport 10 - Allen Theatres

Best Museum
Winner: New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum
 Second Place: Museum of Nature & Science
 Runner Up: Las Cruces Museum of Art

Best Musician
Winner: Johnny Arce
 Second Place: Chris Baker
 Runner Up: CW Ayon

Best Nightclub
Winner: Palacio Bar Since 1936
 Second Place: Little Toad Creek Brewery & Distillery Las Cruces
 Runner Up: Rad Retrocade

Best Outdoor Event
Winner: Farmers & Crafts Market of Las Cruces
 Second Place: Las Cruces Renaissance Arts Faire
 Runner Up: Las Cruces Music in the Park

Best Photographer (Fine Art)
Winner: Laura Viramontes
 Second Place: Wayne Suggs
 Runner Up: Up MJMFotos

Best Place for a Kid's Birthday Party
Winner: Backyard
 Second Place: Peter Piper Pizza
 Runner Up: Rockin Jump Indoor Trampoline Park- Las Cruces

Best Rock Band/Act
Winner: SATISFIED
 Second Place: Triple Jack
 Runner Up: Cordova

Best Spanish Band
Winner: SATISFIED
 Second Place: Nosotros
 Runner Up: Cruces Band

Best Tourist Spot
Winner: White Sands National Park
 Second Place: Mesilla Plaza
 Runner Up: Farmers & Crafts Market of Las Cruces

AUTO & TRANSPORTATION

Best Auto Loan Provider
Winner: White Sands Federal Credit Union
 Second Place: First Light Federal CU
 Runner Up: Pioneer Bank

Best Auto Service & Repair
Winner: Gilbert's Automotive & Transmission
 Second Place: Joe's Collision Center
 Runner Up: B & G Automotive

Best Boat Sales / Service
Winner: Fun Country RV & Marine
 Second Place: Caliber Collision

Best Cab Company
Winner: Las Cruces Shuttle & Taxi
 Second Place: L & L Limousine Service
 Runner Up: Checker Cab

Best Car Wash
Winner: Mister Car Wash
 Second Place: Pic Quik
 Runner Up: Neto Boys Full Service And Self Service Carwash

Best Mechanic
Winner: Jesus Avalos - AAMCO
 Second Place: Tom Mascitelli's Auto Repair
 Runner Up: B & G Automotive

Best Mobile Car Wash
Winner: Victory Lane Mobile Detailing & Ceramic Coating
 Second Place: Squeaky Clean Mobile Detailing
 Runner Up: Esparza Auto Detailing
 Runner Up: Neto Boys Full Service And Self Service Carwash

Best New Car Dealership
Winner: Vescovo Toyota of Las Cruces
 Second Place: Borman Honda
 Runner Up: Sisbarro Volkswagen

Best Off-Road Vehicle Dealer
Winner: Las Cruces Motorsports
 Second Place: The Power Center, Inc.

Best Oil Change
Winner: Big O Tires
 Second Place: Jiffy Lube
 Oil Change & Multicare
 Runner Up: Roper's Kar Wash & Lubricator

Best Place to Buy A Used Car
Winner: Vescovo Toyota of Las Cruces
 Second Place: Sisbarro Volkswagen
 Runner Up: L & L Auto Sales

Best Tire Shop
Winner: Discount Tire
 Second Place: Big O Tires
 Runner Up: Firestone Complete Auto Care

Best RV Sales and Service
Winner: Affordable RV & Marine Service
 Second Place: Holiday World of Las Cruces
 Runner Up: Fun Country RV & Marine

Best Used Car Dealership
Winner: Vescovo Toyota of Las Cruces
 Second Place: Sisbarro Volkswagen
 Runner Up: Borman Used Select

Best Motorcycle Shop
Winner: Barnett's Las Cruces Harley-Davidson
 Second Place: Las Cruces Motorsports
 Runner Up: Lanesplitterz

Still only one Toucan Market

Toucan Market, which celebrated its 15th anniversary in June 2020, is owned by Bob and Joan Baur, and their son, Rob, who manages the store.

The specialty grocer has a full-service meat department, a fresh produce department featuring local produce whenever possible.

The grocery features hard to find items for you "foodies" as well as a wide selection of local merchandise. The store has a bakery with breads, cakes pastries and so much more.

Also, Toucan has a great liquor department with hundreds of wines from around the world, microbrews and spirits.

"We're locally owned and operated so there is still only one Toucan Market," Bob Baur said. "Thank you for all your



Toucan Market owners Rob, Joan and Bob Baur COURTESY PHOTO



support through the years, I certainly appreciate the votes that gave us the opportunity to win these awards. God Bless you and your family, see you soon."

BUSINESS & FINANCE

Best Accounting Firm Winner: Beasley, Mitchell, & Co.

Second Place: Bagwell James CPA
Runner Up: Kelly Accounting

Best Administrative Assistant Winner: Elisabeth Ondelacy HTM Security Services Inc.

Second Place: Monica Bustamante (White Sands School)
Runner Up: Devany Whipple (Law Office of Jill V. Johnson)

Best Bank Winner: Citizens Bank

Second Place: FirstLight Federal Credit Union
Runner Up: Pioneer Bank

Best Bookkeeping/Tax Service Winner: Beasley, Mitchell, & Co.

Second Place: Kelly Accounting
Runner Up: Ebbs, Roberts, Daw & Head Inc.

Best Boss Winner: Marci Dickerson

Second Place: Genno Tafoya, HTM Security Services
Runner Up: Kiel Hoffman, Pioneer Bank

Best Financial Institution Winner: Citizens Bank of Las Cruces

Second Place: Edward Jones - Financial Advisor: Christopher L Dulany, CFP
Runner Up: Pioneer Bank

Best Financial Planner Winner: Brandon J. Bagwell

Second Place: Christopher Dulany
Runner Up: Lori Allen

Best Local Credit Union Winner: White Sands Federal Credit Union

Second Place: FirstLight Federal Credit Union
Runner Up: FirstLight Federal Credit Union - East Lohman Ave.

Best Locally Owned Business Winner: Citizens Bank

Second Place: HTM, Inc, Security Specialty Training
Runner Up: Sinate Media

Best Mortgage / Home Loan Provider Winner: Citizens Bank of Las Cruces

Second Place: Mann Mortgage
Runner Up: Pioneer Bank

Best new business (opened 2019-20) Winner: Nothing Bundt Cakes

Second Place: Co-Lab Artisans Loft
Runner Up: AIM FitMeals, LLC.

Best Place to Work Winner: Memorial Medical Center

Second Place: HTM, Inc, Security Specialty Training
Runner Up: Mesilla Valley Hospice

Best Print Shop Winner: Insta-Copy

Second Place: ABC Printing
Runner Up: Del Valle Printing



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COMMUNITY

Best Apartment Community**Winner: Copperstone Apartments**

Second Place: Casas De Soledad Apartment Homes
 Runner Up: High Range Village Apartments

Best Church**Winner: St. Albert the Great Newman Center**

Second Place: Landmark Church
 Runner Up: Power Of Praise Fellowship

Best City Councilor**Winner: Tessa Stuve**

Second Place: Gabe Vasquez
 Runner Up: Kasandra Gandara

Best Community Activist**Winner: Marci Dickerson**

Second Place: Carrie Hamblen
 Runner Up: Austin Trout

Best County Commissioner**Winner: Isabella Solis**

Second Place: Lynn Ellins
 Runner Up: Shannon Reynolds

Best Hotel**Winner: Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces**

Second Place: Hacienda de Mesilla
 Runner Up: Hilton Garden Inn Las Cruces

Best Local Athlete**Winner: Austin Trout**

Second Place: Bryce Rewalt
 Runner Up: Jewel Johnson

Best Local Cause**Winner: Action Programs for Animals**

Second Place: Mesilla Valley Hospice
 Runner Up: La Casa, Inc.

Best Local Hero**Winner: MMC Emergency & COVID-19 Units staff (Lifesavers!)**

Second Place: Barbara Hubbard
 Runner Up: Marci Dickerson

Best Local Website**Winner: www.lascrucesbulletin.com**

Second Place: Las Cruces Community
 Runner Up: Las Cruces Memory Lane

Best Local Newspaper Columnist**Winner: Algernon D'Amassa**

Second Place: Richard Coltharp
 Runner Up: Damien Willis

Best Local Newspaper Reporter**Winner: Mike Cook**

Second Place: Algernon D'Amassa
 Runner Up: Damien Willis

Best Local Personality**Winner: Pistol Pete**

Second Place: Robert Palacios
 Runner Up: Salina Madrid

Best Local Radio Personality**Winner: Vanessa Dabovich**

Second Place: Jackie Marquez Wilkinson
 Runner Up: Patricia Valencia

Best Local Radio Station**Winner: 101 Gold**

Second Place: Hot 103.1
 Runner Up: Zia Country 99.5

Best Local Sports Team**Winner: NMSU Aggies Men's Basketball**

Second Place: Crossroads City Derby
 Runner Up: Steele Athletes

Best Local Twitter Feed**Winner: Algernon D'Amassa**

Second Place: Zia Comics
 Runner Up: Damien Willis

Best Local Legislator**Winner: Jeff Steinborn**

Second Place: Isabella Solis
 Runner Up: Micaela Lara Cadena

Best Neighborhood**Winner: Sonoma Ranch Boulevard**

Second Place: Mesilla
 Runner Up: Country Club Estates

Best Nonprofit Organization**Winner: Jardin de los Niños**

Second Place: La Casa Inc.
 Runner Up: Casa de Peregrinos

Best Philanthropist**Winner: Paul Taylor**

Second Place: Marci Dickerson
 Runner Up: Ammu Devasthali

Best Talk / News Radio Station**Winner: 101 Gold**

Second Place: KRWG
 Runner Up: Mesilla Valley News Adams Radio Group

EATING & DRINKING

Best 24-Hour Restaurant**Winner: Village Inn**

Second Place: Whataburger
 Runner Up: Restaurant IHOP

Best Bagels**Winner: Milagro Coffee y Espresso**

Second Place: Einstein Bros. Bagels
 Runner Up: Kind Bread Company

Best Bakery**Winner: Indulgence Bakery & Cafe**

Second Place: Le Rendez-vous Cafe
 Runner Up: Lujan Bakery

Best Barbecue Restaurant**Winner: Ranchway BBQ & Mexican Food**

Second Place: Sparky's
 Runner Up: Jim Bobs BBQ

Best Bartender (Name & Workplace)**Winner: Skye Rivera - Applebee's**

Second Place: Audrey - Double Eagle
 Runner Up: Nick - Ice Box Brewing Company

Best Bed & Breakfast**Winner: Hacienda de Mesilla**

Second Place: Josefina's
 Runner: Lundeen Inn Of The Arts

Best Beer Selection (bar, brewery or restaurant)**Winner: Broken Spoke Taphouse**

Second Place: High Desert Brewing Co.
 Runner Up: Spotted Dog Brewery

Best Beer Selection (retail store)**Winner: Kelly Liquors**

Second Place: Toucan Market
 Runner Up: Spotted Dog

Best Breakfast**Winner: The Shed**

Second Place: Indulgence Bakery & Cafe
 Runner Up: Bite of Belgium

Best Brew Pub**Winner: High Desert Brewing Co.**

Second Place: Little Toad Creek Brewery & Distillery
 Runner Up: Spotted Dog Brewery

Best Buffet**Winner: Cattle Baron**

Second Place: Double Eagle
 Runner Up: Golden Corral Buffet & Grill

Best Business Lunch**Winner: Andele Restaurant**

Second Place: Salud de Mesilla
 Runner Up: La Posta de Mesilla

Best Catering**Winner: Andele Restaurant**

Second Place: Pastaggio's Italian Restaurant
 Runner Up: Matteo's Mexican Food

Best Cheap Meal**Winner: Day's Hamburgers**

Second Place: Andele's Dog House
 Runner Up: Matteo's Mexican Food

Best Chef (Name & Workplace)**Winner: Chef Chris - Aim fitmeals LLC**

Second Place: Chef Frankie Torres - Chalas
 Runner Up: Chef Milo - Spotted Dog Brewery

Best Chicken Nuggets**Winner: Chick-fil-A**

Second Place: Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers
 Runner Up: McDonald's

Best Chicken Sandwich**Winner: Chick-fil-A**

Second Place: Indulgence Bakery & Cafe
 Runner Up: High Desert Brewing Co.

Best Chicken Strips or Tenders**Winner: Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers**

Second Place: Dairy Queen
 Runner Up: Whataburger

Best Chicken Wings**Winner: Wingstop**

Second Place: The Game Bar & Grill
 Runner Up: Icebox Brewery

Best Chinese Restaurant**Winner: Thai Delight**

Second Place: Wok N World
 Runner Up: China Express

Best Cocktails**Winner: Dry Point Distillery**

Second Place: Double Eagle Mesilla
 Runner Up: La Posta De Mesilla

Best Coffeehouse**Winner: Beck's Roasting House & Creamery**

Second Place: The Bean Cafe
 Runner Up: Milagro Coffee y Espresso

Best Deli**Winner: Corner Deli**

Second Place: McAlister's Deli
 Runner Up: Jason's Deli

Best Desserts**Winner: Caliche's Frozen Custard**

Second Place: Indulgence Bakery & Cafe
 Runner Up: Le Rendez-vous Cafe

Best Distillery**Winner: Dry Point Distillers**

Second Place: Little Toad Creek Brewery & Distillery Las Cruces

Best Dive Bar**Winner: El Patio Bar Since 1935**

Second Place: Chope's Bar & Cafe
 Runner Up: Palacio Bar Since 1936

Best Donuts**Winner: Bosa Donuts & Burritos**

Second Place: Leo's Bakery
 Runner Up: La Fiesta Bakery

Best fajitas**Winner: El Sombrero Patio Cafe**

Second Place: La Posta De Mesilla
 Runner Up: Cha Chi's Doña Ana NM

Best Family Restaurant**Winner: Andele Restaurant**

Second Place: El Sombrero
 Runner Up: La Posta De Mesilla

Best Food Truck**Winner: Green Chile Paddy Wagon**

Second Place: Matteo's Mexican Food
 Runner Up: Luchador Food Truck

Best French Fries**Winner: Green Chile Paddy Wagon**

Second Place: Five Guys
 Runner Up: Chick-fil-A

Best French Restaurant**Winner: Le Rendez-vous Cafe**

Second Place: Double Eagle
 Runner Up: IHOP



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Museum brings state's farm, ranch history to life

A top attraction in southern New Mexico, the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum draws visitors from all over the world. A recent year-long survey showed visitors from 11 foreign countries and 48 states. We have animals, demonstrations, educational programs, outstanding exhibits, and now many programs online.

The Museum, which opened in 1998, connects the present generation to the history of farming and ranching in New Mexico, inspiring a deeper appreciation and understanding of the state's rich and diverse heritage. This is done through exhibitions educational programs, and special events.

"We are extremely grateful to everyone who voted for us and we are proud of our connection with the many supporters who share our enthusiasm and passion for preserving and sharing this amazing history," said Heather A. Reed, the Museum's executive director.



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As a state facility, the Museum has been mostly closed since March 15, but its online presence has increased dramatically through a new website and social media, offering many programs.

Livestock and maintenance staff continue to work on site to care for the animals and provide security.

When open, visitors can go to the Museum at 4100 Dripping Springs Road in Las Cruces. In the meantime, those interested can go to www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org, or email frhm@state.nm.us.

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- Best Museum, **1st place**
- Best Place to Get Married, **1st place**
- Best Art Gallery, **2nd place**



Stay connected with us on social media and visit our website to see virtual exhibits, explore our Collections Portal, or visit our Education Resources page for videos and lesson plans.

We will see you soon!

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EATING & DRINKING

- Best Fried Chicken**
Winner: Indulgence Bakery & Cafe
 Second Place: Cracker Barrel Old Country Store
 Runner Up: KFC
- Best Greek Restaurant**
Winner: Tiffany's
 Second Place: Santorini Restaurant
- Best Hamburger**
Winner: Sparky's
 Second Place: Day's Hamburgers
 Runner Up: Burger Nook
- Best Happy Hour**
Winner: Sonic
 Second Place: Si Señor Restaurant
 Runner Up: The Game II - Sports Grill
- Best Hot Dog**
Winner: Caliche's
 Second Place: Lalo's Sonora Style Dogs
 Runner Up: Andele's Dog House
- Best Italian Restaurant**
Winner: Pastaggio's Italian Restaurant
 Second Place: Lorenzo's Italian Restaurant
 Runner Up: Luna Rossa Winery & Pizzeria
- Best Japanese Restaurant**
Winner: Aqua Reef
 Second Place: Sakura Japanese House
 Runner Up: Mix Sushi Bar & Grill
- Best Kid-Friendly Restaurant**
Winner: Peter Piper Pizza
 Second Place: Cracker Barrel Old Country Store
 Runner Up: Salud! de Mesilla
- Best Late Night Bar**
Winner: Broken Spoke Taphouse
 Second Place: El Patio Bar
 Runner Up: Little Toad Creek Brewery & Distillery Las Cruces
- Best Liquor Store**
Winner: Kelly Liquors
 Second Place: Toucan Market
 Runner Up: Elephant Ranch
- Best Local Winery**
Winner: D.H. Lescombes Winery
 Second Place: Luna Rossa Winery and Pizzeria
 Runner Up: Vintage Wines
- Best Locally Owned Restaurant**
Winner: Andele Restaurant
 Second Place: La Posta de Mesilla
 Runner Up: Chala's Wood Fire Grill
- Best Margarita**
Winner: La Posta de Mesilla
 Second Place: Double Eagle
 Runner Up: Chachi's Restaurant
- Best Martini**
Winner: Dry Point Distillers
 Second Place: Double Eagle
 Runner Up: Hacienda de Mesilla
- Best Mexican Restaurant**
Winner: El Sombrero Patio Cafe
 Second Place: Andele Restaurant
 Runner Up: La Posta de Mesilla
- Best Nachos**
Winner: High Desert Brewing Co.
 Second Place: The Game Sports Bar and Grill
 Runner Up: El Patron Cafe And Catering
- Best New Bar (opened 2019-20)**
Winner: Amador LIVE
 Second Place: Dry Point Distillers
 Runner Up: Icebox Brewing - N. Main Taproom
- Best New Restaurant (opened 2019-20)**
Winner: Matteo's Mexican Food
 Second Place: Amador Patio Bar Grill
 Runner Up: AIM FitMeals, LLC.
- Best Outdoor Patio**
Winner: Andele's Dog House
 Second Place: The Game Sports Bar and Grill
 Runner Up: Broken Spoke Taphouse
- Best Pizza**
Winner: NYP Slice House Pizza
 Second Place: Luna Rossa
 Runner Up: Dion's
- Best Pub Food**
Winner: High Desert Brewing Co.
 Second Place: Spotted Dog
 Runner Up: The Game Sports Bar and Grill
- Best Restaurant Server (Name & Workplace)**
Winner: Mikey - Little Toad Creek
 Second Place: Isaiah Gutierrez - D.H. Lescombes Winery & Bristro
 Runner Up: Corey - Icebox/Boneyard
- Best Romantic Restaurant**
Winner: Hacienda de Mesilla
 Second Place: Salud! de Mesilla
 Runner Up: Double Eagle
- Best Salad**
Winner: Cattle Baron
 Second Place: Dion's
 Runner Up: Boba Cafe
- Best Seafood Restaurant**
Winner: Hacienda de Mesilla
 Second Place: Delicias del Mar
 Runner Up: Red Lobster
- Best Smoothies**
Winner: Keva Juice
 Second Place: Boba Cafe
 Runner Up: Mountain View Market Co+op
- Best Soup**
Winner: Indulgence Bakery & Cafe
 Second Place: Boba Cafe
 Runner Up: McAlister's Deli
- Best Sports Bar**
Winner: The Game II - Sports Bar and Grill
 Second Place: Icebox Brewing Company
 Runner Up: The Game Sports Bar and Grill
- Best Steakhouse**
Winner: Texas Roadhouse
 Second Place: Cattle Baron
 Runner Up: Double Eagle
- Best Sub/Sandwich**
Winner: Corner Deli
 Second Place: Boba Cafe
 Second Place: Dion's
- Best Sunday Brunch**
Winner: The Shed
 Second Place: Salud! de Mesilla
 Runner Up: A Bite Of Belgium



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Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico was awarded **First Place for the Best Rehab Center, Second Place for Best Physical Therapy Facility and Runner Up for Best Hospital!**

And our 15 year veteran Physical Therapist, Brian Rewalt, was awarded **First Place for Best Physical Therapist!**

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EATING & DRINKING

Best Sushi
Winner: Aqua Reef
Second Place: Mix Pacific Rim
Runner Up: Sakura Japanese House

Best Take Out
Winner: Andele Restaurant
Second Place: Si Señor Express
Runner Up: Chachis

Best Tapas
Winner: Salud de Mesilla
Second Place: Hacienda de Mesilla
Runner Up: Spotted Dog Brewery

Best Tequila Selection (Bar or Restaurant)
Winner: La Posta De Mesilla
Second Place: Double Eagle
Runner Up: Si Señor Restaurant

Best Thai / Vietnamese
Winner: Thai Delight
Second Place: Renoo's Thai Time
Runner Up: Pho a dong

Best Upscale Bar
Winner: Double Eagle
Second Place: Hacienda de Mesilla
Runner Up: 575 Cruces Crafted Cocktails
Runner Up: Salud! de Mesilla

Best Vegetarian Selection
Winner: Indulgence Bakery & Cafe
Second Place: Habanero's Fresh Mex
Runner Up: Salud! de Mesilla

Best Wine Bar
Winner: D.H. Lescombes Winery & Bistro
Second Place: Salud! de Mesilla
Runner Up: Vintage Wines

Best Wine Selection (bar, winery or restaurant)
Winner: Salud! de Mesilla
Second Place: D.H. Lescombes
Runner Up: Vintage Wines

Best Wine Selection (retail store)
Winner: Toucan Market
Second Place: Kelly Liquors
D.H. Lescombes Winery & Bistro Runner Up

Best Wine Shop
Winner: Toucan Market
Second Place: D.H. Lescombes Winery & Bistro
Runner Up: Vintage Wines

Ice Cream or Frozen Desserts
Winner: Caliche's Frozen Custard
Second Place: The Paleta Bar Las Cruces
Runner Up: Dairy Queen

EDUCATION

Best DACC Instructor
Winner: Monica Mojica
Second Place: Olivia Seppi
Runner Up: Rachel Gentry

Best Elementary School Principal
Winner: Lou Ellen Kay (Las Cruces Academy)
Second Place: Melissa Galaz (Sonoma)
Runner Up: Adrian Galaz (Holy Cross)

Best Elementary School Teacher
Winner: Celeste Swapp (Sonoma)
Second Place: Arielle Lane (Las Cruces Academy)
Runner Up: Meredith Monroe (Sonoma)

Best High School Boys Team Coach
Winner: Aaron Ocampo
Second Place: Greg Mallory
Runner Up: Daniel Loya, Centennial Soccer

Best High School Girls Team Coach
Winner: George Maya
Second Place: Louie Laborin - Centennial
Runner Up: Keith Leupold

Best High School Principal
Winner: Susie Hendee (Centennial)
Second Place: James Schapekahn (Oñate)
Runner Up: Adrian Galaz (Holy Cross)

Best High School Teacher
Winner: Beth Rewalt
Second Place: Rachel Gentry
Runner Up: Marissa Prentice

Best Middle School Boys Team Coach
Winner: Art Narvaez
Second Place: William Benjamin
Runner Up: Tim Hall

Best Middle School Girls Team Coach
Winner: Benjamin Serrano
Second Place: Michael Parker
Runner Up: Secret Roybal

Best Middle School Principal
Winner: Ralph Ramos (Camino)
Second Place: Lou Ellen Kay (Las Cruces Academy)
Runner Up: James Dickerson (White Sands)

Best Middle School Teacher
Winner: Vanessa Dabovich
Second Place: Elizabeth Brasher (Las Cruces Academy)
Runner Up: Art Narvaez (Mesa MS)

Best NMSU Instructor
Winner: Dr. Tom Dormody
Second Place: Amy Lanasa
Runner Up: Olivia Seppi

Best Preschool
Winner: Alpha Schools
Second Place: Doña Ana County Head Start
Runner Up: St. Paul's Child Development Center

Best Private School
Winner: Las Cruces Academy
Second Place: Mesilla Valley Christian School
Runner Up: Las Cruces Catholic School

Best Public Elementary School
Winner: Monte Vista Elementary School
Second Place: Sonoma Elementary School
Runner Up: Tombaugh Elementary School

Best Public High School
Winner: Centennial High School
Second Place: Oñate High School
Runner Up: Mayfield High School

Best Public Middle School
Winner: Camino Real Middle School
Second Place: Sierra Middle School
Runner Up: Vista Middle School

Best School Board Member
Winner: Ray Jaramillo
Second Place: Teresa Tenorio
Runner Up: Maria Flores



MMC Excels In 2020

Having served the community for more than 70 years, Memorial Medical Center has experienced a year unlike any other in 2020.

Always ready for a crisis, MMC's employees, who number around 1,450, have risen to the challenge more than ever during this time of pandemic.

That over-and-above ethic was recognized in the Bulletin's Best of the Mesilla, as MMC won 27 awards across 18 categories.

"I want to thank the community for showing their appreciation for the difference our staff, providers and volunteers continue to make here," said MMC CEO John Harris. "It is our pleasure to have earned your trust to treat you like family for your healthcare needs. That trust will always drive our commitment to excel."

Exemplifying this caring spirit is MMC's award in the category Best Local Hero, which went to the hospital's emergency and COVID-19 units staffs for their extraordinary efforts in these difficult times.

"I am extremely proud of the outstanding team at Memorial Medical Center, winning 27 awards across 18 categories," Harris said. "It is a direct



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Memorial Cancer Center: Winner of Best Medical Group

reflection of the extremely dedicated people at MMC. Our staff is committed to providing high quality, safe care for the people of this region that we have the privilege of serving."

MMC is owned by LifePoint Health, headquartered in Brentwood, Tenn. Joining Harris on the hospital's management team are Caryn Iverson, Chief Nursing Officer; Dr. Dolores Gomez, Chief Medical Officer; Steve Winegart, Chief Financial Officer; and Mary Armijo, Associate Administrator.

"While unprecedented, the year 2020 has once again shown why Memorial Medical Center is the destination for high quality healthcare in Southern New Mexico," Harris concluded.

"Thank you to our partners and providers for joining us in our mission."



MMC Emergency & COVID-19 Units Staff: Winners of Best Local Hero

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Thank you to everyone who voted us the *BEST!*

BEST Local Hero



MMC Emergency & COVID-19 Units Staff (*Lifesavers!*)

BEST Nurse

Second Place
Lynn Van Pelt Fletcher

Winner
Karl Ngoye

Runner Up
Chris Munoz



BEST Cardiologist



Second Place
Shariq Shamim, MD



Runner Up
Udit Bhatnagar, MD

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Winner
Memorial
Cancer Center

BEST Medical Clinic

Winner
Family HealthCare
North Main
Runner Up
Urgent Care
Sonoma

BEST
Physical Therapy
Facility
Winner

Memorial Medical Center

BEST
Mental Health
Facility
Winner

Memorial Medical Center

BEST Oncologist



Winner
Jason Call, MD



Second Place
Parikshit Padhi, MD



Runner Up
Bruce Greenfield, MD

BEST Physician



Winner
Mai Oushy, MD



Second Place
Parikshit Padhi, MD

BEST Medical Group

Winner
Memorial
Cancer Center

Second Place
 Memorial
PHYSICIAN PRACTICES

BEST Hearing Care Providers



Second Place
Jonathan Owens, MD

BEST Podiatrist



Winner
Raha Mobarak, DPM

BEST Orthopedist



Winner
George Harrington, MD



Second Place
Robert Schwartz, MD

BEST Surgeon



Runner Up
Carrie Dieker, MD

BEST Cosmetic Surgeon



Winner
Jaime Aburto, MD

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Grandfather-granddaughter duo runs Acti-Kare

Acti-Kare Responsive In-Home Care of Las Cruces is a local, family-operated business owned by a granddaughter and grandfather duo, Ashley Berlint and Robert Mowry, who are dedicated with providing Doña Ana County with quality care for all ages.

"When you can't be with your loved one, we can!" Berlint says.

Acti-Kare opened in March 2018 and currently has 18 caregivers on staff.

Recently, Acti-Kare won a Bulletin's Best first-place award in the category Best In-Home Elder Care.

"We would like to thank everyone who took the time out of their day to vote ActiKare "Best In-Home Elder Care Company," Berlint said. "Our hearts are filled with joy. Each one of you is greatly appreciated! We couldn't have done it without all of the support from our family, friends and wonderful Las Cruces community."

As it has for every business, COVID-19 has affected the way Acti-Kare operates.

Berlint said her staff has exercised



Ashley Berlint

extra care and caution with clients.

"Luckily, Acti-Kare is a healthcare provider, so we have not been hit as hard as other small businesses," Berlint said. "We are adapting by staying up to date and following all of the CDC guidelines to ensure the safety of our clients and caregivers."

Potential clients can contact Berlint directly at 575-640.3682 or aberlint@actikare.com to get any information or to set up a free in-home care consultation. Clients may contact the office at 575-297-4455, or visit the website, www.actikare.com/las-cruces.



Robert Mowry

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Sacred Garden emphasizes quality, service, education

Manager Carla Padilla, and the 14 employees at Sacred Garden Premium Cannabis in Las Cruces express their appreciation for everyone who voted for them in the recent Bulletin's Best of the Mesilla Valley contest.

Sacred Garden was founded in 2010 by Zeke Shortes, and opened its Las Cruces store at 642 S. Alameda in January 2018.

The store provides high-quality cannabis and cannabis-derived medicine, as well as exceptional customer service and patient education to those in need of natural pain relief and healing in New Mexico.

Vertically integrated from seed to sale, Sacred Garden produces and offers more than 140 medicated items



for qualifying patients. During Covid protocols, Sacred Garden offers online and phone ordering for curbside pickup.

Store hours are 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Contact Sacred

Garden at 575-300-0154, or order online at www.iheartjane.com.

Reach them on Facebook at Sacred Garden, Las Cruces, on Instagram @ [the_sacredgarden](https://www.instagram.com/the_sacredgarden), or at their website, sacred.garden.

HEALTH & WELLBEING

Best Acupuncturist Winner: Crossroads Acupuncture

Second Place: Dr. Jonathan Smith
Runner Up: Amy O'Neill

Best Assisted Living Facility Winner: La Posada Assisted Living

Second Place: Blue Horizon
Boutique Assisted Living and
Memory Care
Runner Up: The Village at
Northrise - The Hallmark

Best Audiologist Winner: Expert Hearing Care

Second Place: Kelly Churchill
Runner Up: Eileen Ocampo

Best Cancer Center Winner: Memorial Medical Center Cancer Center

Second Place: MountainView
Medical Group Cancer
CareCenter
Runner Up: Rio Grande
Oncology

Best Cardiologist Winner: Dr. Luis Ramon Colato

Second Place: Shariq Shamim,
MD - MMC
Runner Up: Udit Bhatnagar,
MD - MMC

Best Chiropractor Winner: Ryan Gutierrez, DC - Family First Chiropractic

Second Place:
Dr. Jonathan Smith
Runner Up: Lane S. Bauer, DC

Best Cosmetic Dermatologist Winner: Andrew Ondo, MD

Second Place: James Kerner
Runner Up: Rayven Baca at
Rustic Glamour

Best Cosmetic Surgeon Winner: Jaime Aburto, MD - Memorial Plastics & Reconstructive Surgery

Second Place: Dr. Scott Martin
- Martin Plastic Surgery
Runner Up: Daniel Allan, MD
MountainView

Best Day Spa Winner: The Spa Downtown

Second Place: Las Cruces
Lashes Skin Wax Massage
Runner Up: Rustic Glamour
Luxury Nails

Best Dental Hygienist Winner: Marissa Marketto - Dr. Marketto's office

Second Place: Sara Grooms -
Warren Dental
Runner Up: Rosie Jimenez -
Tru Dental

Best Dentist Winner: Dental Office of Dr. Warren & Dr. Law

Second Place: Dr. Gene
Gabaldon
Runner Up: Dr. John Conniff

Best Dermatologist Winner: Dr. Andrew Ondo

Second Place: Dr. James
Kerner
Runner Up: Ann Woodling -
Epiphany



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Those are the numbers from the inaugural Bulletin's Best program. We thank everyone who participated and look forward to doing it again next year!

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Andele: serving the region for 25 years

Andele Restaurant, which opened in January 1996, turns 25 in 2021.

"We are family-owned with modest roots," said owner Andrea Schneider. "We opened in 1996 in the building that currently houses Thai Delight. After 14 years in that location, we moved operations to the Oñate Plaza, where we eventually opened our tortilleria in 2008, two banquet facilities and a retail store. We opened Andele's Dog House in 2011."

The full-service restaurant features authentic Mexican dishes, steaks and more, and is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. The restaurant employs 45 people and is managed by Manny Perez, General Manager.

"We value the support we have received from our loyal customers, both near and far," Schneider said. "We are celebrating 25 years of service to the community in January 2021. While 2020 has been our most challenging year on the books, our loyal staff and customers have kept us motivated. We look forward to serving Mesilla and Las Cruces



for many more years to come."

The restaurant, at 1950 Calle del Norte in Mesilla, is open 11 a.m. – 8 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday; 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday through Sunday, and 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Monday (subject to change per public health orders).

You can contact the restaurant at 575-526-9631, catering@andelerestaurant.com,

www.andelerestaurante.com or on Facebook.

Dog House missing its furry friends

"We've always focused on patio dining and take-out, so adapting to COVID restrictions was easier for us at the Dog House than it was for our main restaurant," said Andrea Schneider, owner of Andele's Dog House, who added, for those who voted for the Dog House in Bulletin's Best: "Woof! Thank you for your continued support! In the most challenging times, we have seen the best in our staff and customers."

Andele's Dog House opened in November 2011, so will turn 10 years old in 2021. The full-service restaurant features authentic Mexican dishes, steaks, specialty hot dogs and burgers, and more, with an impressive selection of craft beers.

The Dog House, 1983 Calle del Norte, just across the street from Andele, is open for lunch and dinner 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Sunday, as health orders permit. Co-managers are Marina Montano, Matt Lowther and Samantha Martin, who oversee the Dog House's 40 employees. Contact the



restaurant at 575-526-1271, marina@andelerestaurant.com, www.andelerestaurante.com or on Facebook.

"We miss our fur-friends!" Schneider said. "Current health orders do not allow us to host dogs, but as soon as the restrictions are lifted, we intend to throw a HOWLING good party!"

HEALTH & WELLBEING

Best Eye Clinic Winner: Eyes of the Southwest

Second Place: Looks Eyewear Studio
Runner Up: Seacat Optometry

Best Fitness Center/Gym Winner: Resilient Fitness

Second Place: Fitness One
Runner Up: Crunch Fitness - Las Cruces

Best Gastroenterologist Winner: Jean-Pierre Reinhold

Second Place: Prasad Podila
Runner Up: Lohman Endoscopy Center

Best Health Food Store Winner: Sprouts Farmers Market

Second Place: Mountain View Market Co+op
Runner Up: Natural Grocers

Best Hearing Aid Practice Winner: Expert Hearing Care

Second Place: Hear on Earth
Runner Up: Las Cruces Hearing Center

Best Hearing Care Providers Winner: Expert Hearing Care

Second Place: Dr. Johnathon Owens -MMC
Runner Up: Dr. Robert Ivey - Rio Grande Hearing

Best Hospital Winner: Memorial Medical Center

Second Place: MountainView Regional Medical Center
Runner Up: Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico

Best In-Home Elder Care Services Winner: ActiKare Responsive In Home Care of Las Cruces

Second Place: Mesilla Valley Hospice
Runner Up: Crossroads In-Home Care

Best Laser Eye Center Winner: Eyes of the Southwest

Second Place: Southwest Eye Institute - LASIK, Cataract, Comprehensive Eye Center
Runner Up: Dr. Coleman, Coleman Vision

Best Massage Shop Winner: The Spa Downtown

Second Place: The Fifth Element Arts & Healing Center, LLC
Runner Up: Las Cruces Lashes Skin Wax Massage Rustic Glamour

Best Massage Therapist Winner: Cristina Lugo

Second Place: Rose Leduc
Runner Up: Angie Klima

Best Medical Clinic Winner: Memorial Family HealthCare North Main

Second Place: Southwest Center On Aging
Runner Up: Memorial Urgent Care - Sonoma

Best Medical Group Winner: Memorial Cancer Center

Second Place: Memorial Physician Practices
Runner Up: MountainView Medical Group

Best Medical Spa Winner: Aria Wellness

Second Place: True Med Spa
Runner Up: Paragon Medi Spa

Best Mental Health Facility Winner: Behavioral Health Services of Memorial Medical Center

Second Place: A New Hope Therapy Center
Runner Up: Mesilla Valley Hospital

Best Nurse Winner: Karl Ngoye - MMC

Second Place: Lynn Van Pelt Fletcher - MMC
Runner Up: Chris Munoz - MMC

Best Oncologist Winner: Jason Call, MD, Memorial Cancer Center

Second Place: Dr. Parikshit Padhi - MMC
Runner Up: Dr. Bruce Greenfield - MMC

Best Orthodontist Winner: Dr. Jensen

Second Place: Dr. Aday
Runner Up: Dr. Coombs

Best Orthopedist Winner: George Harrington, MD - Memorial Bone+Joint Center

Second Place: Robert Schwartz, MD - Memorial Bone+Joint Center
Runner Up: Michael McGuire - MVRMC

Best Pediatrician Winner: Heather Owens - Full Bloom

Second Place: Maria Crawley, MD
Runner Up: Jana Williams, Full Bloom

Best Personal Trainer Winner: Drew Lopez, Crosstown Boxing

Second Place: Laura Brownfield-Nieto - Stay Fit
Runner Up: Oscar Carranza - Anytime Fitness

Best Pharmacy Winner: Walgreens

Second Place: CVS
Runner Up: Albertsons (Sav-on)

Best Physical Therapist Winner: Brian Rewalt - Del Valle

Second Place: Mark Figueroa - Del Valle
Runner Up: Marisa Carrillo - Atrium

Best Physical Therapy Facility Winner: Memorial Medical Center

Second Place: Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico
Runner Up: FYZICAL Therapy (Southwest Sport & Spine)

Best Physician Winner: Dr. Mai Oushy - MMC

Second Place: Parikshit Padhi - MMC
Runner Up: Umberto Garcia, MD



- Best Business Lunch
- Best Catering
- Best Family Restaurant
- Best Locally-Owned Restaurant
- Best Green Chile Enchiladas
- Best Take Out
- Best Beef Tacos
- Best Carne Asada



- Best Mexican Restaurant
- Best Chips
- Best Salsa
- Best Carne Adovada
- Runner Up



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- Best Outdoor Patio
- Best Chicken Tacos
- Best Chips



- Best Inexpensive Meal
- Best Hot Dog
- Runner Up



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HEALTH & WELLBEING

Best Pilates Studio Winner: Life In Balance Pilates Studio

Second Place: Pi Pilates Studio
Runner Up: Natural Movement
Pilates, LLC

Best Place for Medical Marijuana Winner: Sacred Garden

Second Place: Purlife
Runner Up: Pecos Valley Production

Best Podiatrist Winner: Raha Mobarak, DPM - Memorial Bone+ Joint Center

Second Place: Dr. Carlos Cadena
Runner Up: Dr. Robert Mullan

Best Retirement Facility / Independent Living Winner: Good Samaritan

Second Place: Casa Bella
Runner Up: The Village At Northrise
- Hallmark

Best Surgeon Winner: Kamran Kamali, MD FACS

Second Place: Stephen Stampf -
MVRMC
Runner Up: Carrie Dieker, MD - MMC

Best Veterinarian Winner: Arroyo Veterinary Clinic

Second Place: Carol Calista
Runner Up: Schumacher Vet Clinic

Best Yoga Studio Winner: Dwell Yoga

Second Place: Indigo Yoga
Runner Up: Downtown Desert Yoga

Best Rehab Center Winner: Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico

Second Place: FYZICAL
(Southwest Sport & Spine)
Runner Up: Del Valle Physical
Therapy & Hand Therapy

Best Weight Loss Clinic / Counseling Winner: Memorial Weight Loss Center of New Mexico

Second Place: MountainView
Medical Group Wellness and
Weight Loss Center
Runner Up: Sangeeth
Shanbhag Pai

HOME

Best Appliance Store Winner: Lowe's Home Improvement

Second Place: Builders Source
Appliance Gallery
Runner Up: Best Buy

Best Cabinet Company Winner: Sher-Wood Fine Wood Designs

Second Place: Kitchen Kraft Home
Runner Up: Ambriz Cabinets on
Brown St., Las Cruces

Best Carpet Cleaning Company Winner: Absolute Solutions Carpet and Tile Cleaning

Second Place: A Striking Image
Carpet, Upholstery, Tile
& Grout Cleaning
Runner Up: Allstar Carpet Cleaning

Best Flooring / Carpet Store Winner: Hacienda Carpet & Tile

Second Place: Casa Mexicana Tile
Runner Up: Maloolys Flooring Co.

Best Garden Store / Nursery Winner: Color Your World Garden Center

Second Place: Guzman's
Greenhouse
Runner Up: Sierra Vista Growers

Best Heating & Air Conditioning Company Winner: Sun City Plumbing & Heating

Second Place: Aire Serv
of Southern New Mexico
Runner Up: Stadjuhar's Heating
& Cooling Inc.

Best Home Appliance Store Winner: Lowe's Home Improvement

Second Place: Builders Source
Appliance Gallery
Runner Up: The Home Depot

Best Home Electronics Store Winner: Best Buy

Second Place: Edgar Digital
Computers & Electronics

Best Home Exterior Company Winner: B&S Costales Plastering

Second Place: Jones Construction Co.
Runner Up: All Seasons
Windows & Glass

Best Home Furnishing Store Winner: Ashley Furniture Home Store

Second Place: Ikards Furniture
Runner Up: Furniture Row

Best Home Improvement Store Winner: Lowe's Home Improvement

Second Place: Johnston's
Ace Hardware
Runner Up: Home Depot

Best Home Lighting Company Winner: Kitchen Kraft Home

Second Place: Beehive Electric LLC
Runner Up: Designer's Mart
Lighting Showroom

Best Home Security Winner: Eagle Security, LLC

Second Place: ADT
Runner Up: Telstar Networks

Best Kitchen & Bath Remodeler Winner: Jones Construction Co.

Second Place: McGinley
Construction
Runner Up: Dominguez Services

Best Landscaper Winner: Unique Landscaping

Second Place: Wasser & Wasser
Runner Up: Extreme Landscaping

Best Mattress Store Winner: Ashley HomeStore

Second Place: Denver Mattress
Runner Up: Mattress Firm

Best Mobile Home Retailer Winner: Valley Homes

Second Place: Oakwood Homes
Runner Up: Solitaire Manufactured
Homes

Best New Home Builder Winner: Jones Construction Co.

Second Place: Arista Development
at Metro Verde
Runner Up: Veloz Homes
at Sonoma Ranch

Best Picture Framing Winner: Frame & Art Center

Second Place: Picture Frame
Factory Outlet
Runner Up: Hobby Lobby

Best Plumber Winner: Sun City Plumbing & Heating

Second Place: Roto-Rooter
Runner Up: Maddox
Plumbing & Heating

Best Property Management Company Winner: Steinborn Inc., REALTORS Property Management

Second Place: Las Cruces
Homes and Land
Runner Up: Coyle Realty, LLC
Runner Up: Trust-Properties/Frilc LLC

Best Real Estate Company Winner: Exit Realty Horizons

Second Place: Enchanted Sun Realty
- Las Cruces Real Estate
Runner Up: Select Realty Group

Best Realtor Winner: Jorge Vazquez -EXIT

Second Place: Irma Chavez-May -
EXIT
Runner Up: Christi Getz -
Steinborn Real Estate

Best Roofing Company Winner: Anthony Sosa Roofing

Second Place: Gilbert and Sons
Runner Up: Rubicon Roofing

Best Solar Installation Team Winner: Organ Mountain Solar and Electric

Second Place: NM Solar Group -
Las Cruces
Runner Up: Yellow Bird Services

Best Swimming Pool & Spa Company Winner: Pool Tech Plus

Second Place: Discount Pool
and Spa
Runner Up: Pools by Design

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Best All Time NMSU Aggie Coach Winner: Lou Henson

Second Place: Reggie Theus
Runner Up: Mike Jordan -
New Mexico State Volleyball

Best beef tacos Winner: Andele Restaurant

Second Place: Chachi's
Runner Up: Matteo's Mexican

Best burritos Winner: Santa Fe Grill

Second Place: Bosa Donuts
& Burritos
Runner Up: Matteo's Mexican Food

Best carne adovada Winner: El Sombrero Patio Cafe

Second Place: Chachi's Restaurant
Runner Up: Andele Restaurant

Best carne asada Winner: Andele Restaurant

Second Place: On The Road LLC
Runner Up: Matteo's

Best chicken tacos Winner: Andele's Dog House

Second Place: El Sombrero Patio Cafe
Runner Up: Chachi's

Best chile relleno Winner: Los Compas

Second Place: Chope's
Runner Up: Nellie's

Best chips Winner: Andele's Dog House

Second Place: Andele Restaurant
Second Place: Roberto's

Best current NMSU Aggie Coach Winner: Chris Jans,

Aggie men's basketball
Second Place: Mike Jordan,
Aggie Volleyball
Runner Up: Mike Kirby,
NMSU Baseball

Sparky's: more than just green chile

In July 2008, in the center of Hatch, the green chile capital of the world, Sparky's Burgers, BBQ & Espresso first opened its doors.

Since then, Sparky's green chile cheeseburgers have won numerous accolades including, most recently, the top spot in the category for Bulletin's Best.

"Thank you, exclamation, exclamation, exclamation," said owners Josie, Teako and Michelle Nunn, adding, "Come to Hatch to enjoy our fine restaurants, New Mexico style gift shops and hospitality."

The Nunns say their mission has always been to serve great tasting comfort food at a reasonable price in an interesting and fun environment.

As with all restaurants, the pandemic has brought its challenges. Sparky's has responded with a new patio, misters, heaters and music, as well as Americana signs and antiques to bring the inside feel of Sparky's outside. There are 15 new wooden picnic tables to accommodate outside dining.



"While being COVID-aware, we are keeping our high standards of food quality and service," the Nunns say. "We've even added some new menu items."

The restaurant is at 115 Franklin St. in Hatch, and is open 10:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. Check them out on Facebook, Instagram, and www.sparkysburgers.com.

Expert Hearing Care, a locally owned hearing care and hearing aid practice, won all three hearing health care categories of Las Cruces Bulletin's Best of 2021. Owner and audiologist Dr. Kelly Churchill, and audiologists Dr. Allie Lambert and Dr. Jeff Wise, were voted "Best Hearing Care Providers" and "Best Audiologists," and Expert Hearing Care was awarded "Best Hearing Aid Practice."

Expert Hearing Care is the only all-doctor hearing care professional team in Las Cruces. An audiologist holds a doctorate (Au.D.) from a four-year graduate program, including a doctor-directed and supervised clinical internship, all built on a four-year science-based bachelor's degree.

Expert Hearing Care has been serving southern New Mexico for nearly 30 years. With the addition of Dr. Robert Ivey, Ph.D., in January 2021, Expert Hearing Care's doctors can boast more than 80 years collective experience conducting hearing testing for all ages, treating tinnitus (ringing in the ears), and fitting and programming the highest technology devices and hearing aids. They are experts of all manufacturers, styles, and varieties of hearing devices and in treating all types and degrees of hearing loss.

Expert Hearing Care's doctors spend extended time getting to know and listen to their patients. They thoroughly educate their patients and develop lifelong relationships. Their primary goal is to improve patients' physical and mental health, emotional happiness, and overall wellbeing through better hearing. The doctors at Expert Hearing Care passionately and skillfully apply their extensive knowledge to enrich the lives of every patient they serve.



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Runner Up: Si Señor
Restaurant

Best Green Chile Cheeseburger Winner: Sparky's

Second Place: MAMA B'S
Runner Up: Blake's
Lotaburger

Best green chile enchiladas Winner: Andele's

Second Place: El Sombrero
Patio Cafe
Runner Up: Si Señor
Restaurant & Express

Best huevos rancheros Winner: Los Compas Mexican Restaurant

Second Place: Nellie's Cafe
Runner Up: Chala's Wood
Fire Grill

Best Local Agriculture product Winner: Green Chile

Second Place: Joe Lujan
Farms
Second Place: Young Guns
Produce, Inc.

Best local hiking trail Winner: Dripping Springs Natural Area

Second Place: Slot Canyon
Runner Up: Aguirre
Spring Road

Best local historical figure Winner: Mark Medoff- Tony Award Winning Playwright

Second Place: Billy the Kid
Runner Up: J. Paul Taylor

Best local mountain biking trail Winner: Doña Ana

Second Place: A Mountain,
NMSU
Runner Up: Sierra Vista Trail

Best menudo Winner: Bravo's Cafe

Second Place: Si Señor
Express
Runner Up: Las Trancas

Best Mole Winner: Paisano Cafe

Second Place: Habanero's
Fresh Mex
Runner Up: Burritos Victoria

Best NMSU Sports Team Winner: Aggie Men's Basketball

Second Place: Aggie
Women's Volleyball
Runner Up: Aggie Baseball
Runner Up: NMSU
Dancesport

Best Place to Get Married Winner: New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum

Second Place: Rio Grande
Vineyard & Winery
Runner Up: The Blue
Door Venue

Best Place to Take Out of Town Guests Winner: Farmers & Crafts Market of Las Cruces

Second Place: White Sands
National Park
Second Place: Mesilla

Best place to watch the moonrise Winner: White Sands

Second Place: My North
Valley Backyard
Runner Up: Doña Ana
Mountains

Best place to watch the Organ Mountains Winner: Reststop on I-10

Second Place: The Game II -
Sports Grill
Runner Up: Hacienda
de Mesilla

Best place to watch the sunrise Winner: White Sands National Park

Second Place: A Mountain,
NMSU
Runner Up: San Augustin
Pass

Best place to watch the sunset Winner: White Sands National Park

Second Place: Sunset Grill
Runner Up: Flood Control Dam

Best posole Winner: Bosa Donuts & Burritos

Second Place: Roberto's
Mexican Food
Runner Up: Si Señor
Restaurant

Best quesadillas Winner: The Green Chile Paddy Wagon Food Truck

Second Place: The Game
Sports Bar and Grill
Runner Up: Matteo's
Mexican Food

Best red chile enchiladas Winner: El Sombrero Patio Cafe

Second Place: La Posta
de Mesilla
Runner Up: Si Señor
Restaurant

Best salsa Winner: El Sombrero Patio Cafe

Second Place: Andele
Restaurant
Runner Up: Si Señor
Restaurant

Best Scenic Spot Winner: Dripping Springs Natural Area

Second Place: Aguirre Spring
Campground
Runner Up: Baylor Pass
West Trailhead

Best seafood tacos Winner: Taqueria Chavez

Second Place: Hacienda
de Mesilla
Runner Up: Mariscos El Guero

Best Staycation Location Winner: Hacienda de Mesilla

Second Place: Josefina's Inn
Mesilla
Runner Up: Lundeen Inn
of The Arts

Best tamales Winner: Roberto's Mexican Food

Second Place: Bosa Donuts
& Burritos
Runner Up: Matteo's
Mexican Food

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Best Bankruptcy Lawyer

Winner: Sherry Booth
Second Place: Trey Arvizu
Runner Up: Ken Egan

Best Barber

Winner: Sergio Lozoya - Pistoleros
Second Place: Bennett Jimenez - Studio 1 Barbers
Runner Up: Obed Romero - Milos Barbershop

Best Barber Shop

Winner: Pistoleros Barber Shop
Second Place: Milo's Barber Shop
Runner Up: Studio 1 Barbers

Best Cable or Satellite Provider

Winner: Xfinity Provider by Comcast
Second Place: DirecTV
Runner Up: Dish

Best Cell Phone Provider

Winner: Verizon
Second Place: T-Mobile
Runner Up: AT&T Store

Best Child Care Provider

Winner: The Toy Box Early Learning and Childcare Center
Second Place: Little Tumbleweed Daycare New Beginnings Inc.
Runner Up: Alpha School For Young Children - Home

Best Commercial Real Estate Company

Winner: Exit Realty Horizons
Second Place: Steinborn Inc., REALTORS Property Management
Runner Up: Enchanted Sun Realty - Las Cruces Real Estate

Best Commercial Realtor

Winner: Amanda Dominguez - Keller Williams
Second Place: NAI 1st Valley Realty
Runner Up: Tom Whatley - Steinborn

Best Computer & IT Services

Winner: MDC Computers
Second Place: Martin IT
Runner Up: Document Solutions Inc.
Runner Up: Geek Squad Best Buy

Best Contractor (commercial)

Winner: Optimal Roofing & Construction Inc.
Second Place: RT Electric, Inc.
Runner Up: A New Beginning Custom Homes

Best Contractor (residential)

Winner: Optimal Roofing & Construction Inc.
Second Place: B&S Costales Plastering
Runner Up: A New Beginning Custom Homes

Best Design / Media / Marketing Company

Winner: Lemon Light Productions
Second Place: SpyderWeb Designs
Runner Up: Sinate Media

Best EMT

Winner: Kelly Acosta
Second Place: Travis Simpson
Runner Up: Alex Saenz

Best Estate Planning Attorney

Winner: Jill V. Johnson Vigil
Second Place: Kyle Moberly
Runner Up: Dana Kyle

Best Firefighter

Winner: Ariel Caro
Second Place: Eric Palma
Runner Up: Celeste Davenport

Best Funeral Home

Winner: Getz Funeral Home
Second Place: Baca's Funeral Chapels
Runner Up: La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home

Best Hair Salon

Winner: 360 Hair Studio Las Cruces
Second Place: SmartStyle Hair Salon (inside Walmart)
Runner Up: AWL Studio

Best Hair Stylist

Winner: Priscilla Cisneros
Second Place: Yvette Torres
Runner Up: Francine Barreras

Best Insurance Agency

Winner: Ben Trujillo - State Farm Insurance Agent
Second Place: Farmers Insurance-Rick McKelvey Agency
Runner Up: Tourtillott Insurance Agency

Best Insurance Provider

Winner: USAA
Second Place: Farmers Insurance - Rick McKelvey
Runner Up: Farmers Insurance - Jeremiah Archuleta

Best Internet Provider

Winner: Xfinity Store by Comcast
Second Place: Century Link
Runner Up: La Tierra Communications

Best Law

Winner: Enforcement Officer
Winner: Adrian DeLaGarza
Second Place: Austin Arnold
Second Place: Jamar Cotton

Best Law Firm / Lawyer

Winner: Karen E. Wootton Legal Services, P.C.
Second Place: The Law Office of Jill V. Johnson Vigil
Runner Up: Shaharazad Mcdowell Booth

Best Local Construction Company

Winner: Denney Construction Inc.
Second Place: Orrantia's Remodeling LLC
Runner Up: A New Beginning Custom Homes

Best Military Member

Winner: FCC Matthew Chandler
Second Place: TSgt Sylvia Flores
Runner Up: Lawrence Garcia

Best Pest Control

Winner: Desert Oasis Pest Control & Prevention
Second Place: Bug Guy Pest Control
Runner Up: At Your Service, Inc. Pest Solutions

Best Pet Boarding / Daycare

Winner: Calista Animal Hospital
Second Place: Karen's Animal House
Runner Up: Animal Haven Lodge & Salon

Best Pet Groomer

Winner: Peachy Clean Pets
Second Place: Mutt Hut
Runner Up: Better Life Pet Foods

Best Pet Store

Winner: Better Life Pet Foods
Second Place: Cross City Exotics
Runner Up: PetSmart

Best Photographer (Business)

Winner: Adriana Eloisa
Second Place: Brittany Miller Photography
Runner Up: Kassi Simpson Photography

Best Piercing Studio

Winner: DNA Ink Tattoo and Piercing
Second Place: Irish Ink Tattoo
Runner Up: Peg Leg Sam's Tattooing and Piercing

Best Property Management Company

Winner: Steinborn
Second Place: NAI First Valley Management
Runner Up: Trust Properties

Best Real Estate Lawyer

Winner: Karen Wootton Law Office
Second Place: Joshua Smith
Runner Up: Kyle Moberly

Best Shoe Repair Store

Winner: Landis Saddles & Tack

Best Tattoo Studio

Winner: Syncere Tattoo
Second Place: Porter House Ink
Runner Up: Black Rat

Best Tax Lawyer

Winner: Kyle Moberly
Second Place: Scott Hulse

Best Travel Agency

Winner: Adventure Travel Inc
Second Place: AAA New Mexico
Runner Up: Uniglobe Above & Beyond Travel

Best Travel Agent

Winner: Wanda Mattiace
Second Place: Tina Bradshaw - Uniglobe

SHOPPING

Best Accessories Store

Winner: Co-Lab Artisans Loft
Second Place: Triple C Creations
Runner Up: Drunken Cactus Co

Best Antique Store

Winner: The Emporium
Second Place: Art Obscura
Runner Up: Peddlers Pavillion

Best Art Supply Store

Winner: Frame & Art Center
Second Place: Hobby Lobby
Runner Up: MAS ART LLC.
Frame and Art Supplies

Best Bookstore

Winner: Coas Books
Second Place: Barnes & Noble
Runner Up: Zia Comics

Best Boutique Store

Winner: Co-Lab Artisans Loft
Second Place: Turquoise TeePee
Runner Up: The Wild One Boutique

Best Bridal/Formal Wear

Winner: Livingston Bridal and Events
Second Place: Friendly Flowers
Runner Up: So..Glam Ladies Boutique

Best CBD Store

Winner: Sacred Garden Dispensary
Second Place: Natural Releaf
Runner Up: Continual Growth LLC

Best Children's Clothing Store

Winner: DotDotSmile Las Cruces - Megan & Adelyn
Second Place: Tutti Bambini
Runner Up: The Children's Place

Best Computer Store

Winner: Best Buy
Second Place: MDC Computers
Runner Up: Edgar Digital Computers & Electronics

Best Consignment Store

Winner: Safe Haven Thrift Store
Second Place: La Tienda De Jardin
Runner Up: My Rich Sister's Closet

Best Convenience Store

Winner: Pic Quik
Second Place: Circle K
Runner Up: Chavira's

Best Entertainment/Physical Media Store

Winner: Eyeconik Records
Second Place: Target
Runner Up: Art Obscura

Best Department Store

Winner: Dillard's
Second Place: Target
Runner Up: Kohl's

Best Eyeglass Store

Winner: Looks Eyewear Studio
Second Place: Avalos Vision
Runner Up: Eyes of the Southwest

Best Flea Market/Pavilion Sale Space

Winner: Big Daddy's Flea Market
Second Place: Peddlers Pavillion

SHOPPING

Best Florist
Winner: Flowerama
 Second Place: Flowerland
 Runner Up: Albertsons

Best Gift Store
Winner: Co-Lab Artisans Loft
 Second Place: Cracker Barrel
 Old Country Store
 Runner Up: Spirit Winds
 Coffee Bar & Gift

Best Grocery Store
Winner: Sprouts Farmers Market
 Second Place: Albertsons
 Runner Up: Toucan Market

Best Jeweler
Winner: Austin's Fine Jewelry
 Second Place: Boudreau
 Jewelers & Gallery
 Runner Up: Baquera Jewelers

Best Mall/ Shopping Center
Winner: Farmers & Crafts Market of Las Cruces
 Second Place:
 Mesilla Valley Mall
 Runner Up: Dollar General

Best Men's Clothing Store
Winner: Dillard's
 Second Place: A Real Man
 Runner Up: Cowtown Boots

Best Musical Instrument Store
Winner: Hubbard's Music-N-More
 Second Place: White's
 Music Box
 Runner Up: Mesilla Valley
 Pro Music

Best Nail Salon
Winner: Trine's Nail Creations & More
 Second Place: Luxury Nails
 Runner Up: POSH Skin Care &
 Nail Bar

Best Pawn / Resale Shop
Winner: Savers
 Second Place: Play it
 Again Sports
 Runner Up: MMJ's Pawn LLC

Best Place for Baby Accessories
Winner: Tutti Bambini
 Second Place: Rhea Lanas of
 Las Cruces
 Runner Up: Peddlers Pavillion
 Runner Up: So..Glam Ladies
 Boutique

Best Place to Buy Toys
Winner: Target
 Second Place: Walmart
 Supercenter
 Runner Up: Zia Comics

Best Place to Buy video games
Winner: GameStop
 Second Place: Super Gamers
 Runner Up: Target

Best Retail Customer Service
Winner: Chick-fil-A
 Second Place: Hoop-T-Dudes
 Runner Up: Eyeconik Records

Best Shoe Store
Winner: Dillard's
 Second Place: Rack Room
 Shoes
 Runner Up: Cowtown Boots
 Runner Up: Shoe Dept.
 Encore

Best Tanning Salon
Winner: Gecko Tans
 Second Place:
 The Sun- Nature's Tan

Best Thrift Store
Winner: Second Chance Thrift Store
 Second Place: Savers
 Runner Up: Safe Haven
 Animal Sanctuary

Customer loyalty drives Better Life Pet Foods

"We really appreciate all the votes we got for the Bulletin's Best of the Mesilla Valley," said Kat Lacy, owner of Better Life Pet Foods in Las Cruces. "Our local customers are the lifeblood of our business and our customers really understand the importance of shopping local. Lots of our customers have been with us for many years and their support over the years has been invaluable. We cannot say THANK YOU enough! So many local businesses are suffering during these shut-down times. I implore everyone to shop local so our entire community can benefit."

Lacy started her business in Las Cruces selling one or two quality natural pet foods she had to travel to Houston and back to pick up. That grew into a full-fledged delivery-only business by 1996, and Better Life opened its brick-and-mortar store in 1999.

James Naylor and Amy Gonzales manage Better Life, at 315 Telshor Blvd., behind Whataburger and in front



of Home Depot. The store has a wide variety of healthy pet products, and also offers professional pet grooming.

"We specialize in the healthiest pet products available and our staff

goes through continuing education on almost all of them to better serve our customers," Lacy said. "We are very competitive in pricing even compared to big box and on-line retailers since we have a really awesome loyalty program. Customers earn free bags and coupons by shopping local with us. They can earn double when they send a friend or family member to shop with us. We also offer special ordering for products we cannot carry in store."

Store hours are 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday. Free delivery is offered Wednesday and Sunday with a \$47 minimum. You can contact Better Life at 575-522-0115 or at the website, www.betterlifepetfoods.com and go to the SHOP button at the top right corner.

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Best Vintage Clothing Store

Winner: Savers
Second Place: La Tienda De Jardin
Runner Up: New Digs Clothing Exchange

Best Women's Clothing Store

Winner: Dillard's
Second Place: Marshalls
Runner Up: The Emerald Isle

Best Bicycle Shop

Winner: Outdoor Adventures
Second Place: Ride On Sports
Runner Up: Play It Again Sports

Best Concealed Carry Instructor

Winner: Joshua Bryant
Second Place: Strykers Shooting World
Runner Up: Jaime Chavez Innovative Defense Strategies

Best Driving Range

Winner: Red Hawk Golf Club
Second Place: NMSU Golf Course
Runner Up: Sonoma Ranch Golf Course

Best Golf Course

Winner: Red Hawk Golf Club
Second Place: New Mexico State University
Runner Up: Picacho Hills Country Club

Best Golf Shop

Winner: NMSU Golf Course
Second Place: Red Hawk Golf Club
Runner Up: Sonoma Ranch Golf Course

Best Local Park

Winner: Young Park
Second Place: Veterans Park
Runner Up: La Llorona Park

Best Motorcycle Shop

Winner: Barnett's Las Cruces Harley-Davidson
Second Place: Las Cruces Motorsports
Runner Up: Lanesplitterz

Best Outdoor Outfitters

Winner: Organ Mountain Outfitters
Second Place: High Desert Outfitters Las Cruces
Runner Up: Sportsman's Warehouse

Best Place to Swim

Winner: Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center
Second Place: NMSU Aquatic Center
Runner Up: Rio Grande

Best Pool Hall

Winner: Lucky Dog Billiards
Second Place: Jerry O's Rack Room
Runner Up: Meerscheidt Center

Best Shooting Range

Winner: Butterfield Shooting Range
Second Place: Strykers Shooting World
Runner Up: The D.A.M. Ammo Co.

Best Sporting Goods Store

Winner: Sportsman's Warehouse
Second Place: DICK'S Sporting Goods
Runner Up: Play It Again Sports

Gymnastics School

Winner: Steele Athletics - Las Cruces
Second Place: Borderland Cheer and Dance
Runner Up: Cruces Cheer Storm

Karate or Martial Arts School

Winner: Maximum Martial Arts University
Second Place: Guzman Sport Karate Kickboxing
Runner Up: Gracie Barra Las Cruces

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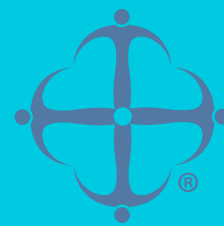
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“London Hughes: To Catch a D...”

The British comedian and TV presenter riffs on a number of topics, among them her re-entry into the dating scene after months of celibacy, in this stand-up performance recorded this past fall in Los Angeles. (ORIGINAL)



“Movie: The Midnight Sky”

George Clooney directed and stars in this adaptation of Lily Brooks-Dalton's acclaimed novel “Good Morning, Midnight,” which follows Augustine (Clooney), a lonely scientist in the Arctic, who tries to stop Sully (Felicity Jones) and her fellow astronauts from returning to Earth to a mysterious global catastrophe. David Oyelowo and Tiffany Boone also star in this drama movie. (ORIGINAL)



“Bridgerton”

From Shondaland and creator Chris Van Dusen comes this drama series set in Regency-era England that follows young debutante Daphne Bridgerton (Phoebe Dynevor) and her efforts to find true love despite her powerful family's meddling, society's expectations and the scorn of the mysterious Lady Whistledown (Julie Andrews). Adjoa Andoh, Jonathan Bailey and Polly Walker also star. (ORIGINAL)



“Movie: DNA”

French filmmaker Maiwenn (“Polisse,” “The Price of Success”) co-wrote, directed and stars in this 2019 drama in which she plays a Frenchwoman who decides to explore her Algerian roots following the death of her grandfather. Fanny Ardant, Louis Garrel, Dylan Robert and Marine Vacth are also in the cast of this French/Algerian production.

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PBS-KRWG	2	22	22	NewsHour	BBC News	Nature		NOVA "Pluto and Beyond"	NOVA "Flying Supersonic"	World News	Amanpour and Company (N)	Firing-Hoover	PBS NewsHour				
CBS-KDBC	3	4	4	Jeopardy!	Wheel	A Holly Dolly Christmas		Garth & Trisha Live!	S.W.A.T. "Monster"	CBS4 News	Late Show-Colbert	James Corden		Paid Program			
ABC-KVIA	7	7	7	News	Ent. Tonight	Santa Is Comin' to Town		The Great Christmas Light Fight (Season Finale) (N)	News		(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!	(:37) Nightline	Ent. Tonight	Hollywood			
FOX-KFOX	8	14	14	Big Bang	Big Bang	I Can See Your Voice "Episode 8; Episode 10"			KFOX News at Nine (N) (Live)		Mod Fam	DailyMailTV	Simpsons	Two Men	Two Men		
NBC-KTSM	9	9	9	KTSM 9 News at 6 (N)	Chicago Med	Chicago Fire		Chicago P.D.	KTSM News	Tonight Show-J. Fallon	Late Night With Seth Meyers	Late-Lilly					
UNI-KINT	10	-	26	Vencer el miedo (N)	La Rosa de Guadalupe (N)			Médicos, línea de vida (N)	Noticiero Uni.	Noticiero Uni	Contacto deportivo (N) (Live)	Médicos, línea de vida					
TEL-KTDO	11	48	48	El domo del dinero (N)				Todo por mi hija (N)	Falsa identidad (N)	Noticiero	Noticias	Titulares	Historias de	Caso cerrado			
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CW-KVIA2	14	17	8	Mike & Molly	2 Broke Girls	Silent Night -- A Song for the World		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Friends	Friends	TMZ Live (N)	Pawn Stars	The First 48			
A&E	43	118	265	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam: Top 10 Moments		Rescue Cam	Rescue Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam: Top 10 Moments	Rescue Cam	Rescue Cam		
AMC	57	131	254	*** "Elf" (2003, Children's)	Will Ferrell, James Caan.	*** "The Polar Express" (2004)		Voices of Tom Hanks.	** "Fred Claus" (2007, Comedy)	Vince Vaughn, Paul Giamatti.			Dennis				
COMEDY	35	107	249	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park		South Park	
COOK	123	113	232	Carnival Eats	Carnival Eats	Food Paradise		Food Paradise	Food Paradise	Carnival Eats	Carnival Eats	Food Paradise	Food Paradise				
DSC	47	182	278	Josh Gates Tonight (N)	Expedition Unknown: Rediscovered (N)			Expedition Unknown	Josh Gates Tonight	Expedition Unknown: Rediscovered							
E!	37	114	236	Bradshaw	Bradshaw	Bradshaw		Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	
ESPN	27	140	206	(5:00) College Football Montgomery Bowl: Teams TBA. (Live)	NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at Phoenix Suns. (Live)			SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)								
FOOD	40	110	231	Guy's Grocery Games	Guy's Grocery Games (N)	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Grocery Games	Guy's Grocery Games	Guy's Grocery Games	Guy's Grocery Games	Guy's Grocery Games	Guy's Grocery Games	Guy's Grocery Games			
FX	29	136	248	(5:30) *** "Deadpool" (2016, Action)	Ryan Reynolds.	FX's A Christmas Carol Scrooge has a dark night of the soul.		FX's A Christmas Carol	FX's A Christmas Carol								
GALA	25	273	404	Vecinos	Vecinos	Vecinos		Vecinos	Vecinos	El show de la	El show de la	Vecinos	Noticias	Cousins	Cousins	Vecinos	
GOLF	24	401	218	2020 TOUR Championship Final Round.	2020 AIG Women's Open Final Round. From Royal Troon Golf Club in Troon, Scotland.			2020 AIG Women's Open									
HALL	58	185	312	"Christmas Next Door" (2017) Jesse Metcalfe.	"The Nine Lives of Christmas" (2014) Brandon Routh.	"A Veteran's Christmas" (2018, Romance) Eloise Mumford.		"A Wish for Christmas"									
HGTV	41	112	229	Home Town (N)	Property Brothers	Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Property Brothers	Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Hunters	Hunters Int'l	
HISTORY	44	120	269	Forged in Fire	Forged in Fire (N)	(:03) Forged in Fire	(:03) Forged in Fire	(:03) Forged in Fire	(:06) Forged in Fire	(:12:04) Forged in Fire							
LIFE	39	108	252	"Christmas at the Castle" (2019) Brooke Burfitt. Premiere.	(:03) "Feliz NaviDAD" (2020, Romance) Mario Lopez.	(:01) "Christmas at the Castle" (2019) Brooke Burfitt.	(:12:04) "Feliz NaviDAD"										
LIFEMOV	119	109	253	"Twisted Twin" (2020) Jennifer Taylor, Lorynn York.	"Her Deadly Groom" (2020, Suspense) Kate Watson.	"Twisted Twin" (2020) Jennifer Taylor, Lorynn York.	"Her Deadly Groom" (2020)										
NBCSN	25	159	220	DRL Drone Racing	World Chase Tag	World Chase Tag	World Chase Tag	World Chase Tag	World Chase Tag	World Chase Tag	World Chase Tag	World Chase Tag	World Chase Tag				
PAR	34	241	241	(5:00) *** "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom" (1984)	*** "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" (1989, Adventure) Harrison Ford, Sean Connery.	*** "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" (2007, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe.	Twilight Zone										
SYFY	59	122	244	*** "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" (2005, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint.	(:29) *** "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" (2007, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe.	Twilight Zone											
TBS	33	139	247	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Misery Index	Full Frontal	Conan	Full Frontal	Misery Index	Conan	Wipeout	Wipeout		
TCM	169	132	256	*** "Meet Me in St. Louis" (1944) Judy Garland.	*** "The Cheaters" (1945) Billie Burke.	(:45) *** "The Man Who Came to Dinner" (1941) Monty Woolley.	*** "Little Women" (1949)										
TLC	45	183	280	Dr. Pimple Popper	Buddy Valastro: Road to Recovery (N)	Counting On	Obsession	Dr. Pimple Popper	Buddy Valastro: Road to Recovery								
TNT	32	138	245	(5:30) NBA Basketball Milwaukee Bucks at Boston Celtics.	All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (N)	*** "Unknown" (2011, Suspense) Liam Neeson, Diane Kruger.	Basketball										
TRAV	49	196	277	The Mothman Sightings (N)	Bigfoot: Fear in the Woods	True Paranormal	True Paranormal	The Mothman Sightings	Bigfoot: Fear in the Woods	True Paranormal							
TRU TV	30	242	246	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Videos	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Knockout	Knockout	
USA	31	105	242	WWE NXT (N) (Live)	(:08) ** "The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift" (2006) Lucas Black.	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	NCIS: Los Angeles				

tonight's picks

6 p.m. on LIFE
Movie: Christmas at the Castle

New York perfume expert Blaire Henderson flies to Scotland in search of a rare fragrance called The Heart of the Highlands. Upon arrival, though, she is dismayed to discover the license holder to that perfume is held by Alistair McGregor, a dashing but stubborn aristocrat who isn't interested in selling. Thinking fast, Blaire pretends to be a documentary filmmaker, hoping she can learn the secret ingredients for the fragrance on the sly. Brooke Burfitt, Dan



Dan Jeannotte and Brooke Burfitt

Jeannotte, Geraldine Somerville and Nicholas Farrell star in this holiday drama.

7 p.m. on TLC
Buddy Valastro: Road to Recovery

This new two-hour documentary charts the recovery process of fan-favorite "Cake Boss" Buddy Valastro, in the aftermath of a September bowling accident that left his right hand horribly mangled. To date, Vasastro has had three surgeries on his hand, which was impaled on a metal barb as he was fixing the pinsetter in his home bowling alley. The injury left him with numbness and limited motion in two fingers of the affected hand, which is the dominant hand Valastro uses in his work.

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tonight's picks

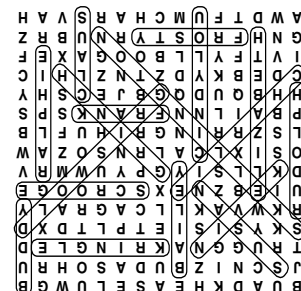


Hugh Jackman and Michelle Williams

6 p.m. on TBS; 7 p.m. on TNT

Movie: A Christmas Story

Kicking off its annual "24 Hours of a Christmas Story"



seasonal marathon, TBS reprises (with sister channel TNT) this holiday favorite from 1983, which stars Peter Billingsley as Ralphie, the little boy who yearns to find a Red Ryder BB gun under the Christmas tree. It's about parents, little brothers, bullies, decoder rings, double dog dares and most of all, the workings of a youthful mind.

7 p.m. on KVIA Movie: The Greatest Showman

Aussie filmmaker Michael Gracey made a very big splash with his feature directorial debut on this 2017 blockbuster, which overcame mixed reviews to become the fifth-highest-grossing live-action musical of all time.

cast, which also includes Zac Efron, Michelle Williams and Zendaya. The song "This Is Me" was nominated for an Oscar.

11:34 p.m. on KТСМ Christmas Eve Mass

An NBC Christmas Eve TV tradition for many families of faith, this religious special offers coverage of Pope Francis's mass from St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, from which the pontiff will deliver a message built around the themes of world peace and the brotherhood of man.

Vertical list of letters forming words: BUADKHEASELUWGB, JSCNIZBUDASOHRU, TRUGGNAKRINGLE, SKYSISIETPLTDXD, RKWVAKLLCAGRALY, UIEBZNXSCROOGE, DKL LSIYG PYUWMRV, OSIXL CALRNSOZAW, LSZRRINGRIHUF LB, PBAILNNFRANKSPS, H H B Q U D Q G B J E C S H Y, C D E B K Y D Z T N Z L H I C, I V T F Y L L B O O G A X E F, G N H F R O S T Y R N U B R Z, A W D T F U M C H A R S V A H

Familiar Holiday Characters

(Words in parentheses not in puzzle)

- Buddy (the Elf)
Charlie (Brown)
Cindy-Lou (Who)
(Ebenezer) Scrooge
Elizabeth (Lane)
Frank (Cross)
Frosty (the Snowman)
(George) Bailey
(The) Grinch
(Jack) Skellington
Kevin (McCallister)
(Kris) Kringle
(Mrs.) Claus
Ralphie (Parker)
Rudolph
Santa (Claus)
Susan (Walker)



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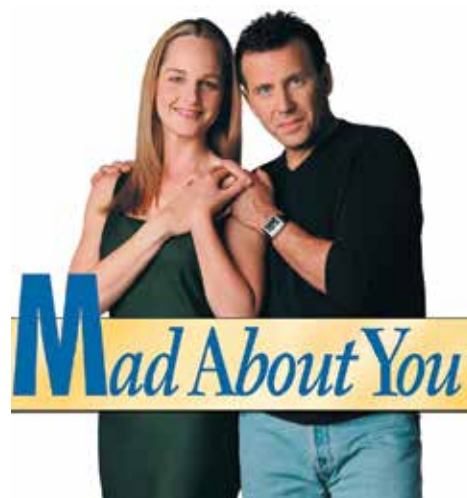
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“Movie: The Kingmaker”

Lauren Greenfield's critically acclaimed 2019 documentary focuses on polarizing former first lady of the Philippines Imelda Marcos, who recounts the 21 years she and husband Ferdinand Marcos were in power before being deposed and forced into exile in 1986. The film's second half shifts focus to efforts by the Marcos family to make over their family's reputation and return to their country's political scene.



“Mad About You”

Paul Reiser was star and co-creator (with Danny Jacobson) of this sitcom that aired its first seven seasons from 1992-99 on NBC and the Season 8 revival on Spectrum. He plays documentary filmmaker Paul Buchman, who deals with the minutiae of life in New York City with his wife Jamie (Helen Hunt). Anne Ramsay, Leila Kenzle, John Pankow and Richard Kind are also in the talented cast.



“The Bernie Mac Show”

Created by Larry Wilmore and based on one of Mac's stand-up routines, this 2001-06 Fox sitcom stars Mac as a fictionalized version of himself, a comic who takes in his sister's three children when the woman enters rehab. Mac's celebrity was also used as a plot device to bring other celebs on the show, including Halle Berry, Serena Williams, Shaquille O'Neal and Don Rickles. Kellita Smith and Camille Winbush are also in the regular cast.



“Movie: Sylvie's Love”

Eugene Ashe wrote and directed this romantic drama about two friends — a jazz saxophonist (Nnamdi Asomugha) and a TV producer (Tessa Thompson) — who reunite after years to find that while their lives have gone in different directions, their feelings for each other remain the same. Eva Longoria and Aja Naomi King are also in the talented cast. (ORIGINAL)



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cooking log

Friday

8:30 p.m. FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives Waffle creations; barbecue and sushi fusion.

9:00 p.m. COOK Holiday Baking Championship The three bakers make a Christmas morning brunch using classic holiday flavors. (N)
FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives Hand-pulled Chinese noodles; quesadillas and tortas; shrimp fritters.

Saturday

9:00 p.m. COOK Iron Chef America Chef John Rivera known as the father of modern Southwest cuisine battles with Iron Chef Morimoto.
FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives Going across the Pacific without ever leaving the states for a full hour of amazing Asian cuisine.

Sunday

9:00 p.m. COOK The Best Thing I Ever Ate A sour-dough cinnamon roll in Los

Angeles; a famous meatball and salad; pork belly pastrami.

FOOD Holiday Baking Championship Host Jesse Palmer asks the five bakers to create an over-the-top version of a holiday trifle. Then, the classics continue in the main heat when the competitors make the ultimate Charlotte royale for judges Nancy Fuller, Duff Goldman and Carla Hall.

Monday

8:30 p.m. COOK Bizarre Foods: Delicious Destinations Quebec City is full of old world charm, late-night diners, hearty food and plenty of maple syrup.

9:00 p.m. COOK Bizarre Foods: Delicious Destinations In Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, Andrew tries marinated pork, traditional pozole and skewered mojo fish.
FOOD Buddy vs. Christmas Buddy builds a holiday cakemaking factory when he competes against animatronics expert Lou Nasti.

9:30 p.m. COOK Bizarre Foods: Delicious Destinations Andrew tries cod baked into a creamy casserole and octopus rice in Porto, Portugal.

Tuesday

8:30 p.m. COOK Symon's Dinners Cooking Out Michael's outdoor, family-friendly meal starts with a fish fry with lime aioli; smashed potatoes.

9:00 p.m. COOK Burgers, Brew & 'Que A slammin' sandwich with three different cuts of pork smothered in triple-cheese sauce.

FOOD Chopped The chefs attempt deviled ham spread in the first basket.

9:30 p.m. COOK Burgers, Brew & 'Que A whole pig on a super-sized indoor smoke pit; slow-smoked rib-eye steak sandwich; burgers.

Wednesday

9:00 p.m. COOK Food Paradise Dishes that provide soul-satisfying experiences,

from chocolate egg creams to Old World confections.

FOOD Guy's Grocery Games Four chefs are challenged to make pork-inspired dishes.

Thursday

8:30 p.m. FOOD Beat Bobby Flay Chef Geoff Lazlo faces off against Cincinnati's Chef Daniel Wright; Chef Josh Capon; Teri Hatcher.

9:00 p.m. KRWG Lidia Celebrates America (In Stereo) **COOK Man v. Food** Casey Webb swings into Sacramento, Calif., for three gold-standard meals from the Golden State.

FOOD Beat Bobby Flay Marcela joins Buddy to score a sweet victory against Bobby.

9:30 p.m. COOK Man v. Food Casey Webb's first stop is San Antonio's oldest restaurant, a German deli for the Wienerschnitzel.
FOOD Beat Bobby Flay Ree Drummond and Eddie Jackson join forces; Ian Rough must battle ranch chef Anthony Eady.

tonight's movies

A

American Gangster ★★★ Un policía intenta atrapar a un narcotraficante del Harlem. (N) KTFN Sun. 7 p.m.
Ant-Man ★★★ Ant-Man uses his shrinking skills to battle Yellowjacket. USA Fri. 6:30 p.m., Sat. 4 p.m.
The Apartment ★★★★★ A corporate climber lets his boss and others use his home. TCM Fri. 7:45 p.m.

B

Back to the Future ★★★½ A boy travels through time to his parents' teenage years. A&E Thu. 5 p.m.
Back to the Future Part II ★★★ Marty's time traveling is threatened by a dangerous rival. A&E Thu. 7:30 p.m.
The Bishop's Wife ★★★ An angel lends a hand in funding a new church. TCM Sat. 4 p.m., Thu. 6 p.m.

C

The Cheaters ★★★ A boozing actor confounds a wealthy

family's Christmas. TCM Wed. 8 p.m.
A Christmas Story ★★★★★ A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun. TBS Thu. 6 p.m., Thu. 8 p.m.; TNT Mon. 6 p.m., Mon. 8 p.m., Thu. 7 p.m.
Come to the Stable ★★★ French nuns in New England raise funds for children's hospital. TCM Mon. 6 p.m.

D

The Dark Knight Rises ★★★ Batman faces a masked villain named Bane. PAR Fri. 5 p.m.
Deadpool ★★★ Deadpool hunts down the man who nearly destroyed his life. FX Wed. 5:30 p.m.

E

Eddie the Eagle ★★★ La historia del esquiador Michael Eddie Edwards. (N) KTFN Sat. 4:30 p.m.
Elf ★★★ A man leaves Santa's workshop to search for his family. AMC Sun. 5 p.m., Sun. 7 p.m., Wed. 6 p.m., Thu. 4 p.m.

G

Galaxy Quest ★★★ Aliens kidnap actors from an old sci-fi TV series. TRU TV Mon. 8 p.m.
Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2 ★★★ The team unravels the mystery of Peter Quill's parentage. USA Sat. 6:30 p.m.

H

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2 ★★★½ Harry may have to make the ultimate sacrifice. SYFY Thu. 7:10 p.m.
Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire ★★★ Voldemort lays a trap for Harry at the Triwizard Tournament. SYFY Wed. 6 p.m.
Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban ★★★½ The young wizard confronts the fugitive Sirius Black. SYFY Sat. 4 p.m.

I

In the Good Old Summer-time ★★★ Feuding co-workers at a music store are unwitting friends. TCM Tue. 8 p.m.

Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade ★★★½ Indy's hunt for his missing father leads to the Holy Grail. PAR Wed. 7:30 p.m.
It's a Wonderful Life ★★★★★ An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide. KTSM Thu. 7 p.m.

J

John Wick: Chapter 2 ★★★ Legendary hit man John Wick takes on deadly killers in Rome. SYFY Sun. 4:15 p.m.

L

Lady on a Train ★★★ A train passenger sees a murder, but no one believes her. TCM Sat. 8 p.m.
Love Actually ★★★ Various people deal with relationships in London. AMC Fri. 8 p.m.

M

Meet Me in St. Louis ★★★½ A disappointed St. Louis family may miss the World's Fair. TCM Wed. 6 p.m.

N

National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation ★★★ A traditional Griswold yuletide backfires in comic fashion. AMC Sat. 5 p.m., Sat. 7:18 p.m., Mon. 6 p.m., Thu. 6 p.m.
Neighbors ★★★ New parents go to war with a noisy fraternity next door. FX Mon. 5 p.m.

P

The Polar Express ★★★ Animated. A conductor guides a boy to the North Pole. AMC Fri. 4 p.m., Wed. 8 p.m.

R

Raiders of the Lost Ark ★★★★★ An archaeologist races Nazis to find a powerful relic. PAR Wed. 5 p.m.
Remember the Night ★★★ An assistant DA takes a shop-lifter home for the holidays. TCM Fri. 6 p.m.
Rocky Balboa ★★★ Rocky, now retired, fights the world heavyweight champion. PAR Tue. 7:30 p.m.

S

Scrooged ★★★ TV-network bigshot meets Christmas ghosts. AMC Mon. 4 p.m.
The Shop Around the Corner ★★★½ Bickering Budapest co-workers fall in love as secret pen pals. TCM Thu. 8 p.m.
Shrek ★★★½ Animated. A monster and a donkey make a deal with a mean lord. SYFY Fri. 5 p.m., Fri. 6:35 p.m.
Smallfoot ★★★ Animated. A Yeti named Migo encounters a human for the first time. TNT Sat. 4 p.m.
The Sound of Music ★★★★★ A governess weds an Austrian widower with seven children. KVIA Sun. 6 p.m.

T

Trolls ★★★ Animated. Two trolls embark on a journey to save fellow villagers. FX Sat. 8 p.m.

W

The Wedding Singer ★★★ A 1980s wedding crooner attempts to find true love. COMEDY Sat. 5:30 p.m.
We're No Angels ★★★ Three Devil's Island escapees come to the aid of a family. TCM Sat. 6 p.m.
The Wizard of Oz ★★★★★ A tornado whisks a Kansas farm girl to a magic land. TNT Sat. 6:30 p.m.
Wonder Woman ★★★ Wonder Woman discovers her full powers and true destiny. TBS Sun. 5 p.m., Sun. 8 p.m.; TNT Sun. 5 p.m., Sun. 8:01 p.m.

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The identity of the featured celebrity is found within the answers in the puzzle. In order to take the TV Challenge, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

- ACROSS**
1. "___ and the Fatman"
 5. Alice's workplace
 9. "___ Family" (1983-90)
 10. Not the sharpest knife in the drawer
 12. Like slick winter roads
 13. "Man With a ___"
 16. Flying saucer, for short
 17. "Men in Trees" setting: abbr.
 18. "Sherlock ___"; 2018 Johnny Depp movie
 20. "___ Do Anything"; song from "Oliver!"
 21. "The Blind ___"; 2009 Sandra Bullock film

23. Apple tablet
25. Moray or conger
26. Ms. Ullmann
27. Holbrook or Linden
28. Pop singer Bobby
29. Plato, for one
30. Goofs up
32. Word in the title of Howie's game show
33. "Walker, Texas ___"
38. Setting for "Designing Women": abbr.
39. "___ Doubtfire"
41. "High ___"; Gary Cooper classic
42. "___ 54, Where Are You?"
43. "America's Got Talent" judge
45. Role on "Everybody Loves Raymond"
47. "The ___ Orman Show" (2002-15)
48. Baseball great Sammy ___

- DOWN**
1. Role on "The Connors" (2)
 1. ___ Santiago; "Brooklyn Nine-Nine" role
 3. Kirstie's initials
 4. "SportsCenter" network
 5. "Yours, ___ & Ours"; Dennis Quaid film
 6. Sullivan or Begley
 7. Actress Lucy
 8. "Modern Family" actress (2)
 9. Sara & Hamm
 11. Bridges of "Diff'rent Strokes"
 14. Initials for Olivier
 15. "I ___ Sam"; Sean Penn movie
 18. Sarah Michelle ___
 19. The Lone Ranger's horse
 22. Actor ___ Cain
 24. Wharf
 29. DeLuise & others
 31. Ramirez of "Grey's Anatomy"
 34. Meara or Murray
 35. "___ Ordinary Family"
 36. "Just ___ with It"; Adam Sandler film
 37. Finishes
 40. University near Dallas
 42. "___ This Morning"
 44. Wizard's home
 - Initials for actor O'Neill

Bingo — Solution

H	I	N	C	P
Central American Nations	Honduras	Asia	Nicaragua	Costa Rica
Flowers	Hibiscus	Italy	Narcissus	Calla
Relationship (such as: brother)	Husband	Friend	Nephew	Cousin
Six-letter Chemical Elements (such as: Oxygen)	Helium	Iodine	Nickel	Carbon
Last Name of Man Named Himself	Harris	Howe	Nixon	Chamberlain
				Petty

Crossword Solution
 Tom Bergeron

Solution

V	S	O	S		Z	U	S	E	
R	B	E	R		N	O	W	I	S
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To complete this puzzle, place the numbers 1-9 in the empty cells, so that every row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold outline) contains all nine digits.

Each number 1-9 may appear only once in each row, column and 3-by-3 box.

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In Focus

"Cobra Kai" (Netflix — season premiere, Jan. 8, 2021)

The former YouTube Premium series moves over to Netflix for its third season, which finds everyone reeling after a violent brawl between their high school dojos puts Miguel (Xolo Mariduen) in the emergency room fighting for his life. Ralph Macchio, William Zabka, Martin Kove, Mary Mouser and Jacob Bertrand are among cast returnees.

The 63rd Annual Grammy Awards (CBS — new special, Jan. 31, 2021)

Trevor Noah ("The Daily Show With Trevor Noah") hosts this year's ceremonies recognizing the best in recent music from the Staples Center in Los Angeles. Beyoncé leads the field of nominees with nine nods, followed by Taylor Swift, Dua Lipa and Roddy Ricch with six apiece. Up for Record of the Year are "Black Parade" (Beyoncé); "Colors" (Black Pumas); "Rockstar" (DaBaby featuring Roddy Ricch); "Say So" (Doja Cat), "Everything I Wanted" (Billie Eilish); "Don't Start Now" (Dua Lipa); "Circles" (Post Malone), and "Savage" (Megan Thee Stallion, featuring Beyoncé).

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B I N G O

Fill in each box of the BINGO grid below with an answer that begins with the letter above each column and belongs to the category listed before each row. List one answer for each box, although there is more than one acceptable answer for many of the boxes.

Solution on page 15

	H	I	N	C	P
Central American Nations		Free Space			
Flowers					
Relatives (such as: Brother)		Free Space			
Six-letter Chemical Elements (such as: Oxygen)					Free Space
Last Names of Men Named Richard		Free Space			

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alternate puzzle

	1	2 *	3	4		5	6	7	8	
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	47						48			

ACROSS

- 1. Asterisk
- 5. Name for a Beatle
- 9. European nation
- 10. 10th & 11th words in "Jack and Jill" (2)
- 12. To the __; fully
- 13. Word of agreement
- 16. Part of spring
- 17. Film alien
- 18. Canine coating
- 20. Initials for golfer Norman
- 21. Quarter or semester
- 23. Powdered cleanser
- 25. Arrest
- 26. Forbid entry to
- 27. Bartender's cubes
- 28. Eggs, in Latin
- 29. __-friendly; easy to operate
- 30. Pool toy
- 32. Actress Lombard's initials
- 33. NFL team
- 38. Battery size
- 39. Word attached to dog or top
- 41. Noisy bird

DOWN

- 42. Waitress at Mel's Diner
- 43. 1 of 7 deadly sins
- 45. Kelly Clarkson & Carrie Underwood, e.g.
- 47. Copenhagener
- 48. Musician's jobs
- 1. NYC borough (2)
- 2. Money for Uncle Sam
- 3. Molinaro or Gore
- 4. Tatum's dad
- 5. Seymour or Curtin
- 6. N's followers
- 7. Holiday entrée, perhaps
- 8. NY site known as the "Honeymoon Capital of the World" (2)
- 9. "As I was going to St. Ives, __ __ ..."
- 11. Wild feline
- 14. One of the Kettles
- 15. Role in "The Wizard of Oz"
- 18. Ashes still glowing

- 19. Toils
- 22. Marathon
- 24. Coffee
- 29. USC's crosstown rival
- 31. New Mexico art colony
- 34. Farmland unit
- 35. Prefix for regular or reverent
- 36. Refusal
- 37. Tiny bit of kindling
- 40. Golfing org.
- 42. Danger for drivers
- 44. Suffix for bright or length
- 46. Late Princess of Wales

Solution





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DONA ANA COUNTY

No. 20-0202

IN THE MATTER OF
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OF HAROLD D. ESHOM,
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HAROLD ESHOM,
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AKA HAROLD D.
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DATED: DECEMBER 4, 2020

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE PROBATE COURT
DONA ANA COUNTY

No. 20-0193
Judge Diana A. Bustamante,
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IN THE MATTER OF
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ESTATE OF:
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DATED this 30th day of
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'Elf, Jr.' streams Dec. 19, 20 and 24

BULLETIN REPORT

In an era when most events have been canceled or postponed indefinitely, a local theatre company conceived of a socially distanced approach to presenting a Christmas musical for the community.

"Elf the Musical, Jr." can be purchased for streaming. The performance features 14 locals aged 7-15, and it's available the week of Christmas.

Based on the 2003 film starring Will Ferrell, James Caan and Zooey Deschanel, it features music by Matthew Sklar, lyrics by Chad Beguelin and a book by Bob Martin and Thomas Meehan.

The one-hour story begins at the North Pole, where Santa reveals to Buddy the Elf that he has been human all along. His quest to find his father in New York City is the source of many humorous and ultimately heart-warming scenarios.

Though the cast was limited to 14 participants, many other community members were involved in the process. Long-time local children's music teacher Leslie Kowalski recruited experienced twins Marley and Waylon Yerxa to perform the roles of Michael Hobbs and Buddy, the eponymous elf.

Their parents, Brad and Audra Yerxa, drew and held backdrops for filming. Elementary educators James and Victoria Gier coached and filmed



PHOTO COURTESY OF MEGAN MCQUEEN

During a rehearsal of Scaffolding Theatre Company of Las Cruces' production of "Elf, Jr." are, left to right, front row: Twins Waylon and Marley Yerxa, second row: Annabel Simpson and Tyson Reyes and back row: Brisabel Martinez, Ava Grace Mynatt and Delaney Sivils.

their 7-year-old son, Oliver, in his role as Santa. A couple of frequent theatre patrons paid for the participation of young Las Cruces who they hoped would be involved.

"Though I've been teaching online exclusively for over two years," Director Megan McQueen said, "the process of creating art almost entirely within an online platform is challenging for all of us. I teach the kids, and the kids teach me. I've even been working on musicals via Zoom with artists across the country since May. One of the biggest obstacles is the horrible sound quality, so luckily Sam Tyson has helped us remedy that," she said.

Tyson spearheaded the solution to most of the lighting, sound and set-design challenges. Scaffolding Theatre

Company has faced since its first production in 2014, McQueen said. He brought seven high-quality microphones for use in the "Elf, Jr." production so each child could use his or her own, along with a sound board for mixing and hundreds of feet of cable to socially distance seven children at a time in a back yard while recording the vocals.

Streaming access is available for purchase Dec. 19, 20 and 24. Access is good for 48 hours after purchase on those dates. It is available for \$10 via ShowTix4U.com. To purchase tickets, go to www.scaffolding-theatrecompany.com/elf-the-musical-jr.html.

For more information, contact McQueen at 575-644-7136 or msmeganmcqueen@gmail.com.

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Theatre professor: Actors adapt, even to pandemics

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

“Theatre is a versatile artform that adapts to whatever’s going on,” said Lisa K. Hermanson, the New Mexico State University Theatre Department’s visiting instructor for musical theatre. “We’re used to pivoting when things go wrong and figuring it out.”

And despite state public health orders that have made live theatre performances almost impossible, Hermanson and her colleagues at NMSU are continuing to make theatre happen.

Hermanson wrote a stunningly beautiful song that concludes the department’s original production of “Letters to the Future,” which premiered in September. She wrote and directed another original production, “Stay Home for the Holidays: A Holiday Cabaret,” which streamed earlier this month.

While it was strange for Hermanson to be watching the holiday production on computer in her living room instead of attending a gala opening-night live performance at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, streaming the show meant that her parents back home in Seattle got to see it, along with



LISA K. HERMANSON

other people across the country, she said.

Hermanson said she’s already at work on next year’s “Broadway on Stage” fundraiser for the department.

“Her skills seem endless,” New Mexico State University Theatre Department Head Wil Kilroy said about Hermanson, who joined the department in August 2019 and is hoping to become a permanent staff member.

“From writing original songs for productions to musical direction, vocal coaching and playing keyboards for a production, our students and our audience members have been able to benefit from

Lisa’s impressive work,” Kilroy said.

And, with a degree in theatre pedagogy, Hermanson has, in addition to musical theatre, taught classes in playwriting and theatre history, Kilroy said.

“Lisa was very kind in offering to teach an advanced playwriting independent study for me this semester and it’s been wonderful learning from all of her experience,” said NMSU theatre student Samantha “Sammi” Armstrong. “She’s an amazing addition to the NMSU theatre family and I feel lucky to have her here.”

Hermanson also has

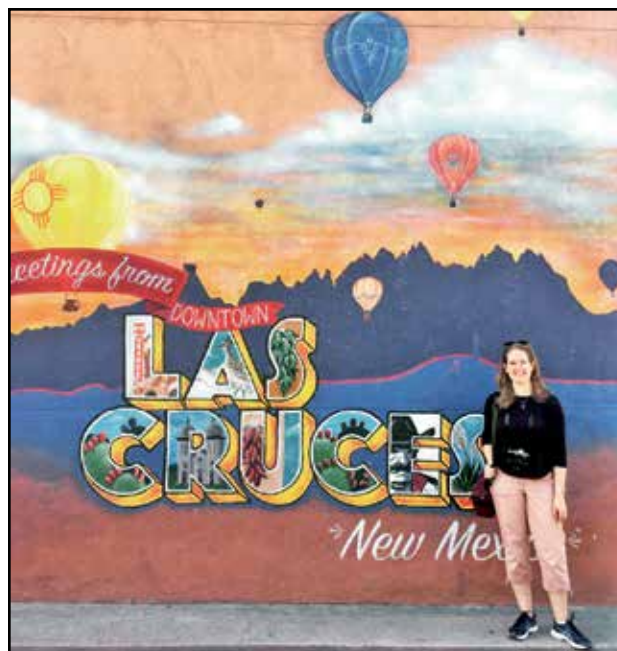


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Lisa Hermanson during a visit to Las Cruces for a job interview at New Mexico State University.

a master of fine arts degree. Her thesis at Virginia Commonwealth University included writing a one-act musical called “The Golden Door.”

Set in 1923, the show is “an exploration of how much immigration has really changed” in the past century, Hermanson said, “specifically looking at it through the lens of Ellis Island,” the point of entry to the United States for Hermanson’s grandparents.

When she wrote the musical, Hermanson said she had no idea she would soon be moving to Las Cruces to experience its unique position so

close to a different border with many of the same issues.

After a few months of face-to-face interaction with students in a normal classroom setting and rehearsal process, Hermanson and the entire NMSU Theatre Department had to find new ways to teach classes and direct shows when COVID-19 hit last March. (Hermanson was musical director of NMSU’s production of “The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee,” which was interrupted by the pandemic and was the Theatre Department’s last on-stage production for a live audience to date.)

Since then, she said, musical theatre has been an “exceptional challenge” for students and staff, partly because Zoom doesn’t allow two performers to sing at the same time. But she and other staff and students are “making theatre still happen,” Hermanson said.

And, one advantage of “Zoom theatre” she has discovered is that it lets her watch her students in a different way.

“I can only see them from the shoulders up” on Zoom, Hermanson said, and that has allowed her to focus on developing students’ micromovements. Zoom has also meant transitioning from the impromptu decisions that all actors make in live theatre to the extra time and effort that must go into preparing a recorded performance. And once the pandemic is over, it will mean helping students return to the one take of live theatre.

“Lisa is one of the most kind, caring, lovely people I have ever had the privilege of meeting,” said student Molly Schafer. “These traits make her invaluable as a professor. Her kindness is surpassed only by her ability to teach, and NMSU would be crazy not to hire her as a full-time professor.”

Artist offers rhyming clues to hidden downtown mural

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

Here are clues to finding Las Cruces artist Bob Diven's "hidden mural" that he installed downtown in November. These clues were shared on both Diven's Facebook page and the Murals of Las Cruces page.

ONE

I've put up a mural,
it's small, all in all,
you might walk right past it
and not see it at all.
It's meant to trick you,
or at least fool your eye,
so don't look too low,
or look up too high.
Downtown is the spot,
but not quite on Main,
You might look right at it,
but look, look again.
And when you do find it,
tell me when but not
where,
let others keep looking,
and discover it there!

TWO

Bigger than a pillow,
smaller than a sheet,
you can see if from the
sidewalk,
see it from the street.
It looks like it was put



COURTESY PHOTO

Las Cruces artist Bob Diven working on a street painting prior to the general election. Like the mural he has installed downtown, Diven's face is hidden.

there
a long, long time ago,
and if you didn't have
these clues,
you might not ever
know...
That this simple artist
was having a lark,
and making the practical
thing into "art."
And if you find it,
while you're out and
about,
I made sure to sign it

so there'd be no doubt!

THREE

So how do you spot
what's meant to blend in,
with all that surrounds it?
Where to begin?
It's not in an alley,
or hidden away,
(it wouldn't be fair

to hide it that way).
There's a pattern, a plan
to what I have painted,
as if time and weather,
its rough face have
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I'm no Mason,
but this secret I'll keep,
the joy's in discovering
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Las Cruces artist loans tile pieces to Jardin de los Niños

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces artist Glenn Schwaiger is loaning some of his unique and beautiful artwork to Jardin de los Niños to brighten the walls of their facility on the Mesilla Valley Community of Hope campus.

But the generosity doesn't stop there. Frame and Art Center of Las Cruces is hanging the artwork as an in-kind donation. The work is expected to be up at Jardin in mid-December.

The loan features ce-

ramic tile pieces depicting a range of subjects likely to be of particular interest to children. They include seascapes, dinosaurs and hot-air balloons. Jardin provides childcare and education services to homeless and near-homeless children and their families.

Schwaiger said his primary artistic focus for the past 20 years has been public art.

"My ceramic tile public artworks are an expression and response to the people and environments where they are installed,"

Schwaiger said on his website, www.agavearts.com. "Often, I involve the creative energies of the community in the creation of ceramic tile murals and sculptures. My landscape and nature images are a celebration of the cyclical rhythms of the Chihuahuan Desert. I have grown to appreciate both the timeless and temporal aspects of the desert during nearly 30 years of residence in southern New Mexico. My appreciation for nature and the quest for universal, simplified patterns

have a long history in Eastern arts, especially in the decoration of ceramic forms."

"Jardin de los Niños is elated to receive the loaned artwork that will be displayed throughout the building," said Jardin CEO Michelle S. Adames. "The artwork will bring so much joy to the children, families and staff. Thank you to Glenn Schwaiger, LeeAnn Meadows and Frame and Art Center for your generous donations."

Contact Adames at 575-522-2111 and michelle.adames@jardinlc.org.

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Farm and ranch museum exhibit, 'A Home on the Range: From Ranches to Rockets,' now online

By **CRAIG MASSEY**

Communications Manager
New Mexico Farm & Ranch
Heritage Museum

A popular exhibit at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum (NMFRHM) explores the transformation of the Tularosa Basin during World War II. It is now online.

Visit www.nmfarman-dranchmuseum.org to view the online version of "Home on the Range: From Ranches to Rockets."

In addition to photographs and words, the exhibit also features videos and oral history audio files.

Another new online component to the exhibit will be educational lesson plans for students.

Visitors will learn about ranch life in the Tularosa Basin during the early 20th century, and how events taking place halfway around the world brought about changes that, for many ranchers, were permanent. The area eventually became White Sands Missile Range (WSMR), drawing some of the world's greatest minds in science and engineering.

"We want people to understand what ranch life out there was like and what happened to those folks," said NMFRHM Curator of History Leah Tookey. "At first, it was just the ranching story,



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Missile launch at White Sands Missile Range

but we then decided to get into the military and science part of it. There's a whole section about the science and research that goes on out there."

While private land being transitioned into U.S. government property wasn't uncommon during the 1940s, the story this exhibit tells is unique to New Mexico, because of the scope of research and what was at stake.

The story begins with ranchers from Texas settling in the basin in the late 1800s, finding grass tall and plentiful. What they didn't know was that they had arrived during a particularly wet climactic period and raising cattle

would not be as profitable as they once believed, according to Tookey. The challenging yet rewarding lifestyle these ranch families chose changed quickly and dramatically in 1942.

After the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor thrust the United States into World War II, an executive order established a military training range in the region. The ranchers were told they needed to immediately move their families and livestock, and they would not be allowed back until the end of the war.

The families performed their patriotic duties and complied with the orders. Most would never return.

While the basin was used to test rockets, missiles and bombs -- including the world's first atomic bomb in 1945 -- it was also used to launch America's space program and other scientific programs, some in the private sector.

"For decades, WSMR

has been referred to as a huge outdoor laboratory, a place where weapons and civilian projects can be tested," said Jim Eckles, longtime WSMR public information officer and co-curator of the exhibit with Tookey.

"If it hadn't been for the V-2 rockets that were discovered in Germany and brought to New Mexico for research and testing, the land might very well have gone back to the ranchers after the war," Tookey said.

The museum's exhibits staff and curators spent months researching and

planning the physical, on-site exhibit, and construction in the galleries was extensive.

The gallery exhibit features everything from replica structures that include a ranch house, tool shed and a military block house, to items as big as a V-2 rocket engine and a Loki Dart rocket, and as small as toys and kitchen utensils. Interactive activities for children include period games and a paper rocket-making station.

Tookey became interested in the subject during a tour of WSMR when she was employed at the

New Mexico Museum of Space History (NMMSH) in Alamogordo. When she began working at NMFRHM a few years later, she suggested this story as a future exhibit.

NMFRHM collaborated with WSMR and NMMSH on the exhibit. The project fits with the recent appreciation of space exploration in the Las Cruces region, where space festivals in Las Cruces and El Paso have been organized in the past couple of years, and where nearby Spaceport America is beginning commercial spaceflight.

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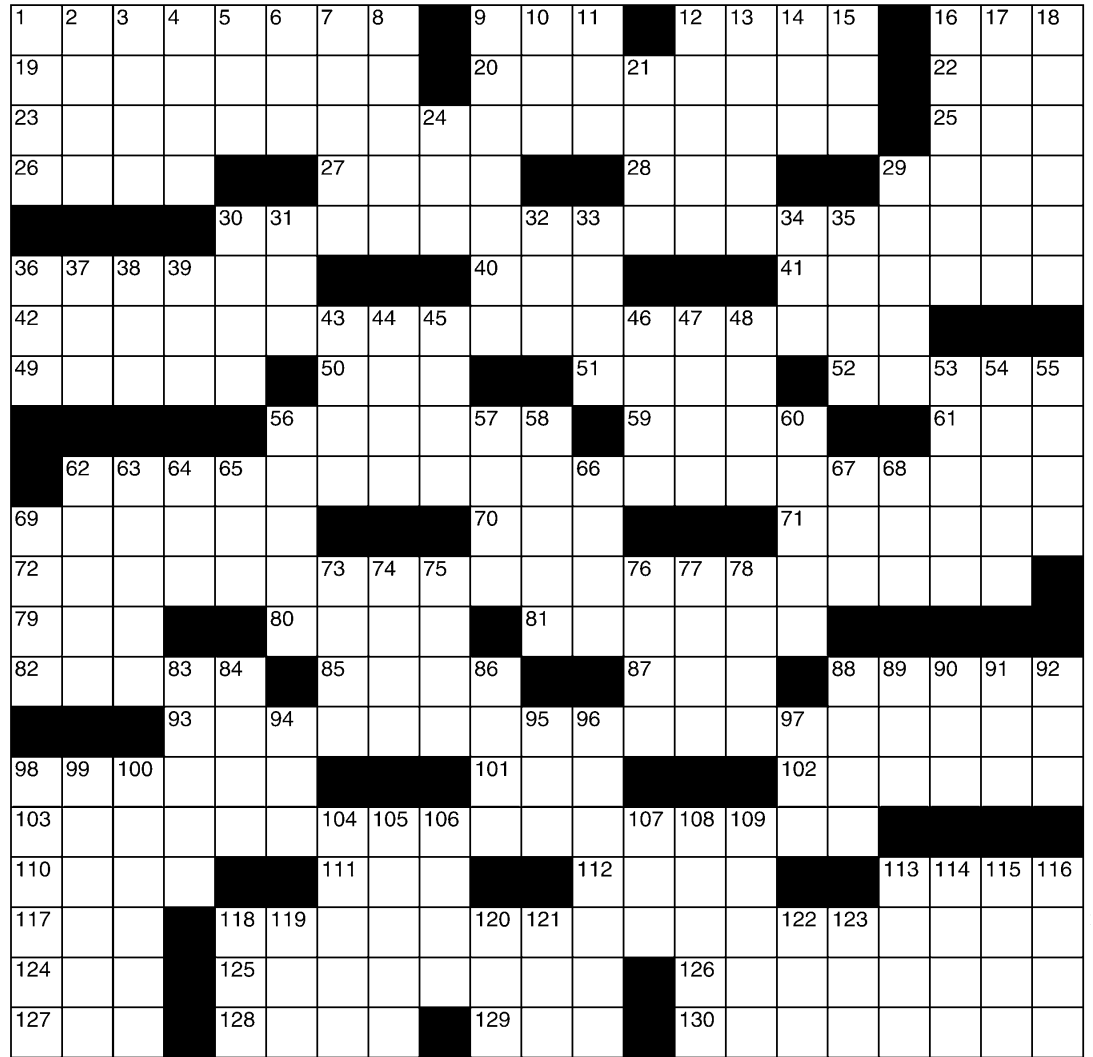
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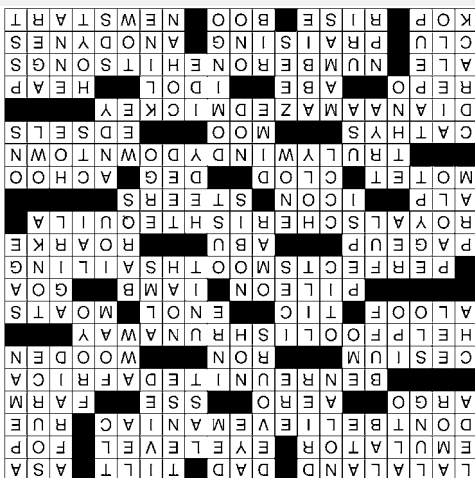
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- 48 Charity
- 53 Katy Perry's "I Kissed --"
- 54 Toy truck maker
- 55 Wise guy
- 56 Cola biggie
- 57 Actor Epps of "Shooter"
- 58 "Ora pro --" ("Pray for us")

- 60 Root beer brand
- 62 Filmmaker Pier -- Pasolini
- 63 Nile's home
- 64 Stephen of "Ondine"
- 65 Suffix with play or faith
- 66 Kick out
- 67 Debt slip
- 68 Chou En- --
- 69 Soho stroller
- 73 Roman 350
- 74 Consecrated
- 75 Sufficient, in poetry
- 76 Lamarr of "Comrade X"
- 77 Ticked (off)
- 78 Accordingly
- 83 Prefix with botany

- or biology
- 84 "-- Little Tenderness"
- 86 Lightest coin
- 88 Actor Griffith
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- 90 Farming tool
- 91 Barn percher
- 92 Slip- -- (mules, e.g.)
- 94 D.C.'s land
- 95 Silent "OK"
- 96 Santo --
- 97 Diminutive
- 98 Audiophile's storage item
- 99 Danny of "Ruby"
- 100 Wrap, as a weak wrist
- 104 Papas' partners
- 105 Activist Hoffman

- 106 Final letters
- 107 Chemical suffix
- 108 "Over There" composer
- 109 Kevin of "Silverado"
- 113 Pitcher -- Wilhelm
- 114 Central Sicilian city
- 115 Golden -- (senior)
- 116 "Hey ... over this way!"
- 118 "Car Talk" network
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Leadership brings both blessings, burdens

2020 has demanded a lot from us. It changed so many aspects of our lives. It has taken away health, jobs, mobility and, yes, lives.

It also presented us a mandate to dig deeper to, think differently about how we operate, and driven us to new avenues for innovation and operation. Behind these conversations are the leaders of our community, wrestling with an incredibly complex set of factors, as they seek to fulfill their commitment to the missions of their organizations.

The board of directors of The Bridge of Southern New Mexico represents a cross-sector of some of these outstanding leaders. Spanning business, education, economic development and government, they have made tough

calls and led superhuman efforts to help our community navigate its way through this challenging time.



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While our conversations changed dramatically after March, our work did not. We continue to support increased graduation rates in high school and

college and equip people for the best careers in our community to grow and sustain strong economic development. We have far more barriers to overcome now, face greater threats to student learning and graduation, have thousands more in need of viable, sustainable jobs and are waiting eagerly for the time when our economy can recover.

Our community has been blessed to have the leadership we do during this never-to-be-forgotten time. They have been tire-

less in meeting every new challenge and doing so in partnership with one another. Just a few examples include:

- The City of Las Cruces partnering with Las Cruces Public Schools on meeting the digital access and device needs of students.
- The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce partnering with Doña Ana County on recovery grants for businesses.
- The City of Las Cruces partnering with NMSU's Arrowhead Center on supports for small businesses.
- All of our educational institutions doing what was unimaginable to transition in-person instruction to remote learning in the space of a few weeks.

This has been a really tough year, and our leaders have borne a sizable portion of that weight with optimism and a fierce

commitment to those they serve. Whatever 2021 brings, this is a group of leaders we, as a community, are fortunate to have.

Before we let this year end, I want to express my deep appreciation for all that they've done for us. Thank you to The Bridge board of directors:

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And special thanks to Dr. Michael Morehead, former dean of the NMSU College of Education, who has served as our board chair for 2019-2020 and was a founding member of The Bridge. I am deeply indebted to you, and to all of our members, for the light you shine in dark times.

Because of all of you, I look forward to the recovery and revitalization 2021 will bring.

Confusion surrounds medical cannabis reciprocity rule



HILDA LUZ CHAVEZ

The Good Herb

The following information may be a bit confusing, but I will do my best in

presenting what I know.

In my previous column, I wrote about the reciprocity rule for medical cannabis patients coming to New Mexico from other states. The New Mexico Department of Health's (NMDOH)

medical cannabis program had stated that medical cards bought online were not legitimate and dispensaries statewide were not to accept them. The dilemma is that recreational users could use online cards

as a loophole, and right now, during COVID, this has become more of a concern. An October 2020 judge's ruling prompted NMDOH to allow patients with cards acquired online to purchase cannabis in New

Mexico dispensaries.

To qualify, an out-of-state visitor must present a government-issued ID and proof of a medical cannabis program card from another state with a medical cannabis program. including Cali-

ifornia medical cannabis cards acquired online. California has a reputation for selling cards to anyone who can pay for one.

There is a great deal

CONFUSION

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of concern as to the legitimacy of online cards issued with no established relationship between a medical practitioner and the patient, with no follow-up care. This reciprocity issue is important in that medical patients are the ones being left in limbo. Apparently, there are recreational users capitalizing on this confusion and acquiring online cards.

The DMDOH limits medical conditions that the patient must meet to qualify. There are now more than 100,000 certified medical patients in New Mexico, but there are resident patients living with legitimate medical conditions who do not qualify under the existing state limitations conditions. Some patients look for a medical card from another state, and the reciprocity mandate gives them an in to New Mexico dispensaries.

Many mental health

practitioners remain concerned about PTSD patients acquiring a medical cannabis card and not having an established relationship with a mental health practitioner for follow-up care.

PTSD is a serious mental health condition and often requires counseling and follow-up care. Based on my experience with patients, not all patients experience the same symptoms. Some PTSD patients have other conditions such as bipolarism, depression, psychosis, etc. There is not enough research on the long-term effects of cannabis use with severe cases of PTSD with other conditions. Cannabis can be one tool in the overall treatment and care of PTSD patients, with follow-up care being critical, especially with COVID.

Litigation continues as NMDOH looks at the situation. In the meantime, effective Dec. 10, out-of-state medical cards are being accepted in New Mexico cannabis dispen-

saries. All this litigation is happening as New Mexico considers legalizing cannabis. Thoughtful feedback from the community is vital. I encourage my readers to consider writing to the governor.

Mental health practitioners in New Mexico can email the NMDOH MCP program to share their views on this topic while the reciprocity rule is being litigated.

Visit <https://nmpoliticalreport.com/2020/08/30/some-raise-concerns-about-out-of-state-reciprocal-patients-in-the-time-of-covid-19/> or <https://www.globenews-wire.com/news-release/2020/10/13/2107880/0/en/New-Mexico-Judge-Orders-State-Agency-to-Enroll-Reciprocity-Patients.html>.

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Time for a Refresher on Proper Lifting

From digging out boxes of holiday decor and hauling packages to and from home, to hiding gifts away on higher shelves at the back of the closet, the holiday season requires its fair share of bending, lifting and reaching. This is an ideal time for a refresher on proper lifting methods. Back pain and injury can put a real damper on the holiday season, yet it's one of the most common conditions Physical Therapists treat. Fortunately, it's also a condition that's preventable. One of the ways to keep the spine healthy is learning and practicing proper lifting techniques."

Needless to say, preventing back pain is a key concern when someone does a lot of bending and lifting. After all, approximately 80% of all Americans will experience back pain at some point in their lives, making it one of the top causes of disability in the U.S.



The back, however, should not be one's only area of concern when lifting. When we talk about proper lifting techniques, we're talking about protecting the back. But, we're also looking to minimize strain on the entire body. The goal is to put yourself in a position that allows the body's musculoskeletal system to work as one cohesive unit, without putting too much strain on one area, such as the lower back, hips or shoulders.



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Taking this all into consideration, I suggest that you follow these tips for proper lifting:

Warm Up: Don't ever assume your body is ready to lift heavy objects without first being thoroughly warmed up. Take the time to stretch your lower back, legs and hips. Also, do a few jumping jacks, high knees or lunges to get your blood flowing.

Get Close: Avoid reaching for heavy or moderately sized objects. Get nice and close to the box or object to minimize the force (in the arms, shoulders and back) necessary to lift the item.

Bend and Lift with the Knees: We've all heard this before, and that's because it's true. Keep your back straight and body upright as you lower yourself to the object in question. Then, use your legs to rise into a standing position.

Get a Grip: If you can't get a strong, comfortable grip on an object – even if you know you can carry the weight – don't push your luck. Find someone to help or an alternative way of moving the object from point A to B, such as a handcart or dolly.

Reverse the Steps: When you get to where you're going, set the item down just as you picked it up, but in reverse. Keep it close to your body, and lower with your legs. Move slowly and deliberately. You can just as easily injure yourself while setting objects down as by picking them up.

As you're lifting something, also try to keep from twisting or reaching while carrying the weight. Don't rush through the process of lifting, and if you're tired, save the task for later. Finally, if you feel pain during or after lifting, or you have an injury or condition you believe is keeping you from moving properly, visit a physical therapist for a full assessment.



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Kind Bread Company built from sourdough dreams

By **ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Samantha Kindred and Kaleigh Jones worked at a coffee shop in Mesilla and found they had something powerful in common — a love of baking.

Both women also had a fondness for sourdough. The thought occurred to them there was no good source for sourdough products in Las Cruces, and they were off. The Kind Baking Company was born. Both had run businesses before, and both had experience working in the food-service industry.

“We got our approvals two weeks before COVID,” Jones said. “So, we built the business around COVID, because we had to. It is what it is — we were learning as we went.”

The business was started by renting a kitchen in a local restaurant during off hours.

“We were working overnight,” Jones said. “In the very early stages, we had our day jobs and worked eight to 12 hours at night getting bread out for the wholesale customers.”

By the end of June, they “moved into our big beautiful spot” at 201 S. Solano Drive, Suite G, and were able to open by the end of July.

Jones said going forward, one of the biggest lessons they have picked up is about managing



Samantha Kindred, Kind Bread co-owner, organizes orders before open hours the day before Thanksgiving.

the customer experience. It’s a skill they can take forward into non-COVID times.

“We only allow one or two people in at a time,” she said. “People get more one-on-one time. This has slowed us down, and people get more attention.”

In fact, their original plan was to be a predominantly wholesale business, but many restaurants are not open, so they are not buying artisan bread. Retail was not part of the original plan at all. But now the women have many regular customers and a booming storefront and say they are not likely to shut that down even when the coronavirus recedes.

“It’s going pretty well,” Kindred said. “[The storefront] is definitely the main income for the business and the complete opposite of what we thought it would be.”

They do sell to some restaurants but not nearly enough to keep the business going. Diners will find Kind Bread products at places like FARMesilla, Elephant Ranch, Josephina’s Old Gate, the Bean, Urban Café and Hangerz Food Truck.

All the products at Kind Bakery are made with sourdough.

“It’s better for you,” Jones said. “It’s made with flour, water, salt and sourdough starter, which is flour and water that’s been fermented. We feed [the starters] every day like pets.”

She said the bread is better for people because the process breaks down gluten. Many of their customers are gluten-intolerant and can eat the sourdough even though they can’t eat other kinds of bread.

Ingredients are locally sourced whenever pos-

sible, Kindred said. They use New Mexico flour, local honey and cheese from Tucumcari.

They have set up a “community corner” in the bakery where they can offer products of other community businesses, as well.

“The mushrooms, candles, earrings and mugs are part of community corner,” Jones said. “We’re fortunate that we can have our business and others can’t, so we have dedicated that corner to others without stores.”

Kindred and Jones said the baking is one of their favorite parts of the process.

“That’s when you get to see all your hard work and see if it worked,” Kindred said. “Sourdough is very temperamental. When you see all those loaves coming out of the oven, you know you did it right.”



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Kaleigh Jones holds out some freshly cut bread at Kind Bread Company on Solano.

For Jones, the best part is having the freedom to come up with new ideas.

“It’s one of our favorite things — developing new flavors, new types of bread, learning about the history of it,” she said.

The women also have created their own spice blends, which are available for sale at the store.

Breads available include the traditional sourdough loaf, a rye sandwich loaf and various other creations like demi baguettes, green chile cheddar sourdough, holiday stuffing loaf, chocolate cherry sourdough loaf, parmesan and black pepper sourdough loaf, among others.

Other products include

the top seller, chocolate chip cookies, as well as sourdough pastries, a variety of bagels, dinner rolls, cinnamon rolls and croissants — both plain and with various fillings.

For the holidays, there are various kits available, as well. These include a sourdough stuffing kit, holiday pastries and a holiday cookie collection.

“Business has been good,” Jones said. “We’re really thankful.”

“We are very grateful, with all the craziness in the world, to be doing well,” Kindred added.

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Pondering the mysterious whys of golf

Just a few decades ago cult filmmaker Douglas Adams produced “The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy,” in which he promised the answer to, “The ultimate question about life, the universe and everything.” I would have added golf to the list. It’s really about the question “Why?”

Then, about 15 years ago, Budweiser aired their TV ads featuring, “Why ask Why?” Remember? As your resident golf curmudgeon, I have once again been pondering many of golf’s imponder-

able questions “Why?”

For starters, why doesn’t the USGA designate sand-filled divots as automatic “ground-under-repair?” With all the revised rules in 2020, including tamping down spike marks and leaving the flagstick in, we shouldn’t have to play out of someone else’s divot.

Here’s another one: Why haven’t recreational golfers gotten any better over the last 35 years? Handicap data confirms that, if anything, average weekend golfers’ handi-

caps have gotten worse. My suspicion is many serious golfers dropped out, replaced by newbies.

Why can’t golf courses figure out a way to avoid soaking the bunkers with the sprinklers so that the sub-surface is basically mud? Heavy rain (which is rare) is understandable, but there should be a method to keep the bunkers sandy.

Why don’t golf courses equip 10 percent of their golf cart fleet with protective, enclosed covers that stay warm and comfortable during the cold-weather season? The airlines offer an upgrade

on seats; if golf courses did the same with carts, they’d make money with a win-win deal.

Why do so many golfers avoid taking golf lessons? Whenever I ask that question of some of those avid golfers, I get stupid, incomprehensible, lame excuses, like “I can’t afford lessons,” or “I don’t have time.”

These are the same folks who will fork over \$500 for a new driver. Go figure.

Why can’t we stop the overseas-based purveyors of fake golf clubs, which are mostly knockoff and lookalike reproductions of quality clubs like Titleist,

Cobra, TaylorMade, Ping and Callaway?

Some U.S. club companies have taken foreign cheaters to court, but the high expense of doing so is prohibitive. The feds aren’t much concerned about American golf-club makers. They’re more concerned about protecting filmmakers.

Lastly, why don’t the other major professional sports that make megabillions follow the PGA tour’s lead with generating substantial charity dollars? During this difficult past tour season, the PGA tour surpassed \$3 billion in charitable funds

with Tour events.

By the end of 2021, they could approach \$4 billion. Super stars like Charles Barkley, Steph Curry and Peyton Manning took part this fall in hit-and-giggle, TV-staged fundraising golf scrambles, but that’s not enough.

Hey NBA, NFL and MLB, step up!

Incidentally, the answer to the “Hitchhikers” ultimate question is “42.”

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