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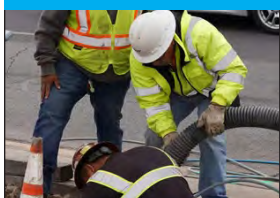
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City mourns slain officer



Las Cruces police chief Jeremy Story addresses the death of officer Jonah Hernandez at a press conference in Las Cruces city hall, Feb. 13.

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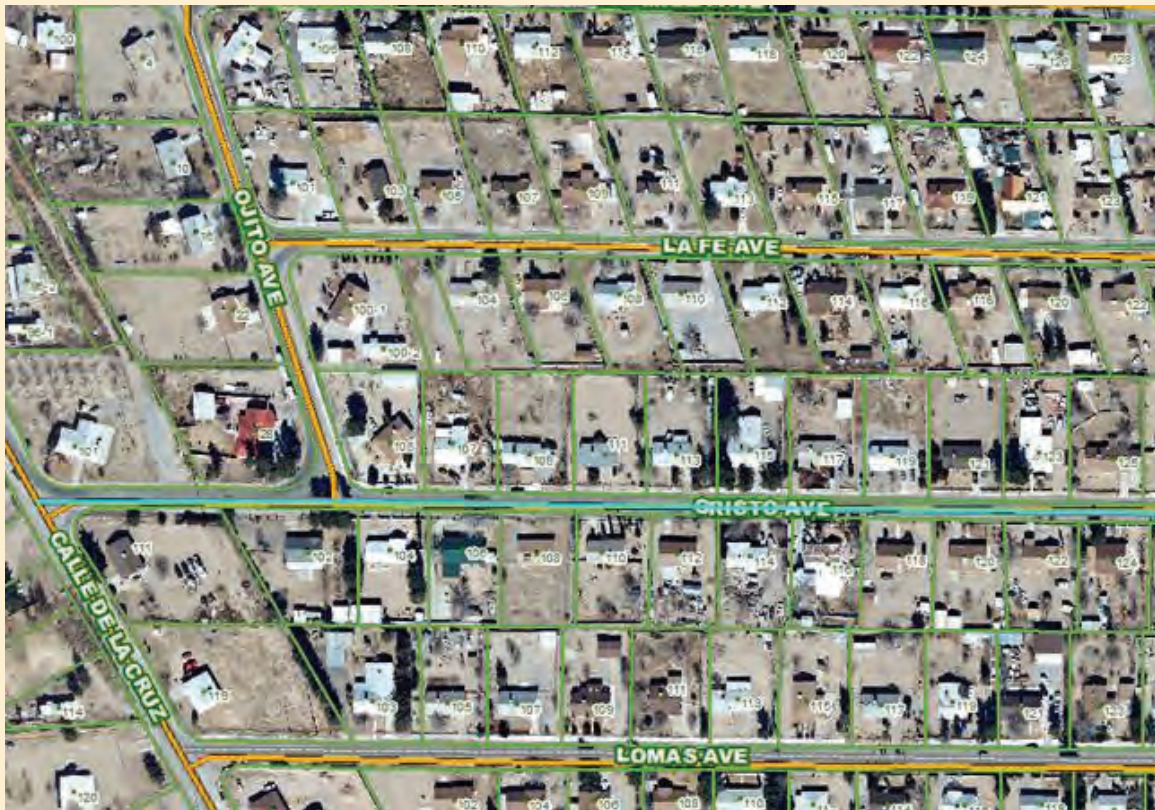
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- **Where?** The closure is on Cristo Avenue, stretching from Ojito Avenue to Calle De La Cruz, located in the Vado/Del Cerro area.
- **Why?** We're installing a new storm drain to improve drainage and prevent flooding.
- **When?** From **February 12 to April 12.**

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Council creates parking fine for electric vehicle spots

BULLETIN REPORT

The Las Cruces City Council instituted a \$56 fine for parking illegally in a public electric vehicle parking spot earlier this week.

The 5-0 vote on Feb. 5 also amended the municipal code to acknowledge and define electric vehicles and EV charging stations.

A packet presented to the council said the change aligns with the city's Climate Action Plan. The council adopted that plan in 2020. The plan calls for the city to reduce emissions by 19 percent by 2030 and 73 percent by 2050.

"The transportation sector contributes 53 percent of greenhouse gas emissions and is the largest contributor of emissions in Las Cruces," a resolution adopting the fine said.

The rule is only enforceable in public parking spots owned by the City of Las Cruces. Parking spots with EV charging stations in private lots are subject to the whims of the lot's owners. Across the city, there are 40 parking spots with EV charging stations, 16 of which are owned by the city.

The fine goes into effect on April 1, 2024.

Station Name	Street Address	Total Ports
Sage Café	6121 Reynolds Dr	2
Castañeda Building	1501 E Hadley Ave	2
Las Cruces City Hall	700 N Main St	2
Museum of Nature and Science	401 N Downtown Mall	2
Las Cruces Downtown Plaza	101 E Organ Ave	2
La Llorona Park	3479 W Picacho Ave	2
Las Cruces Convention Center	680 E University Ave	4
Staybridge Suites	2651 E. Northrise Dr	2
The Green Offices Building	166 Roadrunner Pkwy	7
Comfort Suites	236 N Telshor Blvd	4
Chick-fil-A	2091 E Lohman	4
Sisbarro Buick GMC	1775 S Valley Dr	1
Casa Hyundai	280 W Boutz Rd	2
Courtyard Las Cruces NMSU	456 E University Ave	2
Solar Smart Living LLC	108 Ray Ward Pl	2
Totals		40

CITY OF LAS CRUCES SLIDE

A chart presented to the Las Cruces City Council on Feb. 5 shows the number and locations of parking spots with EV charging stations in Las Cruces.



CITY OF LAS CRUCES PHOTO

A charging station at the Las Cruces Convention Center is seen in a 2022 file photo.

Public meeting to focus on new skate park



PHOTO COURTESY CITY OF LAS CRUCES

BULLETIN REPORT

City staff and a design consultant will meet in a public setting to receive community input on a new skate park planned for the East Mesa Public Recreation Complex, the

city announced Thursday. The meeting will take place from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at the East Mesa Public Safety Complex, 550 N. Sonoma Ranch Boulevard.

The skate park is planned for the new pub-

lic recreation complex east of Sonoma Ranch Boulevard and north of the safety complex.

More information is available via landscape architect Cathy Mathews at 575-541-2550 or by email at cmathews@lascruces.gov.

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LCPS board clears way for new hearing on book complaint

ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

Las Cruces Bulletin

Community members challenging the presence of L.C. Rosen's young adult novel, "Jack of Hearts (and other parts)," at Mayfield High School's library have a second opportunity to press their complaint, as the outcome of a special meeting of the Las Cruces school board on Jan. 30.

The board found that the wrong process for considering the complaint had been followed from the beginning. Instead of following a 2008 policy for challenges to elective library materials (such as books that are not assigned as required reading for courses), the district had initiated a process pertaining to a 2010 policy focused on challenges to curricular materials.

Moreover, the district's legal counsel, Elena Gallegos, advised the board that the regulations enforcing those policies were out of date and might not adequately fulfill the policies' objectives or preserve the rights of union employees.

Sarah Smith and Juan Garcia challenged the book's inclusion in the library's collection last August, calling its frank discussions of the gay protagonist's sexuality and the book's use of profanity inappropriate for students.

A review committee formed in response to their complaint voted in October to keep the book on the shelf. However, Smith and Garcia were back on Jan. 5 with a fresh complaint accusing school board members of "stacking" the committee to achieve a preferred outcome.

At the special meeting, the two asked that the review committee be vacated and replaced with a new committee comprising members "randomly chosen to represent the overall community, not just one specific viewpoint," in Garcia's words.

They presented the board with examples of emails and text messages, obtained through public records requests, purporting to reveal bias in the selection of committee members. Among



LAS CRUCES PUBLIC SCHOOLS VIDEO

Las Cruces school board member Patrick Nolan addresses his colleagues from the floor during a Jan. 30 special meeting.

these was an exchange of text messages between school board member Patrick Nolan and Lucas Herndon, a member of the review committee, in which Nolan comments, "Committee should be pretty stacked with anti book banners."

Garcia and Smith argued that the integrity of the process had been undercut by what Garcia called "disdain towards ordinary citizens who don't share his views."

Smith also took issue

with Nolan's email request to a Mayfield High School librarian seeking suggestions for review committee candidates, presuming that the librarian would be sympathetic to the book. Giving her a say in who was on the committee, Smith said, "was the equivalent of allowing the defendant in a trial to choose the jury members."

Nolan, Wofford respond to accusations

Nolan and his school board colleagues have been the target of scathing criticism and accusations during public comments at board meetings where board members do not, as a rule, respond.

The meeting agenda focused on the policies at issue, rather than accusations about the school board members. However, board president Teresa Tenorio offered any board member who had been individually accused a chance to respond, pro-

vided they recused themselves from the rest of the board's discussion and votes for that meeting.

Nolan and fellow board member Robert Wofford then recused themselves and took seats among members of the public. Nolan addressed the board, saying he agreed with the complainants that the current policy was "broken," but that he did not believe he had violated it. He did not address his text message to Herndon directly, but said that he had recommended 16 people who responded to his calls for volunteers through social media and word of mouth, including parents or guardians with children in the school district or staff members. He also rejected claims that reaching out to Mayfield library staff was an effort to tilt the scales, saying he did not know at the time what role library staff would play in the process.

Nolan also pointed out that complaints voiced about "activists" being recommended for the panel appeared to center on individuals whose social media accounts merely included expressions of support for LGTBQ citizens.

Wofford picked up on that theme in his own comments to the board, saying, "The package of information that (Garcia and Smith) gave us for tonight's hearing included several people's Facebook pages on which LGTBQ support was identified by having pride colors or something there... That was clearly a factor in their minds for why people cannot be objective."

Problems with policy

Gallegos made an extended presentation to the board outlining problems with the process beginning with the very form used to submit the complaint: A form initiating the policy for challenging curricular materials (Policy KEF) rather than "elective" materials such as books students might check out for their own interests (which are treated by Policy KEC).

As one example of the difference: Parents and guardians have a right to request an alternative assignment for their child if they objective to an item in the curriculum. When it comes to a book in the library, however, district policy provides a right to question books yet states: "at no time will the wishes of one child's parents to restrict his/her reading or viewing of a particular item infringe on other parents' rights to permit their children to read or view the same material."

Board members recruiting review committee members in a regulated timeframe had been confused by Policy KEF's requirement that staff members have expertise in the subject area at hand. On the spot, board members did not see how that applied to a work of fiction that wasn't assigned reading.

Gallegos walked through the language of each policy to demonstrate how they respectively balanced the rights of students, parents and guardians, community members at large and district employees when a

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Attorneys plan legal action against water utility

ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

Las Cruces Bulletin

SUNLAND PARK — The beleaguered Camino Real Regional Utility Authority's governing board elected new officers and seated Alberto Jaramillo, a returning member of the seven-member body at a special meeting Monday night, while acknowledging that the board as presently constituted was about to change.

The following morning, Doña Ana County commissioners would consider an amended joint powers agreement between the county and the city of Sunland Park with respect to CRRUA, which provides water service for Sunland Park and Santa Teresa as well as its waste water system. The proposed changes included provisions about who sits on the board, increasing representation by elected officials.

Meanwhile, Las Cruces attorney Israel Chávez and three colleagues called a press conference outside the utility's headquarters during the meeting to announce the beginning of litigation against the company, Sunland Park and Doña Ana County.

The attorneys issued a tort notice, a precursor to a potential lawsuit, as well as a civil rights claim over the company's failure to promptly warn customers about elevated pH levels in water that 1,000 households in its service area used for cooking, bathing and drinking. The incident followed a malfunction at an arsenic treatment plant that the company discovered on Nov. 29 but initially chose not to publicize, as admitted by its former executive director, Brent Westmoreland, who abruptly retired in December.

At the time, Westmoreland told Source New Mexico, "...it would not have been a good idea to overly alarm people until we knew for sure what we were dealing with."

His departure came a week after the county alerted affected residents that their water was unsafe to drink. By then, the tort claim argues, "residents unknowingly consumed and utilized contaminated water for almost 3 days." Emergency supplies of bottled water were provided while the utility spent days flushing out water lines until water levels reflected safe levels of contaminants.



LAS CRUCES BULLETIN PHOTO BY ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

Las Cruces attorney Israel Chávez is seen during a press conference outside the Sunland Park headquarters of the Camino Real Regional Utility Authority on Feb. 12.

Days after that incident, the New Mexico Environment Department issued a notice of violation to the utility, saying it had failed to notify the state's drinking water bureau that three of its arsenic treatment plants "have been offline and bypassed for over a year and that you were providing drinking water to your customers with high levels of arsenic." The state agency required CRRUA to document corrective actions to 24 findings by Jan. 31. As Crosby told the board Monday, CRRUA addressed 22 of the 24 results by deadline, which did not satisfy NMED. Their response came with an administrative compliance order and a penalty of more than \$250,000.

Crosby said CRRUA would complete inspections of all of its tanks and offer biweekly reporting on arsenic levels in the water, which he said were now well below the federal limit of 10 parts per billion.

Chávez said his team was working with an unspecified number of clients — "more than five" was the clearest estimate he offered, as he was still meeting with new prospects — affected by water quality issues he said extend back years. "...our clients and other residents suffered damages related to purchase of bottled water, medical costs, missed work and wages, pain and suffering, and other losses stemming from the agencies' negligent failure to notify residents

upon first knowledge of contamination on November 29th and failure to provide clean water to the residents, visits, and other water users," the tort letter states.

Chávez's team indicated they would be interested in hearing from more households.

Inside the meeting, attorney Jessica Insurriaga notified the board of the tort and civil rights claims during public comment, after which the board's chair, Susana Chaparro (also a Doña Ana County commissioner), said, "We are now in litigation" and limited the board's comments on matters related to the claims.

Even so, vice chair Raul Telles criticized "outsiders" to the Sunland Park and Santa Teresa areas, such as water

treatment system providers and "solicitors" who he alleged were dividing the community.

"There is no excuse, but CRRUA will do better," he said. "It's not going to be an overnight thing, but we will do better."

Midway through the meeting, the attorneys left the meeting room, followed by television cameras and print reporters, assembling outside the office building where Chávez led the presentation wearing a business suit and cattleman hat.

"We will ensure that the people that were affected by this civil rights injustice, and the continuing civil rights injustices in this community related to water, are heard," he said.

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#9 OTHER COOKIES 12 Cookies

PIES
#10 CHEESECAKE 1 Cake
#11 OTHER PIES 1 Pie
#12 TARTS 1 Large or 6 Small
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#14 GLUTEN-FREE PIE 1 Pie
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Gun purchase waiting period bill heads to governor

AUSTIN FISHER

Source New Mexico

The New Mexico House of Representatives approved changes to a seven-day waiting period for most gun sales, sending the proposal to Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham's desk. Although the House previously passed House Bill 129 on Feb. 2, it had to agree with the changes made when it passed the Senate. Representatives did so after an hour-and-a-half of debate on Monday night in a 36-32 vote.

The Senate Judiciary Committee on Feb. 7 amended the bill to not

require the wait on sales to people holding federal firearms licenses or concealed handgun licenses, law enforcement agencies, between two certified police officers authorized to carry a gun, and between immediate family members.

On the House floor, lead sponsor Rep. Andrea Romero (D-Santa Fe) explained the bill also exempts sales to people who hold a concealed handgun license issued by other states that have reciprocity with New Mexico.

The committee also exempted gun silencers from the waiting period.

The full Senate

on Saturday night amended the bill to ensure delays in background checks wouldn't prevent sales.

"By instituting this waiting period between purchasing and acquiring firearms, we can prevent temporary moments of crisis from becoming tragedies and save lives," Romero said in a news release after the vote.

"Having a waiting period on the books will also help law enforcement make sure firearms don't fall into the wrong hands by providing more time to run background checks," she said.

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book or other material is challenged.

She also pointed out that under policy KEC, removing a book required the assent of the superintendent and the school board as well as the review committee. Complainants also have a right to appeal that decision. The committee of eight would be chaired by a non-voting K-12 library specialist, and voting members would include the principal of the school where the complaint originated or a designated substitute; three randomly selected teachers at that school; and three randomly selected parents or guardians whose children attend the school. This was not the process followed.

Moreover, Gallegos wondered if following that pro-

cess would conflict with the collective bargaining agreement, pertaining to assigning employees to committees not covered in the bargaining agreement, though she said she had not discussed that with represented of NEA-Las Cruces, the union. It was one of several points Gallegos recommended be covered in a review and update of district regulations.

Board actions

Board members Tenorio, Ed Frank and Pamela Cort proceeded briskly with a series of votes, all unanimous.

The first was to direct Superintendent Ignacio Ruiz to revise regulations enforcing policies KEF and KEC, to include the process of choosing advisory committee members; they next directed him to see that revised regula-

tions also comply with the collective bargaining agreement; and that the regulations be aligned with each other except to extent needed to fulfill the intent of the two different policies.

The board gave the administration until Feb. 14 to develop and published revised regulations, a time frame Ruiz said was achievable, although the board also allowed the district to take an additional five days if required.

The board then voted unanimously to disband the current review committee, with Frank commenting, "We need to erase the board and have a clean slate." The three signaled agreement that if Smith and/or Garcia choose to file their complaint again, they deserved to be heard under the appropriate procedure.

LCPD officer Jonah Hernandez killed during service call

JUSTIN GARCIA
Las Cruces Bulletin

Since becoming the chief of the Las Cruces Police Department last year, Jeremy Story has delivered a dozen news conferences. He's been more visible than previous chiefs and more willing to be the face of the department amid its triumphs and tribulations.

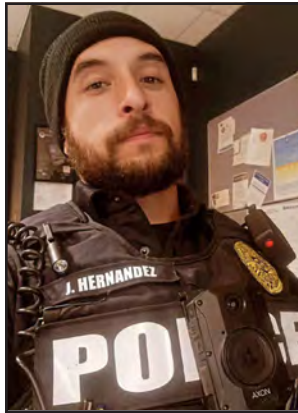
Yet, in the history of LCPD, no chief has ever done what Story did on Tuesday.

The police chief – still firmly in his first year and surrounded by his command staff, the mayor, and four of the five city councilors, addressed questions around the killing of an officer – the first in the department's 96-year history.

"There is no more heart-breaking reason than this to have a news conference," Story said.

Las Cruces police officer Jonah Hernandez, 35, was stabbed while responding to a trespassing call on Sunday, Feb. 11 around 5 p.m. near the 300 block of Valley Drive. Some details about the death and subsequent investigation were held back, and despite Story's desire to keep focus on Hernandez, most questions focused on his killer. But the conference also revealed anger and anguish among LCPD's ranks.

"There's a cost to having peace, order and justice in Las Cruces," Story said. "Officer Hernandez's family will eternally pay that price."



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JONAH HERNANDEZ

Details about the incident

Story revealed during the news conference that man who killed Hernandez was Armando Silva. Silva, 29, stabbed Hernandez with a kitchen knife immediately after the two men made contact, according to Story, who said Silva's attack was unprovoked.

The encounter was seen by a man standing nearby. The man – who police have not identified and for whom they are not recommending criminal charges – ran to his vehicle and grabbed his gun. The man then shot Silva as the assailant tried to slash him as well.

As first responders arrived, Hernandez and Silva both succumbed to their injuries. A video taken by a bystander and posted online shows officers rushing to the area to try and aid the two men before they're placed in separate ambulances and taken away.

At the behest of a question from a reporter, Story also confirmed that Silva was unhoused at the time of the killing, a fact that community members had



LAS CRUCES BULLETIN PHOTO BY JUSTIN GARCIA

Las Cruces Police Chief Jeremy Story prepares himself before addressing the media during a news conference about killed officer Jonah Hernandez on Feb. 13, 2024. At right is Mayor Eric Enriquez.

speculated about but not confirmed until this news conference.

"Silva had a long history of violent crime and mental illness," Story said. "This is just one more agonizing reminder of the brokenness of the New Mexico criminal justice system."

Story declined to provide a detailed history of Silva's criminal background. A search of court records revealed that Silva served a 3-year sentence following a guilty plea to allegations that he attacked and kidnapped a woman he dated.

The sentence was handed down in 2017. Otherwise, Silva's experience in the criminal justice system involved charges of drug possession, traffic violations and a battery charge. Most of these had been dropped following a lack of prosecution.

The search does not include charges Silva may have had in Las Cruces Municipal Court, which would have encompassed small charges like trespassing.

A broken system and a wounded department

Story also declined to elaborate why he believed this situation was emblematic of more significant systemic issues in the New Mexico criminal justice system.

"There will be a time when I address those issues," Story said in response to a Las Cruces Bulletin question asking for clarification. "I can make a promise that I will not let his death be in vain. But now is not that time. Now's the time to honor Officer Hernandez and to support his family."

Story also spoke about the impact Hernandez's death had on the department.

"We will mourn the loss of our brother forever. And we will never forget his sacrifice for the people of Las Cruces," Story said.

When asked by the Bulletin, Story said that officers had options when confronting the inevitable mental health challenges following the violent death of a colleague. He listed LCPD's psychologist,

chaplain, and the city's employee assistance program coordinator as some resources already in place. Additionally, Story said more resources from national organizations were being offered to LCPD.

"This is not something we practice for or plan for at the Las Cruces Police Department. It's been around for 96 years, and this is the first time we have lost an officer in the line of duty," Story said.

Funeral services for Hernandez had not been finalized but would likely be in El Paso in the coming weeks. Story said Hernandez grew up in Las Cruces' sister city. He lived there before his death and was raising his family there. Hernandez is survived by his wife, two sons, parents, a brother and a sister.

"There's nothing I can say or do to ease their grief and loss. Our department is wounded right now. And yet, we remain committed to the city and to each other," Story said.

Governor orders flags at half staff

Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham on Tuesday ordered flags be flown at half staff from Wednesday through sundown on Feb. 19, in commemoration of Hernandez. In her executive order, she wrote, "Officer Hernandez exemplified exceptional bravery and unwavering dedication in serving and protecting the citizens of Las Cruces. Officer Hernandez will be greatly missed by his community and will be remembered as a loving son, husband, and dedicated father to his two young sons."

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What's missing from the presidential age debate

The two presumptive nominees for president are 81 and 77 years old. They would be the oldest major party nominees for the office in history, just as they were in 2020. It is reasonable to consider age as one factor in picking a president but, alas, there are at least three deeply-rooted issues here that get little attention in journalism or popular discussion.

The first consideration is America's unhealthy narratives about aging.

We hold a fictitious concept of a single prime of life and set the standard at age 30 or so. After that, we speak of being "over the hill" and associate decades of living as a sorry decline rather than continuing maturation, transformation and accumulated wisdom. Consider the fortunes spent by middle-aged people covering up

evidence of transition, and the way our elders are often portrayed in popular media, the often tasteless jokes made about older bodies. Partisan politics will play on these fears as every verbal slip and moment of confusion will be portrayed as a sign of senility and unfitness for public life.

Second, insufficient attention is given to how

unpopular this rematch is. Polls repeatedly demonstrate that Americans did not want a repeat of Biden vs. Trump, but we got it anyway. The fix was in long before anyone got to vote. We are not talking enough about how the professionalization of politics constrains voters' choices.

Thirdly, it is appropriate to consider the suitability of the world's toughest job for people of advanced age, even those in good health. It is curi-

ous, however, that we don't consider, even for the sake of conversation, that the responsibilities of the executive branch, national security and foreign policy are too much to ask of a single person, no matter how well they delegate the burden. Instead of asking why we ask so much of one president, we gaze fascinated at before-and-after photos of our presidents, depicting the physical destruction of their service.



**ALGERNON
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Bring back the state school board

In 2003, then-Gov. Bill Richardson convinced New Mexico voters that the only way to fix our chronically underperforming schools was to scrap the old state school board and put one person in charge. Him.

Richardson named Veronica Garcia as the state's first secretary of education, and she spent the next seven years working to achieve his vision of reform, which included increased pay and training for teachers; a targeted focus on the worst-performing schools; and expansion of early childhood education.

That vision may have had a chance for success if Richardson's lieutenant governor, Diane Denish, had won the governor's race in 2010. We'll never know.

The next governor, Susana Martinez, had a completely different vision. She picked Hanna Skandera as her education secretary, and they quickly dismantled everything Richardson had put in place. That was the easy part.

The hard part was imposing a new vision that focused heavily on standardized tests and merit pay for teachers, and was opposed by the legislature. The Senate didn't confirm Skandera until Martinez's second term, and lawmakers never bought into her vision. They fought the governor to a stalemate for eight years.

Current Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham has focused on early childhood

education, which I believe will pay off down the road, given the enormous funding available to address the problem.

But for now, test scores show that our students are still underperforming in comparison to their peers around the country. The latest report on childhood wellbeing showed that 76 percent of New Mexico fourth-graders are still not proficient in reading, and 79 percent of eighth-graders are not proficient in math.

Clearly, changing from an elected school board to a secretary of education did not fix the problem. And so, Sen. Bill Soules of Las Cruces has co-sponsored legislation that



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would put the issue to voters once again.

Senate Joint Resolution 9 passed the Senate on a 36-1 vote Jan. 30, but has been stuck in the House Education Committee since then (as of Sunday). With the session set to end at noon Thursday, Feb. 15, time would appear to be running out.

There is no simple solution. Switching back to an elected school board risks making the process more political. But it would also ensure more representation from all areas of the state, and more public debate in the decision-making process.

The new board would have 15 members, 10 elected from districts throughout the state and five appointed by the governor. Each would serve six-year terms that would

be staggered so that new members would routinely be coming onto the board.

New Mexico is one of only three states, along with Minnesota and Wisconsin, that doesn't have a board of education. There's no data that proves conclusively that any one model is the best. But we know from the last two decades that our model isn't working. There needs to be some continuity from one administration to the next. We can't scrap everything and start over every time we elect a new governor.

As one of the voters who supported the change in 2003, I'd like the opportunity for a do-over.

Walter Rubel can be reached at waltrubel@gmail.com.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear editor,

This session I made my first trip to the Roundhouse to talk to legislators and whomever else I could find to listen as I advocated for mental health needs in New Mexico. I found a most receptive audience.

I talked to a farmer who said that they were having a mental health crisis, and primarily using peer support. I talked to a lobbyist from New Mexico Highlands University who said half of their graduates were in health/behavioral health fields and I thanked him for the school's good work as we seek to alleviate the health/behavioral health

shortage in New Mexico. All the legislators knew that not only did we need to import professionals, we were going to have to grow our own. We have to encourage students to become nurses, nurse practitioners, social workers, therapists and physicians. And to let them know that there are stipends and loans available in many of these areas if they stay in New Mexico.

Legislators were concerned about the closing of rural hospitals and what that means to these communities, and physicians leaving these communities as well.

I talked to the NMSU President of the Grants campus as well as the Dean of Arts and Science

at NMSU and encouraged them to speak to students of the need for practitioners in these fields.

The legislators recognize this is a bipartisan issue. I found support in both parties. And two legislators want to continue the dialogue with me: Representative Tara Lujan of Santa Fe and Senator Carrie Hamblen of Las Cruces.

And Senator Crystal Brantley said she would prefer seeing one citizen to ten lobbyists. And several were clearly glad I came. And so was I. It was a beginning to my mental health advocacy, and I hope to be back next year.

**Kathleen Sampson
Las Cruces**

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear editor,

In 1964, when I graduated from Las Cruces High School, my town was very different. Everyone had a place to go and, like me, planned to serve or get a degree. I did both. It was a long haul. The best part for me was being assigned to the Rocket-sledge, Shuttle and Surveyor Lunar lander projects. These local opportunities gave me the tools and resources that would eventually allow me to see the pyramids, the Great Wall of China and Europe, all on the payroll. It took 48 years and six passports: five renewed in U.S. embassies, one in Mexico City, one in Lagos, Nigeria and three in London, England. In fact, I crossed so many borders and had so many foreign work visas that two passports needed to

have extra pages inserted. These socio-economic restrictions on international travel have included proof of a lifetime of vaccinations against disease.

This brings me to the purpose of my observations, now that I am home. The open-door policy with Mexico is an international embarrassment that I have personally experienced for the last decade. Ironically, Mexico officially refused me entrance because of work that I did as a ballistic engineer for the Policia Judicial Federal (Federal Judicial Police) in the late 1970s.

Why does Mexico now allow millions of third world families travel access through its country, which can only damage the USA, their most secure international neighbor and economic ally? Yet my love of Mexico is unblemished.

They are morally and ethically our equals, while being far superior to the rest of the world.

But we are not alone. England and France are experiencing serious abuse by migrants from the third world. The core problem is being victimized by our own decency.

During my global career in academics, teaching adults, the hardest task to perform was failing a student that had been diligent with time and effort. Whenever I have been forced into this heart-breaking act, my only consolation is truth. The reality of the threat on our southern border is not Mexico, it is the international crime being tolerated by our leaders.

**Michael du Mas
Las Cruces**

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear editor,

The term "hubris" comes to mind when I think of the complete disregard progressive Democrats have had for public concern during this current legislative session. An overwhelming sense of entitlement is the only thing that can make such a lack of self-awareness make any sense.

Three weeks ago, I blew the whistle on a shady plan to use millions in taxpayer dollars to provide campaign staff for state legislators. As a reminder, members of the Democratic caucus snuck \$6 million dollars into the budget without any debate or more importantly, any policy details attached to it. Millions of dollars with zero strings attached for state legislators to have campaign staff on the

taxpayer's dime.

After blowing the whistle on this political *movida*, the Senate took note. They considered adding language to the budget that would have only allowed the \$6 million to be used if the money was accompanied by a transparent policy setting guardrails on hired staff. This was all House Republicans could ask for – do it the right way – and the Senate appeared to agree.

That is until Feb. 10, when transparency once again took a backseat, and the guardrails were effectively removed by the Senate Finance Committee. Obviously, the Democrats are not concerned with the democratic process when it comes to their reelection. Not only was this backroom deal conducted in secret, but it raises questions about effec-

tive use of your taxpayer dollars. Rather than allocating additional funds to address crime, child abuse, substance abuse issues or any of the other critical issues facing the state, legislators gave themselves a massive 52 percent budget increase for the upcoming fiscal year while giving executive agencies a 6.5 percent increase.

The staffing proposal is a clear case of "the end justifies the means." At any cost, this legislature is going to get what it wants. It is just unfortunate that in this case, the justification flies in the face of transparency and good governance. This is not just a misuse of public funds, but an unfortunate abuse of power and the public's trust.

**State Rep.
Rod Montoya
Farmington**



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New Mexico adopts new bar exam for aspiring lawyers

BULLETIN REPORT

Beginning in July 2027, law school graduates will take a new bar examination for qualifying to practice law in New Mexico, the state Supreme Court and the Board of Bar Examiners announced Monday.

The NextGen bar exam will replace the Uniform Bar Exam (UBE), which New Mexico has used since 2016, according to a news release. The UBE is used in 39 states plus the District of Columbia and U.S. Virgin Islands. New Mexico joins 12 other jurisdictions that have announced plans so far to adopt the NextGen exam,

developed by the National Conference of Bar Examiners and making its debut in July of 2026.

In a statement, New Mexico Chief Justice C. Shannon Bacon said the new exam “will place a greater emphasis on testing the skills fundamental to the actual practice of law rather than memorizing legal concepts and principles,” calling NextGen “a step forward in a continuing effort to ensure new attorneys possess the knowledge and lawyering skills to meet the legal needs of New Mexicans.”

Henry Alaniz, chair of the New Mexico Board of Bar Examiners, Board, wrote, “We are pleased

to provide the University of New Mexico School of Law with ample opportunity to prepare their incoming students for the new exam. We look forward to the implementation of an updated bar exam which aims to ensure that our new attorneys are prepared for the practice of law.”

New Mexico administers the bar exam twice a year – in February and July – and that will with the NextGen exam, according to the news release. Law students beginning in the fall of 2024 and their schools will be able to prepare for the new exam over the entire three years of their program.

The NextGen exam will be administered over nine hours in a day and a half, the court stated, testing students on legal principles including contract and constitutional law, civil procedure and criminal law, evidence, real property, torts and business associations. The exam focuses on skills used by lawyers such as identifying and analyzing legal issues, negotiation and dispute resolution, legal research and writing as well as advising and counseling clients.

As with the UBE, the NextGen exam will include multichoice questions and performance tasks requiring test takers to apply lawyering skills to realistic scenarios. The NextGen exam also features questions that integrate a factual scenario with other legal resources, such as an excerpt from a statute or court opinion, and related documents such as portions of a deposition or police report.

The required online class in New Mexico law

required for practicing in the state, covering topics such as Indian law, community property, professionalism and ethics. It will not be affected by the move to the NextGen bar exam, the news release said.

The Supreme Court oversees the admission and regulation of attorneys in New Mexico. The Board of Bar Examiners administers the bar exam and processes applications for admission to the practice of law in the state.

Lane closure on El Paseo Road



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El Paseo Road between Wyatt Drive and Idaho Avenue.

BULLETIN REPORT

The city announced Monday that one southbound lane on El Paseo Road will be closed between Wyatt Drive and Idaho Avenue for two weeks beginning Thursday.

The work is related to a utility permit,

and the city said there will be two-way traffic and access to businesses throughout the project. RoadRUNNER Transit Route 2, bus stop 4 will be affected.

More information is available via the construction management office at the Public Works Department, 575-528-3098. The TTY number is 575-541-2182.



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Doña Ana County selects firm to search for new county manager

JUSTIN GARCIA

Las Cruces Bulletin

The Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners selected Robert E. Slavin Inc. to lead the search to find a new county manager during a work session on Feb. 12.

The board unanimously chose Robert E. Slavin Inc. over four other firms who had bid for the job of searching for a new county manager. According to county Purchasing Manager Michael Perez, Robert E. Slavin Inc. will create profiles of the candidates, conduct recruitment and screening, and support the interview process.

A contract has yet to be drawn up, so it is unclear how much the county will pay Robert E. Slavin Inc. for the services. But discussion on Monday suggested the figure will be around \$25,000.

The selection comes after the commissioners decided to part ways with Fernando Macias, who had been county manager since Jan. 8, 2018. Macias is still on the job. His last day is Apr. 30. A former judge in the Third Judicial District, Macias recently announced he will run for District Attorney in No-

vember, as a Democrat.

The county manager's job is vital to the county government's operations. Whoever holds the position becomes the top executive officer of Doña Ana County. They oversee a workforce of 850 people, hire department heads and function as the sole employee of the Board of County Commissioners.

Unlike the counterpart at the city level, the county manager also has co-equal elected officials that oversee day-to-day operations. The sheriff, the treasurer, the assessor and the clerk make up a cluster of elected officials whose roles overlap with those of the county manager.

This reality became a flash point in the past – and again during Macias' six-year reign. Macias clashed with elected officials, most notably Sheriff Kim Stewart, over conflicting roles and responsibilities such as workers' ability to work from home and the ability to hire and fire employees.

The intersecting roles will have to be something the new manager deals with.

The county reviewed offers from four search firms before landing on



LAS CRUCES BULLETIN PHOTO BY JUSTIN GARCIA
Doña Ana County Manager Fernando Macias, center, is seen during a board of commissioners' meeting at the county government building in Las Cruces on Jan. 23.

Robert E. Slavin Inc. During a discussion about the four firms, commissioners expressed their priorities regarding what they want from a firm and, thus, out of a new manager.

Christopher Schaljo-Hernandez, the board chair and commissioner of District 1, said he hoped the firm would consider candidates from within the county as well as from outside the region and the state.

Manuel Sanchez, com-

missioner for District 5, said he wanted to select a firm with experience finding heads for government jobs.

Susana Chaparro, the commissioner for District 4, said she wanted the candidates to have experience with Doña Ana County and its municipal governments.

Robert E. Slavin Inc. received the highest score among the four firms reviewed. After the scoring, commissioners said it

stood above the other three firms.

"Their recent placement experience was really nice," Schaljo-Hernandez said. "It goes over populations, which I really enjoyed seeing what they had placed that was around the same size as Doña Ana County."

Three of the four commissioners said they were impressed with what Robert E. Slavin Inc. had to offer. The firm is based out of Atlanta, Ga.

According to their website, Robert E. Slavin Inc. has placed more than 600 executives across the U.S. According to a packet discussed by the commission, the firm typically needs two to three months to complete the process.

They also offered a warranty. If the person they help find leaves within two years, Robert E. Slavin Inc. will help the county find another candidate, something Sanchez highlighted.

Schaljo-Hernandez and Chaparro also highlighted that Robert E. Slavin Inc. listed its anti-discrimination practices in its application.

"It's very clear what is acceptable to this company and what should be acceptable to us as well," Chaparro said.

The board could have elected to interview Robert E. Slavin Inc. and the other top candidates. However, the four commissioners at Monday's meeting said they were all satisfied with Robert E. Slavin Inc. and not interested in the other three applicants.

The other applicants were ITSQuest, Inc., Garza & Associates, LLC, and Adelphi Medical Staffing LLC.

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Rift among Democrats dooms alcohol tax push

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New Mexico In Depth

The push to change the state's taxes on alcohol all but ended Friday when the House Taxation & Revenue Committee voted down one bill and declined to take action on another. Chairman Rep. Derrick Lente, D-Sandia Pueblo, encouraged the bills'

sponsors to rework their proposals in the coming months. But with no other measures advancing to address the state's worst-in-the-nation rate of alcohol-related deaths, the Legislature kicked the can down the road on one of the state's leading public health crises.

Unlike last year, when an effort to raise alcohol taxes provoked vociferous

opposition by beverage makers and retailers, dooming the proposal, the most important fissure this year was within the group supporting changes in alcohol taxes.

In deliberations that stretched over two days, the tax committee considered divergent proposals. Proponents of last year's bill, led in the House by Rep. Joanne Ferrary, D-Las Cruces, sought to hike alcohol taxes 25 cents and devote \$200 million in new projected revenue to treatment and prevention.

But they shared the stage with lawmakers who argued the state's alcohol tax is itself the problem, due to falling more heavily on lower-income people. Led by Rep. Micaela Lara Cadena, D-Mesilla, this group sought to replace the state's alcohol tax, which is levied on alcoholic beverages by their volume, with one calculated as a share of their price. At the rates they proposed, this would have the effect of raising taxes on expensive beverages while reducing them on the cheapest ones. Their proposal would also reform how the tax revenues are spent in lieu of raising substantial new resources.

The debate was wide-ranging. Lawmakers discussed alcohol taxes' effect on drinking, the best use of the revenues and whether it would be beneficial or even feasible to shift the tax, as Cadena's bill proposed, from wholesalers to retailers.

As the discussion wound down, Cadena, who is also vice chair of the committee, did not ask for a vote on her bill. Fer-



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rary asked for a vote on hers and it fell well short of passage: Cadena, Lente and three other Democrats joined all the Republicans to vote it down 10 to 4.

There were early indications the measures might be on a collision course. Ferrary and Cadena represent neighboring districts in Doña Ana County and both hail from the progressive wing of the Democratic caucus, but do not share a vision of how to curb the state's sky-high rate of alcohol deaths.

Ferrary has long been an advocate for preventing teen drinking and intoxicated driving and has pursued an alcohol tax hike since 2016. Cadena previously worked as a researcher and grassroots organizer with Bold Futures, an advocacy organization that works with young women of color, including on reproductive health and substance use. In recent years as a legislator, she captained changes to make the state tax code more progressive.

When Cadena introduced an alcohol tax bill at the outset of the session, it seemed to signal

broadening support for adjusting the state's rates, which have stagnated for 30 years. But last week in hearings of the House Health and Human Services Committee, the distance between the lawmakers became clear. That committee approved Ferrary's bill but passed Cadena's without a recommendation, a signal of unease. Last Saturday, Ferrary and Cadena and other Democratic lawmakers met for hours seeking a compromise but emerged without any agreement.

On Wednesday, during the first of the tax hearings, Ferrary offered an olive branch, halving her proposed tax to 12 cents per drink and eliminating a clause that adjusted the tax with inflation. Substance abuse researcher Marlena Lira, who served as one of Ferrary's expert witnesses, proposed a hybrid approach that would retain the state's existing alcohol tax on wholesalers and add a new percentage tax on retail prices, like the one in Cadena's bill.

That's roughly how alcohol taxes are structured in Maryland, which Cadena's cosponsor, freshman lawmaker Rep. Cristina Parajón, D-Albuquerque, cited favorably during her testimony. Retaining the existing wholesale tax would ensure the change did not lower alcohol taxes on the cheapest beverages.

During the hearing, some groups that supported Ferrary's bill lambasted Cadena's proposal. Katrina Latka, executive director of the state chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, said

that by lowering taxes on cheaper alcohols, the bill "will especially hurt youth, heavy drinkers and low-income populations, which would directly affect DWI crashes on our roadways."

Cadena and her cosponsors, however, seemed equally opposed to Ferrary's approach. Citing a scarcity of studies on how alcohol taxes affect Hispanic, Black and Indigenous people, Cadena said she was unconvinced that raising alcohol taxes in New Mexico would curb drinking.

Parajón highlighted the financial impact alcohol taxes have on people who are dependent on drinking and unable to quit. "We're looking at putting those folks in a dangerous situation," she said.

Reached by email, Frank Chaloupka, a professor emeritus at the University of Illinois Chicago who has advised governments around the world about tobacco and alcohol taxation, heartily agreed that there was "a big gap in the literature" on how such policies impact communities of color. But he maintained that Cadena's bill was "particularly problematic" in light of how it reduces taxes on cheaper alcohol. "This could actually result in consumption increasing," he wrote.

After Friday's hearing, Ferrary and Sen. Antoinette Sedillo Lopez, D-Albuquerque, who sponsored companion legislation in the Senate, expressed disappointment. Had Cadena and her co-sponsors worked with




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NM Supreme Court nixes challenge to line-item veto

ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

Las Cruces Bulletin

New Mexico's Supreme Court halted a challenge to the governor's line-item veto authority in a brief, unanimous order issued last Thursday.

State Rep. Miguel Garcia, D-Albuquerque, sued Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham, his fellow Democrat, last year after she used line-item vetoes to delete 36 out of 44 provisions of an omnibus tax bill passed during the 2023 legislative session. Garcia argued the vetoes were unconstitutional because the governor may only use that power for bills that spend money from the treasury: She would otherwise need either to sign the bill into law, veto the legislation in its entirety or allow the 20-day limit from the end of the session to expire before signing it (known as a "pocket veto").

"This Court has yet to decide if bills that provide for a tax rebate or refundable tax credit are categorically a bill that appropriates money that is subject to the Governor's line item veto..." Garcia's petition stated.

Further, the petition asked the state's high court to rule on whether

distributions and allocations of tax revenue count as appropriations in the context of the governor's veto authority. The bill, House Bill 547, addressed, among other items, non-refundable tax credits, deductions and tax rates, according to the petition.

Garcia argued that the Supreme Court had jurisdiction to resolve the constitutional question and that pursuing relief through district and appellate courts would "require New Mexico taxpayers to continue paying taxes they may not owe, and to continue being denied the tax credits or deductions they are otherwise lawfully entitled to" if the vetoes were declared null and void.

The petition asked the court to declare the vetoes unconstitutional and issue an order putting the entire bill into effect as law, through a writ of mandamus.

In an April 7, 2023 executive message, Lujan Grisham said she would leave in provisions of HB 547 such as one-time tax rebates, increases to child income tax credits and film industry tax incentives as well as gross receipts tax deductions for health practitioners.

Other provisions of the bill, she argued, would decrease revenue and endanger funding for other services and programs.

In Section 22 of the New Mexico Constitution, the document states: "The governor may ... approve or disapprove any part or parts, item or items, of any bill appropriating money, and such parts or items approved shall become a law, and such as are disapproved shall be void" unless the legislature votes to override the veto.

Garcia was represented in the proceeding by attorney Jacob Candelaria, a former state senator.

In the governor's response to the suit, she argued, among other points, that the state Constitution's framers intended for the governor to have "an exceptionally broad power to check the Legislature's appropriation authority," and that these vetoes were proper. For instance, tax rebates or credits involve commitments from the treasury even if they were not named as appropriations. The governor's legal team also cited a previous opinion from the office of the Attorney General in 2011, after Gov. Bill Richardson vetoed items from a tax



LAS CRUCES BULLETIN PHOTO BY ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

The New Mexico Supreme Court in Santa Fe is seen on Jan. 28, 2024.

bill, arguing that a tax rebate increase was subject to a governor's veto.

The Supreme Court did not hear arguments beyond the petition and response, and the Feb. 8 order simply denied the petition without stating

its reasons, something Candelaria noted in a written statement that day.

"The Court's decision thus leaves important questions about the extent of the Governor's veto power unanswered

— chief among these being whether a bill that creates or amends a refundable tax credit, or a bill that transfers funds between one fund in the state treasury to another, are 'appropriations' subject to the line item veto," he wrote.

"The Governor raised several procedural and substantive defenses in this case, and it's not clear which of these arguments the Court was persuaded by."

Leaving the constitutional questions unaddressed would likely lead, he argued, to future litigation "as the executive (branch) continues to push the bounds of its authority over the legislative process and the power of the purse."

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them, said Ferrary, "we could have had a bill."

But the pair objected to lowering the price of cheap alcoholic beverages. "That's a moral issue for me," said Sedillo Lopez. "Decreasing the price

means increased consumption."

In an interview, Cadena thanked Ferrary, Sedillo Lopez and others for starting the conversation about alcohol policy. "That is their leadership, 1,000 percent," she said. But she distinguished her proposal from theirs as being "about modernizing what

I would call a regressive tax."

In the meanwhile, alcohol will continue to take an outside toll on the state. At present rates, in the eleven months between now and the opening of the 2025 legislative session, drinking will likely kill another 1,965 New Mexicans.

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- High Desert Play Festival, 5:30 p.m., 100 E. University Ave. Info: theatre.nmsu.edu/performances-events/high-desert-new-play-development.
- Mardi Gras Contra Dance with the Big Ditch Crickets from Silver City, 7:30-10:30 p.m. at the Old Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago, Mesilla. Info: 575-932-8222.
- Play: "The Lifespan of a Fact," 7:30 p.m. at Las Cruces Community Theatre, 313 N. Main St. Info: 575-523-1200.

- Films: 2024 Oscar Shorts - live action, 7:30 p.m. at the Fountain Theatre, 2469 Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla. Info: mesillavalleyfilm.org.
- Paranormal Cirque II, 7:30 p.m. at Mesilla Valley Mall, Info: paranormal-cirque.com.
- Play: "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change," With the No strings Theatre Company, 8 p.m. at The Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. Info: no-strings.org.
- Dr. Lucky's Blue Revue, 8 p.m. at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Las Cruces. Info: riograndetheatre.org.

Saturday, Feb. 17

- Sunrise Lions Club Gun Show, 9 a.m. at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. Info: 575-650-6299.
- The Museum Rocks! Gem and mineral show, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, Info: 575-522-1232.
- Weaving for Justice textile sale, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at First Christian Church Atrium, 1809 El Paseo Road. Held on the third Saturday of the month, all proceeds go to Maya weaving cooperatives in Chiapas, Mexico. Info: www.weaving-for-justice.org.
- Open Casting Call for Upcoming Films, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Milton Hall at

New Mexico State University. Info: cmi-casting@nmsu.edu.

- Friends of the Branigan Library Book Sale, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, Roadrunner Room, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Info: 575-528-4000.



This aquamarine from Afghanistan is an example of the plethora of rocks, minerals and fossils that can be found at the weekend Museum ROCKS! event at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 17-18.

- Plutomania at the Las Cruces Museum of Nature & Science, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St. Info: 575-522-3120.
- Storytellers of Las Cruces, 10:30 a.m., COAS Downtown, 317 N. Main St. Info: 575-524-8471.
- Epilepsy Support & Education Services, Inc. meetings. 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. third Saturday of every month at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Info: 575-636-4500 or EpilepsySupportNM.org.
- Author talk: Meet Dion Leonard and

Gobi from "Finding Gobi," 1 p.m. at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library. Info: 575-528-4102.

- Films: 2024 Oscar Shorts - documentary, 2 p.m. at the Fountain Theatre, 2469 Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla. Info: mesillavalleyfilm.org
- Auditions for "In the Next Room or the Vibrator Play," 3 p.m. at the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. Info: no-strings.org
- High Desert Play Festival, 5:30 p.m., 100 E. University Ave. Info: theatre.nmsu.edu/performances-events/high-desert-new-play-development.
- Paranormal Cirque II, 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. at Mesilla Valley Mall, Info: paranormal-cirque.com.
- "Bridging the Gap" variety show, part of Black History Month events, 7 p.m. at the Corbett Center student Union auditorium at NMSU. Info: 575-646-1955.
- Films: 2024 Oscar Shorts - animation, 7:30 p.m. at the Fountain Theatre,

2469 Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla. Info: mesillavalleyfilm.org

- Play: "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change," With the No strings Theatre Company, 8 p.m. at The Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. Info: no-strings.org.
- Play: "The Lifespan of a Fact," 7:30 p.m. at Las Cruces Community Theatre, 313 N. Main St. Info: 575-523-1200.
- Dr. Lucky's Blue Revue, 8 p.m. at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Las Cruces. Info: riograndetheatre.org.

Sunday, Feb. 18

- Sunrise Lions Club Gun Show, 9 a.m. at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. Info: 575-650-6299.
- The Museum Rocks! Gem and mineral show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, Info: 575-522-1232.
- Friends of the Branigan Library Book Sale fill a bag day, 1-3 p.m. at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, Roadrunner Room, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Info: 575-528-4000.
- Growing and hybridizing tall, bearded iris for beauty, performance and pleasure lecture with Bob Van Liere, 2 p.m. Village at Northrise, Hallmark Building, 2880 Roadrunner Parkway. Info: 575-662-7550.
- Live Music: Rio Grande Revelers, 2-5 p.m. at Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendrez St. Info: facebook.com/RGRevelers.
- Films: 2024 Oscar Shorts - anima-



The Doña Ana Arts Council open mic day, Friday, Feb. 23, is "Calling All Voices" to participate.

- tion, 2 p.m. at the Fountain Theatre, 2469 Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla. Info: mesillavalleyfilm.org.
- Play: "The Lifespan of a Fact," 2 p.m. at Las Cruces Community Theatre, 313 N. Main St. Info: 575-523-1200.
- Play: "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change," With the No strings Theatre Company, 2:30 p.m. at The Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. Info: no-strings.org.
- Paranormal Cirque II, 5:30 and 8:30 p.m. at Mesilla Valley Mall, Info: paranormalcirque.com.
- Auditions for "In the Next Room or the Vibrator Play," 7 p.m. at the Black Box Theater, 430 N. Main St. Info: no-strings.org
- Film noir: "Lone Star," 7:30 p.m. at the Fountain Theatre, 2469 Calle de

Guadalupe, Mesilla. Info: mesillavalleyfilm.org.

Monday, Feb. 19

- Paranormal Cirque II, 7:30 p.m. at Mesilla Valley Mall, Info: paranormal-cirque.com.

Tuesday, Feb. 20

- Topic of the Month Heart Health, 1 p.m. at the Radium Springs Community Center, 12060 Lindbeck Road, Radium Springs. Info: 575-523-8650.
- Computer Literacy Class: Word Basics 2-4 p.m. at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Info: 575-528-4002.

Wednesday, Feb. 21

- Wednesday Storytime, 10 a.m. at Barns & Noble, Mesilla Valley Mall, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Info: 575-522-4499.
- Author Talk by Joseph M. Ortiz, "Beyond Stonewall: Gordon Merrick and the Hidden History of Gay Fiction," 1:30 p.m. at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, Roadrunner Room. Info: 575-649-8786.
- New Skatepark Public Engagement Meeting, 6-8 p.m. at the East Mesa Public Safety Complex, 550 N. Sonoma Ranch Boulevard, Info: 575-541-2550.

- Films: 2024 Oscar Shorts - live action, 7:30 p.m. at the Fountain Theatre, 2469 Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla. Info: mesillavalleyfilm.org.
- Glenn Miller Orchestra, 7 p.m. at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Las Cruces. Info: riograndetheatre.org.

Thursday, Feb. 22

- Films: 2024 Oscar Shorts - documentary, 7:30 p.m. at the Fountain Theatre, 2469 Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla. Info: mesillavalleyfilm.org.

Friday, Feb. 23

- Walk With a Doc: Preventing Cardiovascular Disease, 9-10 a.m. at Young Park, 2009 Nevada Ave. Info: 575-556-6518.
- "Calling All Voices: The Freedom to Be," open mic 6-8 p.m. at the Doña Ana Arts Council, 230 S. Water St. Info: 575-523-6403.

Saturday, Feb. 24

- Storytellers of Las Cruces, 10:30

a.m., COAS Downtown, 317 N. Main St. Info: 575-524-8471.

Sunday, Feb. 25

- Science on Screen presents "The Martian" with guest lecturer Dr. William Stein, 6:30 p.m. at the Fountain Theatre, 2469 Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla. Info: mesillavalleyfilm.org

Ongoing

- Overeaters Anonymous, noon Wednesdays at St. James Episcopal Church, 102 St. James St. Hybrid meeting, available by Zoom. Info: Bob at 610-762-3779.
- Overeaters Anonymous, 9:30 a.m., Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 Missouri Ave. Hybrid meeting, available by

Zoom. Info: Barbara at 575-405-9128.

- Tai Chi in the Park free introductory classes every Thursday. 9-10 a.m. at the Mesilla Park Recreation Center in the Park. Ongoing class in the traditional Yan Family Tai Chi Long Form. Information: 915-584-4730.

- Weaving for Justice textile sale, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at First Christian Church Atrium, 1809 El Paseo Road. Held on the third Saturday of the month, all

proceeds go to Maya weaving cooperatives in Chiapas, Mexico. Info: www.weaving-for-justice.org.

- Meditation and Healing Service 6 p.m. each Wednesday at Unity of Las Cruces, 575 N. Main St. Through meditation, experience the presence of God. A new service with Rev. Jennifer Kleitz. Info: 575-523-4847.

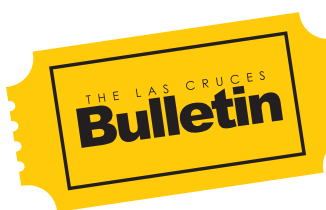
- Breast Cancer Support Group, 9:15 a.m. on the fourth Saturday of the month, at Memorial Medical Center Annex meeting room (entrance on the west side of the hospital). Info: Maricela at 505-453-1789.

- Epilepsy Support & Education Services, Inc. meetings. 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. third Saturday of every month at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Info: 575-636-4500 or EpilepsySupportNM.org.

- Federation of Democratic Women of Doña Ana County, at 6 p.m., Village at Northrise, Hallmark Building, 2882 N. Roadrunner Parkway every second Tuesday. Info: Sherri Nolan at 575-644-8207.



A Word Basics class on Tuesday, Feb. 20, is part of the free computer literacy classes program held at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library.



Your WEEKLY GUIDE TO TV & ENTERTAINMENT

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Paula Newsome and Ariana Guerra star in Season 3 of "CSI: Vegas"



'CSI: Vegas' is back on the case on CBS

celebrityupdate

BY JAY BOBBIN

Ray Romano

OF NO GOOD DEED ON NETFLIX

Q: I've heard that Ray Romano is going to do another series. Is that true?

A: It is. With "Everybody Loves Raymond" still available regularly on TV Land and IFC, the actor-comedian is working on his newest show, a Netflix sitcom titled "No Good Deed." He'll be part of an ensemble cast in the saga of several families who all want to buy the same house, with plenty of complications arising from their vying for the property. Romano isn't the only well-known series veteran in the show, which comes from writer-producer Liz Feldman, who had an earlier Netflix hit with "Dead to Me." That program's Linda Cardellini reunites with her for the new program, which also will feature Lisa Kudrow ("Friends," "The Comeback," "Web Therapy") and Denis Leary ("Rescue Me," "Sex & Drugs & Rock & Roll," "Animal Kingdom," "The Moodys"). Of course, Romano also has had other turns at the series game. He followed the nine-season CBS run of "Everybody Loves Raymond" with TNT's critically acclaimed comedy-drama "Men of a Certain Age," of which he also was a creator and executive producer. Then, he was a star of the HBO recording-industry drama "Vinyl" (which had Mick Jagger and Martin Scorsese among its creators and executive producers), the Epix (now MGM+) series version of "Get Shorty" and the then-HBO Max's seriocomic "Made for Love." The premiere date of "No Good Deed" had yet to be determined as of this writing, but with the powerhouse names that its cast encompasses, the scheduling of its debut surely will be made known as that time gets closer.



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“Nomadland” (Feb. 19)

Following the economic collapse of a company town in rural Nevada, Fern (Frances McDormand) packs her van and sets off on the road, exploring a life outside of conventional society as a modern-day nomad. The third feature film from director Chloé Zhao, the film features real nomads Linda May, Swankie and Bob Wells as Fern's mentors and comrades in her exploration through the vast landscape of the American West.



“American Idol” - Season 22 (Feb. 19)

This long-running ABC talent show makes its streaming debut today, with new episodes streaming weekly. Hoping to make it big, singers from across America compete for the chance to be the next big name in popular music. Hosted as always by producer Ryan Seacrest, judges this season are Luke Bryan, Katy Perry and Lionel Richie.



“The Rookie” - Season 6 (Feb. 21)

Making its debut today and with new episodes streaming weekly, this hit ABC procedural drama follows John Nolan (Nathan Fillion), once the oldest rookie in the LAPD, who has used his life experience, determination and sense of humor to keep up with rookies 20 years his junior. Nolan now faces his biggest challenge as a police officer, as he must come to terms with the choices he has made in pursuit of the truth.



“Will Trent” - Season 2 (Feb. 21)

The second season of this quirky ABC cop show, based on the New York Times bestselling series by Karin Slaughter, makes its debut today, with new episodes streaming weekly. Special Agent Will Trent (Ramón Rodríguez) of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI) was abandoned at birth and endured a harsh coming-of-age in Atlanta's overwhelmed foster care system. Now, Will uses his unique point of view in the pursuit of justice and has the highest clearance rate in the GBI.



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	S	D	DTV	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM	12:30	
PBS-KRWG	2	22	22	(5:30) NewsHo..	Context	Week (N)	Hoover (N)	Great Performances (N)		Great Performances			BBC News	Amanpour and Company (N)			PBS NewsHour	
CBS-KDBC	3	4	4	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel (N)	S.W.A.T. (N) (SP)	Fire Country (N) (SP)		Blue Blood "Loyalty" (N) (SP)			CBS4 News	(:35) Late Show-Colbert	(:35) After Midnight (N)	(:35) Paid			
ABC-KVIA	7	7	7	News (N)	ET (N)	Shark Tank (N)	20/20 (N)		KFOX14 News at Nine (N)			News (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!	(:35) Nightline	(:05) ET (N)	(:35) Hollywood		
FOX-KFOX	8	14	14	Big Bang	Big Bang	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N)			KFOX14 News at Nine (N)			(:05) Mod Fam	(:35) Mod Fam	(:05) iCRIME	(:35) Simpsons	(:05) Two Men	(:35) Two Men	
NBC-KTSM	9	9	9	News at 6 (N)	Studio 9	Password		Dateline NBC (N)			KTSM News			(:35) Tonight Show (N)	(:35) Seth Meyers (N)	(:35) Friends		
UNI-KINT	10	-	26	Vencer la culpa (N)	Tu vida es mi vida (N)	Mujer (N)		Noticias 26			SaborDe	Deportivo (N) (Live)		Mujer				
TEL-KTDO	11	48	48	La casa de los famosos (N)	Vuelve a mí (N)	El señor de los cielos (N)		Noticiero			(:35) Noticias	Zona mixta	Caso cerrado	Caso cerrado (N)				
UMAS-KTFN	13	759	65	¿Quién caerá? (N)	Enamorándonos recargado (N) (Live)	Reto "Nuevos guardianes" (N)			Enamorándonos recargado			¿Quién caerá?						
CW-KVIA2	14	17	8	Sheldon	Sheldon	Penn "It's Shot Magic!" (N)		Funny Kids	Animals (P)	Reito	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Sheldon	Pictionary (N)	Pictionary (N)	25 Words (N)	Pawn Stars	Storage Wars
A&E	43	118	265	First 48 "The Jealous Kind"	The First 48 "Secrets & Lies"	The First 48			(:05) The First 48 "The Cooler"	(:05) The First 48	(:05) First 48 "Secrets & Lies"	(:05) The First 48						
AMC	57	131	254	★★★ Red ('10) Morgan Freeman, John Malkovich, Bruce Willis.	★★★ Red 2 ('13) John Malkovich, Mary-Louise Parker, Bruce Willis.	★★★ Die Hard 2 ('90) Bonnie Bedelia, Bruce Willis.												
COMEDY	35	107	249	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	★★★ Couples Retreat ('09)		
COOK	123	113	232	Spring Baking	Spring Baking "Momcentric"	Baking "Rainy Day Sweets"	Spring Baking	Spring Baking	Spring Baking	Spring Baking	Spring Baking "Momcentric"	Baking "Rainy Day Sweets"						
DSC	47	182	278	Gold Rush (N)	(:10) Hustlers Gamblers (N)	(:10) Outback (N)	(:10) Gold Rush-Res.	Gold Rush	(:10) Hustlers Gamblers	(:10) Outback Opal Hunters								
E!	37	114	236	★★ The Ugly Truth ('09) Gerard Butler, Katherine Heigl.	★★★ Shallow Hal ('01) Jack Black, Jason Alexander, Gwyneth Paltrow.	★★ The Ugly Truth ('09) Gerard Butler, Katherine Heigl.		Movie										
ESPN	27	140	206	(5:00) NBA (N) (Live)	Boxing O'Shaquie Foster vs. Abraham Nova (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)			SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N)	SportCtr (N)						
FOOD	40	110	231	Diners, Drive Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive			
FX	29	136	248	(5:00) ★★★ Hidden Figures ('16) Taraji P. Henson.	★★★ The Help ('11) Emma Stone, Bryce Dallas Howard, Viola Davis.	★★★ Hidden Figures ('16)												
GALA	25	273	404	Una familia de diez	Nosotros los guapos	Vecinos		40 y 20	40 y 20	Renta	Renta	Alma de	Alma de	Simón dice	Simón dice			
GOLF	24	401	218	Golf Central (N) (Live)	PGA Tour Golf The Genesis Invitational, Second Round From Riviera Country Club in Pacific Palisades, Calif.	Golf Central		PGA Tour Champions Golf										
HALL	58	185	312	★★ One Royal Holiday ('20) Aaron Tveit, Laura Osnes.	★★ Write Before Christmas ('19) Torrey DeVitto.	★★ One Winter Weekend ('18) Jack Turner, Taylor Cole.		★★ Appetite for Love ('16)										
HGTV	41	112	229	Dream Home Dream Home	Dream Home Dream Home	Hunters (N)	Hunters	Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home	Hunters	Hunters	Dream Home	Dream Home			
HISTORY	44	120	269	Ancient Aliens	Ancient Aliens (N)	(:05) Proof-There (N)	(:05) Aliens "Cosmic Impacts"	(:05) Ancient Aliens	(:05) Ancient Aliens	(:05) Ancient Aliens	(:05) Aliens "Cosmic Impacts"							
LIFE	39	108	252	Anatomy "I Bet It Stung"	Anatomy "Map of You"	(:05) Anatomy "Thriller"	(:05) Grey's Anatomy	Anatomy "I Bet It Stung"	Anatomy "Map of You"	(:05) Anatomy "Thriller"								
LIFEMOV	119	109	253	★★ Smart Home Killer ('23) Anwen O'Driscoll, Natalie Brown.	★★ A Roommate to Die For ('23) Zane Haney, Angela Cole.	★★ Smart Home Killer ('23) Anwen O'Driscoll, Natalie Brown.		★★ A Roommate to Die For										
NBTV	273	156	216	NBA GameTime	#Handles	Dunk Contest	Basketball	Basketball	Dunk Contest	GameTime	2024 NBA All-Star Celebrity Game		GameTime	GameTime	Rising Stars			
PAR	34	241	241	Yellowstone "Daybreak"	Yellowst. "Kill the Messenger" (N)	(:05) Yellowstone	(:05) Yellowstone	(:05) Yellowstone	(:05) Yellowstone	(:05) Yellowstone	Yellowstone "Coming Home"	Yellowstone						
SYFY	59	122	244	(5:30) ★★★ Freaky ('20) Vince Vaughn.	(:50) ★★ Peppermint ('18) John Gallagher Jr., John Ortiz, Jennifer Garner.	(:05) Resident "Lone Wolf"	(:10) ★★ Peppermint ('18) Jennifer Garner.											
TBS	33	139	247	★★★ Big Momma's House Nia Long, Martin Lawrence.	(:05) ★★ Big Momma's House 2 ('06) Martin Lawrence.	(:05) ★★ Big Momma's House	(:20) ★ Big Momma's House 2											
TCM	169	132	256	★★★ Bullitt ('68) Robert Vaughn, Steve McQueen.	(:15) ★★★★★ The Pride of the Yankees ('42) Teresa Wright, Gary Cooper.	★★★ Raging Bull ('80) Cathy Moriarty, Robert De Niro.		Movie										
TLC	45	183	280	90 Day "More to Love: With This Ring I Thee Wed" (N)	90 Day (N)	90 Day "John Tells the Truth"	90 Day	90 Day Fiancé	More to Love: With This Ring I Thee Wed"	90 Day	90 Day							
TNT	32	138	245	To Be Announced	2024 NBA Rising Stars (N) (Live)	NBA on TNT		All Elite Wrestling	2024 NBA Rising Stars		Imp. Jokers							
TRAV	49	196	277	Dead Files "Mortal Danger"	Dead Files "Special Investigation: The Haunting of Flagstaff"	Dead Files "Death's Gallery"	Dead Files "Mortal Danger"	Dead Files "Special Investigation: The Haunting of Flagstaff"										
TRU TV	30	242	246	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	2024 NBA Rising Stars (N) (Live)	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes	Inside Jokes		
USA	31	105	242	★★★ Thor ('11) Natalie Portman, Anthony Hopkins, Chris Hemsworth.	★★★ Bad News Bears ('05) Greg Kinnear, Billy Bob Thornton.	Chicago Fire "Defcon 1"		Dateline										

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PBS-KRWG	2	22	22	Santa Fe	Contrary	Week	Hoover	Tell Me	Report	Newsma.	Legislator	In Focus	Flanders	Reynolds	Mack	Your-Mind	Getting	Dooky	Pépin	Chefs Life	W Dream	Whisperer	
CBS-KDBC	3	4	4	(7:00) CB..	Face the Nation (N)	Attkisson	PBR Los Angeles	Basketball	Purdue at Ohio State (N) (Live)	PGA Tour Golf	The Genesis Invitational, Final Round (N) (Live)	Bucket	GameTi..	CBS4Ne..									
ABC-KVIA	7	7	7	News (N)	This Week (N)	GameDay (N) (Live)	Basketball	Georgia at South Carolina (N)	NHL Hockey	New York Rangers vs. New York Islanders (N)	Ent. Tonight (N)	News (N)	WorldNe..										
FOX-KFOX	8	14	14	Fox News (N)	Prostate	Makeover	FilmFlick	Bucket	NASCAR RaceDay (N) (Live)	2024 Daytona 500 (N) (Live)	Preview	FamFeud	FamFeud										
NBC-KTSM	9	9	9	Paid	State of	Meet the Press (N)	Count Daytona (N)	Friends	Friends	Chasing Gold	Freestyle Ski.	FIS Cross-Country	NFL Special (N)	Paid	Paid	News at 5	NBCNews						
UNI-KINT	10	-	26	Esta historia (N)	Como dice el dicho	Al punto (N)	Aquí y ahora (N)	*** Happy Feet Two	(11) Elijah Wood.	Familia	Familia	Rosa "Vuela"	Rosa "Amor eterno"	Noticias	Noticiero								
TEL-KTDO	11	48	48	(6:55) Fútbol	Fútbol	Luton Town vs. Manchester United (N) (Live)	La Liga	Programa	Programa	El Señor de los	El Señor de los	El Señor de los	El Señor de los	CasoCerr.	Noticias T								
UMAS-KTFN	13	759	65	MundoT..	MundoT..	RangerR..	RangerR..	Programa	Programa	Programa	Programa	*** Mega Shark vs. Kolossus	*** The Villainess	(17) Shin Ha-kyun, Kim Ok-bin.	*** Hunt to Kill	(10) Steve Austin.							
CW-KVIA2	14	17	8	Paid	Destiny	Catholic Sunday	Basketball	Georgia Tech at NC State (N)	Hollywood (N)	Ent. Tonight (N)	RawTrav..	Athlete	Goldber..	The Rookie	The Rookie								
A&E	43	118	265	Zombie Flip	Zombie "Bumby"	Zombie "Brown"	WWE Rivals	WWE Rivals	WWE Rivals	Biography: WWE Legends "Edge"	Biography: WWE Legends "Goldberg"												
AMC	57	131	254	(7:00) *** District 9	(09)	*** Armageddon	(98) Billy Bob Thornton, Liv Tyler, Bruce Willis.	*** Cast Away	Helen Hunt, Nick Searcy, Tom Hanks.	*** The Shawshank Redemption													
COMEDY	35	107	249	Parks	Parks	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	*** Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby	*** We're the Millers	(13) Jennifer Aniston.	*** Step Brothers								
COOK	123	113	232	BestThing	BestThing	Food Paradise	Food Paradise	Bizarre Foods	Delicious	Delicious	Delicious	Man,Food	Man,Food	Man,Food	Man,Food	Man,Food	Yum-Yu..	Yum-Yu..					
DSC	47	182	278	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	"In Too Deep"	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	Legends and Rookies"	Naked and Afraid								
E!	37	114	236	Hollywood	*** Easy A	(10) Emma Stone.	*** Pretty Woman	(90) Richard Gere.	*** Bridesmaids	(11) Maya Rudolph, Kristen Wiig.	*** Pretty Woman	(90)											
ESPN	27	140	206	SportCtr (N) (Live)	SportCtr (N) (Live)	College Basketball	Basketball	Virginia Tech at Louisville (N)	Basketball	Memphis at SMU (N) (Live)	College Softball												
FOOD	40	110	231	Pioneer	Pioneer	Magnolia	Magnolia	Mary Ma.	Mary Ma.	The Kitchen	Tournament of Champions	Tournament "8 Warriors Remain"	Tournament "A Champion Is Crowned"										
FX	29	136	248	*** Pacific Rim Uprising	(18) John Boyega.	*** Live Free or Die Hard	(07) Justin Long, Bruce Willis.	*** Uncharted	(22) Mark Wahlberg, Tom Holland.	*** Ghostbusters: Afterlife	(21)												
GALA	25	273	404	El Chavo Animado	Cantinflas show	La escuela VIP	Hospital El Paisa	Que Madre	La jaula	Hotel todo Incluido	Me caigo	"Odalys a través de los juegos"	El diablo no tiene ...										
GOLF	24	401	218	(6:30) PGA Tour Golf	Golf (N) (Live)	PGA Tour Golf	PGA Champ. 2024	Chubb Classic, Final Round (N)	Breaking	Breaking	Central (N) (Live)	PGA Golf											
HALL	58	185	312	(7:00) My One & Only	(19) Pascale Hutton.	My Wedding Every Weekend	(20)	Sand Dollar Cove	(21) Aly Michalka.	The Story of Us	(19) Maggie Lawson.	An American in A..											
HGTV	41	112	229	Married-Estate	Married-Estate	No Demo Reno	No Demo Reno	No Demo Reno	No Demo Reno	No Demo Reno	No Demo Reno	Home Town	Home Town										
HISTORY	44	120	269	Toys-America	Toys-America	Built America	Built America	Built America	Built America	Built America	Built America	America "Pop Stars"	Built America										
LIFE	39	108	252	How She Caught a Killer	(23)	Burned by Love	(23) Shiva Negar.	Big Lies in a Small Town	(22)	Who Kidnapped My Mom?	(22)	The Beach House Murders	(24)										
LIFEMOV	119	109	253	All My Husband's Wives	(19)	My Husband's Secret Brother	(21)	My Husband's Killer Girlfriend	(21)	My Sister's Serial Killer	Boyfriend	Stalked by Her Past	(22) Meta Golding.										
NBTV	273	156	216	NBA GameTime	DunkCo..	2024 NBA Legends (N)	Basketball Stories	2024 NBA All-Star Saturday Night	Basketball Stories	NBABet	NBABet	NBABet											
PAR	34	241	241	Yellowstone	Yellowstone	Yellowstone	Yellowstone "All for Nothing"	Yellowstone	Yellowstone	Yellowstone	Yellowst.	The World Is Purple"	Yellowstone										
SYFY	59	122	244	Harry Potter & the Sorc...	Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets	(02) Daniel Radcliffe.	Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban	(04)	Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire														
TBS	33	139	247	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	*** Aquaman	(18) Amber Heard, Jason Momoa.	*** Black Panther	(18) Chadwick Boseman.	NBA All-Star Pre- (N) (Live)											
TCM	169	132	256	(7:30) **** Friendly Persuasion	(56)	*** Quo Vadis	(51) Deborah Kerr, Robert Taylor.	*** Cool Hand Luke	(67)	(15) *** The Dirty Dozen	(67) Ernest Borgnine, Lee Marvin.												
TLC	45	183	280	90 Day: Single Life	90 Day: Single Life	Love & Translation	Love & Translation	sMothered	sMothered	sMothered	sMothered	90 Day "With This Ring I Thee Wed"											
TNT	32	138	245	NCIS: New Orleans	NCIS: New Orleans	*** American Gangster	(07) Denzel Washington.	(15) *** Creed II	(18) Sylvester Stallone, Michael B. Jordan.	All-Star Sunday Pregame	(N) (Live)												
TRAV	49	196	277	Mysteries at	Loch Ness Monster	Alaska Bigfoot	Alaska Bigfoot	Alaska Bigfoot	Bigfoot "S.O.S."	Alaska Bigfoot	Alaska Bigfoot	Alaska Bigfoot	Alaska Bigfoot										
TRU TV	30	242	246	World's Dumbest ...	World's Dumbest ...	World's Dumbest ...	World's Dumbest ...	Jokes	Jokes	Jokes	Jokes	Jokes	Jokes	Jokers	Jokes	Jokers	Jokers						
USA	31	105	242	(7:00) Soccer	Premier	Soccer	Luton Town vs. Manchester United	GoalZone	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU							

tonight's picks



Lionel Richie returns as a judge for "American Idol"

2024 Daytona 500
KFOX 12:30 p.m.

Gentlemen, start your engines! Another season of the NASCAR Cup Series kicks off in the Sunshine State with the running of the Daytona 500 at the Daytona International Speedway. Denny Hamlin is the only active driver with multiple victories in the race.

Home Town
HGTV 6 p.m.

Husband-and-wife design team Ben and Erin Napier love their small Mississippi hometown. So, they plan to revitalize the community by affordably updating and modernizing nearby historic homes, creating inviting spaces for potential buyers in the area.

The Equalizer
KDBC 7 p.m.

In this season premiere, Robyn McCall (Queen Latifah) tries to save her team who's being held captive by Venezuelan rebels, thanks to McCall's former best friend and CIA colleague, Michelle Chambers (Ifenesh Hadera), who was thought to be dead.

American Idol
KVIA 7 p.m.

This two-hour season premiere brings back the auditions that everyone loves to critique as judges Katy Perry, Lionel Richie and Luke Bryan scour the country, looking for the next Kelly Clarkson or Carrie Underwood among the sea of William Hungs.

All Creatures Great and Small on Masterpiece
KRWG 8 p.m.

James (Nicholas Ralph) wants to see Helen (Rachel Shenton) and get home for Christmas, but an injured bird is slowing him down in this season finale. Meanwhile, Siegfried (Samuel West) and Carmody (James Anthony-Rose) support Mrs. Hall (Anna Medley).

CSI: Vegas
KDBC 9 p.m.

What happens in Vegas doesn't always stay in Vegas in the Season 3 premiere of this perennial favorite. All of the ingenious investigations and baffling cases return as Maxine Roby (Paula Newsome) continues to lead her team in this new episode.

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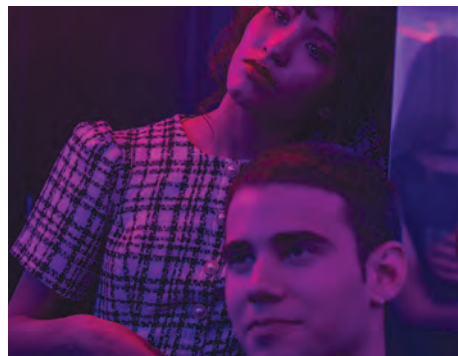
“Mike Epps: Ready to Sell Out” (Feb. 19)

Comedian Mike Epps keeps it real as he riffs on poor personal hygiene, failing at infidelity and waging war on work husbands in his latest stand-up special.



“Formula 1: Drive to Survive” - Season 6 (Feb. 23)

Drivers, managers and team owners live life in the fast lane — both on and off the track. This new season of the hit docuseries follows the hardworking individuals involved in Formula 1 racing through their fight to the top during the 2023 season.



“Through My Window 3: Looking At You” (Feb. 23)

Based on the books by Ariana Godoy, the third film in the Through My Window series makes its debut. Raquel (Clara Galle) and Ares (Julio Pena) are in a long-distance relationship. When they finally reunite during summer on the landscapes of Costa Brava with their friends, Raquel and Ares begin to question whether their relationship can endure the test of time.



“30th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards” (Feb. 24)

For the first time ever, the Screen Actors Guild Awards stream live on Netflix. Celebrating the best achievements in film and television from 2023, this 30th installment of the annual event takes place at the Shrine Auditorium and Expo Hall in Los Angeles.

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“The Walking Dead: The Ones Who Live” - Season 1 (AMC/AMC+ — Feb. 25, Series Premiere)

Adding the the ever-expanding TWD universe, this new horror drama spinoff series follows the love story between Rick (Andrew Lincoln) and Michonne (Danai Gurira), changed by a world that is constantly shifting. Will they find themselves in a war against the living? Or will they discover that they, too, are The Walking Dead? Pollyanna McIntosh, Frankie Quinones and Lesley-Ann Brandt also star.



“Shogun” (FX/Hulu — Feb. 27, Miniseries Premiere)

An original adaptation of James Clavell's bestselling novel, this FX series is set in Japan in the year 1600 at the dawn of a century-defining civil war. Lord Yoshii Toranaga (Hiroyuki Sanada) is fighting for his life as his enemies on the Council of Regents unite against him. When a marooned European ship is found in a nearby fishing village, its English pilot, John Blackthorne (Cosmo Jarvis), comes bearing secrets that could help Toranaga tip the scales of power in his favor. Meanwhile, Toranaga's and Blackthorne's fates become inextricably tied to their translator, Toda Mariko (Anna Sawai), a mysterious Christian noblewoman.



“The Completely Made-up Adventures of Dick Turpin” - Season 1 (Apple TV+ — March 1, Series Premiere)

This comedy series, set in the 18th century, follows Dick Turpin (Noel Fielding) as he sets out on a journey of wildly absurd escapades when he's made the reluctant leader of a band of outlaws — and tasked with outwitting corrupt lawman and self-appointed thief-taker Jonathan Wilde (Hugh Bonneville). Turpin is the most famous but least likely of highway robbers, whose success is defined mostly by his charm, showmanship and great hair.

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tonight's picks



Oisín O'Neil stars in "Southern Hospitality"

Cast list for Grey's Anatomy: ADDISON ADELE ALANA ALEX AMELIA ANDREW APRIL ARIZONA, BEN CALLIE CARINA CATHERINE CHARLES CRISTINA DENNY DEREK GEORGE, HANK HENRY IZZIE LEAH LEXIE LINK MAGGIE MARK MATTHEW, MEGAN MEREDITH MIRANDA NATHAN NICO NORMAN OWEN OWEN PRESTON REED, SHANE SLOAN STEPHANIE STEVE TARYN TEDDY TOM TUCKER



Southern Hospitality BRAVO 6 p.m.

As another season comes to a close for the staff at Republic Lounge & Garden, not all is well at "Southern Charm" star Leva Bonaparte's restaurant and bar. As personal drama seeps into the job, can these coworkers co-exist for just one more night?

Married to Real Estate HGTV 7 p.m.

Real estate broker and interior designer Egypt Sherrod and her contractor husband, Mike Jackson, help clients create their dream homes. But busy careers keep everyone juggling to stay on time and budget.

So Help Me Todd KDBC 8 p.m.

Todd (Skylar Astin) is a former private detective now working for his mother, attorney Margaret (Marcia Gay Harden). Todd ruffles a few feathers by his continued debates on whether to open his own investigation business.

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“Giannis: The Marvelous Journey” (Feb. 19)

This feature-length documentary chronicles the extraordinary odyssey of NBA mega-star Giannis Antetokounmpo from an impoverished childhood in Greece as the son of Nigerian immigrants to the very top of the basketball world. The film is an intimate portrait of the athlete, and features interviews with Giannis and his entire family as well as basketball luminaries Jason Kidd, Khris Middleton, Jrue Holiday, Kenny Smith, Vin Baker, Ernie Johnson and more.



“Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem” (Feb. 21)

After years of being sheltered from the human world, the Turtle brothers — Donatello (Micah Abbey), Michaelangelo (Shamon Brown Jr.), Leonardo (Nicolas Cantu) and Raphael (Brady Noon) — set out to win the hearts of New Yorkers and be accepted as normal teenagers through heroic acts. Meanwhile, their new friend April O’Neil (Ayo Edebiri) helps them take on a mysterious crime syndicate.



“The Second Best Hospital in the Galaxy” - Season 1 (Feb. 23)

The Second Best Hospital in the Galaxy follows Dr. Sleech (Stephanie Hsu) and Dr. Klak (Keke Palmer) — aliens, best friends and intergalactically renowned surgeons — as they tackle anxiety-eating parasites, illegal time loops and deep-space STIs. When Drs. Sleech and Klak take on a highly dangerous and potentially groundbreaking case, they put existence itself in jeopardy. Although considering their dismal personal lives, oblivion might be an improvement



“Jenny Slate: Seasoned Professional” (Feb. 23)

Acclaimed actress, comedian, producer and New York Times best-selling author Jenny Slate returns to the screen with her newest stand-up special. The highly anticipated special proves that being brave for love is worth it — even when it comes to pushing out a baby, stalking your therapist, or trusting your partner to not destroy you.

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Friday

- 8 p.m. COOK Spring Baking Championship** The four bakers must make whoopie pie garden critters.
- FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives** Pork trifongo and shrimp empanadas in Puerto Rico.
- 8:30 p.m. FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives** Guy is loading up on tropical flavor in a Florida spot.
- 9 p.m. COOK Spring Baking Championship** The three finalists must create American flag cakes.
- FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives** Guy Fieri digs into a righteous mashup of flavors.
- 9:30 p.m. FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives** Guy Fieri's grabbing seaside snacks and Southern soul.

Saturday

- 8 p.m. COOK Iron Chef America** Alex Guarnaschelli faces challenger Stephen Kalt.
- 8:30 p.m. FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives** A bomb barbecue pie at a pizza-bakery in Laramie, Wyo.

- 9 p.m. COOK Iron Chef America** Iron Chef Guarnaschelli faces off with Iron Chef UK Joo.
- DEST BBQ Pitmasters** The challenge, brisket; tempers flare; low and slow.

- FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives** Guy Fieri hits up a farm-to-table joint in Mobile, Ala.
- 9:30 p.m. FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**

Sunday

- 8 p.m. COOK Man v. Food** Casey takes on a skyscraper of a deli sandwich.
- FOOD Bobby's Triple Threat** Bobby brings in undefeated chef Viet Pham.
- 8:05 p.m. HISTORY The Food That Built America** Two icons change a worldwide, multi-billion-dollar industry.
- 8:30 p.m. COOK Man v. Food** European take on cheesy classic; breakfast-dessert mash up.
- 9 p.m. COOK Man v. Food** Casey dines on fried chicken in Savannah, Ga.
- FOOD Beat Bobby Flay** Michael Symon attempts to cut Bobby Flay down to size.
- 9:05 p.m. HISTORY The Food That Built America** In the post-WWI era, Hershey competitors spring up.

- 9:30 p.m. COOK Man v. Food** A stuffed sopapilla; ice cream flavored with a delicacy.

Monday

- 8 p.m. FOOD Chopped** The chefs must use the deep fryer.
- 8:30 p.m. COOK Bizarre Foods: Delicious Destinations** Seafood prepared in the New Nordic style; crown herring.
- 9 p.m. FOOD Chopped** The appetizer round presents a funny cake and a canned item.
- 9:30 p.m. COOK The Zimmern List** Andrew travels to Las Vegas, home to a new food movement.

Tuesday

- 8 p.m. COOK Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations** Tony explores the cuisine of Bangkok, Thailand.
- DEST BBQ Pitmasters** Three pitmasters compete to see who's got the best bbq.
- FOOD Tournament of Champions** Chefs face off to win the belt, the title and \$150,000.
- 9 p.m. COOK Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations** The cuisine, culture and heritage of Saudi Arabia.
- DEST BBQ Pitmasters** Three pitmasters compete to see who can cook the best ribs.

Wednesday

- 8 p.m. CLEO New Soul Kitchen**
- COOK Man Fire Food**
- FOOD Guy's Grocery Games** Four chefs who lost GGG in their final cook.
- 8:30 p.m. CLEO New Soul Kitchen**
- COOK Man Fire Food**
- 9 p.m. CLEO Just Eats With Chef JJ**
- COOK The Zimmern List** Andrew stops by food cart pods in Portland, Ore.
- FOOD Guy's Grocery Games** Pizza makers rise to the occasion in pizza-themed games.
- 9:30 p.m. CLEO Just Eats With Chef JJ**
- COOK The Zimmern List** Andrew visits the queen of soul food in Charleston, S.C.

Thursday

- 8 p.m. COOK Bizarre Foods: Delicious Destinations** Andrew explores the charismatic city of Cork, Ireland.
- FOOD Beat Bobby Flay** Duff Goldman and Alex Guarnaschelli challenge Bobby.
- 8:30 p.m. COOK Bizarre Foods: Delicious Destinations** A steamed beef dish called baho; crispy pork skin salad.

- FOOD Beat Bobby Flay** Chefs Grace Goudie and Andy Xu try to make lemonade.
- 9 p.m. COOK Bizarre Foods: Delicious Destinations** Mile-high pastrami sandwiches; bagels and lox; pizza.

- 9:30 p.m. COOK Bizarre Foods: Delicious Destinations** Andrew Zimmern shares the best of Oklahoma City.
- FOOD Beat Bobby Flay** Bobby Flay gives a challenging star ingredient to new chefs.

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tonight's movies

A

Avengers: Endgame ★★★ (2019, Action) The Avengers prepare for an epic showdown with Thanos. (4:00) **FX Wed. 7 p.m.**

B

Beatriz at Dinner ★★★ (2017, Comedy) A woman clashes with a ruthless mogul at a dinner party. (1:22) **MAX Tue. 7:42 p.m.**

Black Phone, The ★★★ (2021, Horror) An abducted boy hears the voices of a killer's victims. (1:45) **STARZ Fri. 7:53 p.m., Sat. 6:15 p.m.**

Bourne Ultimatum, The ★★★ (2007, Action) Jason Bourne continues to look for clues to his identity. (1:56) **MAX Fri. 6 p.m.**

C

Captain America: The First Avenger ★★★ (2011, Action) Captain America battles the evil HYDRA organization. (2:30) **FX Tue. 6:30 p.m.**

Casino ★★★ (1995, Crime Story) A mob employee makes a play for power in 1970s Las Vegas. (3:02) **STARZ Mon. 7 p.m.**

Charlie Wilson's War

★★★ (2007, Docu-Drama) A congressman arranges funding for Afghan freedom fighters. (1:42) **MAX Tue. 6 p.m.**

Color Purple, The ★★★ (1985, Drama) Based on Alice Walker's portrait of a rural black woman. (3:30) **SUN-DANC Sun. 6:45 p.m.**

Creed ★★★ (2015, Drama) Rocky Balboa mentors Apollo Creed's son (Michael B. Jordan). (2:55) **USA Thu. 6 p.m.**

D

Despicable Me 2 ★★★ (2013, Animated) Gru and his new partner hunt a nefarious individual. (2:10) **FREE Sun. 6:05 p.m.**

Double Jeopardy ★★★ (1999, Thriller) A woman plots revenge after she is framed for a murder. (2:30) **POPSD Mon. 6:30 p.m.**

F

Fargo ★★★ (1996, Thriller) A businessman's kidnapping scheme spins out of control. (1:39) **MAX Sun. 7:40 p.m.**

G

Gemini ★★★ (2017, Thriller) A crime tests the bond between a starlet and her assistant. (1:34) **MAX Wed. 6 p.m.**

H

Harlan County, U.S.A.

★★★ (1976, Documentary) Kentucky coal miners face brutal opposition in 1973 strike. (2:00) **TCM Wed. 7:45 p.m.**

Help, The ★★★ (2011, Drama) An aspiring writer captures the experiences of Black women. (3:30) **FX Fri. 8 p.m., FXM Sun. 6:25 p.m.**

Hitch ★★★ (2005, Romance) A smooth-talker helps a shy accountant woo an heiress. (2:00) **TRU TV Tue. 8 p.m.**

I

Ideas of March, The ★★★ (2011, Drama) A campaign press secretary becomes involved in a scandal. (1:45) **HBO2 Fri. 7:15 p.m.**

K

Knives Out ★★★ (2019, Mystery) A detective questions a dead writer's dysfunctional family. (3:00) **AMC Tue. 6 p.m.**

Bingo — Solution

	P	S	B	L	M
Characters in "Family Guy"	Prose	Stewie	Brian	Lois	Meg
NHL Teams	Panthers/Penguins	Sharks/Stars	Blues/Blackhawks/Blue Jackets/Bears	Lightning	Maple Leafs
Footwear	Pumps	Slippers	Boots	Loafers	Moccasins
Oceans/Seas	Pacific	Baltic	Sargasso	Ligurian	Mediterranean
Band names with misspellings	Phish	Stand	The Byrds	Limp Bizkit	The Monkees

Knocked Up ★★★ (2007, Romance) A one-night stand has an unforeseen consequence. (3:00) **VH1 Sat. 6:30 p.m.**

L

Lamb ★★★ (2021, Horror) A couple find a strange and unnatural newborn in their barn. (1:50) **TMC Wed. 8 p.m.**

Love & Basketball ★★★ (2000, Romance) A passion for the game leads to love for two best friends. (2:05) **FLIX Wed. 6 p.m.**

M

Man Who Knew Too Much, The ★★★★★ (1956, Thriller) A vacationing American couple witness a French spy's death. (2:15) **TCM Mon. 6 p.m.**

Man Who Skied Down Everest, The ★★★ (1975, Documentary) Yuichiro

Miura skis Mount Everest in 2.5 minutes in 1970. (1:45) **TCM Wed. 6 p.m.**

Michael Clayton ★★★ (2007, Drama) A fixer at a large law firm does his employer's dirty work. (2:00) **FLIX Mon. 7:45 p.m.**

Mission: Impossible Rogue Nation ★★★ (2015, Action) Ethan Hunt and his team square off against the Syndicate. (2:15) **MGM Sat. 6 p.m.**

Monsters, Inc. ★★★ (2001, Animated) A human child slips into a world of monsters. (2:00) **FREE Mon. 7:30 p.m.**

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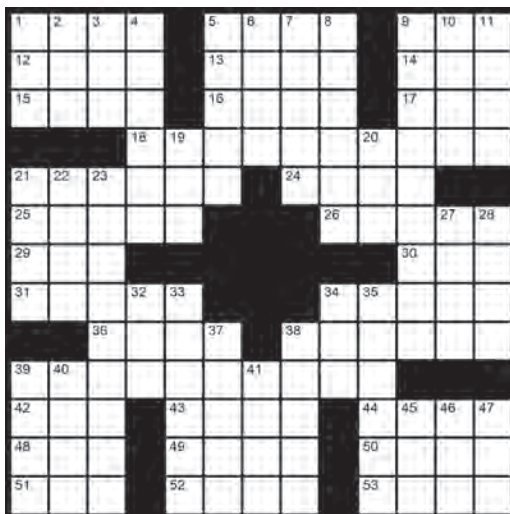
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13. "The ___ Martin Show"
14. N.H.L. Hall-of-Famer since '79
15. Department
16. "Trinity" author Leon
17. Obedience school command
18. Isla Fisher Netflix series
21. Spotted wildcat
24. Aerobic bit

25. Guns N' Roses guitarist
26. State of the ___
29. Drunk
30. Lamb's mother
31. Eyeball benders
34. Drinking and gambling
36. Ending with hard or soft
38. "America's Got ___"
39. 2024 Jeff Daniels series
42. Set down
43. Mary Kay rival
44. ___ of Man
48. Itinerary word
49. Horror film staple

50. Hit hard
51. Tiny toiler
52. Regarded
53. Particular

Down

1. Microbrew choice, for short
2. "___ Flag Means Death"
3. Operate
4. Prayer coverings
5. ___ Swim (Cartoon Network)
6. Toy ball material
7. Flip side?
8. Unmoved
9. It spans the bridge
10. Fedora feature
11. Museo offering
19. "I'm impressed!"
20. Ryan Gosling 2023 role
21. Capital on a fjord
22. YouTube selection
23. Erode
27. John Irving's "A Prayer for ___ Meany"
28. Hatching place
32. Printed
33. Medical prioritizing
34. Kilmer of "The Saint"
35. "Fighting" athletes
37. Representative
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40. Chief
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Remember the Titans ★★★ (2000, Drama) A black man coaches high-school football after integration. (2:30) **KVIA2 Sun. 6 p.m.**

Rocky Balboa ★★★ (2006, Drama) Rocky, now retired, fights the world heavyweight champion. (1:45) **HBO2 Wed. 7:15 p.m.**

Romeo & Juliet ★★★ (1996, Romance) Two youths from rival families share a doomed love affair. (2:00) **TMC Sun. 6 p.m.**

Rosemary's Baby ★★★ (1968, Horror) A woman fears a coven has designs on her unborn child. (2:25) **FLIX Sat. 6 p.m.**

S

Serpico ★★★ (1973, Crime Story) Undercover cop Frank Serpico exposes police corruption. (2:15) **FLIX Thu. 6 p.m.**

She Wore a Yellow Ribbon ★★★ (1949, Western) A cavalry captain (John Wayne) takes on one last mission. (2:00) **TCM Thu. 6 p.m.**

Shrek 2 ★★★ (2004, Animated) A green ogre must meet his wife's parents. (2:00) **BRAVO Sat. 6 p.m.**

Sicario ★★★ (2015, Thriller) A task force uses a Mexican cartel boss to capture another. (2:05) **MGM Fri. 6 p.m.**

Silence of the Lambs, The ★★★ (1991, Thriller) A mad genius helps an FBI trainee pursue a serial killer. (2:30) **SUNDANC Sat. 7 p.m.**

Simple Favor, A ★★★ (2018, Thriller) A vlogger investigates the disappearance of her best friend. (2:30) **VH1 Wed. 6 p.m.**

Skyfall ★★★ (2012, Action) James Bond must track down and destroy a threat to MI6. (2:26) **HBO Wed. 6:34 p.m.**

Spider-Man: No Way Home ★★★ (2021, Action) Peter Parker discovers what it truly means to be Spider-Man. (3:00) **FX Sat. 8 p.m., Thu. 6 p.m.**



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tonight's movies

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My Cousin Vinny ★★★ (1992, Comedy) An inept lawyer tries to free his cousin from a Dixie jail. (2:30) **AMC Mon. 6 p.m.**

N

Neighbors ★★★ (2014, Comedy) New parents go to war with a noisy fraternity next door. (2:00) **BRAVO Fri. 8 p.m.**

O

Once Upon a Time in the West ★★★ (1969, Western) A gunman attempts to control land in 19th-century Kansas. (2:55) **FLIX Fri. 6 p.m.**

P

Peggy Sue Got Married ★★★ (1986, Comedy Drama) A woman is transported back to her last year in high school. (2:15) **AXS Sat. 7 p.m.**

People vs. Larry Flynt, The ★★★ (1996, Drama) Hustler magazine's founder fights for free-speech rights. (2:10) **TMC Mon. 7 p.m.**

Planes, Trains and Automobiles ★★★ (1987, Comedy) A stuffy man shares transportation with a perky salesman. (2:15) **AXS Fri. 7 p.m.**

Pretty Woman ★★★ (1990, Romance) An executive plays Pygmalion to a young streetwalker. (2:30) **E! Thu. 6 p.m.**

R

Red Shoes, The ★★★ (1948, Drama) A ballerina (Moirá Shearer) loves an impresario and her art. (2:30) **TCM Tue. 6 p.m.**

BINGO

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 13

	P	S	B	L	M
Characters in "Family Guy"					
NHL Teams					
Footwear					
Oceans/ Seas					
Band names with misspellings					

Steel Magnolias ★★★ (1989, Comedy Drama) Six iron-willed women gather at a Louisiana beauty parlor. (3:00) **POPSD Fri. 6 p.m.**

T

Talented Mr. Ripley, The ★★★ (1999, Thriller) A young man murders

then impersonates a wealthy playboy. (2:25) **FLIX Tue. 8 p.m.**

There Will Be Blood ★★★ (2007, Drama) An oil tycoon becomes morally bankrupt as his fortune grows. (2:40) **TMC Fri. 6 p.m.**

Thomas Crown Affair, The ★★★ (1999, Thriller) An art thief steals an

alternate puzzle

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Across

- 1. Laugh sound
- 4. Detective's assignment
- 8. Settle a debt
- 11. Online cousin of "just saying"
- 12. Security for a debt
- 13. Diamond stat
- 14. Mild cheese
- 17. Gut reaction?
- 18. "Better Call Saul" channel
- 19. Auto dealer's abbr.
- 21. Bit of sweat
- 24. Nervous speaker's sound
- 25. To one side
- 26. Depart
- 27. Happen
- 28. In the mail
- 30. Use the library
- 32. "How awful!"
- 34. Quandary
- 35. Admitted one's mistake
- 41. Bird of myth

Down

- 42. Nettle
- 43. Previously
- 44. Flock member
- 45. Info
- 46. Paddle
- 1. Self starter?
- 2. Music genre
- 3. Accept
- 4. Musical sign
- 5. Lungful
- 6. Date
- 7. "Orinoco Flow" singer
- 8. Christmas wish
- 9. Rainbow's shape
- 10. Jabber
- 15. Dynamite
- 16. "Peter Pan" author
- 19. Acts clownishly
- 20. Loafer, e.g.
- 22. "Mamma Mia!" band
- 23. Turned blue, maybe

- 29. Meena Harris, to Kamala
- 31. An American in Paris, say
- 33. Many a Kirkuk resident
- 34. Dog biter
- 35. "Blessed ___ the pure in heart ..."
- 36. Pull
- 37. Soccer standout Hamm
- 38. Deli order
- 39. Supermarket chain inits.
- 40. Extended period

Solution:
Tombstone

P	A	S	E								
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insurance investigator's heart. (1:54) **MAX Thu. 6 p.m.**
Thor ★★★ (2011, Action) Cast out of Asgard, the Norse god lands on Earth. (2:30) **USA Fri. 6 p.m.**
Toy Story ★★★★★ (1995, Animated) Toys come to life when people are absent. (2:00) **FREE Tue. 7 p.m.**

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Toy Story 3 ★★★ (2010, Animated) Woody, Buzz and the rest of the toys are dumped in day care. (2:30) **DISN Sun. 6 p.m., FREE Wed. 6 p.m.**

Trainwreck ★★★ (2015, Romance) A magazine writer's personal life is a complete disaster. (2:07) **HBO Tue. 6:53 p.m.**

U

Untouchables, The ★★★★★ (1987, Crime Story) Incorruptible government agents move against Al Capone. (2:00) **MGM Thu. 6 p.m.**

Up in the Air ★★★ (2009, Comedy Drama) A frequent flyer reaches a life-and-career crossroads. (1:55) **HBO Sat. 7:05 p.m.**

W

Wedding Singer, The ★★★ (1998, Romance) A 1980s wedding crooner attempts to find true love. (2:00) **TRU TV Wed. 6 p.m., Wed. 8 p.m.**

Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory ★★★ (1971, Children) A famous confectioner offers a grand prize to five children. (2:30) **IFC Sat. 6:15 p.m.**

World War Z ★★★★★ (2013, Horror) A zombie pandemic threatens to destroy humanity. (1:55) **PAR Wed. 6 p.m., SHOW Sat. 7:05 p.m.**



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Olivia Newton-John and John Travolta in "Grease"



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The title tells just what to expect from this set that includes three variations on the hit stage and movie musical about nostalgic times among students and faculty members of Rydell High. The centerpiece clearly is the 1978 box-office blockbuster starring John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John as Danny and Sandy, the romantics from different worlds who struggle to make a go of their relationship despite peer pressure; Stockard Channing, Jeff Conaway, Didi Conn, Eve Arden, Sid Caesar and Frankie Avalon also appear, with such hits as "Summer Nights" and "You're the One That I Want" on the soundtrack. The 1982 movie sequel "Grease 2" flips the genders while keeping the same basic equation, with Maxwell Caulfield and an early-in-her-career Michelle Pfeiffer as the seemingly unlikely love match. Finally, the streaming series "Grease: Rise of the Pink Ladies" is a prequel explaining how the title group came to be; Madison Thompson ("Ozark") and Chris McNally ("When Calls the Heart") are among the stars. ★★★ (PG or not rated, varying by title: AS, P)

S B X D G L H C R G C V	1. Anchovy
B A S S F A I P A L I T	2. _____
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T C U U P N H K P M U R	6. _____
K U R Q T A E O L W P R	7. _____
V D B E T U N A V Z E E	8. _____
W A S I P Y S S Q Y R H	9. _____
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WORD SEARCH

In the grid below, twenty answers can be found that fit the category for today. Circle each answer that you find and list it in the space provided at the right of the grid. Answers can be found in all directions—forward, backward, horizontally, vertically and diagonally. An example is given to get you started. Can you find the twenty answers in today's puzzle?

Today's Category: Fish

S B X D G L H C R G C V	1. Anchovy
B A S S F A I P A L I T	2. _____
T R R A D E A G V Z G G	3. _____
M R E D N U O L F P R N	4. _____
H A O P I C J I A O I	5. _____
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K U R Q T A E O L W P R	7. _____
V D B E T U N A V Z E E	8. _____
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	20. _____

"BEVERLY HILLS COP III"

Though it's largely considered the weakest of the three entries in the movie series so far, this 1994 action-comedy – now making its 4K Ultra HD debut – still gives Eddie Murphy free rein as Axel Foley, the fast-talking Detroit police detective who suffers a loss on his home turf, then heads back to the West Coast on a related case. There, an amusement park called Wonder World gets the bulk of his attention as he tries to break up a counterfeiting operation. Judge Reinhold, Bronson Pinchot and Gil Hill also reprise their roles from the earlier chapters, with Hector Elizondo, John Saxon, Theresa Randle and Alan Young among notable additions. Those in the know about the movie business should appreciate the cameos by George Lucas, John Singleton, Joe Dante, Ray Harryhausen and a number of other industry "players." The picture (also available in a set that includes the series' first two movies) reunited Murphy with director John Landis, who also worked with him on "Trading Places" and "Coming to America." Netflix is slated to debut the new "Beverly Hills Cop: Axel F" later this year. ★★★ (R: AS, P, V) (Also on DVD and Blu-ray)

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'I Love You, You're Perfect'

MEGAN MCQUEEN

For the Bulletin

If the title "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change" inspires a chuckle, don't miss this musical.

Composer Jimmy Roberts and book writer and lyricist Joe DiPietro aptly named this light-hearted journey through the frustrations of dating, the mayhem of weddings, the ups and downs of marriage, the wild ride of childrearing and the inevitability of aging. Opening night, the audience sometimes responded like a sports crowd to the familiar scenarios.

Watching six performers transform between 60 characters is much of the appeal of this musical that's been performed in all 50 states and 25 countries.

This has come to be actor David Reyes' specialty: He morphs in fittingly broad comedic style

from a young nerdy love-seeker to an intimidating 40-year-old convict to a doddering funeral attendee.

Four of the cast will be new to Las Cruces theatre goers. Jessica Broaddus and Jonathan Lee, performers training at The University of Texas at El Paso, are very comfortable with an audience. Broaddus' spoken deliveries and physicality vary nicely between characters. Lee's facial expressions are enough to amuse in any scene.

Active in children's theatre, Delaney Sivils confidently inhabits roles much older than she is. While playing a workaholic she amusingly delivered "I just don't have time to make up all the reasons I'll need to convince myself to go out

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Delaney Sivils and Orlando Rodriguez in "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change," playing at the Black Box Theatre through Feb. 25.

with you." Her frequent scene partner, Orlando Rodriguez, is entirely new to the stage. His lack of polish serves this material well. Like the other men, his vocals are pow-

erful on "Why? 'Cause I'm a Guy!," but his crassness was wonderfully believable.

This 2018 update of the script includes two portrayals of gay couples,

which several audience members audibly appreciated. Added references to Tinder and Netflix keep the script current. It retains a couple of heartfelt, earnest moments. Those were my favorites when I attended the first New York run of the musical in the late 1990s, as well as when I performed in the show nearly 20 years ago.

Autumn Gieb skillfully navigates the most complex of these moments, as a divorcee recording a video intended to attract a romantic match. Gieb brings equal nuance to her comedic musical complaint, "Always a Bridesmaid."

Gieb's impressive, detailed work as the show's costumer also crippled the performances. We don't marvel at the universality of characters or the virtuosity of actors if the costumes are too

elaborate in a revue. Scenic and lighting designer Peter Herman's pop art scenic painting and simple cubes set a fantastic tone that would have been useful throughout the show. Like the costumes, realistic set pieces hindered the momentum. Thanks to the professionally energetic stage crew and gorgeous piano playing of Steve Jones, the lengthy transitions weren't unpleasant.

Director Kate Keyser-Dewitt recruited a talented, energetic team. She successfully helped many novices learn the theatrical ropes. I loved it! It may not be perfect, but I doubt you'll want it to change.

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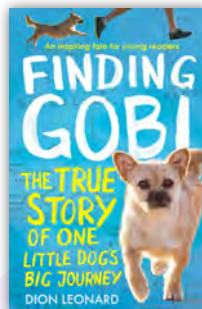
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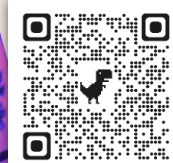
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'WONDER OF THE CENTURY'

Hermit who traveled world by foot honored at festival

BY ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH
Las Cruces Bulletin

When Giovanni Maria de Agostini was found murdered near his cave at La Cueva at the foot of the Organ Mountains on May 2, 1869, a compelling story abruptly ended.

Found with his meager possessions, including two journal-type books with religious writings, crosses, and other small accoutrements, it seemed clear he was not killed by robbers. The mystery remains. In the end, what mattered was that this Italian adven-

turer and Christian leader was no more.

Agostini, born in 1801, traveled the world by foot as a Maronite Christian, according to historian and author David G. Thomas.

He was kicked out of Mexico, where he lived in a cave on the mountain with about 100,000 followers, because the government, afraid he was political, declared him insane and deported to Cuba, Thomas said. Agostini faced the Inquisition in Chile for being a "priest in posture" because he was a Maronite and there weren't any in



COURTESY PHOTO
Giovanni Maria de Agostini.

South America.
From Chile, Agostini

traveled to New York and then to Canada, where they shunned him. He traveled down the Mississippi river by canoe in the Civil War years. Moving down through the continental U.S., he crossed through both Union and Confederate territories, having papers from both sides.

Arriving in Las Vegas, N.M. in 1863, he founded a religious community there (following communities he had founded in Brazil and Argentina) called the Society of the Hermit. Hermit's Peak is named after him, and the community would

climb to the top yearly for many years after he was gone.

Thomas and a group of historians, known as the Friends of Pat Garrett, have chosen to feature Agostini during their annual festival, held Feb. 24 and 25 this year at the Rio Grande Theatre. The Hermit of La Cueva Festival includes a musical presentation by Crow and Karla, featuring Karla Steen and Sweet Mary Hattersley, which begins at 3 p.m. on Saturday.

At 6 p.m. "The Wonder of the Century (A Mara-

vilha Do Século)," a documentary about the hermit, will be shown. Following the movie, Agostini (portrayed by an actor) will appear in person to answer questions from the audience.

On Sunday at 2 p.m. the film will be repeated and "Agostini" will give an interview and answer questions again.

The ticket price is \$14, which is good for entry into all events, both days. Tickets can be purchased at the door or online at the Rio Grande Theatre web site: riograndetheatre.org.

Elephant Butte Damsite Days features Polar Bear Plunge

BULLETIN REPORT

The second annual Damsite Day in Elephant Butte, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Feb. 17, begins with the Polar Bear Plunge at noon. Last year saw a record number of jumpers and more are expected this year. Plungers will receive a snack and warm beverage after surfacing. The marina has been moved to the actual dam site location and you no longer have to go through Elephant Butte

Lake State Park to get to it. Go past the welcome center and follow the signs.

If you would rather bypass a cold, wet dip in the lake, there's plenty to see and do at the main area of the historic dam site. Begin by checking out all 40 art and craft vendors set up in the lodge rooms and sidewalk as well as the first eight casitas. Vendors offer, for example, fine art, dot art, photography, baskets, jewelry, fabrics, quilts, soaps, dot art, one-

of-a-kind items and more. In the lodge break room Truth or Consequences' Ingo will sell coffees that go beautifully with Serif's pastries, also in the break room. But the food doesn't stop there. A food court near the welcome center will serve Korean BBQ from Linh's Noodles, Lou's Kettle Korn and hot dogs, Outer Edge pizza and desserts and soup from the Geronimo Springs Museum.

The Sierra County Ani-

COURTESY PHOTOS

Polar Bear Plungers take to the lake in February 2023 during Elephant Butte Damsite Day.



mal Rescue Society and Companion Animal Action Team will sell cookies and offer a drawing. You can win a spay or neuter procedure, baskets of dog and cat goodies and more. Also on hand will be the Sierra

County Rock and Gem Society.

For entertainment, buskers Mario Portillo and Jonathan T. Samos will sing and play guitar; RGe Duo will provide music

at the welcome center; and, weather permitting, you can sway along to the grace of the Jewells of the Desert belly dancers from Las Cruces, tap your toes to the Boot Boogie Babes line dancers or watch the square dancing Sierra Twirlers, called by Joey Solis.

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New Mexico Senate honors Glenn Cutter

ALGERNON D'AMMASSA
Las Cruces Bulletin

Glenn Cutter of Picacho Hills, longtime champion of the arts and a Las Cruces business leader, was celebrated on the floor of the New Mexico Senate on Jan. 29 for his contributions not only to New Mexico's second largest city but to its Capitol building and government buildings throughout the state.

The state Capitol building, commonly referred to as the Roundhouse, is renowned for its art collection. As state Sen. Joseph Cervantes, D-Las Cruces, pointed out, Cutter, 82, played a crucial role in establishing a collection in which several senators expressed pride.

"We take for granted the art collection that's in this building," Cervantes said, adding, "This is really arguably the most impressive art collection in the state of New Mexico and that says a great deal in a state that's so committed to the arts."

Cutter was a founding member of the New Mexico Capitol Art Foundation in 1992, a nonprofit that oversees the art on exhibit at the Roundhouse, and served as its president for 13 years. With his wife Sally, who died in 2019, Cutter sold jewelry and antiques in Las Cruces since 1963, and the Cutter Gallery, long located at the historic Hadley House on El Paseo Road (which the couple restored), also featured

regular art exhibitions through its 45 years in business.

Cutter was also a founding member of the Doña Ana Arts Council and a founder of the Las Cruces Art Show.



GLENN CUTTER

The DAAC has given him the John Glowacki Award for lifetime achievement and is a member of the New Mexico Arts Commission.

"Glenn taught me about appreciating art, because I always felt that art was just way beyond my pocketbook even though I appreciated it," state Sen. Carrie Hamblen, D-Las Cruces, said. What she learned from Cutter, she added, was: "Art is an investment. It never depreciates, and it is something that shows the character and love that you bring into your home."

"For whatever we get wrong in this state and in the Legislature and state government ... the art in this building is world-class," state Sen. Jeff Steinborn, D-Las Cruces, said.

Among the bipartisan tributes came thanks from state Sen. Cliff Pirtle, R-Roswell, who said the works of art that graces the walls and corridors of the Capitol presented "a chance for all of us to really center ourselves" amid each day's business.

Senate Majority Leader Peter Wirth, D-Santa Fe, noted that the arts, tourism and culture are major contributors to New Mex-

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Play readings this weekend

BULLETIN REPORT

New Mexico State University's theatre arts department is welcoming playwrights Maiya Corral and Benjamin Benne, who will develop new works at the university and work with students of the program.

Their new plays will be included in a festival of readings that are part of the High Desert Play Development Workshop this week.

The readings, free to the public with a suggested donation of \$5, will include "La Manda" by Corral; "Untitled anthropocene play" by Benne; part of "The Golden Door," a new musical by Lisa Hermanson; and excerpts from plays by James Fritz Jerome, Mireya Sanchez-Maes and NMSU students Vida Vee Montoya, Austin Reeves and Rissa Wooldridge. Directing the readings are members of NMSU's faculty as well as students.

The readings all take



COURTESY PHOTO BY NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY

Playwrights Corral, Benne in residence at NMSU

place at the university Center for the Arts, 100 E. University Avenue. According to a news release, parking on campus near the theatre is free during show times, and food trucks will be staged near the building for meals between performances.

On Friday, excerpts and monologues by students and local writers will be presented at 5:30 p.m., followed by "La Manda" at 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, the first act of "The Golden Door" will be presented at 5:30 p.m. with student-written monologues, with "Untitled anthropocene play" at 7:30 p.m.

More information is available online at Theatre.NMSU.edu.

CUTTER

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ico's economy as well, and celebrated the 1986 statute that established a 1 percent earmark from capital expenditures exceeding \$100,000 for art installations in state buildings across New Mexico. Cutter has served on local selection committees that administer the program.

Cervantes also paid tribute to Cutter's leadership in Las Cruces' business community and service to New Mexico State University as the NMSU Foundation and NMSU Foundation Investment Committee chair and other initiatives.

Cutter was present for the honor, briefly rising from his seat to acknowledge applause and paying thanks to the senators.

ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH

Las Cruces Bulletin

For the Love of the Arts, Por el Amore al Arte

The Doña Ana Arts Council is hosting two exhibitions during February, For the Love of Arts month – in the main gallery are "For the Love of Art K-12 Student and Educator artworks" from around the Doña Ana community and the Staszewski Gallery features "The National Hispanic Cultural Center Experience." From 5-8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16 NHCC executive director, Zack Quintero, will be on hand and participating in a panel discussion on the Cultural Ambassador program. Feb. 17-18 and Feb. 24 and 25 DAAC will be open for art lovers as a stop along the Love of Arts Studio Tours. The Love of Arts Studio Tours features Artist Studios from all over the City of Las Cruces. Info: 575-523-6403 or director@daarts.org. The gallery is open 10- a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and located at 230 S. Water St. in Las Cruces.

Auditions this weekend at Black Box Theater

"In the Next Room or the Vibrator Play," written by Sarah Ruhl, is a comedy about marriage, intimacy and electricity directed by Joshua Taulbee. The play, which will be an April production, is welcoming auditions at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17 and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 at the Black Box Theater, 430 N. Main St. Las Cruces. Info: no-strings.org.

Set in the 1880s at the dawn of the age of electricity and based on the bizarre historical fact that doctors used vibrators to treat "hysterical" women (and some men), the play centers on a doctor and his wife and how his new therapy affects their entire household. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script. Due to adult themes and situations, those auditioning must be at least 18 years old. A perusal copy of the script is available at the Ask Here! desk at Branigan Library.

Arts roundup



Gallery welcomes new ceramist

Agave Artists Gallery artists are celebrating For the Love of Art during the entire month of February. Ceramist Heather Rae Morton is new to Agave Artist Gallery. Her interest in ceramics helped earn her a BFA and a three-year apprenticeship with a master potter in San Diego, California. Morton's work consists of wheel-thrown stoneware pieces, primarily functional items - mugs, tumblers, and bowls. She keeps the shapes and silhouettes simple, presenting natural colors and delicate hues reminiscent of the Chihuahuan Desert of Las Cruces. The gallery is open 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday to Monday and until 8 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month at 2250 Calle de San Albino. Info: 575-339-9870.

Muñoz's art challenges boundaries

Art lovers in the region have an opportunity to experience 40 years of boundary-breaking artwork by conceptual multimedia artist Celia Álvarez Muñoz. More than 35 of her works are on display at the University Art Museum at New Mexico State University. "Celia Álvarez Muñoz: Breaking the Binding" The show, which includes large-scale immersive installations, photographic series and book projects, runs through March 2. Info: uam.nmsu.edu.



COURTESY PHOTOS

From top: "For the Love of Art K-12 Student and Educator artworks" are featured at the Doña Ana Arts Council Gallery; this octopus is part of the "For the Love of Art K-12 Student and Educator artworks" at the Doña Ana Arts Council Gallery; work by Heather Rae Morton is on display for February at the Agave Gallery in Las Cruces.

PUZZLES FOURTH-ESTATE FANTASY

- ACROSS
1 Not quite first-rate
7 "Patience -- virtue"
10 Car tankful
13 Collie of TV
19 Cattle farm of the West
20 Trumpet blast
22 Singer and actor Frankie
23 When it's 12:00 p.m.
24 Element #3
25 Japanese city that hosted the 1998 Olympics
26 Start of a riddle
29 Japanese buckwheat noodle
30 Dr. Seuss' Sam- --
31 Amo, amas, --
32 "Addams Family" cousin
35 Riddle, part 2
43 Faint smell
45 Foldout bed
46 Co-workers of MDs
47 Stalactite site
48 Florence's river
49 Total amount
51 "Scram!"
52 Minecraft and StarCraft, e.g.
55 Riddle, part 3
60 Brief promos
61 Triceps' place
62 Pop's Celine
63 See 58-Down
66 Bullfighter
67 Riddle, part 4
70 Put a new front on, as a building
72 Unbroken

- 73 Recognized
75 With 59-Down, brand of frozen potatoes
76 Famously feisty fish
77 Riddle, part 5
81 Oval shape
84 Dejected
85 "Who am -- judge?"
86 Secret writing
87 Postal pieces
88 Detectives like TV's Magnum, for short
89 Karachi's nation: Abbr.
91 Very long time periods
92 End of the riddle
99 Disloyal type
100 Impulsive desire
101 Illusionist Geller
102 Like planted seeds
104 Riddle's answer
113 Enter very quickly
114 Novelist Caldwell
115 Common gauge for toy trains
116 "Despite that ..."
117 Gets smaller
118 "Happy Days" actress Ross
119 Bunks on ships
120 Mil. ranker
121 Gym pad
122 Hole to receive a lace

- DOWN
1 Bird's crop
2 Trellis strip
3 "Noelle" star Kendrick
4 Glasgow natives

Crossword grid with numbered starting points for clues.

PUZZLE ANSWER

Grid of puzzle answers with letters in black boxes.

SUPER CROSSWORD

- 5 Grandstander
6 Chimpanzee variety
7 "-- have to wait"
8 Got married
9 Lure for insect extermination
10 The earth as a goddess
11 Cut -- (dance)
12 Pago Pago people
13 "Meteor" actor Martin
14 1972 Billy Wilder comedy film
15 Long, involved story
16 Shut loudly
17 Actress Skye of "Stranded"
18 Grammy winner Brian
21 "-- the breaks!"
27 Former Egypt-Syr. alliance
28 Texter's "Holy smokes!"
32 "Let me!"
33 Bases-loaded situation
34 Lightweight kitchen utensils
36 Peak
37 Chicago daily, in brief
38 Global: Abbr.
39 Mark for life
40 Easter meat
41 Adam's mate
42 -- Moines
44 Bob of choreography
49 Tahitian skirts
50 Package delivery co.
51 Carpentry material for some cabinets
52 Chi follower
53 Spicy Spanish pork sausage
54 Taxonomic subdivisions
56 Become lively
57 Cheer yell
58 With 63-Across, for the time being
59 See 75-Across
63 Oven used to bake naan
64 Spiny anteater
65 Most unkind
67 Conservation org. with a panda logo
68 Pooch's yap
69 Big blue body
71 Genre of many sitcoms
74 Wide shoe spec
76 Mining shaft
77 Higher ground?
78 "You wish!"
79 Conde --
80 User-edited website
81 Rescue squad VIP
82 "-- -di-dah!"
83 False story
88 Projecting curves on saddles
89 By the day
90 Huffington of HuffPost
91 So to speak
93 Wise-acting
94 Thick-skinned critters
95 Day, in Chile
96 Studly guys
97 Abbr. on a bad check
98 End a vacation
103 Mother-of-pearl
104 Surfing need
105 Cake finisher
106 Holy Week's time
107 Eldest of the Brady boys
108 Helper: Abbr.
109 For fear that
110 Half a train track
111 -- gin fizz
112 Camp shelter
113 Yank's rival

Memory as a way of making the past present

Forty years ago, Susan and I were traveling through the English countryside on a great British Railways train. We were seated across from an elderly woman dressed in unremarkable clothes and wearing sensible shoes. She was oblivious to her surroundings, apparently, and thus kept flipping her

upper set of false teeth around in her mouth. It was a rather off-putting sight, albeit clever in a strange way. It is a picture we remember as having seared itself in our brains to this very day.

A special word for memory is shared between the biblical languages of Hebrew and Greek. It can be a com-

mon word, but it takes on special shading when used in reference to the two major events celebrated by the Old and New Testaments. It is the word for “memory,” but it means making the past present. That’s what the Passover Seder



GABRIEL ROCHELLE

Tales from the Cassock

does. The question at table is, “why is this night different from all other nights?” The answer is, “because this is the night when God brought us out of the house of bondage, out of Egypt into a land flowing with milk and honey.”

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Years ago, a friend who knew my interest

in World War I gave me a book by Anglo-Welsh poet and artist David Jones. Jones had experienced the horror and the camaraderie of that war in the trenches, had been wounded, sent back, eventually mustered out and spent years struggling with what today we

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Vexus investing \$50 million for fiber network in Las Cruces

BULLETIN REPORT

Fiber optic internet provider Vexus Fiber recently completed phase one of a \$250 million new fiber network in Albuquerque, projected for completion in 2028.

Last week, the company said it broke ground on a new network in Las Cruces as well, which it says will bring high speed fiber optic internet service to more than 44,000 homes in the city.

Unlike providers offering fixed broadband or mobile service, Vexus Fiber builds fiber-to-doorstep service to subscribers and is promising speeds up to 5

gigs (or 5,000 megabits per second), with the first 400 premises able to start service by the end of March, according to a statement from the company.

Vexus has committed \$50 million in private capital to wiring Las Cruces up to its 10-gigabit network, and is projecting up to 100 construction jobs while the fiber lines are installed followed by up to 50 permanent jobs maintaining service.

“It’s an exciting time for high-speed internet,” Vexus CEO Jim Gleason stated in a news release. “We are planning an aggressive schedule for construction and instal-

lation for several phases over the next few months. Las Cruces will soon have some of the fastest internet service available anywhere. We are proud to offer a new choice in internet providers as well. Our mission is to transform Las Cruces into a gigacity, delivering high-tech, future-proof fiber internet to the area.”

Vexus emphasized the value of highest-available broadband connections for video conferences, consolidated digitally-based communication systems and cloud-based storage that have become increasingly standard features.

The company said

residents in construction areas will receive written notice of work near them 30 days in advance, or can receive email updates by signing up at VexusFiber.com/connect. (The same page allows people to learn more about the services, if they are interested in becoming customers.) The company advised residents to watch for branded vehicles and ID tags to verify workers’ relationship with Vexus.

The company serves residential and business customers in Texas, New Mexico and Louisiana.

Although New Mexico was allocated more than \$675 million in federal money under the Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment program, officials have expressed doubts that it will build a network connecting regions that lack adequate service, particular in rural areas like those surrounding the Las Cruces metropolitan area. Extending high-speed internet is judged critical



COURTESY PHOTO BY VEXUS FIBER

In Las Cruces, Vexus crews have begun building a new fiber optic network to deliver high-speed internet service direct to premises.

for economic development and equity for lower-income residents who need to access education and health care services as remote services become more important.

Vexus promises its network will offer symmetrical speeds, meaning download and upload speeds would be equal, which is associated with

easier and faster transfers of files from cloud-based services and easing slowdowns during higher-traffic periods of the day, as well as convenience for streaming or downloading movies and games. Asymmetrical connections, by comparison, tend to be less expensive and an alternative for customers who do less uploading.

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call PTSD. In 1928, ten years after the Great War ended, he began to write a book about his experience. It took 10 years before “In Parenthesis” was born. It won one of the highest awards in British literature. That was the book I was given. When I read the book, I realized that Jones had made the past present. That book is the

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get into the car. But ritual is so much more than that. Ritual makes the past present, so we know the inner reality of events like Passover or like the Eucharist. This is not magic; this is the fullest meaning of memory. Relish it when you experience it.

Fr. Gabriel Rochelle serves as the priest at St Anthony of the Desert Orthodox Mission. Contact him at gabrielcroch@aol.com.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FREE Case No.: D-307-CV-2023-00748 DOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff, vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS J DUNAGAN, DECEASED, Defendant. **NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE** 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 310 Capri Rd, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows: A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE WITHIN THE TOWN OF MESSILLA, DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, BEING LOT 4 AND A PORTION OF LOT 3, BASON MANOR, PLAT FILED APRIL 7, 1975, IN BOOK 12, PAGE 11, OF THE DONA ANA COUNTY RECORDS, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT A 1/2" IRON ROD FOUND ON THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF CAPRI ROAD FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT: IDENTICAL TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 4, BASON MANOR, PLAT FILED APRIL 7, 1975, IN BOOK 12, PAGE 11, OF THE DONA ANA COUNTY RECORDS; THENCE, FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNINGS, ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF CAPRI ROAD, N.60°20'00"E., A DISTANCE OF 114.17 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD FOUND FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE, LEAVING THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF CAPRI ROAD, S.28°07'20"E., A DISTANCE OF 128.45 FEET TO A MARK SET FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE S.60°22'00"W., A DISTANCE OF 110.78 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD FOUND FOR THE

SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE N.29°38'00"W., A DISTANCE OF 128.34 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ENCLOSING 0.331 ACRE OF LAND, MORE OR LESS. Including any mobile home, and any and all improvements, fixtures, and attachments. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 12:45 PM on March 28, 2024, outside the main entrance of the 3rd Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, City of Las Cruces, County 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 January 2, 2024, in the total amount of \$249,644.87, with interest at the rate of 3.2500% per annum from November 4, 2023 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 279 Sandia Park, NM 87047 1 NM-23-951913-JUD IDSPub #0190523 1/26/2024 2/2/2024 2/9/2024 2/16/2024

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT Case No.: D-307-CV-2023-01099 BOKF, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs. GRACE LUCERO, Defendant. **NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE** 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 6527 Phoenix St, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more partic-

ularly described as follows: LOT 5, BLOCK A, INSPIRATION HEIGHTS, PHASE 1, IN DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON APRIL 25, 2007, IN BOOK 22 PAGE (S) 202-203 OF PLAT RECORDS. Including any mobile home, and any and all improvements, fixtures, and attachments. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 12:45 PM on March 28, 2024, outside the main entrance of the 3rd Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, 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 January 8, 2024, in the total amount of \$103,292.83, with interest at the rate of 5.1250% per annum from November 7, 2023 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold

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subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. BOKF, N.A., 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 279 Sandia Park, NM 87047 1 NM-23-956602-JUD IDSPub #0200578 **2/2/2024 2/9/2024 2/16/2024 2/23/2024**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. D-307-PB-2023-00287
Judge James T. Martin
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CONNIE AKA 'CONSUELO' ROYBAL, deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JEFFERY ROYBAL has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Connie 'Consuelo' Roybal, deceased. 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 undersigned counsel for the Personal Representative or filed with the Clerk of the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88005. **STREETER LAW FIRM, LLC**
1990 E. Lohman Ave., Ste. 217
Las Cruces, NM 88001
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/s/ Jessica Streeter
Jessica Streeter
NM Bar No. 142793
Dates: 02/02, 02/09, 02/16, 2024

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 9, 2024, Charles Tharp of Dona Ana Land Company, 6000 N. Valley Dr. Las Cruces, NM 88007 filed with the **STATE ENGINEER** Application No. LRG-11107-POD8, OSE File Nos. LRG-11107 and LRG-11107-A, for Permit to Drill and Use a Supplemental Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin of the State of New Mexico by drilling new well LRG-11107-POD8, to a depth of 200 ft. with a 16 in. casing, to be located within the NW¼ NW¼ of projected Section 22, Township 22 South, Range 1 East (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and

Longitude intersect at 32° 23' 7" N, 106° 50' 8" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, to supplement existing wells LRG-11107, LRG-11107-S, LRG-11107-S-2, LRG-11107-S-3, LRG-11107-POD5, and LRG-11107-POD6, located as described in OSE File Nos. LRG-11107 and LRG-11107-A, 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 386.51 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SW¼ and SE¼ of projected Section 9, Township 22 South, Range 1 East (NMPM), within the SW¼ of projected Section 15, Township 22 South, Range 1 East (NMPM), within the NW¼, the NE¼, and the SE¼ of projected Section 16, Township 22 South, Range 1 East (NMPM), within the NE¼ of projected Section 21, Township 22 South, Range 1 East (NMPM), and within the NW¼ and the SW¼ of projected Section 22, Township 22 South, Range 1 East (NMPM) as described by Subfile Nos. LRN-28-004-0003-A, Rights A & B, LRN-28-004-0061, LRN-28-004-0062, and LRN-28-004-0063 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey, and for the irrigation of 18.07 acres of land, owned by the applicant, with groundwater only located within the NW¼ of projected Section

22, Township 22 South, Range 1 East (NMPM), and within the SW¼ of projected Section 15, Township 22 South, Range 1 East (NMPM), as described by Subfile Nos. LRN-28-004-0003-A, Rights C & D of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24. The proposed site of new well LRG-11107-POD8 is located north of Las Cruces, NM and is approximately 0.50 miles northeast of the intersection of N. Valley Dr. and W. Thorpe Rd. 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 **March 29, 2024**. 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: 02/02, 02/09, 02/16, 2024

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
Case No. D-307-2023-1245
Grace B. Duran
Minerva Reyes,
Petitioner,
V.
Erik Reyes,
Respondent,

NOTICE OF SUIT
To Erik Reyes, **RESPONDENT**: Take notice that a lawsuit has been filed against you. The subject of this lawsuit is: Divorce. If you do not file a response or responsive pleading with the above-titled Court within 30 days after the third publication of this notice, the Court may enter a default judgment against you. Minerva Reyes 6772 Brahman Rd Las Cruces, NM 88012
WITNESS the Honorable Grace B. Duran, District Judge of the Third Judicial

District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the seal of the District Court of Dona Ana County, this 27th day of November, 2023.
Bernice A. Ramos
Clerk of the District Court
Dates: 02/02, 02/09, 02/16, 2024

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 08, 2024, Cinco Estrellas, LLC, 816 Canterbury Arc., Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed with the **STATE ENGINEER** Application No. LRG-09587-POD3, OSE File No. LRG-01757, for Permit to Use a Replacement Well 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. Use of well LRG-01757, located within the SE¼ of Sec. 04, T26S, R03E, NMPM, and more specifically located at or near the intersection of Latitude 32° 4' 17.56" N and Longitude 106° 38' 9.27" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, will be discontinued and replaced by well LRG-09587-POD3 which is located within the SE¼ of said Sec. 04 at the approximate intersection Latitude 32° 4' 19.04" N and Longitude 106° 37' 57.05" W, 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 Judgement and Settlement Agreement in Stream Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte

Irrigation District for the irrigation of 39.36 acres of land owned by the applicant located within part of SE¼ of said Sec. 04, the applicant has requested emergency authorization to use replacement well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-23. The site of well T-09587-POD3 is located south of Las Cruces, NM and may be found approximately 1700 ft., NW of the intersection of US HWY 478 and E. Berino Rd. Well LRG-01797 will be retained for other rights. 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 asserting 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). If the protest does not include the complete name, phone number, email address, and mailing address, it may be deemed invalid and not accepted for filing unless Protestant provides with the protest affidavit stating that it does not have one of the above-listed elements/requirements (phone number, mailing address, email address, etc.). 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 shall be required to provide evidence showing 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 **March 29, 2024**. 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 (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: 02/09, 02/16, 02/23, 2024

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Las Cruces, NM 88012
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Dates: 02/09, 02/16, 2024

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
PB-2024-0019
Judge Fitch
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN EDWARD BRITTLE, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative, in care of the Bates Law Firm, PO Box 305, Las Cruces, NM 88004-0305, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Pícacho Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005.
DATED: January 26, 2024.
/s/ Constance L. Jones-Brittle
Constance L. Jones-Brittle
Personal Representa-

tive of the Estate of John Edward Brittle, Deceased
PREPARED AND SUBMITTED BY:
BATES LAW FIRM
P.O. Box 305
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0305 (575) 524-8585
(575) 524-1895 (Fax)
/s/ Lloyd O. Bates Jr.
Lloyd O. Bates Jr.
Attorney for the Estate
NM Bar No. 175
Dates: 02/09, 02/16, 02/23, 2024

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
Case No. D-307-PB-2023-00275
Judge: James T. Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THEODORE HAPP SWENSON, DECEASED.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Eli Swenson has been appointed personal representative of the estate of the decedent. All persons having claims against the estate of the decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of any published notice to creditors or sixty (60) days after the date of mailing or other delivery of this notice, whichever is later, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative care of his undersigned counsel at the address listed below, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court of Dona Ana County, New Mexico.
Dated: February 6, 2024
Respectfully submitted,
LAW OFFICE OF JOSHUA L. SMITH,

LLC
/s/ Joshua L. Smith
Joshua L. Smith
Attorney for Personal Representative
P.O. Box 28
Mesilla Park, NM 88047
Tel: (575) 636-2220
josh@joshuasmith-law.com
Dates: 02/16, 02/23, 03/01, 2024

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
Case No. D-307-CV-2023-843
Judge Lara
Za'khy Acron, Petitioner
V.
John Doe, Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT
To John Doe, Respondent:
Take notice that a lawsuit has been filed against you. The subject of this lawsuit is: Kinship/Guardianship
If you do not file a response or responsive pleading with the above-titled Court within 30 days after the third publication of this notice, the Court may enter a default judgment against you.
Petitioner's Name: Za'khy Acron
1505 S Espina St
LC, NM 88001
WITNESS the Honorable Robert Lara, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the seal of the District Court of Dona Ana County, this 24th day of January, 2024.
Bernice A. Ramos
Clerk of the District Court
/s/ Yvette Lopez
Dates: 02/16, 02/23, 03/01, 2024

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Case No. D-307-PB-2024-00026
Judge: Arrieta, Manuel I.
In the Matter of the Estate JAMES HUMBERT ANDREWS, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Steven Bradley Phillips has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
Case No. D-307-DM-201401121
Judge Robert Lara

Deon E. Evans, Petitioner
V.
Jessie R. Escalera, Respondent.
NOTICE OF SUIT
To Jessie R. Escalera, Respondent:
Take notice that a lawsuit has been filed against you. The subject of this lawsuit is: Modified Child Support
If you do not file a response or responsive pleading with the above-titled Court within 30 days after the third publication of this notice, the Court may enter a default judgment against you.
Petitioner's Name: Deon E. Evans
585 Fort Furlong Trail
Las Cruces, NM 88007
WITNESS the Honorable Robert Lara, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the seal of the District Court of Dona Ana County, this 30th day of January, 2024.
Bernice A. Ramos
Clerk of the District Court
/s/ Yvette Lopez
Dates: 02/16, 02/23, 03/01, 2024

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Case No. D-307-PB-2024-00026
Judge: Arrieta, Manuel I.
In the Matter of the Estate JAMES HUMBERT ANDREWS, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Steven Bradley Phillips has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of

this notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address shown in this notice or filed within the court. The attorney for the personal representative is William L. Lutz of the law firm of Martin & Lutz, P.C., 21 IO North Main Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88001. Dated this 7 day of February 2024.
/s/ Steven Bradley Phillips
Steven Bradley Phillips
Personal Representative
36 Wallace Mesa Trail Datil, NM 87821
Dated: 02/16, 02/23, 03/01, 2024

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
Notice is hereby given that the following property shall be sold at public auction or otherwise disposed of, in satisfaction of lien, in accordance with the New Mexico Self Storage Lien Act.
To be held over the internet at storaget-reasures.com
By DISCOUNT SELF STORAGE
5395 Bataan Memorial W
LAS CRUCES, NM 88012
575 541-5760
BEGINNING ON TUESDAY, MARCH 12TH, 2024 AT 10 A.M. AND ENDING ON FRIDAY, MARCH 15TH, 2024 AT 10 A.M.
THE ENTIRE CONTENTS OF STORAGE UNIT: 105
Tenant address is "last known."
UNIT 105
MARICELA GUTIERREZ
5363 Mesa Dr Spc 1
Las Cruces, NM 88012
Unit items consist of: Couches, plastic bags, clothing, plastic bins, misc. items
Dates: 02/16, 02/23,

2024
NOTICE OF AUCTION
To: Angel Boyer (Storage Unit B-11)
Amount to satisfy lien: \$867.00
1688 Joshua CT, Las Cruces, NM 88012
Anthony Lira C (Storage Unit C 22-44)
Amount to satisfy lien: \$893.39
4162 Calle Libertad, Las Cruces, NM 88005
Edgardo Cogles (Storage Unit A 17-34)
Amount to satisfy lien: \$920.00
435 Ithaca Court, Las Cruces, NM 88011
Karen Perez (Storage Unit B-18)
Amount to satisfy lien: \$505.00
5117 Kensington Way, Las Cruces, NM 88012
Lana Roberts (Storage Unit C-19)
Amount to satisfy lien: \$440.00
4595 Camino Dos Vidas, Las Cruces, NM 88012
Luis Baeza (Storage Unit B-19)
Amount to satisfy lien: \$760.00
2772 Lookout Ridge Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88011
Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage Unit will be disposed of to satisfy our lien in the amount listed above and any accumulating fees. You may still come by and give full payment of balance owed by cash or certified funds and remove all of your items from our property before the disposal date, but no later than 5 pm Friday February 23, 2024.
Date of Disposal: Saturday, February 24, 2024
Time: 9:30 AM
Place: Sunrise Mesa Storage
5245 Porter Drive
Las Cruces, NM 88012
Dates: 02/16, 02/23,

2024
NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT
The City Council of the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of its Intent to Adopt the Following Ordinance(s) at the Regular City Council Meeting Held on March 18, 2024:
Council Bill No. 24-022; Ordinance No. 3064: An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Loan and Subsidy Agreement ("Loan Agreement") by and Between the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico ("Governmental Unit") and the New Mexico Finance Authority ("Finance Authority"), in the Total Amount of Fifteen Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$15,300,000) Evidencing a Special Limited Obligation of the Governmental Unit to Pay a Maximum Repayable Principal Amount of No More Than Twelve Million Two Hundred Eighty Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars (\$12,280,949), Together with Interest, and Administrative Fees Thereon, and to Accept a Loan Subsidy of No More Than Three Million Nineteen Thousand Fifty-One Dollars (\$3,019,051), for the Purpose of Financing the Costs of a New Well, Associated Improvements of the Well Including Connecting to the Joint Utility System of the Governmental Unit, and Rehabilitation of Water Storage Tanks; Providing for the Pledge and Payment of the Principal, Administrative Fees and Interest Due Under the Loan Agreement Solely from the Net Revenues of the Joint Utility System of the Governmental Unit; Setting an Interest

Rate for the Loan; Approving the Form of and Other Details Concerning the Loan Agreement; Ratifying Actions Heretofore Taken; Repealing All Action Inconsistent with this Ordinance; and Authorizing the Taking of Other Actions in Connection with the Execution and Delivery of the Loan Agreement. Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk. Witness My Hand and Seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 12th day of February, 2024
Christine Rivera, CMC, City Clerk.
Dates: 02/16, 2024

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT
The City Council of the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of its Intent to Adopt the Following Ordinance(s) at the Regular City Council Meeting Held on March 5, 2024:
Council Bill No. 24-021; Ordinance No. 3063: An Ordinance Approving a Zone Change from R-3 (High Density Residential from the South Mesquite Overlay) to C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial District from the South Mesquite Overlay). The Subject Property Encompasses 0.233 + Acres and is Located at 541 Campo Street. The Zone Change is to Allow for the Future Development of a Commercial Business on the Subject Property. Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk. Witness My Hand and Seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 12th day of February, 2024.
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GAME BOARD

High school sports weekend

Friday

BASKETBALL

- Centennial boys at Gadsden High: Freshmen 4 p.m., JV 5:30 p.m., varsity 7 p.m.
- Centennial girls host Gadsden: Freshmen 4 p.m., JV 5:30 p.m., varsity 7 p.m.
- Las Cruces boys at Organ Mountain: Freshmen 4 p.m., JV 5:30 p.m., varsity 7 p.m.
- Las Cruces girls host Organ Mountain: Freshmen 4 p.m., JV 5:30 p.m., varsity 7 p.m.

- Mayfield boys at Alamogordo High: Freshmen 4:30 p.m., JV 6 p.m., varsity 7:30 p.m.
- Mayfield girls host Alamogordo: Freshmen 4 p.m., JV 5:30 p.m., varsity 7 p.m.

Saturday

WRESTLING

- Centennial, Las Cruces, Mayfield wrestle at Region 2-5A Wrestling Tournament, 9 a.m. at Roswell High School.

POWER LIFTING

- Centennial vs. Deming High, varsity mixed power lifting, 9 a.m. at Deming.

NMSU highlights freshman pitcher

BULLETIN REPORT

New Mexico State University celebrated one of its freshman softball athletes this week, as Desirae Spearman, a first-year student from El Paso, recently won a regular-season award from Conference USA and was also named the conference's "Freshman of the Week."

According to a news release, that week for Spearman included a 4-0 weekend confronting Monmouth and Abilene Christian, pitching 13.0 innings with no earned runs allowed, striking out 14 batters over the weekend – 10 of them on Saturday in a doubleheader against Abilene. She also



COURTESY PHOTO BY NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY

Desirae Spearman

scored two runs and 5 RBIs of her own and successfully stole two bases.

Per the university, Spearman is the first Aggie to win a conference weekly award since Kayla Bowen in 2023.

Coverage of NMSU

softball for the season is available online at NMStateSports.com, and social networking platforms on Facebook (NM State Softball), X (@NMStateSoftball) and Instagram (@NMStateSoftball).

Aggie men fall in El Paso rivalry game

BULLETIN REPORT

At press time, NMSU was set to play the Middle Tennessee Blue Raiders Thursday and shake off a tough night in El Paso last weekend.

On Sunday, Feb. 11, the Aggies' shooting game at the University of Texas at El Paso slowed late in the match to a crawl, like Interstate 10 traffic from Anthony to El Paso, and took a 74-49 loss that left them 11-13 overall and 5-4 in Conference USA play, per a news release.

Jaden Harris led the team with 20 points for the night and shooting 8-for-8 from the freethrow line, while Femi Odukale shot six points, three assists, three rebounds, two steals and two blocks, and Kaosi Ezeagu made seven rebounds, per data from NMSU.

The women's basketball team fared better against UTEP last Saturday, defeating the I-10 rivals 66-59.

The Aggie men were set to play in Murfreesboro, Tenn. to face the Blue



COURTESY PHOTO BY NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY

The Aggies' Femi Odukale (11) takes a shot during a Feb. 11 match against UTEP.

Raiders at 5:30 p.m. Thursday at the Murphy Center, while the two schools' women's basketball teams were to meet at 6 p.m. at the Pan American Center in Las Cruces. The games will be available to ESPN+ subscribers.

NM STATE ATHLETICS

NM STATE MEN'S BASKETBALL

Upcoming Games

vs SAM HOUSTON
THURSDAY, FEB. 22 • 7 PM
CHAMPIONS FOR LITERACY

vs LA TECH
SATURDAY, FEB. 24 • 7 PM
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NM STATE ATHLETICS

CLASS OF 2024

FOOTBALL
LARRY ROSE III
2014-2017

SOFTBALL
FIANNA FINAU
2014-2016

MEN'S BASKETBALL
HERNST LAROCHÉ
2008-2012

FOOTBALL
JOE SCHMIESING
1967

PGA show showed evidence of game's growth

With the continued upswing in consumer golf participation, the 71st PGA Show in Orlando last month signaled a bullish year ahead for the \$102 billion golf industry.

While the PGA Show began in the trunks of cars during a 1954 golf tournament, it has grown into golf's largest running and largest global golf business gathering covering 1.1 million square feet of exhibits, demonstrations and meeting space within the Orange County Convention Center. The game's most recognizable brands and veteran manufacturers, along with more than 350 new exhibitors, created a brilliant marketplace to showcase the latest innovations that will enhance the golf

experience and drive the business of the sport. Here are but a few of the special products I found.

Have you ever struggled with sweaty palms when you want to grip your golf club firmly? The newest answer is "Chalkless," an odorless powder you lightly shake on your hands. An 8-gram bottle is \$19.99 at www.chalkless.com. Shake half a teaspoon onto your hand. Rub your hands together and between your fingers and up along your wrist. That's your grip zone.

Another nice little "find" was a clever training aid item called "iAlign." This is a 1.5-inch gismo that attaches

(clips) to the bottom of the shaft (above the neck or hosel) of your putter and allows you to square the face to your desired direction. It has a red dot indicator that enables you to maintain perfect alignment and helps recalibrate your eyes, offering a

clear visual indication of how square the putter face is to the intended target line throughout your putting practice. Just keep the red dot hidden behind the shaft for optimal alignment. Once clipped onto your shaft and slid into position, it remains securely in place throughout your practice session. Go to toiAlign.com and order for \$19.99 with



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Most golf courses have hole-by-hole yardage books available in the pro shop, but they don't have greens books. Hark! Greens books are available for all four of our local golf courses from the foremost producer of greens books, StrackaLine. While not allowed on the PGA Tour, StrackaLine books are USGA-compliant greens guides not available anywhere else, even with smart phone apps, for the most accurate green reading. Every greens book includes a dual view topographic slope presented in percentage for both, and accurate to the millimeter. Greens are scaled to no larger than 3/8 inch to 5 yards in order to be USGA compliant. There

is also a 1 yard/5yard grid for surrounding hazards and sprinkler heads provided. You can order a \$20 greens book at StrackaLine.com.

Next up is what I think is the best combination speaker/GPS rangefinder for golf on the market: the "Blue Tees Player+." Award-winning golf writer Gary Van Sickle writes: "Come for the tunes, stay for the golf. It turns out Player+ offers outstanding golf options, also. You may not be familiar with Blue Tees Golf, which also makes quality rangefinders, but they are quickly becoming best in class in the music/electronic yardages category." They are challenging long-time industry leader Bushnell. The Player+ is an 8 inch

by 3 inch (approximately) cylindrical unit with a flat-face touch screen, loaded with 40,000 golf courses, and provides tee shot driving distance, distance to front, center and back of greens, the Blue Tees Game app and more. Sound-wise, the ample speaker has a deep bass quality. A magnetic strip allows the Player+ to attach to your cart with ease and each charge enables up to 10 hours of battery life. It has 100 feet of range (from cart), scorekeeping capability and a waterproof outer casing. Player+ is available for \$199 at PGA Superstores. Learn more at Blueteesgolf.com.

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