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'IT DIDN'T GIVE UP ON ME'

Veterans' treatment court wins gold certification

ALGERNON D'AMMASSA Las Cruces Bulletin

On Monday, the courtroom 7 at the Third Judicial District court in Las Cruces was packed. The gallery was full, people stood at the sides of the room, and an additional row of chairs accommodated staff members. The jury seats were full, as well, but not with jurors. There was no trial or criminal proceeding this afternoon.

On the wall to the right of District Judge James T. Martin's bench sat a striking oil painting of a phoenix-like figure spreading its wings over a smoldering fire.

This was a hearing of the Doña Ana County Veterans Treatment Court. The program, which debuted in 2018, locates veterans and active service members who have fallen into the criminal justice system and provides a rigid, even invasive structure assisting them with substance abuse treat-



LAS CRUCES BULLETIN PHOTO BY ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

Michael Hubbard, left, a new graduate of the Doña Ana County Veterans' Treatment Court program, stands with fellow graduates Magdalena Escoto and Frank Lopez in front of Escoto's painting of a phoenix rising from flames at the 3rd Judicial District courthouse in Las Cruces, Feb. 19, 2024.

ment, behavioral health counseling and mental health treatment as needed, and other services on an individual case management basis.

The rigorous structure includes constant surveil-

lance to check compliance with curfews and attendance at work and/ or class, supervised urine tests to make sure participants stay clean and sober and regular appearances in the courtroom to account for progress as well as lapses before Judge Martin.

The participants who testified Monday, in front of an unusually full courtroom, had mostly good news to report and some moved up levels in the treatment courts' tiered system, receiving applause and congratulations from the judge. There were testimonies of improved family relations, lengthening periods of sobriety, job interviews and school.

Even these testimonies, however, revealed glimpses of struggle involved in completing the program and staying on track while breaking the chains of addiction to meth, heroin, alcohol and other substances. One man sought permission to travel to El Paso to visit an ailing brother in the hospital. Martin agreed, provided a staff member accompany him in case the stress of the family emergency threatened a relapse. Other participants spoke of challenges in balancing work and classes, finding living arrangements that support their sobriety. Appointments with program staff were

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Council, city manager respond after comments slam city for officer's death

JUSTIN GARCIA
Las Cruces Bulletin

Around 40 people protested a Las Cruces City Council meeting Tuesday following the death of a Las Cruces Police Department officer.

The commenters nearly all of whom identified themselves as local business owners - laid blame for the officer's death at the feet of the city council's governance and policy guidance over the last four years. Many commenters singled out Johana Bencomo, who represents District 4, for what they referred to as failed progressive policies that have led to more crime in Las Cruces and an underfunded police department.

"I think it's time that we do a congratulations to the councilor of District 4 for creating such a beautiful magnet to bring crime and lawlessness into our district," said Fred Huff, one of the commenters.

The city council – including Bencomo – has voted to increase the police department's budget by 25 percent over the last three years. They've allowed the police department to hire 18 new officers and spent nearly \$6 million on vehicles. During that time, the police department also reported a decrease in crime.

The commenters also suggested the council was responsible for executive action and execution of policy. But the charter and system of governance



CITY OF LAS CRUCES VIDEO

Las Cruces City Manager Ifo Pili addresses the city council and the public during the Feb. 20 council meeting at city hall.

makes the city manager responsible for that.

"If people understood that, rather than pointing fingers at the mayor and council, I think there would be more productivity in the conversations that we have," City Manager Ifo Pili said at the outset of the meeting.

Nearly all commenters
— many of whom called
for more transparency

and accountability from the council and said the public needed to pay more attention to the council's actions — did not stick around to hear the council and city management's responses at the end of the meeting.

"I'm happy to sit down with anybody and talk about the plans from administration, to talk about what's working and what's not; we've also asked for solutions and haven't really gotten much from those who have come," Pili said. "What they have walked away with is a better understanding of how city government works."

The catalyst for commenters' salvos was the stabbing death of Las Cruces Police Department Officer Jonah Hernandez. Hernandez was stabbed by a man on the corner of Valley Drive and Amador Avenue while responding to a trespassing call earlier this month.

Jeremy Story, chief of LCPD, said the man was homeless at the time of the stabbing. Local television news stations reported that the man's family paid for him to live in an apartment, but it's unclear if he was actively utilizing it. The family also said that the man had schizophrenia. A bystander gunned down the assailant as police arrived.

While there are still numerous questions about what occurred – the city

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Public safety takes priority at budget planning meetings

JUSTIN GARCIA Las Cruces Bulletin

Public safety is an expensive endeavor.

About 42 percent or \$58 million of Las Cruces' general fund goes to the police and fire departments, according to the 2023 budget. In 2024, both departments are asking for more. The public safety asks were among dozens made during the yearly budget retreat on Feb. 15 and Feb. 16.

The two-day city council meeting held at the Las Cruces Convention Center is a yearly effort to reconcile the policy desires of the council, the budget requests of city departments and the realities of Las Cruces' finances.

The meetings are an essential step in the months-long marathon to complete a budget that outlines what services get funded and how much they get. During the budget process, dozens of requests are made. Some are minor, like a few thousand dollars to cover raises for union employees or police officers. Others are big.

"I think everybody has to get on board with a set amount, and everybody has their own priorities," Cassie Mclure, District 1 Councilor said. "This is the time where you really have to be — bipartisan is not the right word — but it's about the idea of give and take."

Here are a few of the big priorities discussed during the meeting.

Fire dept. seeks more staff

Last year, the Las Cruces Police Department, under then-Chief Miguel Dominguez, swayed city administrators and councilors to increase the department's roster. The budget approved unanimously by the council in 2023 added 18 full-time positions to LCPD's police staff, bringing the total number of officers to 220.

This year, it was the fire department's turn.

Jason Smith, chief of the Las Cruces Fire Department, asked for 30 new firefighters to staff a new station in the Sonoma Ranch, East Mesa area. Smith asked for the budget to include money for 15 new firefighters this year. He said he'd return next year to ask for 15 more firefighters' salaries.

"If we get 15 this next fiscal year, we can do 15 the following year, then we'll have the 30 we need by the time station nine opens," Smith said.

Overall, the personnel cost would grow LCFD's budget by \$1,326,270. The 30 firefighters would staff Fire Station 9, for which voters approved a \$10 million GO Bond in 2022.

Police look for project funds

LCPD did not ask for more police officers this year. Instead, LCPD Chief Jeremy Story asked that the city fund two projects — one he said could help reduce crime, the other to improve the wellbeing of LCPD officers.

Story asked the city for about \$500,000 to help launch a Real Time Crime Center, saying it would improve the department's ability to pursue and prevent crime.

The center utilizes security cameras to surveil public spaces. Dozens of U.S. cities (including Albuquerque) have similar systems, although advocates like the ACLU have raised questions about the civil rights issues that arise from the surveillance.

"The real-time crime center is just one piece of the puzzle," Story said.
"But it can prevent crime, which is really what we want to do first and foremost."

Story also asked for money to formalize and unify a wellness program for LCPD's officers. Whether it's the department's gym, an anonymous peer support program for officers to talk about their issues with other officers from other departments, or financial literacy education, Story said he'd like to unify the disparate parts into a singular program.

Community development tearing out blight

Recent years have not been kind to the decaying buildings of Las Cruces.

Two notable – if not also infamous – structures in Las Cruces were demolished at the behest of the city of Las Cruces.

The Kilby Motel, a 70-year-old structure at 1045 S. Main Street that had fallen into disrepair but was used as a home for a half-dozen Las Cruces residents, was condemned and demolished in 2022. The abandoned property at 430 S. Main Street, also known as the "eyesore," was torn down in 2023.

Now, the city's Community Development department is looking to grow that effort with \$300,000 for its Nuisances Abate-

ment Team. The money would support operations for the team, which consists of representatives from different city groups.

"We're having success," said Community Development Director Larry Nichols. "We're getting owners to recognize that we're serious about cleaning up our city."

Public works highlights improvements

The Public Works department – which oversees road construction and maintenance – highlighted

five roads scheduled for improvement. All the projects remain in the planning and design phase, so the orange barrels won't be going up just yet.

The stretch of Spruce
Avenue between Telshor
Drive and Triviz Drive
was the most noteworthy.
This \$3 million project
will drastically change the
Telshor-Spruce intersection, most notably by creating a dedicated lane on
Telshor that surpasses the
intersection altogether.
Public works estimated a
completion date of Spring

2026.

A few miles north, the Spruce intersection with Madrid Avenue requires a \$3.4 million investment to provide an entire intersection. Public Works anticipated this project would be completed in the fall of

Near Spruce, Public Works also wants to renovate Sacramento Road from Oasis Avenue to Poplar Avenue by applying new pavement, redoing the sidewalks, and adding

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some lighting, among other changes. This project will cost \$1.5 million and is estimated to be completed in Spring 2025.

Across town, Public Works also highlighted a redesign of the Avenida de Mesilla and South Main Street intersection. The \$3.9 million renovation would re-pave the road and add bike lanes and pedestrian protections to the intersection, among other changes.

Finally, Public Works said a rework of Campo Street to Lohman Avenue and up Organ Avenue to Mesquite Street was also in the works. That project is estimated to cost \$6.5 million and be completed in Fall 2025.

The basics of municipal spending

The general fund is a vital funding source for essential

services.

Last budget year, the general fund held \$138,743,132, according to the budget book. That money has several different sources – none are more important than the gross receipts taxes.

The sources are:

- Gross receipts taxes, \$109,920,478 which is 79 percent.
- Property taxes, \$14,523,222 which is 10 percent.
- Fees and Charges, \$9,432,481 which is 7 percent.
- Franchise Fees, \$4,041,951 which is 3 percent.
- Other Fees and Charges, \$9,432,481 which is 7 percent
- Cannabis Excise Tax, \$825,000 which is 1 percent.

The money in the general fund then goes out to several departments such as police, fire, public works, parks and more.

County nets clean audit

BULLETIN REPORT

Doña Ana County received a clean audit following a presentation at a Board of Commissioners meeting on Feb. 13.

Auditors with Hinkle and Landers, an Albuquerque-based firm, issued unmodified opinions for the county's financial statements and federal awards. An unmodified opinion is the best possible outcome for an audit.

"My hat's off to (the county finance department)," Diana Murillo, District 2 Commissioner, said. "To have zero findings on budget speaks volumes."

The auditors reviewed the county's financial statements, which included reviews of what the county owns, county debts and other markers of the health of county financial records. The



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The Doña Ana County Government Center in Las Cruces.

federal awards included various COVID-19 relief grants and other grants from the federal Depart-

ment of Transportation, Health and Human Services, and Homeland Security.









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rescheduled to accommodate, legal questions were assigned to staff members for research. Life is complicated and unpredictable, and these individuals rely on a team to help maintain a steady course and keep leaving the courtroom through the doors facing Picacho Avenue.

Michael Hubbard, a 57-year-old Navy veteran with grown children, graduated from the program on Monday, joining a slowly growing contingent of alumni that help support those still working through the phases and applying Moral Recognition Therapy that provides the process with its spine. For Hubbard, the process took more than 16 months; for others, the road may be longer.

Hubbard said he was located by a veterans' liaison after he landed in jail, falling into a feedback loop of meth addiction, aggravated by post-traumatic stress disorder and depression, that had alienated him from his family and landed him with criminal charges. The initial stages of detoxification, treatment and behavioral therapy were hard; but as difficult as the program seemed to him, he said, "It didn't give up on me."

After the proceedings, Martin and his staff celebrated a difficult achievement for the program itself. Last August, the state Administrative Office of the Courts' Department for Therapeutic Justice awarded the county's program with its gold certification, meaning it had met all mandatory standards and nearly 98 percent of



LAS CRUCES BULLETIN PHOTO BY ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

Magdalena Escoto's painting of a phoenix rising from flames at the 3rd Judicial District courthouse in Las Cruces, Feb. 19.

recommended standards for treatment courts, but the celebration had been delayed until this week.

Among those assembled in the gallery, with family members of the participants, community leaders and legal professionals, were Las Cruces Mayor Eric Enriquez, seated next to County Manager Fernando Macias (a former district judge). City Councilor Becky Corran was seated in the back row.

The striking painting overlooking the event was donated to the court by the artist, who is also among the veterans who graduated from the program, Magdalena Escoto. She was in the courtroom

Monday to congratulate the participants and share her own story of working through the program.

Martin, a veteran himself, said he was initially skeptical of the treatment court approach, attributing it partially to his background as a federal prosecutor. Nearly six years since the first clients were welcomed to the new program, he said, "I stand here today a complete convert to the success of treatment court."

A theme he returned to repeatedly in his address to the gallery was that basic training taught people how to be soldiers, and the treatment court was providing another vital service: Teaching soldiers how to be healthy civilians.

The New Mexico treatment court standards are set by the state Su-

preme Court, and the certification followed a three-month process of scrutiny of the program's policies and procedures, team member reviews and surveys, and any gaps between the program's performance and those standards, according to the 3rd Judicial District. The "gold" threshold requires all mandatory standards be met along with 95 percent of recommended standards; and only a few treatment courts in the state have made it. According to the AOC, besides the county's veterans treatment court, other programs that have earned gold are the Doña Ana County Magistrate Court's DWI treatment court; a young adult treatment court program in Albuquerque; and adult treatment courts in Deming and Taos.

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Superintendent hails clean LCPS audit

ALGERNON D'AMMASSA Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces Public Schools Superintendent Ignacio Ruiz congratulated the district's top financial officer, Chenyu "Alex" Liu, Tuesday evening for an annual financial audit that contained zero findings, a rare and difficult achievement for a government agency, particularly one of the size of the second-largest school district in New Mexico.

The annual financial audit is completed by

an independent auditing firm recognized by the State Auditor's office. Governments and public agencies undergo required audits of their financial statements to ensure their procedures and accounts are in keeping with generally accepted accounting principles. The LCPS audit for fiscal year 2023, released to the public at the end of January, delivers an "unmodified" opinion — the highest quality of opinion based on the agency's financial statements and examination of how the

district handles and documents public funds.

It is common for audit reports to report findings ranging from minor deviations from accounting standards to significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. An audit with no findings for a large agency that handles state and federal funds is a rare achievement, Ruiz noted.

The audit was part of Ruiz's regular report to the Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education, which met in open session Tuesday night.



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and police department have delayed records requests over body camera and police reports from the incident – most of the commenters still felt compelled to lay the fault for Hernandez's death at the feet of the council.

Michael Fraembs, owner of Arista Development, said the group was forming an organization they called "Business Owners for Public Safety."

"We all have the responsibility to uphold the criminal justice system," Fraembs said. "Criminals need to go to jail."

Fraembs and other commenters also demanded a work session to relitigate their concerns over fentanyl use in Las Cruces, allegations of harassment against business owners and a general fear of unhoused people and their motivations. One commenter also called for the council to reconsider Pili's contract as city manager.

Other commenters described their experience and feelings of fear when witnessing the public use of drugs, people in mental health crises and visible poverty. While every council member said they sympathized with those feelings, District 2's representative Bill Mattiace said he heard the comments as a wake-up call.

"I appreciate their words today. It's quite an eye-opener," Mattiace said.

Mattiace confirmed that he played a role in advising some of the commenters when asked by the Las Cruces Bulletin.

"The only suggestion I made was that a lot of businesses are not able to tell their story," Mattiace said. "And all I suggested was all of you could actually tell your story in three minutes."

Mattiace went on to say, "That's basically it. You've heard the stories as I have. Of course, I'm not a proponent of attacks. For example, I think it was unfair on Bencomo."

"I really saw it as bashing of mayor pro tem
Bencomo," Yvonne Flores,
who represents District
6, said. "She's worked
very hard on many, many
issues that are the root
problem that contribute
to the situation that we're
in."

Flores added, "We have to be awfully naive or down-right ignorant to think that four years being on city council ... made all the difference and was a major contributing factor to homelessness."

Becki Graham, who represents district 3, and Becky Corran, who represents district 5, also voiced support for Bencomo.

"You shouldered a lot today. I want to recognize how heavy that was," Graham said.

Despite the comments directed at her, election results suggest Bencomo is popular among her constituency.

In 2023, she staved off three challengers to hold on to her seat. Bencomo won the election in the second round of rankedchoice. She collected 48 percent in the first round, whereas the other candidates collected about 7 percent, 11 percent, and 34 percent.

At the end of the meeting, Bencomo had a chance to respond. Before starting, she paused, seemingly to collect her thoughts.

"I just want to say that I've felt deeply saddened by the loss of Officer Hernandez," she began her comments. "It has had a pretty profound impact on me."

Bencomo went on to say that she was grateful for LCPD's leadership.

"You're a deeply courageous and thoughtful leader," she told Chief Story.

Bencomo said societal problems are the problems of the community, not just government and nonprofit organizations.

"I think the question of what I could have done, what we could have done, will always stick with me," she said. "But ... shame and guilt and blame are dead weight emotions. Sadness can turn into anger, and anger can turn into action, and that's sort of how I see this moment. I think we have to reject calls for divisiveness, and we have to reject calls that are malicious.

"The moment that you cheer and laugh at my expense, it unfortunately creates a different narrative for me that perhaps this (public comments) isn't in good faith. But I'm not going to do that. I'm going to reject that as much as I can because I believe that we can build real safety," Bencomo said.



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County approves new agreement to govern CRRUA

JUSTIN GARCIA Las Cruces Bulletin

The Doña Ana County **Board of Commissioners** unanimously approved a change to the governance structure of the Camino Real Regional Utility Authority.

The move shifts the power - previously distributed evenly between the county and the city of Sunland Park – to give the city more representation.

The board comprises two county commissioners, two Sunland Park city councilors and two state

legislator as appointees. The new setup encases four people appointed by the Sunland Park council - two of whom will be city staff members - and three appointees from Doña Ana County. The change also takes some zoning authority from CRRUA and returns it to the county and city.

"It's been over two years to get to this point,' Sunland Park City Manager Mario Juarez-Infante told commissioners during a meeting on Feb. 13.

Doña Ana County Manager Fernando Macias

LAS CRUCES BULLETIN PHOTO BY ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

CRRUA board chair Susana Chaparro listens to public comment during a board meeting of the utility company in Sunland Park on Feb. 12.

said he expects the new governance structure will bring heightened technical awareness to CRRUA since some members will be city or county staff.

"The issues that CRRUA has been dealing with, there is a need for enhanced representation on the board," Macias said.

The changes are part of



a joint powers agreement, a quasi-governmental entity created to serve a specific purpose. For example, the city of Las Cruces and Doña Ana County have a joint powers agreement to govern the Animal Services Center of Mesilla Vallev.

The approval comes as CRRUA faces scrutiny for its handling of a water

crisis in December. The utility was fined \$251,580 after mishandling a "do not drink" order when they failed to notify customers their water had dangerously high pH levels. Attorneys representing affected households have filed a tort claim and claim of civil rights violations, a precursor to potential litigation.

"We're getting bashed with the news media," Susana Chaparro, county commissioner for District 4 and CRRUA's board chair, said. "And we're trying very, very hard as the board to rally and move forward with a master plan with CRRUA."

Chaparro also said the board was not changing because of the news coverage of CRRUA's failure to provide safe water to its customers and that the changes had been in the works for some time.

It'll take several months before the changes to CRRUA's governance go into effect. The amended JPA first has to be approved by the state Department of Finances and Administration.

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Progress Club holds annual baby shower

BULLETIN REPORT

On February 9, the General Federation of Women's Clubs Progress Club of Las Cruces held their annual 'baby shower' for Christ Child Circle and the impressive amount of baby supplies totaled \$3,418 in cash value,

according to a news release. The Progress Club raises donations of baby clothing and products each February and said this was their largest donation yet.

More information on the GFWC Progress Club is available via Minel Schlaefli, 575-649-4869.



Classroom hops away from dissecting frogs

ALGERNON D'AMMASSA Las Cruces Bulletin

Lauren Apodaca's classroom at Vista Middle School was buzzing with conversation as students working in groups focused on the internal anatomy of frogs on the table before them, turning over heart, liver and other internal organs with forceps.

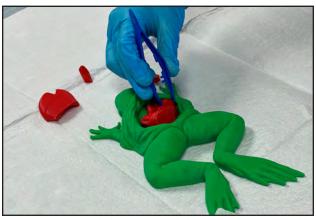
If you have memories of dissecting frogs or other animal specimens in science class, you probably remember the smell of formaldehyde and other chemicals used to preserve the specimens. That distinct odor was absent from this classroom. The frogs on the tables and their innards were all produced in the classroom on

a 3D printer.

The equipment was purchased through the Pennsylvania-based non-profit Animalearn, which promotes humane science education as a division of the American Anti-Vivisection Society. Apodaca, who is in their seventh year of teaching, recently earned honorable mention as a nominee for Animalearn's 2023 Humane Science Educator of the Year award.

The honor came with a \$750 cash grant used to purchase the printer that spawns specimen frogs that are much harder to spoil with a careless incision and do not require harsh chemicals to store them.

"I do love the idea of



LAS CRUCES BULLETIN PHOTOS BY ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

A seventh-grader in Lauren Apodaca's life sciences class dissects a plastic frog produced from a 3D printer, at Vista Middle School in Las Cruces, Feb. 13.

preserving animals," Apodaca said in an interview, including a fondness for holding on to animal bones. "But there's something about the dissecting that was not for me."

When Apodaca was a student growing up in southern Florida, dissecting real animals was no longer a requirement, and Apodaca said they don't feel as though they missed out on much: There are ample teaching methodologies and products available to present alternatives.

New Mexico has been a "dissection choice" state since 2005, when the Public Education Department ruled that classrooms engaging in dissections "shall provide virtual dissection techniques as alternative activities for any student who is opposed to real dissections for ethical, moral, cultural or religious reasons."

While artificial specimens are nothing new, the alternatives are increasingly sophisticated, particularly in mobile technology.

At one table in the classroom, students worked not with a plastic frog but a black cube with codes embedded on it. Viewed through a camera on a mobile electronic device, what appeared on screen was a detailed illustration of a frog with interactive displays of its anatomy.

Apodaca said the technologies are inexpensive and allow their students to meet all of the instructional goals and content standards without the liabilities of handling animals, preservatives shown to be harmful to health or the stresses of performing surgery on a dead creature.

Instead, Apodaca's students watched as the printer produced their frogs.

"At first, when I told them about the award and how I wasn't really wanting to do dissection, they were a little disappointed," Apodaca said. "But then you see it 3D printed and they're like, 'Wow, you made this out of nothing, this is actually really impressive.' They aren't too disappointed with the alternative."

Apodaca has plans to produce plastic models for other lessons as well, such as cells and their anatomies, possibly other microscopic objects, to make elusive bodies more tangible. Besides the risks to human health, Animalearn objects to real animal dissections on ethical grounds. They say animals harvested for science classrooms are often obtained taken from natural habitats and acquired cheaply to market for profit, which means they may be sourced from dealers or slaughterhouses that do not engage in humane practices.

The ethical concerns extend to damaged ecosystems as well as the dangers presented by preservatives, from classroom exposure to the disposal of the specimens.

Since its founding in 1990, Animalearn has advocated for alternative teaching methods and materials, and promoted its own "science bank," a free lending program that makes models, software and virtual technologies available for loan to classrooms.

"To see the technology that's available for today's students, it's pretty amazing," Animalearn's director, Nicole Green, said in

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Science teacher Lauren Apodaca is seen in their classroom at Vista Middle School in Las Cruces on Feb. 13, 2024.

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an interview.

One product manufactured by the SynDaver company, the SynFrog, offers model frogs made entirely from a proprietary material it calls SynTissue designed to imitate the appearance and sensation of handling organic tissue, with fully removable anatomical parts. The models retail for up to \$268 apiece through the company's website.

"It's giving that typical learning experience that you would if a student was dissecting a real frog, without harming any frogs," Green said.

For its annual educator awards, Animalearn begins searching and calling for nominations each November, according to Green. The awards have been issued for approximately 20 years.

"All of our awardees stand out as role models not just for their students but also for their peers in the field of science education and we hope this recognition will encourage more science teachers to embrace compassionate science practices in their classrooms," she said.

Green said the number

of educators who remain passionate about using real animal specimens is dwindling as alternatives improve, especially over the last decade: "Because technology has so rapidly advanced, I think there are just so many tools that teachers can take from the toolbox now and utilize in their classrooms. Students can learn just as well using some of these technologies as with specimens."

New Mexico sees first HPS case of 2024

BULLETIN REPORT

The Scientific Laboratory Division of the New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH) confirmed on Tuesday the first case of hantavirus pulmonary syndrome in 2024. A man living in San Juan County was hospitalized, released and is at home recovering, the health department stated.

HPS was described as an often severe, sometimes fatal, respiratory disease in humans caused by the Sin Nombre virus. In 2023, New Mexico had seven cases among residents of McKinley, San Juan and Taos counties, with two fatalities.

In New Mexico, deer mice are the primary

carriers of hantavirus, the department said. The virus is found in mice droppings and urine, and exposure typically happens around homes, cabins or sheds, especially when cleaning out or exploring enclosed areas with mouse droppings.

State Public Health Veterinarian Erin Phipps stated in a news release that seeking medical attention early and informing the provider of exposure to an environment with rodents, enhances chances of recovery.

The DOH said symptoms typically develop within one to six weeks after rodent exposure and may resemble flu, with symptoms including fever and muscle aches,

possible chills, headache, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain and cough, which can progress to respiratory distress and severe illness.

The department recommended airing out closed up cabins and sheds as well as abandoned or stored vehicles; trapping mice and sealing structures to prevent more from entering; soaking

nests and dropping with disinfectant such as a 10 percent bleach solution before cleaning; and never sweeping rodent droppings up so as to introduce particles in the air; as well as other measures to keep rodents away from pet food and water, away from the home if possible, and to move hay, wood and compost away from the home.





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Bulletin Starting W

The "name plate," in newspaper parlance, is the permanent design of a publication's title as displayed on its cover page.

This week, the Las Cruces Bulletin presents a new name plate and reintroduces a front page story, rather than a cover emphasizes "Bulletin,"

A fresh look for the Bulletin

dominated by a large pho- which is how we all refer tograph. Digging into the archives, I found that the

previous name plate made its debut in our Oct. 9, 2003 edition. (Jim Rosenthal was the editor at the time.) That name plate had a good run for over 20 years, lending a sense of permanence

and continuity, varying only in size over two de-

The new name plate

to our local weekly, while retaining the city where

> we are based, the second-largest city in New Mexico, the seat of Doña Ana County. Local newspapers can certainly look afar to matters of state and even across the oceans to war, diplomacy and trade, but when

they lose their local sense of place it is fatal. This is, after all, the lament we hear about our local daily paper under the

ownership of the Gannett cesBulletin.com. company.

Our staff was invited to give input on different designs, colors and other details for the front page, and I doubt anyone got everything they preferred.

The Bulletin's front page has taken many forms since this weekly published its first issue in December of 1969. We've kept the side frame with small "refers" to different stories inside, plus a QR code that will point your mobile device's browser to our website, LasCru-

And for our first front page story, we chose not the most raucous or controversial story of the week, but a humane story about a program that helps people (indeed, saves lives) and addresses overlapping social problems that, experience is showing, can be remediated but only through slow, patient, sometimes grueling teamwork; through compassion; through accountability and love.

Stay with us, and thank you for reading.

New Mexico takes stand against deep fakes

In the days leading up to the primary election in New Hampshire, several voters received phone calls from a voice that sounded like and claimed to be President Joe Biden encouraging them to stay home on election day.

It was the first wellpublicized use of artificial intelligence in a dirty tricks political campaign, but it undoubtedly will not be the last.

The New Mexico Legislature took action this session to get in front of the problem. House Bill 182, which awaits the governor's signature, amends the Campaign Reporting Act to require a disclaimer for any materially deceptive media created through AI, and makes it illegal to willfully distribute those messages without one.

The penalty is a misdemeanor on the first

conviction and a fourth-degree felony on the second conviction. It would apply equally to both traditional print and broadcast media and online sites, which still enjoy special protection from libel laws.

The bill has an emergency clause, which means it will go into effect as soon as it is signed and will be in place for the upcoming election.

New Mexico is joining California, Texas, Minnesota, Washington and Michigan in banning AI from political advertising.

Secretary of State Maggie Toulouise Oliver said she knows of two other incidents before the New

Hampshire primary where AI was used in an

> attempt to influence a political campaign with misinformation. She said she hopes raising awareness of AI will make New Mexico voters more skeptical when assessing

all political ads.

The Biden administration has issued an executive order regulating the use of AI within the federal government, but neither Congress nor the Federal Communications Commission have acted to regulate its use in political campaigns.

Every advancement in communications technology provides new opportunities for political campaigns. The govern-

ment was proactive in regulating messages on radio and television, but has thus far taken a more hands-off approach with this new technology.

AI can be incredibly helpful in helping campaigns identify and target their most likely voters and craft specific messages tailored for their interests. But it also has the potential to take misinformation campaigns to a whole new level.

It was challenging enough for voters to sort through the avalanche of claims, accusations and allegations made each election year when they were all human-generated. But at least with those we could trust our eyes and ears, if not the message.

I wish that more could be done to fact-check po-

litical advertising, especially in hotly contested races like the one we will have later this year in the 2nd Congressional District. The amount of outside money spent on those races allows for more propaganda than any voter should be expected to sort through.

The Attorney General's Office notes that federal law already allows for disclosure requirements in political ads. That's probably why the new law doesn't simply ban the deep fakes.

We can't stop political campaigns from stretching the truth. But this bill will at least make sure that the falsehoods come from a real person.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The barbaric murder of Las Cruces Police officer Jonah Hernandez on Feb. 11, 2024, must be enshrined in our local history. His bravery and duty to the community were equaled by his humanity and love for the citizens he pledged to protect. Tragically, this fully armed police officer got close enough to an obviously distressed individual to be murdered with a knife. The horrific outcome of his heroics will never be forgotten.

We also need to recognize the other, unnamed hero who spontaneously reacted with the traditional spirit of a true American to neutralize the threat. Without Amendment 2 of the U.S. Constitution, the killer could have caused even more deaths. We accept that our legally armed neighbor had to act instinctively. Thankfully,

his decision was to protect influences not imagined the innocent, not knowing the condition of Officer Hernandez and realizing he and others nearby were also threatened.

All of us must join in mourning the two departed: a heroic LCPD officer and the knifewielding killer. We need to support their respective families, as well as our unnamed hero number 2, who might be suffering from PTSD over that Sunday night manifestation of senseless loss.

Perhaps now, it is appropriate for all of us to consider the sociological cause of this disaster. Any assessment of human behavior must first start by listing the issues. In this instance we see good and evil.

The good, thankfully, speaks for itself. The evil of Feb. 11 is more complex because it involves human decisions, and those choices are now being driven by multiple by our ancestors who gave us the freedom of choice.

The benefactors of our freedoms did not perceive how the responsibility of freedom would include the evolving sociobiological, psychological, technical or economic situations of the future. The buzzword of their naivety is responsibility. Responsibility to ourselves, as individuals, and responsibility to others is the core element of any civil society.

Our responsibility as citizens is to learn from this tragedy; individually, as parents, educators, and community leaders. Follow the lessons demonstrated by our two heroes of Feb. 11, 2024, by taking responsibility for ourselves and others, abandoning the path of neglect, greed and bias.

Mary-Catherine Meek Las Cruces

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

New Mexico has the highest death rate from alcohol of any state. It is a public health crisis of major proportion. All of us in New Mexico should be concerned.

Lives lost to alcohol have touched many of us in a personal way and this is true of some of our state legislators as well. I have had three friends that mixed prescription drugs (Valium and Xanax) with alcohol. I believe one died from such a dangerous combination. And the remaining two play Russian roulette with their lives.

This brings me to mention that frequently alcohol is self-medication for depression and/or anxiety. Alcohol fails, however, tax. However, Rep. Cadena

as it is a depressant to the central nervous system. It only brings the person further down. These individuals who self-medicate need proper medication and therapy for the effective treatment of their depression and/or anxiety.

In an effort to slow the mortality rate and provide more monies for treatment and rehabilitation, Rep. Joanne Ferrary proposed a bill for a 25-cent drink tax. Then, this past session, a second bill addressing alcohol use was presented by Rep. Micaela Lara Cadena. This muddied the waters, as there were now two competing bills.

Rep. Ferrary had the stronger bill, and even offered to compromise with a 12-cent per drink

and her supporters still chose to sink the bill and it failed to clear the House Tax and Revenue Committee. And Rep. Cadena's bill went nowhere. So no alcohol tax came out of this vear's session.

I find this most disappointing. Rep. Ferrary had a strong bill, even supported by MADD and the DWI Resource Center. She offered a compromise that was rejected.

Politics is the art of compromise. Rep. Ferrary has learned this, but as of yet Rep. Cadena has not. And so the state comes away empty-handed. There is no alcohol tax this year. And we, the people of New Mexico, are the losers.

> **Kathleen Sampson Las Cruces**

Shoes in the news



LAS CRUCES BULLETIN PHOTO BY ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

Las Cruces school board member Patrick Nolan was in business attire for Tuesday night's board meeting but was also ready for a brisk walk — or a long business meeting — in comfortable loafers, sans socks. And why not? As Dr. Seuss wrote: "You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose. You're on your own. And you know what you know. And YOU are the one who'll decide where to go."



COMING UP

Friday, Feb. 23

- "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.
- Film: Zone of Interest, 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.

Saturday, Feb. 24

- Walk With a Doc: Preventing Cardiovascular Disease, 9-10 a.m. at Young Park, 2009 Neveda Ave. Info: 575-556-6518.
- Calligraphy Bookmarks, 10 a.m.-noon at the Museum of Nature & Science atrium, 411 N. Main St. Info: 575-522-3120.
- Engineering Expo, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Info: 575-528-3444
- Mesilla Valley Timebank Orientation, 10:30-11:30 a.m. at

Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Info: 915-603-8842.

- Storytellers of Las Cruces, 10:30 a.m., COAS Downtown, 317 N. Main St. Info: 575-524-8471.
- Hermit of La Cueva Festival, 3 p.m. at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Info: riograndetheatre.org
- Circus on Ice, 4:30 and 7 p.m. at the Corbett Center Student Union at NMSU, Info: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ circus-on-ice-las-cruces-nmtickets-826350565787
- Film: Zone of Interest, 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.

Sunday, Feb. 25

- Film: Zone of Interest, 2 p.m. at the Fountain Theatre, 2469 Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla. Info: mesillavalleyfilm.org.
- Hermit of La Cueva Festival, 2

p.m. at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Info: riograndetheatre.org

- 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
- 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.

Monday, Feb. 26

• Topic of the Month Heart Health, 9 a.m. at the Organ Community Center, 5580 Second St. in Organ. Info: 575-523-8650.

Tuesday, Feb. 27

- Government Contracting Business Expo, 8:30 a.m.-noon, Las Cruces Convention Center. Info: 575-644-9753 or karen. medinal@sfcc.edu.
- Computer Literacy Class:
 Excel Basics, 2-4 p.m. at the
 Thomas Branigan Memorial
 Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Info:

575-528-4002.

Wednesday, Feb. 28

- Mental Health First Aid Class, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Info: 575-525-5870
- Wednesday Storytime, 10 a.m. at Barns & Noble, Mesilla Valley Mall, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Info: 575-522-4499.
- Public Meeting for the I-25 Safety & Capacity Study, 6 p.m. at the Doña Ana Elementary School, 5551 Camino de Flores. Info: I25NM.com
- Film: "Zone of Interest," 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. 29

- Choral: Young at Heart concert, 2 p.m. at the Good Samartian Auditorium, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Info:575-490-7968.
- Ask ALICE! Act Smarter, Not Harder workshop 6:30-7:30p.m. at the Thomas Branigan Memo-

rial Library Roadrunner Room, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Info: 575-528-2780.

• Film: "Zone of Interest," 7:30 p.m. at the Fountain Theatre, 2469 Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla. Info: mesillavalleyfilm.org.

Friday, March 1

- "Alice in Wonderland" with A Children's Theatre of the Mesilla Valley, 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Info: riograndetheatre. org.
- · Saturday, March 2
- Dr. Seuss Day, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Museum of Nature & Science, 411 N. Main St, Info: 575-532-3372.
- Storytellers of Las Cruces, 10:30 a.m., COAS Downtown, 317 N. Main St. Info: 575-524-8471.
- "Alice in Wonderland" with A Children's Theatre of the Mesilla Valley, 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Info: riograndetheatre. 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.

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FUN, GAMES AND LEARNING A visit to NMSU's Learning Games Lab

ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

Las Cruces Bulletin

New Mexico State University's Learning Games Lab mostly does its work quietly, with a team of professional illustrators and animators at work over screens in a darkened room on the Las Cruces campus.

There are louder days, as well, when children are invited into the lab's meeting room, a place of warm colors, carpeted walls and large screens, to test video games under development and give feedback.

Barbara Chamberlin, who heads the university's Innovative Media Research and Extension department, explains that the lab's work is, no pun intended, an extension of the land grant institution's service mission: to solve problems and improve lives in its community.

The Learning Games Lab develops games, apps and virtual reality presentations geared mainly toward education or professional training.

As an example, the "Math Snacks" game series arose from research into why middle school students were struggling in math. Part of the prob-



LAS CRUCES BULLETIN PHOTOS BY ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

One of the animators at NMSU's Learning Games Lab works on the "skeletal" structure used to animate a character for an educational game under development at the Las Cruces campus.

lem, it was found, came from core concepts in previous school years that were not adequately learned, leaving many students marooned in sixth grade math. The games reviewing and arise because people receive and proreinforcing those early concepts were developed with support from NMSU's

Arrowhead Center and picked up by educational game distributor Game Learning last year.

Chamberlin says the technologies cess information in individual ways. "Sometimes you can read or hear

information, and that's all you need. That's great. But sometimes it's not enough. Sometimes you have to have visuals, to see what's not seen, or you have to understand something in context, to have an emotional impact. ... Our job is to figure out the thing that you can't learn by just reading about

The lab is funded in part through NMSU's extension service and partly through project-based grants.

Other games impart food safety information or financial literacy, using the structures and rewards from video games to encourage the acquisition of concepts and counteract less reliable information they may obtain from parents and relatives.

A virtual reality project under development aims to help dietitians practice interacting with patients with challenging diagnoses and treatment regimens, rehearsing interpersonal skills and professional behaviors in a realistic yet simulated environment.

The lab employs 28 people, including some students alongside profes-

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Barbara Chamberlin and Matheus Cezarotto of New Mexico State University's Innovative Media Research and Extension department are seen in the testing room of the Learning Games Lab.

GAMES

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sional game developers, and nearly every aspect of the finished products are fashioned in-house.

Matheus Cezarotto, an assistant professor and coordinator of the lab, explained that the projects are all research-based, from the problem or question they address to the design of the games them-

selves.

"We have the formative research to understand what the problem is, what kind of content we're going to teach," he said, "and we also have the summative evaluation that we do after, to measure the impact of the tool that we created. ... There's some liberty in being creative, creating characters, but it's all informed by research."











celebrityupdate

BY JAY BOBBIN

Jeremy Allen White





Q: Jeremy Allen White has been on quite an awards track lately for "The Bear." What are some of the other things he has done?

A: Indeed, the actor has been reaping some big rewards for his starring role in the FX-produced Hulu series about life and work at a Chicago sandwich shop. Last month alone, White earned a Primetime Emmy Award, a Golden Globe Award (his second) and a Critics' Choice Award (his second) for his work in the show — among the many other honors it has received, including being named Best (or Outstanding) Comedy Series at all three of those ceremonies in January.

Brooklyn, N.Y., native White has been acting professionally since 2006, when he appeared in the movie "Beautiful Ohio" and the short-lived NBC series "Conviction." He also did guest roles in "Law & Order" and "Law & Order: Special Victims Unit," but his best-known part before "The Bear" likely was that of Phillip "Lip" Gallagher in Showtime's "Shameless," maintaining that role throughout the show's 11-season run. Additionally, he appeared opposite Julia Roberts in the Prime Video series "Homecoming." White also has stayed quite active in movies, earning good reviews most recently for the wrestling drama "The Iron Claw." Among his other films are "Fingernails," "Fremont," "The Birthday Cake," "The Rental," "After Everything," "Rob the Mob," "Bad Turn Worse," "Movie 43," "The Time Being," "Twelve," "After School" and "The Speed of Life." Also, White is becoming known as a spokesperson for a popular brand of men's underwear, a job he began just this year.

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"Those Who Wish Me Dead" (Feb. 28)

Following a bad decision at work with disastrous consequences, survivalist and former smokeiumper Hannah Faber (Angelina Ĵolie) is stationed in a fire tower to keep watch over the wilderness in Montana. When she spots a young boy (Finn Little) running through the woods covered in blood



one day, Hannah descends from her tower hoping to help. In doing so, Hannah discovers the boy witnessed a terrible act, and by helping him, she is now wrapped up in a murder plot.

"St. Vincent" (Feb. 29) Maggie (Melissa McCarthy), a struggling single woman, moves to Brooklyn with her 12-year-old son, Oliver (Jaeden Lieberher). Having to work very long hours, she has no choice but to leave Oliver in the care of Vincent (Bill Murray), a bawdy misanthrope next door. Vincent takes Oliver along on his trips

to the race track, strip club and dive bar, and an unlikely friendship is born. The man is a mentor to the boy in his hedonistic way, and Oliver sees the good in Vincent that no one else can.

"The Shack" (Feb. 29) After suffering a family tragedy, Mack Phillips (Sam Worthington) spirals into a

deep depression and questions everything he knows. Facing a crisis of faith, he receives a mysterious letter urging him to an abandoned shack in the Oregon wilderness. Despite his doubts, Mack journeys to the shack and encounters an



enigmatic trio of strangers led by a woman named Papa (Octavia Spencer). Through this meeting, Mack finds important truths that will transform his understanding of his tragedy and change his life forever.

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"Dino Ranch" - Season 3, New Episodes

The adventures continue for the Cassidy family in this computer animated series for children. They tackle life in a fantastical "pre-westoric" world where dinosaurs still roam, and discover the thrill of ranch life and the unpredictability of the great outdoors.

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"Iwájú" (Feb. 28)

Walt Disney Animation Studios teams up with Pan-African entertainment company, Kugali, for an original animated series set in a futuristic Lagos, Nigeria. This coming-of-age story follows Tola, a young girl from the wealthy island, and her best friend, Kole, a self-taught tech expert, as they discover the secrets and dangers hidden in their different worlds. Featuring the voices of Simisola Gbadamosi, Davo Okenivi, Femi Branch, Siji Soetan and Weruche Opia.



"Iwájú: A Day Ahead" (Feb. 28)

Filming across three continents, "Iwájú: A Day Ahead" shares the story of the founders of the Pan-African comic book company, Kugali, who made their dream a reality creating an original animation series with Walt Disney Animation Studios. Created by ABC News Studios and Walt Disney Animation Studios. Featuring filmmakers Olufikayo Ziki Adeola, Hamid Ibrahim and Toluwalakin Olowofoveku.



"Soul" (Available Now)

Joe (Jamie Foxx) is a middle-school band teacher whose life hasn't quite gone the way he expected. His true passion is jazz and he's good, and things seem to be looking up when he's hired to play in Dorothea Williams' (Angela Bassett) jazz band. But, when he travels to another realm to help someone find their passion, he soon discovers what it means to truly have soul. Tina Fey also voice stars.

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Deborah Ayorinde stars in "Sense and Sensibility" **E! Live From the Red Carpet**

Gorgeous outfits, talented actors and celebrity gossip will all be on the menu at the 2024 SAG awards, and E! is ready to chow down. The likes of Cillian Murphy, Lily Gladstone, Ryan Gosling and Emma Stone take to the red carpet

on their way inside.

E! 4 p.m.

Sense and Sensibility HALL 6 p.m.

The Jane Austen love-fest continues as the Dashwood family struggles to go on after the death of their father. While Marianne (Deborah Ayorinde) must choose between two men, her sister Elinor (Bethany Antonia) longs for a man who cannot be hers.

Where Is Wendy Williams? LIFE 6 p.m.

All she ever wanted was to be famous. And for a very long time, she was. This two-part documentary follows radio and television host Wendy Williams over the past two years as she navigates health issues, career setbacks and financial guardianship.

90 Day: The Single Life TLC 6 p.m.

In an episode packed with bonus scenes, Chantel looks to take the next step in her relationship with Giannis. Also looking to the future, Natalie auditions for a role while hosting a dinner party at her new apartment. Plus, Tyray heads to New Orleans.

NBA Basketball KVIA 6:30 p.m.

It's finally a match-up that is worth paying attention to as Jayson Tatum and the red-hot Boston Celtics travel to Madison Square Garden to take on OG Anunoby and the New York Knicks. Both teams are looking to rule the Eastern Conference.

House Hunters HGTV 8 p.m.

Every home-buyer needs a list of wants and needs when beginning their search. A new buyer gets help from a seasoned real estate professional as they look at several properties that seem to make sense, weighing the pluses and minuses of each.

48 Hours KDBC 8 p.m.

The renowned journalists of CBS News investigate criminal cases that have gripped the nation. Erin Moriarty, Peter Van Sant and others interview family and friends of victims who've been on the wrong end of real-life dramas and are seeking justice.

Priscilla HBO 9 p.m.

Already a major rock 'n' roll star, Elvis Presley's (Jacob Elordi) life changed forever when he met a teenage Priscilla Beaulieu (Cailee Spaeny) at a party. Together, their complicated relationship shaped the two of them in ways they couldn't imagine.

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Pollyanna McIntosh in "The Walking Dead: The Ones Who Live"

Biography: WWE Legends A&E 7 p.m.

From the "Legend Killer" to the "Apex Predator," Randy Orton is a staple of WWE programming, which has solidified him as one of the company's best. However, the journey has been bumpy for the third-generation superstar.

The Walking Dead: The Ones Who Live AMC BBCA IFC SUNDANC WE 7 p.m.

Set after the conclusion of "The Walking Dead," this series premiere sees Rick Grimes (Andrew Lincoln) and Michonne (Danai Gurira) attempt to find each other in a world that will never be the same. Pollyanna McIntosh returns as Jadis Stokes.

Krapopolis KFOX 7:30 p.m.

This new Season 1 episode of this animated series sees the city of Krapopolis reckoning with an incoming solar eclipse, forcing the civilization's leader, Tyrannis, to learn that the phenomena is not a cruel punishment by Zeus, but a natural occurrence on Earth.

Bar Rescue PAR 8 p.m.

Jon Taffer returns in this season premiere to help struggling bars and nightclubs regroup and save their establishments. Taffer isn't afraid to share his thoughts as he helps these establishments with details such as bar height, pour style and music.

What Would You Do? KVIA 9 p.m.

Now in its 16th season, this hidden camera series captures the reactions of unsuspecting strangers as they encounter fabricated conflict, illegal activity or otherwise unusual circumstances in a public setting. ABC News correspondent John Quiñones hosts.

The Woman in the Wall SHOW 10 p.m.

In this season finale, Lorna Brady (Ruth Wilson) struggles to unearth any secrets in Aoife Cassidy's (Fiona Bell) past that can help her find peace in the present. At the same time, Det. Coleman Akande (Daryl McCormack) narrows his suspects.

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Chance The Rapper returns for Season 25 of "The Voice"

Kids Baking Championship FOOD 6 p.m.

In the latest episode of this kid-centric cooking competition, Valerie Bertinelli and Duff Goldman bring the young chefs back to school for "Spirit Day." As such, the competitors are tasked with baking tiedyed doughnuts and dual-flavoured ice cream.

America's Most Wanted KFOX 7 p.m.

Despite it being the season finale, the work of this father-son duo is never done.

From horrific murders to deadly drug rings, John and Callahan Walsh cover America's most gripping criminal cases with the help of law enforcement experts.

The Voice KTSM 7 p.m.

This season premiere adds a twist as an all-new roster of talented vocalists hopes to capture America's heart and ears. The first-ever coaching duo, Dan + Shay, join fellow returning coaches Reba McEntire, Chance the Rapper and John Legend.

TMZ Investigates KFOX 8 p.m.

Love them or hate them, TMZ and its army of paparazzi sure know how to get the answers that celebrities and personalities are hiding. This season finale takes a look at current events, examining all angles of the story from an investigative perspective.

Deal or No Deal Island KTSM 8:30 p.m.

Thirteen players travel to the enigmatic Banker's private island to compete in a season-long competition. The

iconic briefcases are back, but are hidden around the island in this reimagining of the "Deal or No Deal" format. Joe Manganiello hosts.

Lil Jon Wants to Do What? HGTV 8:30 p.m.

A Southern gentleman dreams of making his house-boat cool enough so his college-age kids will want to visit and spend time with him. Lil Jon and Anitra are determined to take this tired houseboat and give it champagne style before summer break arrives.

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Rob Lowe hosts "The Floor"

The Floor KFOX 7 p.m.

When everything is up in the air, the floor holds all the answers. Racing towards the conclusion of this game show's historic first season, this new episode sees host Rob Lowe tossing out some tricky trivia questions for the remaining 17 players.

Little People, Big World TLC 8 p.m.

Wedding bells ring, as Amy and Chris prepare for their big wedding day, hoping that everything goes off without a hitch. As fancy clothes are donned, however, Amy's ex-husband, Matt, takes on a new farm project that causes stress for everyone involved.

The Good Doctor KVIA 9 p.m.

Freddy Highmore, who stars as Dr. Shaun Murphy, returns for a new episode from this series' seventh and final season. Now a husband to Lea (Paige Spara) and a father to their newborn son, Shaun must learn to operate with a constantly changing routine.





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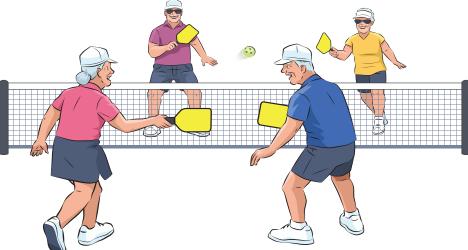
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Left photo - Gary Tuttle with an award for his 27 years of volunteering with the local games.

Center Group - local athletes that participated in the State Senior Games this year. Front row - Anton Milavec, Jayne Milavec, Betty Burgess.

Back Row - Bob Distlehorst, Georgiana Hernandez, Martha Hedgecoke, Alex Burr

Right Photo - Female and Male Dee Harris Award winners for 2023. This award is presented to the athlete, who by their efforts and examples have made outstanding contributions toward enhancing the quality of life of seniors in Dona Ana County. The winners are Bess Hobson and Alex Burr.

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WEBSITE: dacso-nm.org

OFFICE HOURS: The office is currently open on Wednesdays from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and staffed by one of the officers of the board to assist in registration for the local games.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

pring is coming and so are the Doña Ana County Senior Games. Our Board of Directors encourage all 50+ Seniors to join us in committing to a healthy lifestyle through exercise, fun, sports/activities and a little friendly competition. We are an 'Open County', meaning any US Citizen may participate in our Games if they have reached 50 years of age by December 31, 2024.

Our Goal for the 2024 Local Games is to increase the number of participants from last year's Games from 200 to 300 athletes and we strongly believe that reaching our Goal is possible. The DACSO Games begin on March 9 with Swimming and finish with Golf on May 1. However, it's not too late to begin preparing for your Events, many of which have scheduled practice times before the competition

date(s). Therefore, you will want to take advantage of receiving instruction from our exceptional Event Managers.

All 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in each 5-year male or female age group in each Event will be awarded medals for their competitive excellence following their Event Competition. So, if you earned a medal, please don't leave the venue without it!

We would love for you to join our incredible family of Senior Athletes as we inspire our community to become more active and just "Keep on Moving"!





What is Doña Ana County Senior Olympics Mission and Vision?



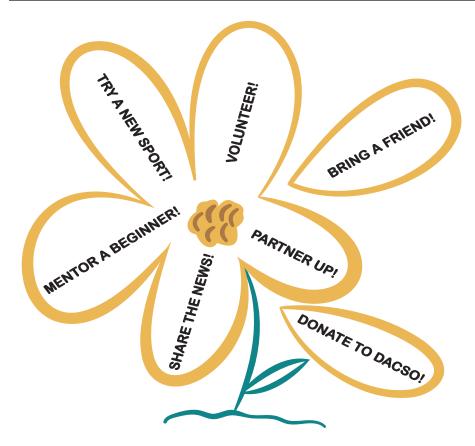
OUR MISSION

Our Mission is to provide interesting sport activities to motivate mature men and women to continue year-round activities, enabling them to keep physically and mentally healthy.



OUR VISION

Our Vision is to provide opportunities for women and men age 50 and above to become involved in sport activities within their own five-year age groups, contributing to their own positive physical, mental, social and emotional well-being.



Spring is coming and so are the **Doña Ana County Senior Games**

OTHER WAYS TO REGISTER

ONLINE:

Go to http://dacso.fusesport.com/registration/1915/ website/ Follow the instructions for registration, you will need an email address, credit/debit card and be asked to create a password for return or future use. If you registered in 2023 you may add to that registration.

IN PERSON:

Come by the office on Monday or Wednesday starting Feb. 21, 2024, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for assistance in online registering. You will need a credit card and your email address. If you have a partner for a sport you will need their name, DOB and email to partner with them online. Fusesport will send them an email invitation to join also.

KICKOFF & REGISTRATION

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

> **Munson Senior Center** 975 S. Mesquite St.

This is a great time to chat with friends over light refreshments, visit with your sport's event manager and have help registering for the local Doña Ana County Senior Games. Registration will be online through Fusesport at http://dacso.fusesport.com/registration/2142/website/

You may register on your own with an email address and credit card.

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS FOR THE 2024 DACSO GAMES.

DATE	DAY	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION	LAST DAY TO REGISTER	MANAGER	PHONE	EMAIL
MAR 9	SAT.	SWIMMING	8 AM WARM-UP, 9-11AM EVENT	NMSU INDOOR POOL	3/2/24	MICHELLE MASON	575-646-4229	mmason10@nmsu.edu
MAR 16	SAT.	5K AND 10K ROAD RACE	7:30-11:30 AM	LA LLORONA PARK	3/9/24	PAUL FETTERHOFF	575-405-9892	1nmrunner@gmail.com
MAR 18- 19, (20 if needed)	MON. TUES. WED.	PICKLEBALL	8 AM – 12 PM	MEERSCHEIDT REC CENTER	3/11/24	JAYNE MILAVEC	575-405-7876	jaynemilavec@gmail.com
MAR 22	FRI.	TABLE TENNIS	11 AM – 3 PM	FRANK O'BRIEN PAPEN CENTER	3/15/24	BESS HOBSON	575-405-6615	besshobson@gmail.com
MAR 18, 19, 22	MON. TUES. FRI.	BOWLING	1-4 PM	WHITE SANDS MISSLE RANGE ALLEY	3/11/24	SANDRA BLAIR/VICKI COBURN	575-649-6866 sandra.blair.686 6@gmail.com	575-644-8662 girlmissy7120@gmail.com
MAR 25, 26, 27	MON. TUES. WED.	SHUFFLEBOARD	9 AM – 4 PM	ST. GENEVIEVE HALL	3/18/24	CHERYL YOUNG	575-496-7879	nmppl70@gmail.com
APR 4, 5	THURS FRI.	AIR GUN	10 AM – 5 PM	EAGLES CLUB	3/28/24	BOB DISTLEHORST	575-202-4061	nmbob45@gmail.com
APR 6	SAT.	ARCHERY	8 AM – 1 PM	B&J LANE	3/30/24	BOB DUKE	575-640-4192	rjduke@zianet.com
APR 6	SAT.	TRACK	8 AM – 2 PM	CENTENNIAL HS	3/30/24	PAUL FETTERHOFF	575-405-9892	1nmrunner@gmail.com
APR 6	SAT.	FIELD	8 AM – 2 PM	CENTENNIAL HS	3/30/24	ZACH GONZALEZ	575-805-0229	runbluebirdrun@ gmail.com
APR 6	SAT.	POWER WALK	8 AM – 2 PM	CENTENNIAL HS	3/30/24	BETTY BURGESS	575-644-0782	bettyburgess1948@yahoo.com
APR 6	SAT.	ESTIMATED WALK/RUN	8 AM – 2 PM	CENTENNIAL HS	3/30/24	HENRY YOUNG	575-496-1637	chaphy65@gmail.com
APR 13	SAT.	FUN & REC	8-11 AM	PARK @ PAPEN CENTER	4/6/24	JAYNE MILAVEC	575-405-7876	jaynemilavec@gmail.com
APR 13	SAT.	CORNHOLE	11 AM – 12 PM	PARK @ PAPEN CENTER	4/6/24	JAIME FLORES	575-993-8634	jm-flores@hotmail.com
APR 13	SAT.	HUACHAS	10-11 AM	PARK @ PAPEN CENTER	4/6/24	PAUL FETTERHOFF	575-405-9892	1nmrunner@gmail.com
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MAY 1	WED.	GOLF	9 AM – 2 PM	NMSU GOLF COURSE	4/22/24	RON BEGEMANN 619-587-0793	DON DUTTON 575-496-9835	dedutton51@gmail.com begemannron@gmail.com

2024 DOÑA ANA COUNTY SENIOR GAMES INFORMATION

elcome to the 2024 Dona Ana County Senior Games! We are pleased to have had 200 athletes compete last year and look forward to seeing more in 2024!

Dona Ana County Senior Olympics is committed to a program of sports and recreational events to promote healthy and active lifestyles for all seniors age 50 and above. Our programs encourage both the athlete and the beginner to participate within their own 5-year age category starting from 50-54 and going up to 90+. Senior Olympics in Dona Ana County is a volunteer group, with support coming from your modest registration fees. We offer 16+ events with opportunities for singles, doubles and mixed doubles play. When participating in any of our events, each person is covered by an athlete insurance policy. Your age group for competition is the age you are on December 31 of the registration year.

For more information call Betty Burgess at 575-644-0782.

If you are playing doubles or a partnered sport, you will need the name, birthdate and email of your partner. Your team age is determined by the youngest partner's age as of December 31, 2024.

Example: if you turn 50 on September 1, 2024, you are considered 50 for the full year of 2024, and eligible for the spring 2024 games.

There will be NO REFUNDS for the 2024 DACSO games.

With this new registration system, you will need an email address, to create a password and be able to pay via credit/debit card.

The Local Senior Games are held in Las Cruces from March 9 to May 1, 2024. No qualifications are needed-just be 50 y.o. by December 31, 2024. We will follow New Mexico State Game Rules.

- THE <u>SWIMMING</u> ORDER OF EVENTS WILL BE: 200 Free, 100 Fly, 50 Breast, 200 IM, 100 Back, 50 Free, 200 Breast, 100 IM, 200 Back, 100 Free, 50 Fly, 100 Breast, 50 Back, 200 Fly, 500 Free
- At the time of this printing, <u>BOWLING</u> requires picture ID to enter the White Sands Missile Range base – Check with the event manager on updates.
- ARCHERY WILL ALLOW ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:
 Recurve (with sights), Compound Fingers (with sights),
 Compound Release (with or without sights), Barebow Recurve (no sights), and Barebow Compound (no sights).
- THE TRACK ORDER OF EVENTS ARE: 8am 5000M Power walk, 9am 100M run, 1500M run, 50M run, 400M est walk, 400M run, 10am 1500M Power walk, 800M run, 800M est walk.
- THE <u>FIELD</u> ORDER OF EVENTS ARE: 9am Standing Long Jump, Running Long Jump, 10am - High Jump, 11am -Shotput, Discus, Javelin.
- THE <u>AIR GUN</u> EVENT INCLUDES: Pistol-standing, Pistol-benchrest, Rifle-standing, Rifle-benchrest.
- <u>FUN & REC</u> EVENTS INCLUDE: Soccer Accuracy Kick, Softball Distance Throw, Frisbee Distance, Frisbee Accuracy Throw.
- **CORNHOLE** continues this year with open doubles only.

PRICING:

Registration \$20, each Event \$5, Fun & Rec is \$5 for each of the 4 events (NEW this year), the extra fees for golf are \$48, targets for Trap or Skeet are \$10 and Bowling \$6/day.

THE LIABILITY WAIVER YOU WILL BE SIGNING IS THE FOLLOWING:

I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Doña Ana County Senior Olympics, Inc. and any of their agents or representatives: City of Las Cruces, Fairacres Fire Department, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Catholic Diocese of Las Cruces, B & J Archery, NMSU Golf Course, WSMR (Roadrunner Lanes Bowling Center), and Las Cruces Public Schools. To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no physical restrictions that would prohibit my participation in the events I have selected. The DACSO Board has my permission to have a physician, RN or EMT attend to me if it is deemed necessary during my participation in the DACSO Games. I grant full permission to all the foregoing to use my likeness or any photograph of me participating in these events without obligation or liability to me. I understand there are no refunds for 2024. I also agree to observe all rules and regulations of the DACSO Games, to exercise good sportsmanship, and to follow all oral and written instructions given by game personnel. I agree that failure to do so will result in my disqualification or suspension from the DACSO Games for a specified period of time.

Pickleball Player and Advocate, Cathy Short



lways smiling Cathy Short fell in love with playing pickleball just last year. This love of the sport led her and pal, Robyn Trujillo, to compete in the 2023 Doña Ana County Senior Olympics. They walked away with medals in the 65-69 age group.

Cathy, devoted mother and grandmother, along with golfing enthusiast husband Joe, raised 3 grown children that always included sports in their lives. They now have 2 young grandchildren with another on the way! Over the years, this active family has participated in pickleball, golf,

yoga, running, swimming, hockey, frisbee golf and soccer. Cathy strives to play pickleball 3 to 4 times a week and frequents the gym to do yoga and weight training.

Cathy is an enthusiastic advocate for more pickleball courts in Las Cruces to accommodate the rapidly growing sport. She has officiated in soccer and taught pickleball and cornhole. Her current pickleball student is her 6 year old grandson! She is a board member of both the Doña Ana County Senior Olympics and Sonoma Ranch East HOA.









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urning 50 last year, Zach
Gonzalez just qualified to
compete in the 2023 Doña
Ana County Senior Olympic
Games. He won a gold medal
in the 50-54 age group for the
1500 meter race and plans to
compete again this year saying
that competing in races helps with
his goals.

Zach is a father of two. He and his wife, Michelle, also an avid runner, own Bluebird Running Company at 136 Water Street in Las Cruces where they sell sports shoes and paraphernalia. Using their passion for running, they originally sold their merchandise

from a trailer, traveling to sports events throughout New Mexico. Eventually it evolved into the shop they currently own.

As a 5 year resident of Las Cruces, Zach has become a dedicated member of the community. Besides promoting local races, he is a board member of the Las Cruces Running Club, and the Doña Ana County Senior Olympics. He also promotes the Bigger Than The Trail organization that uses trail running to advocate for mental health; and also gathers old sports shoes and trophies to donate to organizations for recycling.

Zach will serve as Field Event Manager in the upcoming 2024 games.



Athlete's Oath

As a Senior Olympian, I pledge myself to the Spirit of the Olympics.

The Spirit of Achievement, that I may reach my goals;



The Spirit of Competition, that I may win or lose with pride and honor.

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"American Conspiracy: The Octopus Murders" (Feb. 28)

When journalist Danny Casolaro was found dead in a hotel bathtub, police ruled it a suicide. But his family and colleagues believe he may have been murdered for investigating a conspiracy he called "The Octopus" - a hidden organization connected to stolen government spy software, a string of unsolved murders, and some of the biggest political scandals of the 20th century. Years later, researcher Christian Hansen pushes to uncover the secrets behind Casolaro's death, and the story that killed him.



"The Tourist" - Season 2 (Feb. 29)

Moving over to Netflix from Max for its second season, this thriller began with Elliot (Jamie Dornan) waking up in the Australian outback with no memory. He was forced to use all the clues at his disposal to uncover his identity before his past catches up with him. Heading into Season 2, Elliot and his ally, Helen (Danielle Macdonald), travel to Ireland to find answers about Elliot's identity, but instead, they are forced to face the dangerous consequences of his past actions.



"Spaceman" (March 1)

Six months into a solitary research mission to the edge of the solar system, an astronaut, Jakub (Adam Sandler), realizes that the marriage he left behind might not be waiting for him when he returns to Earth. Desperate to fix things with his wife, Lenka (Carey Mulligan), he is helped by a mysterious creature from the beginning of time he finds hiding in the bowels of his ship, Hanus (voiced by Paul Dano). Hanus works with Jakub to make sense of what went wrong before it is too late. Based on the novel Spaceman of Bohemia by Jaroslav Kalfar.



"Somebody Feed Phil" - Season 7 (March 1)

Globe-trotting food enthusiast Phil Rosenthal embarks on new delectable adventures in Season 7 of this food series. Eight new episodes follow Phil as he travels to Mumbai, India; Washington, D.C.; Kyoto, Japan; Iceland; Dubai, U.A.E.; The "Real" Orlando, Florida; Taipei, Taiwan; and Scotland. Phil uncovers hidden gems and encounters the heart and soul of each city with each bite as he forges connections through the universal language of food, celebrating the joy of discovery.

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"The Regime" (HBO/Max — March 3, Limited Series Premiere)

This six-episode drama series tells the story of one year within the walls of the palace of a modern European regime as it begins to unravel. Kate Winslet, Matthias Schoenaerts, Guillaume Gallienne, Andrea Riseborough, Martha Plimpton and Hugh Grant star.



FULLSHING

"Full Swing" - Season 2 (Netflix — March 6, Season Premiere)

Following a diverse group of professional golfers, both returning favorites and new faces, this immersive docuseries goes on and off the course across a relentless season of competition on the PGA TOUR, including all four of golf's Major championships — the Masters, PGA Championship, U.S. Open Championship and The Open Championship.



"Damsel" (Netflix — March 8, Movie Premiere)

A dutiful damsel, Elodie (Millie Bobby Brown), agrees to marry a handsome prince, only to find the royal family has recruited her as a sacrifice to repay an ancient debt. Thrown into a cave with a fire-breathing dragon, she must rely on her wits and will to survive. Robin Wright,

Angela Bassett, Nick Robinson, Brooke Carter, Ray Winstone and Shohreh Aghdashloo also star.



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tonight's picks

The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills BRAVO 6 p.m.

It's been a season to remember thanks to the ongoing drama between Kyle Richards, Sutton Stracke, Garcelle Beauvais and the rest of the ladies. The first part of this reunion episode offers a few mea culpas, but expect more shade to be thrown.

Survivor KDBC 7 p.m.

Host Jeff Probst is back on beautiful Mamanuca Island in Fiji for this two-hour Season 46 premiere, where another crew of manipulative castaways must try to "out-game" each other in hopes of lasting long enough to claim the \$1 million grand prize.

We Are Family KFOX 7 p.m.

Hosted by the hilarious Anthony Anderson and his real-life mother, Doris Bowman, the final episode from this game show's inaugural season airs, seeing the final six singers perform show-stopping solos and duets with their hidden famous relatives.

Chicago Med KTSM 7 p.m.

On Wednesdays, we head to Chicago. An all-new episode from this windy city-based medical procedural airs, following as doctors, nurses and staff balance a difficult profession with their intertwined personal lives. "Chicago Fire" and "P.D." air next.

The Conners KVIA 7 p.m.

Life is full of twists and turns. However, a loving family can make even the toughest times seem bearable. As a working-class family in Lanford, Ill., the Conners deal with the daily struggles of relationships, finances and aging through love and laughter.

NBA Basketball ESPN 8 p.m.

It's LA versus LA in this red-hot NBA match-up as the Los Angeles Lakers play against the Los Angeles Clippers. Played right in the heart of the City of Angels, the game broadcasts live from the Crypto.com Arena in sunny Los Angeles, Calif.

Resident Alien SYFY 8 p.m.

It remains to be seen if Earth girls really are easy, but Harry (Alan Tudyk), an extraterrestrial who's assumed the identity of the town's doctor, decides to go along on Ben (Levi Fiehler), Kate (Meredith Garretson) and Max's (Judah Prehn) family vacation.

FBI True KDBC 9 p.m.

After eight veterans, all patients at a Veteran Affairs hospital in Clarksburg, W.Va., mysteriously die one after the other in a short period of time, the FBI is called in to further investigate. Agents recall details from this real-life case.

Feud: Capote vs. The Swans FX 11 p.m.

Well, that escalated quickly. Infamous novelist Truman Capote's (Tom Hollander) Black and White Ball should be the party to top all parties. However, his act of betrayal has the Swans seeing red as they plan his banishment and destruction.

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Mehcad Brooks in "Law & Order"

Law & Order KTSM 7 p.m.

In the latest episode of this crime procedural, follow the stories of the police who investigate crime and the district attorneys that prosecute the offenders. Hugh Dancy, Oldelya Halevi, Camryn Manheim, Mehcad Brooks and Reid Scott star.

Beat Bobby Flay FOOD 7 p.m.

When "The Kitchen" co-hosts Sunny Anderson and Geoffrey Zakarian bring chefs Paddy Coker and Greg Lutes to the party, their mission is to tackle the famed culinary master with a steak that dazzles the judges.

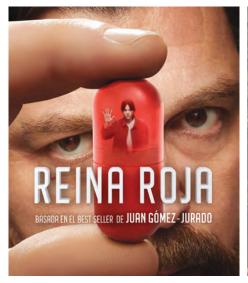
Elsbeth KDBC 9 p.m.

Carrie Preston reprises her role as Elsbeth Tascioni in "The Good Wife" and "The Good Fight" for this new series. After a successful career in Chicago, Elsbeth moves to New York, so she can work with the NYPD.

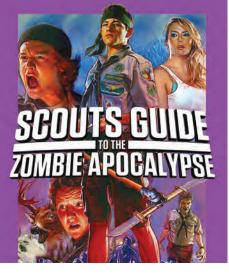


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WARCRAFT





"Red Queen" - Season 1 (Feb. 29)

An adaptation of the first book in Juan Gómez-Jurado's hit Antonia Scott trilogy, this series follows Antonia Scott (Vicky Luengo), whose unparalleled intelligence has made her an invaluable police asset. After a high profile murder and kidnapping, the secret Red Queen organization sends hot-tempered Basque cop, Jon Gutiérrez (Hovik Keuchkerian), to bring her back into the game.

"Warcraft" (Feb. 29)

In this fantasy film based on the video game series of the same name, the orc shaman Gul'dan (Daniel Wu), looking to escape from his dying world, utilizes dark magic to open a portal to the human realm of Azeroth. Supported by the fierce fighter Blackhand (Clancy Brown), Gul'dan organizes the orc clans into a conquering army called the Horde. Uniting to protect Azeroth from these hulking invaders are King Llane (Dominic Cooper), the mighty warrior Anduin Lothar (Travis Fimmel) and the powerful wizard Medivh (Ben Foster).

"Scouts Guide to the Zombie Apocalypse" (Feb. 29)

When their peaceful town is ravaged by a zombie invasion, three scouts and one tough cocktail waitress will fight for the badge of a lifetime and put their scouting skills to the test to save mankind from the undead. Tye Sheridan, Logan Miller, Sarah Dumont, Joey Morgan and David Koechner star.

"The Grand Tour: Sand Job" (Available Now)

For their latest adventure, Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond and James May travel to the wild and remote country of Mauritania, in West Africa. Their challenge is to follow in the footsteps of the world's most dangerous race, the iconic Paris-Dakar. But, instead of competing in bespoke, hand built Dakar racers, our unfit trio must complete their journey in second hand sports cars, modified by themselves.

cooking log

Friday

8 p.m. COOK Spring Baking Championship Creating mini pies perfect for an outdoor gathering.

FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives An eatery is serving up tasty sandwiches and a sweet treat.

- 8:30 p.m. FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives Eclectic eats in LA; Mexican specialties in Norfolk.
- 9 p.m. COOK Spring Baking Championship The seven bakers take on springtime eclairs.
- 9:30 p.m. FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives Nashville hot chicken; wagyu brisket and wing nachos

Saturday

8 p.m. COOK Iron Chef America
Alex Guarnaschelli faces off
against chef Robert Clark.
DEST BBQ Pitmasters Previous
champions Mark West, Rod Gray
and Corey Brinson.
FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and
Dives In Los Angeles, a taco
truck goes big with birria.

8:30 p.m. FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives Pimento cheeseburger; kimchi fried rice; barbecue.

9 p.m. COOK Iron Chef America Iron Chef Geoffrey Zakarian vs. chef Dale Talde.

FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives

9:30 p.m. FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives A Filipino joint fires up its spin on pigs' feet. Sunday

8 p.m. FOOD Bobby's Triple Threat

8:05 p.m. HISTORY The Food That Built America The Boiardi brothers introduce Italian food to Americans.

9 p.m. COOK Man v. Food "The Horseshoe"; Firebrand Chili Challenge.

FOOD Beat Bobby Flay Ree Drummond and Eddie Jackson join forces.

9:05 p.m. HISTORY The Food That Built America Wally Amos decides to sell his own chocolate chip cookies.

9:30 p.m. COOK Man v. Food Adam takes on a stuffed pizza challenge in Hartford, Conn. FOOD Beat Bobby Flay Two chefs face off for a shot at scuffing up Bobby's record.

Monday

8 p.m. FOOD Chopped The chefs make appetizers from candy and a canned sauce.

8:30 p.m. COOK Bizarre Foods: Delicious Destinations A hearty Scottish breakfast; peppery haggis; blue lobster.

9 p.m. COOK The Zimmern List Andrew dines on Tex-Mex fare and brisket in Houston. FOOD Chopped This

competition is all about skill, speed and ingenuity. NGC Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted Chef Ramsay is in Louisiana to learn Cajun cooking

9:30 p.m. COOK The Zimmern List Andrew visits the queen of soul food in Charleston, S.C.

Tuesday

8 p.m. COOK Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations Tony accepts the challenge to return to Les Halles for work. DEST BBQ Pitmasters Competing for \$50,000 and the Grand Champion title.

9 p.m. COOK Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations Tony visits the ancient monuments and palazzos in Venice.

Wednesday

8 p.m. CLEO New Soul Kitchen COOK Man Fire Food Roger cooks up two whole hogs in two

different ways.

FOOD Guy's Grocery Games
Guy invites four champion DDD
chefs to prove who's the best.

8:30 p.m. CLEO New Soul Kitchen COOK Man Fire Food Erik Niel cooks on bamboo poles; Tim Byres cooks on swords.

9 p.m. CLEO Just Eats With Chef JJ COOK The Zimmern List Andrew visits Providence, R.I., home to a unique food scene.

FOOD Guy's Grocery Games
Celebrity couples to shop in
separate halves of the store.
9:30 p.m. CLEO Just Eats With

Chef JJ COOK The Zimmern List Andrew visits his favorite spots in San Diego.

Thursday

8 p.m. COOK Bizarre Foods: Delicious Destinations From tapas to crema Catalana; Spanish history and culture. FOOD Beat Bobby Flay Eddie Jackson and Anne Burrell hope to trip up Bobby Flay. 8:30 p.m. COOK Bizarre Foods: Delicious Destinations Hearthealthy dishes; beer drinking; schnitzel and spatzle.

FOOD Beat Bobby Flay Global food enthusiasts Reza Setayesh and Andy Gaynor.

9 p.m. FOOD Beat Bobby Flay Martha Stewart makes Bobby Flay look like a court jester

Flay look like a court jester.
9:30 p.m. COOK Bizarre Foods
America A beverage that tastes
like bourbon but without the
alcohol.

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tonight's movies

300 ★★★ (2006,Action) Badly outnumbered Spartan warriors battle the Persian army. (2:32) SYFY Sun. 7:33 p.m.

Avengers, The ★★★ (2012, Action) Superheroes team up to save the world from disaster. (3:00) USA Thu. 6 p.m.

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

Barbershop: The Next Cut ★★★ (2016, Comedy) Calvin and the gang must save the neighborhood from crime. (2:30) VH1 Sat. 6 p.m.

Begin Again ★★★ (2013,Romance) An ex-music producer and a singer form a life-changing bond. (1:45) FLIX Sun. 8 p.m.

Black Panther ★★★ (2018, Action) Black Panther springs into action when an old enemy returns. (3:00) TNT Sat. 8 p.m.

Black Widow ★★★ (2021, Action) A conspiracy forces Black Widow to confront her past. (3:00) FX Wed.

8 p.m.

Blind Side, The ★★★ (2009, Drama) A well-to-do white couple adopts a homeless black teen. (3:00) BRAVO Fri. 8 p.m.

Blockers ★★★ (2018,Comedv) Three parents chase down their daughters on prom night. (1:55) FXM Tue. 7:55 p.m.

Coco ★★★ (2017,Animated) A boy embarks on a journey to discover his family's history. (1:50) DISN Sun.

Collateral ★★★ (2004, Thriller) A contract killer uses a cabdriver for his jobs. (2:00) **SHOW Mon. 7 p.m.**

Deadpool 2 ★★★ (2018,Action) Deadpool joins forces with a team of mutants to fight Cable. (2:20) FXM Fri. 6:05 p.m

Despicable Me 2 ★★★ (2013,Animated) Gru and his new partner hunt a nefarious individual. (2:00) FREE Tue. 7 p.m.

Die Hard ★★★ (1988,Action) An officer single-handedly takes on a band of terrorists. (3:00) IFC Sat.

Dirty Pretty Things ★★★ (2002.Thriller) Immigrants each give up a kidney in exchange for a passport. (1:45)

FLIX Tue. 8 p.m. Django Unchained ★★★ (2012, Western) An ex-slave and a German bounty hunter roam America's South. (2:49) STARZ Tue. 7

Driving Miss Daisy *** (1989, Comedy Drama) An elderly widow becomes friends with her black chauffeur. (2:00) TCM Sat. 6 p.m.

p.m.

Drop, The *** (2014.Crime Story) A bartender finds himself at the center of a heist gone bad.

(2:00) FLIX Tue. 6 p.m. Duchess, The ★★★ (2008, History) A late-1700s noblewoman becomes a powerful force for change. (2:00) FLIX Sun. 6 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons: Honor Among Thieves ★★★ (2023,Fantasy) Adventurers embark on a quest to retrieve a lost relic. (2:15) MGM

Bingo — Solution

	Н	Е	C	N	S
Shows set in a hospital	'House"	ER	"Ghicago Med"	"New Amsterdam"	"Scrubs"
Things in a bedroom	Head- board	End table	Curtains	Nightstand	Sheets
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Things on a road atlas	Highway	Exit	City	National Park	Street
Languages	Hindr	English	Chinesu	Norwegian	Spanish

Encanto ★★★ (2021,Animated) A Colombian girl must save an enchanted, magical place. (1:45) DISN Sat. 6 p.m.

Everything Everywhere All at Once *** (2022,Comedy) An unlikely hero fights fearsome danger from the multiverse. (2:20) SHOW Fri. 8 p.m.. Wed. 6:40 p.m.

Ex Machina ★★★ (2014,Sci-Fi) A young coder interacts with a beautiful robot. (1:49) MAX Tue. 7:45 p.m.

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Fantastic Voyage ★★★ (1966,Sci-Fi) Miniaturized surgeons enter a scientist's bloodstream. (2:00) TCM Mon. 6 p.m.

Few Good Men, A ★★★ (1992,Drama) A Navy lawyer defends two

Marines in a comrade's death. (3:00) BBCA Fri. 8 p.m.

Forrest Gump ★★★★ (1994,Comedy Drama) A slow-witted Southerner experiences 30 years of history. (3:30) VH1 Sun. 6 p.m.

Funny Girl ★★★★ (1968, Musical) Fanny Brice rises from obscurity to entertainment legend. (2:45) TCM Sat. 8 p.m.

Ghost Town ★★★ (2008,Comedy) A man sees spirits after having a near-death experience. (1:50) FLIX Wed. 7:35 p.m.

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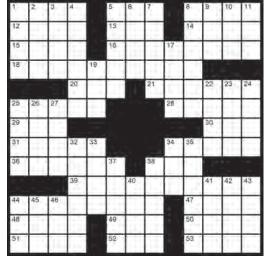
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- Gretchen of "Boardwalk Empire" 8. 18-wheeler
- 12. Mayberry lad
- 13. French "one"
- Comic André
- do!" (resigned acceptance phrase)
- Ken Jennings' game
- 18. Michelle Keegan series 20. Scuff up, e.g.
- 21. Spain's peninsula
- 25. Altar areas

- 28. Sneak
- 29. Petri dish filler
- Biol, or chem.
- 31 Honshu city
- Recently laundered.
- 36. Flip out
- 38. AAA's opposite? 39. Game show that featured physical challenges
- CBS reality show
- Crossword maker's canvas
- Spicy Asian cuisine 49. Self-image
- 50. Jazz singer James
- 51. Broken in

- 52. Bit of kiddie litter
- 53. Coal vein

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- 1. Hair style
- 2. Words with "the minute" and
- 3. Disney girl who adopted Stitch
- "Spill it!"
- 5. Juan's woman
- -cat (sandlot game)
- Tea in Hollywood
- 8. Sushi offering
- 9. Go wrong
- 10. Below average
- 11. Like an unfriendly stare 17. EPA-banned chemicals
- 19. Pas' partners
- 22. Get to one's feet
- 23. Empire builder of old Related by blood
- 25. Eager
- 100 centavos
- 27. Shredded side dish
- 32. Children's TV, for short 33. Quality, in Quebec
- Bee follower
- 35. Cliff dwelling locales
- 37. Comforter

38

- Judy Jetson's brother 40. Two-fer coupon acronym
- 41. Comic Johnson Muckraker Skeeter in the Potterverse
- 43. Dutch export
- 44. Queue after R
- 45. Sounds of hesitation
- 46. TV producer Issa

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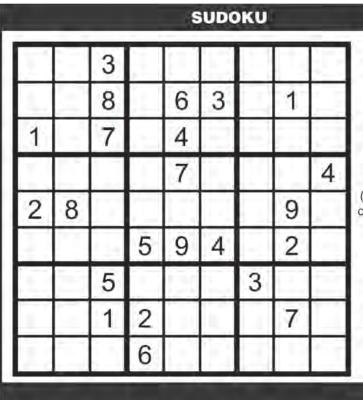
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To complete this puzzle, place the numbers 1-9 in the empty cells, so that every row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold outline) contains all nine digits.

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





tonight's movies

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Girl With the Dragon Tattoo, The
*** (2011, Thriller) A disgraced journalist probes a 40-year-old murder.
(2:40) TMC Sat. 6 p.m.
Good Will Hunting *** (1997, Dra-

ma) A young Boston man must deal with his genius and emotions. (2:10) HBO2 Fri. 6:50 p.m.
Grand Prix *** (1966,Drama)

Three champion race-car drivers compete in the Grand Prix. (3:15)

TCM Wed. 6 p.m.

Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2
★★★ (2017,Sci-Fi) The team unravels
the mystery of Peter Quill's parentage. (3:00) TBS Sat. 6 p.m.

Н

Hope Springs ★★★ (2012,Comedy Drama) A husband and wife go to see a renowned marriage counselor. (1:40) TMC Mon. 7:50 p.m.
Hotel Rwanda ★★★ (2004,Drama)

A hotelier saves over 1,200 Tutsi refugees from genocide. (2:45) AXS Fri. 7 p.m.

Hunger Games: Catching Fire, The ★★★ (2013, Sci-Fi) The 75th Annual Hunger Games may change Panem forever. (3:00) AMC Tue. 8 p.m. Hunger Games: Mockingiav. Part 1

Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1, The ★★★ (2014,Sci-Fi) Katniss fights for Peeta and a nation moved by her courage. (2:30) AMC Sat. 6 p.m., Wed. 6 p.m.

Ingrid Goes West ★★★ (2017,Comedy Drama) An obsessive woman becomes friends with a social media star. (1:38) MAX Mon. 7:48 p.m.



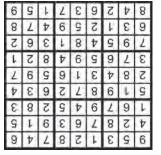
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Into the Wild *** (2007,Drama) Christopher McCandless makes an ill-fated trek to Alaska. (2:30) FLIX Thu. 6 p.m.

Italian Job, The ★★★ (2003, Thriller) A thief and his crew plan to steal back their gold. (2:00) TMC Tue. 6 p.m.

L

Laura ★★★ (1944,Mystery) A detective falls in love with a murdered woman's portrait. (1:45) TCM Fri. 6 n.m.

Lion King, The ★★★ (1994, Animated) The son of a king battles treachery to claim his destiny. (2:00) FREE Wed. 7:30 p.m.

Little Women ★★★ (1994,Drama) Four New England sisters embrace life during the Civil War. (2:00) FLIX Fri. 6 p.m.

M

Manchurian Candidate, The ★★★ (2004, Thriller) A Gulf War vet is suspicious of a political candidate. (2:13) HBO2 Wed. 6:17 p.m.

Meet the Parents *** (2000,Comedy) A man spends a disastrous weekend with his lover's family. (2:30) IFC Fri. 8 p.m.

Menu, The ★★★ (2022, Horror) Shocking surprises await a couple at a lavish restaurant. (1:50) HBO2 Tue. 7:10 p.m.

Miller's Crossing ★★★ (1990,Crime Story) An ambitious Italian underling crosses an Irish crime lord. (2:00)

TMC Thu. 6 p.m. Mission: Impossible -- Ghost Protocol ★★★ (2011, Action) Ethan Hunt goes "off the grid" after the IMF is shut down. (3:00) FX Mon. 6 p.m. Mission: Impossible Rogue Nation ★★★ (2015, Action) Ethan Hunt and his team square off against the Syndicate. (2:15) MGM Wed. 7:45 p.m. Most Violent Year, A ★★★ (2014, Thriller) A man tries to maintain his integrity amid corruption. (2:05)

MAX Sun. 6 p.m.

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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

	Н	Е	С	N	S
Shows set in a hospital					
Things in a bedroom					
Recess activities				Free Space	
Things on a road atlas					
Languages					

Р

Paddington ★★★ (2014,Children) A kindly British family takes in a lost Peruvian bear. (1:40) BYUTV Sun. 8 p.m.

Peggy Sue Got Married ★★★
(1986.Comedy Drama) A woman is

transported back to her last year in high school. (2:15) **AXS Sun. 7 p.m.**

O

Quiet Man, The **** (1952, Drama) An Irish-American returns to Ireland to claim his home. (2:30) TCM Thu. 6 p.m.

alternate puzzle



Ratatouille ★★★ (2007,Animated) A French rat longs to become a chef. (2:30) FREE Mon. 7 p.m. Rise of the Planet of the Apes ★★★ (2011,Sci-Fi) A medical experiment results in a superintelligent chimp. (2:25) SYFY Mon. 7:05 p.m.



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River Runs Through It, A ★★★ (1992, Drama) A portrait of the relationship between a preacher's sons. (2:05) **TMC Sun. 6 p.m.**

Shrek ★★★ (2001, Animated) A grumpy ogre agrees to rescue a captive princess. (2:00) E! Mon. 8 p.m., Tue. 6 p.m.

Shrek 2 ★★★ (2004, Animated) A green ogre must meet his wife's parents. (2:00) E! Tue. 8 p.m.

Streetcar Named Desire, A *** (1951, Drama) A neurotic Southern belle tries to preserve her gentility. (2:15) TCM Sun. 6 p.m.

Truman Show, The ★★★

(1998, Comedy Drama) Cameras broadcast an unwitting man's (Jim Carrey) entire life. (1:45) MGM Fri. 6 p.m.

Up ★★★ (2009,Animated) An old man flies away in a balloon-powered house. (1:45) DISN Fri. 6 p.m.

Wolf of Wall Street, The ★★★ (2013, Comedy Drama) A stockbroker develops habits of excess and corruption. (4:00) PAR Fri. 6 p.m.

Across

- 1. Commercials
- 4. Disguise, for short
- 8. Hard throw, in baseball
- 11. Groove
- 12. Crown
- 13. Provoke
- 14. Deals with intense pressure
- 17. Sound of relief
- 18. Big Apple inits.
- 19. Arm or leg
- 21. Fix
- 24. While
- 25. "___ whom it may concern"
- 26. You and I
- 27. Clock setting
- 28. Creator of Genesis
- 30. No Mr. Nice Guy
- 32. Posting at JFK
- 34. favor
- 35. Tactic in soccer or karate
- 41. Lobbying grp.

- 42. Matter for the gray matter
- 43. Least bit
- 44. Year abroad
- 45. Puts two and two together
- 46. Check

Down

- 1. Light bark
- 2. Rightful
- 3. Miff
- 4. Kind of cow
- 5. To the point
- 6. "Nothing special"
- 7. Team members
- 8. Chessman
- 9. Notable period
- 10. Dig
- 15. Attire for scientists
- 16. Service manual?
- 19. Parts of a code
- 20. "O.K."
- 22. Hollywood Boulevard sight

- 23. Not all
- 29. Company with a spokeslizard
- 31. Con
- 33. Korea, China, and so on
- 34. Non-commercial TV spots
- 35. Marienbad, for one
- 36. Oil holder
- 37. Kooky
- 38. One side in checkers
- 39. It has moles: Abbr.
- 40. Cold war grp.

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view from the couch

Family Viewing Ratings

AS Adult situations N Nudity

P Profanity V Violence
GV Graphic Violence



"WONKA"

While the first of the several movies to be made from Roald Dahl's story "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" – 1971's Gene Wilder-starring "Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory" – remains a multigenerational favorite, this latest version from director and co-screenwriter Paul King ("Paddington") met with a generally favorable response and scored nicely at the box office. Timothee Chalamet now has the title role of the "candy man," whose knack for creating delectable delicacies is detailed from the start of his story as he naively signs a business contract that puts him at a definite disadvantage ... until he gets assistance from quite a diverse group of allies. Calah Lane, Keegan-Michael Key, Paterson Joseph, Matt Lucas, Sally Hawkins, Rowan Atkinson, Jim Carter, Olivia Colman and (as an Oompa-Loompa) Hugh Grant are among others in the cast. The film's original songs were composed by Neil Hannon, the leader of the Northern Ireland band The Divine Comedy. DVD extras: five "making-of" documentaries. ★★★ (PG: AS, P, V) (Also on Blu-ray, Digital and On Demand)

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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: Mountains

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Tatiana Maslany earned huge acclaim - encompassing a Primetime Emmy Award, among many other honors - for her multiple portrayals in this Canadian-originated sci-fi adventure series, which had a five-season run and is being reissued in full in a Blu-ray set. The central character is con artist Sarah, who comes to realize that she is a clone ... one of many that have been targeted for capture or elimination by various factions including police, the staff of a biotech institute and a religious group. Dylan Bruce and Jordan Gavaris play two of Sarah's principal associates as she flees; Matt Frewer, Michelle Forbes, Peter Outerbridge, James Frain and Stephen McHattie have recurring roles. The scenes in which Maslany appears to act opposite herself involved body doubles (several of them at once, in some cases) and innovative technology. ★★★★ (Not rated: AS, P, V) (Also on DVD)

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LOCAL WOMAN STARS IN DOLPH LUNDGREN FLICK

Raised in El Paso, actress returns to film in Las Cruces

ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH Las Cruces Bulletin

Growing up in El Paso didn't keep actress Christina Villa from her dreams as she landed a leading role in a feature film titled "Wanted Man." In fact, her connection with the El Paso/Las Cruces area may have helped her get the part of Rosa in the movie directed by and starring Doph Lundgren, released in January.

Born and raised in El Paso, Villa attended Bel Air High School and lived in the lower valley. She was familiar with show business, as her mom was a performer in the city and a member of the Viva El Paso crew.

And while her mom would take her on stage

sometimes, Villa later became shy and didn't take an interest in acting until after her high school days. Yet she loved being part of a team and became a cheerleader at Bel Air.

It was at the University of Texas-Austin, after earning her bachelor's degree in public relations, that the acting bug grabbed her again.

"I guess it was in me at a young age and I missed performing," she said. "I took my first acting class and fell in love with it. I knew this is what I wanted to do and started taking whatever chances I could find."

As she put in time as an extra in films like "Spy Kids 3," she worked at the El Paso Times and was doing theater at the same



COURTESY PHOTO

Christina Villa is serious on the set of "Wanted Man" with her director and costar Doph Lundgren.

time. Then, attending the Plaza Classic Film Festival, Villa heard Al Pacino talking about studying at the Actor's Studio in New York and decided to jump in with both feet and auditioned for the school during an opportunity in

Los Angeles.

"The teacher admitted me on the spot," she said. "In four months, I was living in New York and going to school. Twice a week having teachers telling me, encouraging me, built that confidence that I lacked. Having their support made me feel like I'm in the right place and this is what I should be doing."

Villa spent seven years in New York City working retail, delivering Uber Eats and whatever else she could find as she auditioned and auditioned for parts.

"Eventually I met my manager, Sana from Steinberg Talent, right around the pandemic," she said. "I started to get more auditions and I got the audition for 'Wanted Man."

When she saw the movie was to shoot in the Las Cruces area, she included her information about living in El Paso in her audition notes. Weeks went by and Villa didn't hear anything, so she let it go and went on the next audition and the next. Finally, her agent said the producer had responded.

"It was an awesome

experience to get to do my first (leading) role near home," she said.

The movie was mostly filmed in Las Cruces from April to June 2022. And she has done two more movies since. "Wanted Man" is available on Amazon Prime or Apple TV, for on-demand viewing.

The experience in Las Cruces was amazing, Villa said. The team she worked with was great and filming in the desert itself added an element of reality to the process. She loved working with the local hair and make-up team.

"One of the funnest things to do was sit in that chair with them," she said. "And the cast was great, the costume designer. It was just all around a really great experience because I got to be around some really great people. There is a lot of talent in New Mexico."

To get into character, Villa used a lot of the tools she picked up in training, to which she added research and personalization. She portrays Rosa Barranco, a sex worker and eyewitness being escorted by a police officer (Lundgren) through Mexico and across the border. Villa describes Rosa as "a strong woman who doesn't suffer fools."

"You find things and experiences you can relate to," she said. "You try to figure out how the character got to where they are now and trying to put yourself in their shoes. In terms of preparation, you just do your work for the role, let it go and show up."

Filming in the desert was also a good experi-

ence, she said.

"It added a lot – showing the struggles (the characters) are going through," she said. "We filmed in that 100-degree weather. One day the wind was crazy. It definitely added to the stakes of the characters, and I thought it was really great and I would do it again."

Working with Lundgren and Kelsey Grammer on the film was a pleasure, she said. Other than booking smaller roles in television, the experience of getting the lead in a film was a dream come true.

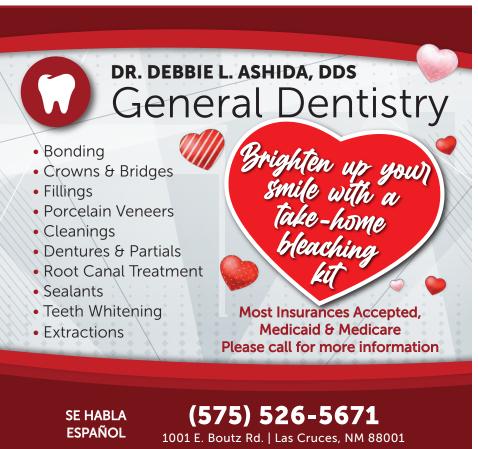
"It was exciting, I was nervous, but they were so supportive," she said. "I will always take with me how they made me feel like I belonged. Kelsey was right there and having someone like him cheer you on – I don't know what words to use. I am grateful. It was a humbling experience."

She described Lundgren as open to feedback, collaborative and always advocating for her; someone who knew what he was doing and when to delegate.

Villa's family is supportive, she said. They have all seen the film multiple times.

"If sales are going up, it's probably my family," she said. "My mom is so excited; my dad was thrilled (if a bit taken aback at the idea of me playing a sex worker). They are a really big support system."

Her small nephews, too, are excited about Villa making it as an actress and one of them is waiting for her to play Wonder Woman one day.



Arts roundup

BY ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH Las Cruces Bulletin

• NMSU's Research and Creativity Week to showcase variety of disciplines

New Mexico State University's Research and Creativity Week, initiated in 2019 and now in its second year as a springtime event, continues to grow in its offerings and appeal.

This year's Research and Creativity Week is Feb. 26 to March 1 at a variety of locations on and off campus, and will kick off with an opening keynote speech by El Paso-born artist Celia Álvarez Muñoz titled "Why you shouldn't make Art in your Kitchen," from 6 to 7 p.m. Feb. 26 at the ASNMSU Center for the

Arts, 1000 E. University Ave. A reception will follow the speech at the University Art Museum, 1308 E. University Ave., from 7 to 8 p.m.

Art lovers in the region have an opportunity to experience 40 years of boundary-breaking artwork by conceptual multimedia artist 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.

Following the keynote event, each day features a number of conference-



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Anthony Sutton, poet and author of "Particles of a Stranger Light," will be sharing his work with the public through the Nelson-Boswell Reading Series at New Mexico State University.

style events, including student presentations and poster sessions, research-related workshops and musical and creative writing performances. The NMSU William Conroy Honors College will also host a bilingual poetry reading March 1 at Grounded, 300 N. Main St., featuring

undergraduate poets and Rodrigo Figueroa, NMSU assistant professor of Spanish literature and a well-published poet and playwright. There will also be several musical performances throughout the week featuring members of the NMSU Music Department. All events are free and open to the

public, although some require registration. For more information, visit research.nmsu.edu/Other/ RCW/index.html.

• Houston-based poet to give public reading at NMSU Feb. 23

As part of the Nelson-**Boswell Reading Series** there will be a public reading event for poet Anthony Sutton. Sutton, Inprint C. Glenn Cambor fellow in the University of Houston Literature and Creative Writing Ph. D. program, is the author of "Particles of a Stranger Light," published by Veliz Books in 2023. He will read from his work at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23 at New Mexico State University in the Creative Media Institute Theater in Milton Hall, Room 171.

Master of Fine Arts candidate in fiction, Kathy Key-Tello, also will be reading from thesis works. The event is free and open to the public and includes a reception following the reading.

The Nelson-Boswell Reading Series invites visiting writers to NMSU to share their work with the community. Copies of Sutton's books also will be available for sale.

Next in the series, Diné writer and filmmaker Ramona Emerson, author of "Shuttle," will be on campus for a reading on Friday, April 12.

• Dr. Seuss Day at the Museum of Nature & Science

The Museum of Nature & Science hosts Dr. Seuss Day from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, March 2. This is a free, family event open to the public. The museum honors the birth-

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- Thursday, Mar. 7: Mr. Fernando Macias, County Manager "The Role of County Governance"
- Wednesday, Mar. 13: Mr. Ifo Pili, City Manager "Principles of Local Government"
- Friday, Mar. 15: Ms. Kim Stewart, County Sheriff "Opportunity or Obstacles Which is Which?"

In person presentations are held at the East Mesa DACC Auditorium, 2800 North Sonoma Ranch Blvd. Coffee, tea, cookies and conversation available at the nearby Student Resources Building from 9:45 until 10:20. Sessions begin at 10:30 and end at noon. Presentations continue to be on Zoom and recorded for viewing at your convenience. For detailed information and/or to pre-register go to "Academy for Learning in Retirement". Fees are \$20 for 4 March sessions or \$60 for 5 months/20 presentations. Cash or check accepted at the DACC Auditorium registration desk. Questions: call 575-527-7509.



Las Cruces Utilities Awards

CITY OF LAS CRUCES

Las Cruces Utilities celebrated its 10th annual Employee Awards Ceremony Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2024, at the Las Cruces Convention Center.

The event, which included a luncheon for all LCU employees, honored the dedicated employees with 5, 10, 15 and 20 years of service to the City of Las Cruces. Over forty people were recognized for their commitment to serving the community and reaching these milestones. Three individuals reached 25 years, Diana Montoya, Jeffrey Garcia, and Leo Perez.

Additional notable awards presented to LCU employees include:

• Jacob Cabrales, Interim Water Production Supervisor: Customer Service – Above and Beyond Award.
Cabrales took care of several customers concerns in a timely and

professional manner throughout the past year. He has always answered the call to go above and beyond for LCU customers and has always left them with a smile and sense of fulfillment.

- · Julian Morales, **Wastewater Senior Heavy Equipment Operator:** Cost Effective Savings Solution Award. Morales took the lead on LCU's Biofilter Rehabilitation Project to replace all the old media with fresh media and inspect and repair the air lines of each Biofilter. He saved the City close to \$1 million by doing this project in-house.
- Victor Ortiz, Collections Specialist:
 Excellence Through
 Innovation Award.
 Ortiz began employment with the City as a temporary employee specifically to collect unpaid utility bills that



were past due, and in some cases, were written-off accounts that were greater than 60 days past due. He tackled an enormous list consisting of amounts due from past and present residents, and small and large commercial accounts. During the City's 2021 fiscal year. Ortiz collected \$1.08 million: in Fiscal Year 2022, collections increased to more than \$2.3 million; and in Fiscal Year 2023, collections continued to rise to almost \$4.2 million.

As of Dec. 31, 2023, collections for the fiscal year were \$2.04 million.

Julian Morales, Francisco Ramirez, Francisco Javier Herrera, James Crespin, Wastewater Operations and Maintenance: LCU Board Award. Together, these four Wastewater emplovees tackled LCU's Biofilter Rehabilitation Project by inspecting and replacing all the old media with fresh media and then inspecting and repairing air lines of each Biofilter. Their work was accomplished during the past year and included starting their workdays at 4 a.m. and then continued regular work duties throughout the day. By doing this as an in-house project, this team saved the LCU Wastewater program close to \$1 million.

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ROUNDUP

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day of children's author and cartoonist, Dr. Seuss. His life is celebrated with hands-on activities focusing his impact on science, the environment, engineering and the STEAM fields. The Museum of Nature & Science is located at 411 N. Main Street and its website can be found at LasCruces.gov/museums. For information contact Andrew Colwell, Museum Curator, at 575-532-3372 or by email at acolwell@ lascruces.gov.

• Students offered Artcation at the Doña Ana Arts Council

The Doña Ana Arts Council is hosting its Spring Break Arts Camp for students grades 2-8.

Campers will take an Artcation exploring

color theory, exploring a variety of mediums, and the fundamentals of comic making. Artcation runs Tuesday, March 12, through Friday, March 15. There will be a morning session and an afternoon session. The morning session, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., will be for grades 2-5 and there are only 20 spots available. The afternoon session, 1-4 p.m., will be for grades 6-8 and there are only 20 spots available. Registration is open through March 1. Applications may be picked up at 230 S. Water St., Las Cruces, Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For information visit daarts.org. For gallery information contact Keslee Bennett, at gallery@ daarts.org. For more information on events contact, Nikayla Rios, at admin@daarts.org.



Quality of Life Department





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PUZZLE ANSWER

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Finance authority to host workshop

BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico Finance Authority plans a workshop in March focusing on public financing options for local businesses.

The agency offers a range of financing programs to help building infrastructure, acquire capital equipment and to advance economic develop-

According to a news release, the workshop will be held from 10 a.m. to noon on Thursday, March 14, in the city council chambers at city hall, 700 N. Main Street. Attendees are encouraged to bring project ideas.

A selection of NMFA programs listed in the announcement includes Public Project Revolving Fund, Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund, Water Project Fund,

Colonias Infrastructure Fund, **Local Government Planning** Fund, New Markets Tax Credit Program, Economic Development Revolving Fund, Primary Care Capital Fund and Behavioral Health Capital Fund, Opportunity Enterprise Revolving Fund, Venture Capital Program, Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI) for small businesses and the Charter School Facility Loan Program.

City holds public road safety meeting

BULLETIN REPORT

The city of Las Cruces holds a public meeting from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday to discuss the arterial and collector speed management policy. In simpler terms, the policy refers to how the city manages speed and safety on major streets and adjacent "collector" roadways.

In a news release, the city explained that a residential traffic calming policy in effect applies only to residential streets and not the roadways mentioned above. A new policy is sought to evaluate and apply speed management strategies on those streets as well, addressing vehicle safety and protections for pedestrians and bicyclists as well.

The meeting takes place at city hall, 700 N. Main Street, in conference rooms 2007B and 2007C. Residents are invited to offer comments and suggestions related to the new policy. More information is available through the Public Works Department at 575-528-3333.

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BUSINESS

WHO ARE THE PLUNDERERS?

Pulitzer laureate Gretchen Morgenson visits NMSU

ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

Las Cruces Bulletin

Private equity has furtively assumed control over numerous sectors of the economy, enriching a small community of private investors while tightening its grip on essential services on which the majority depends: This argument is a theme of a recent book by Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Gretchen Morgenson, and a talk she gave Tuesday evening, Feb. 20, in Las Cruces.

New Mexico State

University's College of **Business and Center** for Border Economics hosted the author for a public talk where Morgenson was to sign copies of her 2023 work, co-authored with Joshua Rosner, "These are the Plunderers: How Private **Equity Runs and Wrecks** America," from Simon & Schuster.

"Private equity is kind of a secretive financial system, an approach that has been rising importance in this country and has been taking over vast swaths of our economy,"

Morgenson told the Bulletin in an interview. "Health care is a huge area where private equity investors have taken over a tremendous number of physician practices, emergency departments, hospitals."

Per reporting from ProPublica, private equity investment companies control over \$6 billion in assets in the U.S., acquiring companies in various industries in order to restructure them and sell them off for a profit.

Critics have raised alarms about private eq-



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Gretchen Morgenson

uity holdings in the health care industry, community hospitals, in particular. In Las Cruces, Memorial Medical Center is owned by LifePoint Health, itself a property of private equity firm Apollo Global Management.

Morgenson said impartial academic research is finding that "bad outcomes increase dramatically when private equity gets involved in healthcare."

For instance, she cited studies by Harvard University and University of Chicago showing widely

different hospital outcomes overall for patients before and after private equity buyouts. "After the buyouts, these academics found a spike in serious infections, patient falls and blood clots after private equity became involved," she said, a trend found in other academic studies as well.

"Private equity has the reputation of slashing jobs," she continued. "Academic research shows that the average decline in jobs at a company taken over by a highly leveraged private equity firm is 13

percent."

In seeking interviews with private equity firms themselves, Morgenson said they have countered with claims that they have created more jobs than they have cut; but she said none provided documentation supporting the claim.

Morgenson is a senior financial reporter for NBC News and has previously been an investigative journalist at the Wall Street Journal and an assistant business and financial editor as well as a columnist for the New York Times.

She won a Pulitzer Prize in 2002 for her reporting on Wall Street and cowrote "Reckless Endangerment," a 2011 book about the U.S. mortgage crisis.

"(Morgenson) has been a sharp critic of our most powerful institutions, and our students will benefit greatly from her insights derived from her long experience in journalism and business," College of Business Dean Bryan Ashenbaum stated in a news release ahead of the



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Interstate ramp closure at Motel Blvd.

BULLETIN REPORT

The off ramp from the Interstate 10 eastbound exit 139, as well as the northbound lanes of Motel Blvd., will close for nine days beginning Monday.

The state Department of Transportation said work crews will begin replacing broken concrete slabs on the exit ramp on Monday, Feb. 19, and closures are expected to continue until Wednesday, Feb. 28. The

DOT encouraged motorists to plan alternative routes. There will also be detour routes with signs to assist drivers.

More information is available at NMRoads.com or by calling 511.





Lisa Budtke Chief Financial Officer

Introducing Lisa Budtke, El Paso Electric's newly elected Chief **Financial Officer**

Lisa joined EPE in 2010 and brings nearly three decades of financial experience to her new role. Formerly our Treasurer, Lisa's unwavering commitment to transparency and excellence has earned her accolades both professionally and throughout our community. She contributes her expertise to working collaboratively with professional organizations and non-profit causes for which she is passionate.

As a native of Southern New Mexico, Lisa holds a Bachelor of Accountancy from New Mexico State University and has earned her Master of Business Administration from the University of Phoenix.

Lisa is poised to lead us to unparalleled heights of success and will continue to champion transformative initiatives within our community.

Introducing Richard Gonzalez, El Paso Electric's newly elected **Treasurer**

Richard's journey with EPE began in 2002 when he embarked as an intern, and since then, he has continually demonstrated his expertise in financial forecasting, cash management, and financial planning and analysis.

Richard attended the University of Texas at El Paso, where he earned both his Bachelor of Business Administration in Economics and his Masters in Business Administration. With a solid academic foundation and real-world experience, Richard is poised to make a significant impact in his new role.

As he steps into this exciting chapter, Richard is committed to improve cost efficiencies, managing the company's budget to optimize cash flow and credit management. His strategic vision and attention to detail will undoubtedly propel EPE to new heights of financial success.



Richard Gonzalez Treasurer

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Prayers, tears, candlelight at Hernandez memorial

ALGERNON D'AMMASSALas Cruces Bulletin

Thousands gathered downtown on Friday night, Feb. 16, for a candlelight vigil and to offer condolences to the family of Las Cruces police officer Jonah Hernandez.

The 35-year-old officer, a 2022 police academy graduate, became the first LCPD officer killed in the line of duty on Feb. 11 when he was attacked and killed responding to a service call. Police say his attacker was Armando Silva, who was shot and killed by a witness at the scene.

"The pain we feel today is because of our love for Jonah and if you did not know him personally, because he gave his life selflessly protecting and serving Las Cruces," Chief Jeremy Story said, wearing a dress uniform with a black mourning ribbon across his service badge. "Jonah was a kind and compassionate man. He genuinely cared for his fellow citizens and took every opportunity to demonstrate that love."

The city organized a service bookended with Christian messages, music and tributes to

Hernandez, an El Paso resident and father of two young sons. His wife and children, along with his parents and other relatives, were seated near a small stage and podium while members of the public filled Albert Johnson Park, a grassy area adjacent to city hall and Branigan Memorial Library. Tables and food trucks were stationed in several locations, offering free bottled water and hot chocolate, a popular service as the sun went down and the evening grew colder.

Lt. Gov. Howie Morales and other state and local officials were among the crowd that gathered here, embracing community members and law enforcement officers in and out of uniform, as well as the Las Cruces Fire Department.

"He had a heart of gold," Yesenia Lopez said of her husband, briefly taking the podium to thank the community for a tribute that included heartfelt remembrances of two brother officers who had gone through the academy with Hernandez. They shared stories of friendship, laughter and shared ordeals as cadets.



LAS CRUCES BULLETIN PHOTO BY ALGERNON D'AMMASSA

Members of the public stand in silence with candles during a city-organized memorial ceremony on Feb. 16 for LCPD officer Jonah Hernandez, who died in the line of duty the previous weekend.

Luis Balderrama, who once supervised Hernandez as a sergeant, spoke of Hernandez as a peer rather than a subordinate: "Jonah is an inspiration to us all because he gave the ultimate sacrifice so that we could all go home; and also a personal inspiration for my continued growth to be a better person."

A cellist with the Las Cruces Symphony played Bach while a mix of real candles with batteryoperated lights were distributed and lit, spreading white globes of light framed by the red and blue flashing lights of police cars that bordered the park along Main Street and Picacho Avenue.

"I know he's looking over us right now with a big smile on his face," officer Carlos Hernandez, who shared a surname with his deceased colleague but was not a relative, "and I know he did not regret anything."

Funeral services for Hernandez will also be open to the public at 10 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 21, at Abundant Church, 1000 Valley Crest Drive in El Paso. After the service, a police procession will take Hernandez to his resting place at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Cemetery.

Religious messages

From the memorial cards distributed to participants as well as addresses by Mayor Eric Enriquez, two chaplains and others who spoke, Biblical scriptures and Christian faith were cited throughout the public service to impart messages about police officers' commitment and the nature of authority.

There were frequent expressions of love and devotion to the community, while Chief Story made explicit reference to confronting "evil," echoing a statement made in a press conference on Tuesday. On that occasion, with the pain of Hernandez's death plainly fresh, Story told reporters and the public from a written statement, "This is an evil world. There is evil in our beautiful city. As officers, we see it every day; but it takes selfless men and women to stand against that evil."

Chaplain Conant Carr turned from Psalm 116 ("Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful servants") to Romans: "Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities for there is no authority except that which God has established and the authorities that exist have been established by God himself, and consequently, those who rebel against the authority are rebelling against what God has instituted. ... They are God's servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment upon the wrongdoer."

Enriquez, in his address, read a verse from the Book of Lamentations ("Though He brings grief, He will show compassion, so great is His unfailing love") and aimed for a message of healing and unity: "It's a difficult time that we're going through now, and it doesn't seem like there's anything that will soften this blow; but I tell you, it's love that will."

John Powell, pastor emeritus of the First Evangelical Free Church, delivered a closing benediction from Psalms ("... unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain"), stating in a prayer that police and firefighters were the city's watchmen: "Bless and empower them, grant them zeal tempered with humility and strength tempered with kindness, even as modeled by Jonah Hernandez."







'Generations' writing project seeks authors

BULLETIN REPORT

The Las Cruces Arts and Cultural District is teaming up with the Downtown Las Cruces Partnership to introduce the Generations Community Writing Project, and they are calling for submissions.

The project, according to a news release, "aims to unite literary artists from diverse backgrounds and generations, providing them with a platform to create, share, and celebrate the rich literary talent within the community."

"We believe that literature has the power to bridge generational

divides and create meaningful connections within our community," Jeffrey Stewart, the LCACD chair, stated in the announcement.

Writers age 18 and older who live in Doña Ana County will be paired with an individual at least 20 years apart from them in age, and the pairs will explore past, present and future as themes through prose, poetry, drama, song and writing.

DLCP assistant director Susan Cabello stated in the news release that the project aspires "to foster collaboration and creative expression across different age groups while highlighting the rich cultural

heritage of Las Cruces."

Participation will require two mandatory inperson events, consisting of an April 6 orientation session and reading of the works. Musicians who participate will be required to attend a rehearsal. The works are to be submitted May 9. Selected writers will receive memorabilia and have their works showcased at the reading, scheduled for May 18 and the Rio Grande Theatre downtown.

Applications are accepted online with a deadline of 11:59 p.m. on March 15. More information is available via Cabello at assistant@dlcp.org.

PRESENTED BY IRGAN MOUNTAIN SOLAR & ELECTRI April 6 9:00 am - 5:00 pm @ Las Cruces 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Convention FREE TO THE PUBLIC

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Help Wanted Full-Time

DACC, a responsive. accessible, comprehensive, learning-centered community college that provides education opportunities to a diverse community of learners is inviting candidates to apply for the following Early Childhood

Education Instructor or Assistant Professor Posting 499357 Required Qualifications

- Master's degree in Early Childhood Education or related field. Degree must be in hand by date of hire.
- Three years full-time teaching experience in a classroom with children/ students between Birth -Grade 3
- Must be bilingual in Spanish and English. **Position Summary:**
- Teach 30 credit hours over fall and spring semesters Teaching assignment may include day, evenings, weekends, and/or multiple campus locations.
- Develop, revise and update curriculum in collaboration with the department faculty and director or chair.

- May develop and teach online courses
- · Instruct, support, advise and provide timely feedback to students in accordance with DACC policy and procedures.
- Participate in and serve on department, division, and college committees, program advisory councils, task forces and working groups.
- Maintain professional and academic competence and participate in professional development activities.
- · As appropriate, assist with cooperative education or clinical work site development and student placement.
- Maintain office hours as mandated by division and college policy.
- Function as advisor to students, both individually and as assigned to student clubs and groups.
- Perform other related duties as assigned. For a complete job announcement and to apply for position, please visit: Early Childhood Education Instructor or Assistant Professor -Doña Ana Community College, New Mexico, United States (nmsu.edu)

Deadline to apply

for this position is 02/25/2024

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DACC, a responsive, accessible comprehensive, learning-centered community college that provides education opportunities to a diverse community of learners is inviting candidates to apply for the following vacant position:

English Instructor or **Assistant Professor** Posting 499358 Required Qualifications

- Master's Degree in Rhetoric and Composition, English, or closely related field with at least 18 graduate hours in English.
- Two (2) years full-time equivalent post-secondary Composition teaching experience

Position Summary:

- Teach 30 credit hours over fall and spring semesters.
- · Teach day, evenings, weekends, and/or multiple campus locations as needed.
- Develop, revise and update curriculum in collaboration with the department faculty and chair.
- Develop and teach online courses. Instruct support, and provide timely feedback to students in accordance with DACC policy and procedures
- Participate in and serve on department, division, and college committees. task forces and working groups at multiple cam-
- pus locations.

 Maintain professional and academic competence and participate in professional development activities
- Maintain office hours as mandated by division and college policy.
- Advise and mento students · Perform other related
- duties as assigned. For a complete job announcement and to apply for position, please visit English Instructor or Assistant Professor - Doña Ana Community College, New Mexico, United

States (nmsu.edu) Deadline to apply for this position is 02/25/2024

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TOWN OF MESILLA RFP OPENING REQUEST FOR

PROPOSAL The Town of Mesilla is requesting competitive sealed proposals from professional engineering firms to provide general engineering services for the Town of Mesilla Public Works Division. Sealed Proposals for RFP No. 2024-01 will be received by the Town of Mesilla. c/o Russell Hernandez.

Mayor at either the physical address: 2231 Avenida de Mesilla or mailing address: P.O. Box 10 Mesilla NM 88046 until 12:00 noon. Friday, March 1, 2024. Submitted proposals shall not be publicly opened. Any proposals received after the stated closing time will be rejected and returned unopened. A copy of the RFP is available at the Town of Mesilla web site (www.mesillanm.gov) or the Town Clerk's Office, 2231 Avenida de Mesilla by calling 575.524.3262. The Town of Mesilla reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals and waive all informalities as deemed in the best interest of the Town. The Town of Mesilla provides equal employment opportunities (EEO) to all employees and applicants for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, marital status, amnesty, or status as a covered veteran in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws.

DACC, a responsive. accessible, comprehensive, learning-centered community college that provides education opportunities to a diverse community of learners

is inviting candidates to

apply for the following

Instructor or Assistant Professor **Posting 499377 Required Qualifications**

vacant position: Water Technology Associate Degree in Water Technology or closely related field. Degree



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must be in hand by date of hire. Two (2) years fulltime experience in water technology, wastewater technology, pretreatment and/or high purity water with one year consisting of operational experi-

Position Summary: Teach 30-32 credit hours over fall and spring semesters. Teaching assignment may include day, evenings, weekends, and/or multiple campus locations. Develop, revise and update curriculum in collaboration with the program faculty and department chair. May develop and teach online courses. Instruct, support. advise and provide timely feedback to students in accordance with DACC policy and procedures. Participate in and serve on department, division, and college committees, program advisory councils, task forces and working groups. Maintain professional and academic competence and participate in professional development

activities. As appropriate

assist with cooperative

education or clinical

work site development

and student placement

Maintain office hours as mandated by division and policy and procedures. college policy. Function as advisor to students, both individually and as assigned to student clubs and groups. Perform other related duties as assigned. For a complete job announcement and to

apply for position, please visit Water Technology Instructor or Assistant Professor - Doña Ana Community College, New Mexico, United States (nmsu.edu)

Deadline to apply for this position is Mar. 7, 2024

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DACC, a responsive, accessible, comprehensive, learning-centered community college that provides education opportunities to a diverse community of learners is inviting candidates to apply for the following vacant position:

Art Instructor or Assistant Professor

Required Qualifications

 Master's Degree in related field: i.e. Master of Fine Arts in Art. Art Education, etc.

• Two years post-secondary teaching experience or equivalent number of part-time hours (60 credit hours)

Position Summary: This position is an Art Instructor/Asst. Professor with a specialty in Art credentialed to teach Area VI General Education courses in Art This position will be responsible for teaching Art courses, serving as the lead faculty for part-time instructors, and interfacing with the NMSU. Las Cruces Art Department and area public school programs.

• Teach 30 credit hours over fall and spring semesters. Teaching assignment may include in-person, online or hybrid courses assignments during the day, evenings, weekends, and/or multiple campus locations.

 Develop, revise and update curriculum in collaboration with the department faculty and chair. Instruct, support, advise and provide timely feedback to students in accordance with DACC

Participate in and serve on department, division, and college committees, program advisory councils, task forces and

working groups. Maintain professional and academic competence and participate in professional development activities.

· Maintain office hours as mandated by division and college policy.

 Function as advisor to students, both individually and as assigned to student clubs and groups.

 Perform other related duties as assigned. For a complete job announcement and to apply for position, please visit: Art Instructor or Assistant Professor - Doña Ana Community College, New Mexico, United States (nmsu.edu)

Deadline to apply for this position is Mar. 7, 2024

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DACC, a responsive, accessible, comprehensive, learning-centered community college that provides education opportunities to a diverse community of learners is inviting candidates to apply for the following

vacant position: **Enrollment Coach and** Intake Specialist, ABE Posting #499371 Required Qualifications Associate's degree in a

related field. Required Experience: Two (2) years of experience related to the standard duties as outlined. Equivalency:

Any equivalent combination of education, training and/or experience as approved by Human Resource Services.

Classification Summary Under general supervision, aids at-risk individuals requiring Career Advisement Services. Secures and evaluates applicable related infor-

mation.
For a complete job announcement and to apply for position, please visit: **Enrollment Coach and** Intake Specialist, ABE - Doña Ana Community College, New Mexico. United States (nmsu.edu)

Deadline to apply for this position is Feb. 23, 2024

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DACC, a responsive, accessible, comprehensive, learning-centered community college that provides education opportunities to a diverse community of learners is inviting candidates to apply for the following vacant position:

Hospitality Services Lab Tech Posting 499414 **Required Qualifications** High School diploma or GED certificate.

Required Experience: Four (4) years of experience related to the standard duties as outlined Equivalency:

Completion of a post-secondary degree or certificate may substitute for years of experience. Classification Summary Under minimal supervision, performs a variety of routine instructional functions for on-line

courses, classroom settings or laboratory settings. May need to troubleshoot computer hardware and software May complete set up of chémical, microbiological/maintenance labs to include reagent and media preparation with all associated QA/QC Assists students in use of equipment and tools Assist with student advising. Covers classes as needed in the absence of

the instructor. For a complete job announcement and to apply for position, please visit: Hospitality Services Lab Tech - Doña Ana Community College, New Mexico, United States (nmsu.edu)

Deadline to apply for this position is Feb. 27, 2024

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Case No.: D-307-CV-2023-01099 BOKF, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs. GRACE LUCERO, Defendant. NOTICE OF FORE-

CLOSURE 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 particularly described as follows: LOT 5,

BLOCK A, INSPÍ-RATION HEIGHTS, PHASE 1, IN DONA ANA COÚNTY. NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THERE-OF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON APRIL 25, 2007,

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12:45 PM on March

IN BOOK 22 PAGE (S) 202-203 OF PLAT RECORDS Including any mobile home, and any and all improvements, 1-888-927-7955

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 enti-tled only to return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. 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. 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. NO-TICE IŠ FURŤHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the

above described real

property subject to a

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of redemption. PRO-

SPECTIVE PUR-CHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN **EXAMINATION OF** THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN AT-TORNEY 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 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 SE¹/₄ 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 pro-

visions 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 SE ¼ 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 an 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 appli-

cation must be based

on: (1) Impairment;

if impai1ment, 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

OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN EDWARD BRITTLE, Deceased. NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** NOTICE IS HERE-BY 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

STATE OF NEW

MEXICO COUNTY

OF DONA ANA

THIRD JUDICIAL

DISTRICT

PB-2024-0019

Judge Fitch

IN THE MATTER

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. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005. DATED: January 26, 2024. /s/ Constance L. Jones-Brittle Constance L. Jones-Brittle Personal Representative 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/ Llovd 0. Bates Jr. Llovd 0. Bates Jr. Attorney for the Estate NM Bar No. 175 Dates: 02/09, 02/16,

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.

02/23, 2024

STATE OF NEW

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** NOTICE IS HERE-BY 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, which-

ever is later, or the

claims will be forever

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 submit-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@joshuasmithlaw.com Dates: 02/16, 02/23,

barred. Claims must

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

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,

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Dona Ana County, this 24th day of January, 2024. Bernice A. Ramos Clerk of the District /s/ Yvette Lopez Dates: 02/16, 02/23, 03/01, 2024

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

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

Cause No. D-307-PB-2024-00O26 Judge: Arrieta, Manuel I. In the Matter of

the Estate JAMES HUMBERT AN-DREWS, Deceased. NOTÍCE TO

CREDITORS NOTICE IS HERE-BY 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

Dated: 02/16, 02/23, 03/01, 2024

Personal Representa-

tive 36 Wallace Mesa

Phillips

Phillips

Steven Bradley

Trail Datil, NM

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 storagetreasures.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 END-

ING ON FRIDAY,

MARCH 15TH, 2024 AT 10 A.M. THE ENTIRE CON-TENTS OF STORAGE UNIT: 105 Tenant address is "last known." UNIT 105 MARICELA GUTI-ERREZ 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 pay-

ment 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, Date of Disposal: Saturday, February 24, 2024 Time: 9:30 AM Place:Sunrise Mesa Storage 5245 Porter Drive Las Cruces, NM

Dates: 02/16, 02/23, 2024

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.: D-307-CV-2023-01098 BOKF, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs. BALDEMAR PAR-RA; LILLY PARRA;

Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORE-CLOSURE 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 6455 Grape Vineyard Road, Las Cruces, NM 88007, and more particularly described as follows: LOT 5, U.S.R.S. TRACT 4-6B, REPLAT 2, IN THE COUNTY OF DONA ANA, STATE OF NEW MÉXICO. AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THERE OF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY AS PLAT NO. 2326 ON 05/26/1992 IN BOOK 17 PAGE (S) 182-183 OF PLAT RECORDS. Including any mobile home, and any and all improvements.

fixtures, and attach-

12:45 PM on April 11, 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 February 2, 2024, in the total amount of \$467,838.40, with interest at the rate of 4.1250% per annum from November 30. 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 Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. 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. 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

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factured 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. NO-TICE 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. PRO-SPECTIVE PUR-CHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN AT-TORNEY BEFORE BIDDING. By: Robert Doyle c/o Legal Process Network P.O. Box 279 Sandia Park, NM 87047 1 NM-23-957276-JUD IDSPub #0200944 2/23/2024 3/1/2024 3/8/2024 3/15/2024

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 28, 2023, Erik Sotelo, P.O. Box 61, La Mesa, New Mexico 88044 filed with the **STATE** ENGINEER Application No. LRG-18137-PODl, Water Right File No.: LRG-18616-1, for Permit to Change Point of Diversion within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin of the State of New Mexico by discontinuing use of well LRG-01757. located within the NW 1/4 SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 4, Township 26 South, Range 3 East (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32°4'18"N and 106°38'9"W (WGS84), on land owned by Rena Lee Ybarra Wodell; and by commencing use of existing well LRG-18137-PODI, located

ship 26 South, Range 3 East (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32°4'30.454"N and 106°38'6.648"W (WGS84), on land owned by Maria D. Sotelo and Manuel Sotelo: for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the August 22, 2011, Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 1.93 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SE 1/4 of Section 4, Township 26 South, Range 3 East (NMPM) as described by Subfile No.: LRS-28-012-0046 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydro graphic Survey. The well is located approximately 0.49 miles North of the intersection of East Berino Road and Highway 478. 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 hav-

ing standing to file

(objection must be

legible, signed, and

include the writer's

phone number, email

address, and mailing

complete name,

objections or protests

shall do so in writing

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 w1itten protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 on or before April 5, 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 24hour 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: 02/23, 03/01,

03/08, 2024

STATE OF NEW MESICO COUNT OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-DM-2023-879 Jennifer Schell, Petitioner In the Matter of the Kinship Guardianship of M.S, a child, and concerning Samantha Montoya, Respondent.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Samantha Montova, Respondent. Greetings: You are hereby notified that

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Las Cruces Bulletin - your legal publication for Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico

Jennifer Schell, Petitioner, filed a Petition to Appoint Kinship Guardian for M.S. (2014) against you in the above entitled court and cause. Unless you enter your appearance and written response in this cause on or before thirty (30) days after the last date of publication, a judgment by default will be entered against you. Jennifer Schell 1420 S Telshor Blvd. Apt B11, Las Cruces, NM 88011 Dates: 02/23, 03/01,

STATE OF NEW MESICO COUNT OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

03/08, 2024

D-307-PB-2023-00082 In the Matter of the Estate of Maria Teresa Leyva Maynes, deceased. NOTICE TO

CREDITORS NOTICE IS HERE-BY GIVEN that the undersigned 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 at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Dona Ana County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 845 N. Motel Blvd., Room 1-200, Las Cruces, NM 88007 Dated: February 14,

/s/ Jossephene P. Manuel Jossephene P. Manuel 5878 Coyote Flats St. LC, NM 88012 Dates: 02/23, 03/01, 03/08, 2024

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

Case No.: D-307-CV-2023-02531 SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING LLC, Plaintiff,

VS.
UNKNOWN HEIRS,
DEVISEES OR
LEGATEES OF
MICHAEL JAMES
WIGGINS, DECEASED; UNKNOWN HEIRS,
DEVISEES OR
LEGATEES OF
NAOMI J WIGGINS,
DECEASED;
Defendants.
NOTICE OF

PENDENCY OF

ACTION STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendants, Unknown Heirs, Devisees or Legatees of Naomi J Wiggins, Deceased, and Unknown Heirs, Devisees or Legatees of Michael James Wiggins, Deceased, to be published on: You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff Specialized Loan Servicing LLC has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 55 S Trevino Rd, Santa Teresa, NM 88008. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows: A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND SITU-ATE WITHIN THE SANTA TERESA GRANT, SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 28 SOUTH, RANGE 3 EAST (PROJECT-ED), NEW MEX-

ICO PRINCIPAL

MERIDIAN, DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AND BEING MORE PARTICULAR-LY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOL-LOWS: BEGINNING AT A FOUND 5/8" REBAR WITH YELLOW CAP NO. 5948, SAID REBAR MARKING THE WEST CORNER OF A PARCEL OF LAND BELONGING TO GREG AND DONNA CRUTCH-ER RECORDED IN BOOK 423, PAGES 1249-1250 ON MAY 16, 2003 AND ALSO BEING A POINT ON THE SOUTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF TREVINO ROAD; WHENCE, A FOUND BRASS CAP MARKING ME-ANDER CORNER NO. 5 BEARS THE FOLLOWING TWO CALLS: ALONG THE SOUTHEAST-ERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF TREVINO ROAD, N. 50° 08' 12" E., A DIS-TANCE OF 92.78 FEET TO A FOUND 5/8" REBAR WITH YELLOW CAP NO. 5948, SAID REBAR BEING A POINT ON THE SOUTHERLY BOUNDARY OF SANTA TERESA UNIT 1-A; THENCE S. 42° 06' 43" W., A DISTANCE OF 1322.28 FEET; THENCE LEAVING THE SOUTHEAST-ERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF TREVINO ROAD S. 61° 12' 27" E., A DISTANCE OF 132.84 FEET TO A FOUND NAIL ON ROCK WALL, SAID NAIL MARKÍNG A POINT ON THE NORTHWESTERLY BOUNDARY LINE OF LOT 1, SUNNY RIDGE SUBDIVI-SION RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 18, PAGES 496-497 ON JULY 1, 1996; THENCE CON-TINUING ALONG

THE COMMON

BOUNDARY LINE BETWEEN LOT 1, SUNNY RIDGE SUBDIVISION AND THE PAR-CEL HEREIN DESCRIBED S. 35° 59' 58" W., A DIS-**TANCE OF 99.65** FEET TO A FOUND NAIL ON ROCK WALL MARKING A POINT ON THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF CHERRY HILL LANE (60' R-O-W) AND ALSO BEING A POINT OF CURVATURE; THENCE ALONG THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF CHERRY HILL LANE 152.93 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE BEARING TO THE RIGHT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 348.43 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 25° 08' 54", AND A LONG CHORD WHICH BEARS N. 52° 26' 12" W. A DISTANCE OF 151.71 FEET TO A FOUND 5/8" REBAR WITH YELLOW **CAP NO. 5948, SAID** REBAR MARKING A POINT ON THE SOUTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF TREVINO ROAD AND ALSO BEING A POINT OF TANGENCY; THENCE LEAVING THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF CHER-RY HILL LANE AND CONTINU-ING ALONG THE SOUTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF TREVINO ROAD, N. 50° 08' 12" E., A DIS-**TANCE OF 81.31** FEET TO "THE POINT OF BEGIN-NING" OF THE PARCEL HERE-IN DESCRIBED **CONTAINING 0.31** ACRES (13,434 SQ. FT.) OF LAND MORE OR LESS. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the

legal description

shall control. Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the Complaint in said cause on or before thirty (30) days after the last publication date, judgment by default may be entered against you. McCARTHY & HOLTHUS, LLP By: /s/ Jason Bousliman Jason Bousliman Attorneys for Plaintiff 6501 Eagle Rock NE, Suite A-3 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87113 Telephone No.: (505) 219-4900 jbousliman@ mccarthyholthus.com IDSPub #0201031 2/23/2024 3/1/2024

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT No. D-307-

CV-2023-02026 Judge: Manuel I. Arrieta BOARD OF COUN-TY COMMISSION-ERS OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, Petitioner,

ESTATE OF MATILDAS. ESTRADA, LUISAS. GOMEZ, MONICA GOMEZ PRIETO, ANDY ESTRADA, JOSEFA SORIA, AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS OR CLAIMANTS OF THE PROPERTY INVOLVED,

Respondents.
NOTICE OF PRE-LIMINARY OR-DER OF ENTRY AND NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION

TO: The abovenamed Respondents, and each of you: You, and each of you, are hereby notified that the Court has granted the Petitioner a Preliminary Order of Entry to immediately enter and occupy the property described below and to do such work thereon as may be required, and that unless you file objections thereto within ten (10) days after personal service

are not personally served, the Court shall enter a Permanent Order of Entry restraining you forever from hindering or interfering with the occupation and use of the property; and further, that all proceedings subsequent to the Permanent Order of Entry shall deal only with the amount of compensation due to you for the taking of the property. You. and each of you, are hereby further notified that a Petition for Condemnation to acquire by condemnation the property rights, easements and licenses herein sought for the purpose of constructing, reconstructing, maintaining or improving for public purposes, and for all other purposes, a rain water runoff detention area which will serve as a ponding area for the temporary storage of floodwaters which will serve as flood protection for the area residents, said project being known as the Mendez Street Project. The total area of land needed to complete said project consists of 29,910 square feet, parcel no. 4-014-160-081-211, located on the west side of Mendez St. between San Antonio Street and Canejo Street a/k/a Conejo Street in the La Union Townsite. Said parcel may also be sufficiently described as a 0.687acre tract of land situate on Lot 1 Block: 26 S: 20 T: 27S R: 3E of the U.S.G.L.O surveys South of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico and more specifically described in the Petition on file in said condemnation cause. You, and each of you,

of this Notice upon

date of publication

of this Notice if you

you, or within three

(3) days after the last

are hereby further notified that the amount offered as just compensation, shown in the Petition for Condemnation with each separate numerical tract designation, has been deposited by the Petitioner with the Clerk of the District Court and a portion or all of the amount offered and deposited may be withdrawn by a person having an estate or interest in the property described in the Petition on file. This withdrawal may be made only by order of the Court upon proper motion. You, and each of you, are hereby commanded to file and serve an answer, as provided by law, to the Petition on file herein with thirty (30) days after service of this Notice on you or thirty (30) days after the last date of publication of this Notice, if you are not personally served. Unless you so appear and answer, the Petitioner will apply to the Court for a judgment as demanded in the petition and as provided by law and a default judgment may be entered against you. This judgment will fix the amount of compensation due to you for the condemnation of the property at the amount offered and deposited by Petitioner. The name and address of attorney for Petitioner is: Fred Kennon, Deputy County Attorney, County of Doña Ana, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Ste. 2-148, Box #17, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007. IN WITNESS THERE-OF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, this 15th day of February, 2024.

/s/Bernice A. Ramos

Bernice A. Ramos

Clerk of the District Court By: /s/ Angeligsie M Padilla Dates: 02/23, 03/01,

Dates: 02/23, 03/01 2024

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

No. D-307-PB-2024-00040 Hon. Casey B. Fitch IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS P. DOLAN,

DOLAN,
DECEASED.
NOTICE TO
CREDITORS

CREDITORS NOTICE IS HERE-BY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate must 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 personal representative at the address listed below or filed with the District Court of Dona Ana, County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 201 West Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Dated: /s/ Ruth Dolan Ruth Dolan 8065 Constitution Road Las Cruces, NM 88007 SUBMITTED: E-LAW, P.C. By: /s/ Michele Ungvårsky, Esq. Bar No. 8100 1340 Picacho Hills Drive Las Cruces, NM 88007 575-556-2462 Attorneys for the Estate of Thomas P. Dolan, deceased. Dates: 02/23, 03/01,

03/08, 2024

SPORTS

High school sports weekend

Thursday

BASEBALL

- Las Cruces High plays Centennial at 7 p.m., Field of Dreams Softball Complex
- Mayfield plays Organ Mountain at 7 p.m., Field of Dreams Baseball Complex

Friday

BASKETBALL

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

- Mayfield boys host Organ Mountain: Freshmen 4 p.m., JV 5:30 p.m., Varsity 7
- Mayfield girls at Organ Mountain: Freshmen 4 p.m, JV 5:30 p.m., Varsity 7 p.m.

Saturday

BASEBALL

- Las Cruces varsity and JV plays Santa Teresa, 10 a.m. and noon, Field of Dreams Softball Complex
- SOFTBALL
- Mayfield varsity and JV at Cleveland High School, noon and 2 p.m.
- Organ Mountain varsity and JV hosts Belen High, noon and 2 p.m., Field of Dreams

NM STATE ATHLETICS SENIOR DAY I PACK THE PAN AM



Aggie sports in brief

BULLETIN REPORT

Softball

New Mexico State University snatched a 2-1 win Monday in a home game over the University of North Dakota, the university reported, with the Aggies scoring its two runs in the fourth inning — and brought home by a pair of sisters, to boot: a home run from Kendal Lunar followed by an RBI from Kayla Lunar.

NMSU (7-2) came out of the 2024 Troy Cox Classic with that game and travels next to the GCU/ASU Classic where they face Utah Valley University in Phoenix, Ariz. on Friday, Feb. 23, at 11 a.m.

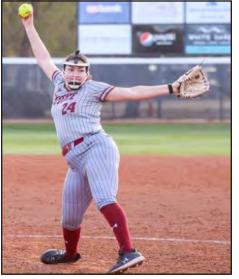
Baseball

The Aggies are set to play McNeese State University in Lake Charles, La. at 5 p.m., having opened their season with two wins and two losses at home. NMSU reports this will be their first series away from Presley Askew Field and against McNeese.

Basketball

At the Pan American Center, the Aggie men will host Louisiana Tech at 7 p.m. on Saturday. In their last match in January, Louisiana prevailed 53-73.

Meanwhile, the women's basketball team will face their Louisiana Tech counterparts in Ruston. Their January game was close, with NMSU inching



COURTESY PHOTO BY NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY

NMSU pitcher Emily Dix (24) on the mound during the 2024 Troy Cox Classic.

ahead at 66-64.

Golf

The men's golf team is in Henderson, Nev. next, Monday through Wednesday, for the Lake Las Vegas Intercollegiate tournament.

The women's golf team, meanwhile, plays the GCU invitational at Grand Canyon University's course in Phoenix Tuesday and Wednesday.



Many golfers' problems solved by behavior modification

The idea for this column came to me while re-reading the all-time 1972 classic, "Golf in the Kingdom" by Michael Murphy, a book that should be on the shelf of every serious golfer.

The story is about a fictitious Scottish golf pro named Shivas Irons. While teaching a student during a playing round, Irons insists the player let his awareness of his score recede to the "back of their minds." He would institute a "second scoring system" for pupils who were struggling. He would give them points for certain attitudes and behaviors, to reinforce changes he wanted. It was done to "preserve (the player's) dignity." Murphy writes: "Experts in behavior modification

and operant conditioning would have been proud of my obscure Scottish pro-

fessional's grasp of science. You might try making your own 'second scoring system,' giving yourself points for a calm and centered attitude or a gracious remark to your playing partner when he beats you."

That passage startled me. I thought back to my years of Ph.D. training as a cognitive behavioral therapist and how it would apply to golf. Cognitive behavioral therapy is based on the premise that maladaptive behaviors are mostly a function of thinking, or lack thereof. So I considered what types of

problems, failures and selfdefeating behaviors that golfers demonstrate could

be changed for the better with behavior modification. After a couple of weeks the list grew so long that I had to select the most salient ones to share here.

We can start with golfers who

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Golf Doctor

are continually discouraged and angry about the fact that their golf scores reflect a performance on the golf course that is unacceptable. The root of the problem, very often, is the individual's thinking and attitudes. Examples are: "I should be playing much better;" "I never get any good breaks;" "golf is simply not fair;" "the

cards are stacked against me;" "I used to play really good and now I suck." Perfectionism, emotional volatility, chronic complaining, rudeness and constant excuses about bad play are also common problems. It's hard to make friends by acting like a jerk. Change your thinking – you can change your results.

Negative attitudes hold many regular golfers back. Take the reluctance to have lessons, for example. Some people think, "I'll never get any better." Or, "I tried lessons but they didn't work." The issue sometimes is the same in teaching golf as it is with clinical advice to patients: Individuals so often reject the advice and don't follow up with what they are told

to do, and unhappiness continues.

And then we have to consider behaviors on the golf course that are unacceptable by normal standards. Things like temper tantrums, frequent yelling and club throwing. A few years ago, I was playing with a temper-challenged friend who missed a short shot to the green whereupon he threw his laser rangefinder at his golf cart and it completely shattered. And tantrums aren't just an amateur problem. In the 2019 Open Championship at Royal Portrush, Henrik Stenson badly shanked his iron shot on the 17th hole and then proceeded to snap his club across his knee for millions to see on television. Other unappealing

behaviors include phone distractions, incessant chatting, ultra-slow play, disrespect for the game (e.g. shabby attire) and excessive on-course alcohol consumption.

I believe the main difficulty with unruly behavior by golfers is lack of selfawareness: Folks don't realize their awful annoying habits. That makes it hard to work on self-behavior modification. Corporate managers often find out their behaviors need modification after they have been fired. Golfers might benefit by asking their playing buddies if they need to improve some of their actions and habits.

Email Dr. Blanchard at docblanchard71@gmail.

