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Advocates challenge leaders to walk in victims' shoes

As National Crime Victims' Rights Week wraps up, several victim advocates with the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Office will be participating in the Walk in their Shoes challenge today at the Doña Ana County Government Center.

The event challenges department heads from local law enforcement agencies, the Third Judicial District Attorney's office, Doña Ana County administration, and several social service agencies to walk in the shoes of victims who often struggle to find resources available to them and their children following a domestic violence or criminal incident. Various mock services will be made available to the participants to help them understand what victims experience in the process.

The Walk in their Shoes challenge will be at the Doña Ana County Government Center from 9 a.m. to noon and is hosted, in part, by the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Office Victim Advocate Division and the Doña Ana County Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Task Force.

Deputy, firefighter recognized at Chamber gala

Two of Doña Ana County's finest were recognized recently at the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce 2019 Chamber Gala and Choice Awards dinner. Deputy Robert Martin was named Deputy of the Year, and Chief Randy Lopez was named County Firefighter of the Year.

Nominated by Capt. Manion Long, Martin has been regarded as a deputy who makes our county safer and our communities more livable.

"Although he's young, Deputy Martin has displayed a level of dedication to public safety that is well beyond his years," noted Long.

When he's not on duty, Martin volunteers his time offering physical conditioning training with the New Mexico State University football coaches and staff.

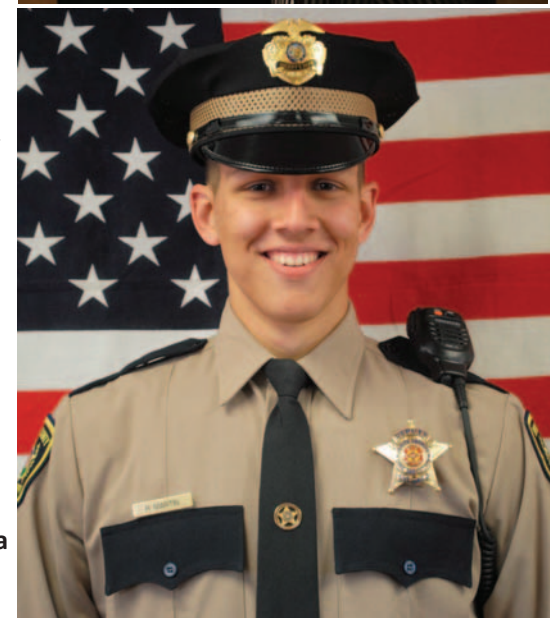
Chief Lopez was recognized for his work in building Garfield Fire Station #11, going from zero responders, equipment and training to a fully-functioning station that has responded to more than 100 calls so far in 2019.

Lopez has worked as a volunteer for several years in Doña Ana County, but took on a leadership role in 2017, helping recruit, train and mentor. According to Doña Ana County Fire Chief Nick Hempel, Lopez has a remarkable way of leading by example, and selflessly gives to his community through outreach efforts in area schools.

"Outside of the department, Chief Lopez has a full-time job and a family. We are a lucky community to have people like him who are so willing to volunteer their time building this department, especially at a critical time like this."

Hempel noted that the county's Fire and Emergency Services Department continues to recruit volunteer firefighters. For more information, visit www.donaanacountyfire.org.

PHOTO, TOP: Chief Randy Lopez with his wife, Amanda Martinez. RIGHT: Deputy Robert Martin



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Olympic gold medalist featured at Henson breakfast

BULLETIN REPORT

Boys & Girls Club supporters will welcome Olympic Gold Medalist Dan O'Brien as the guest speaker for the 11th Annual Lou & Mary Henson Community Breakfast Thursday, April 18, at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum.

O'Brien was once famed as the "World's Greatest Athlete."

Apart from the arena, O'Brien was known by many in Reebok's 1992 Dan & Dave campaign, a series of entertaining TV and print ads featuring O'Brien and rival Dave Johnson debating who would win the title of "World's Greatest Athlete" in Barcelona. The publicity preceded one of the most publicized failures in sports history when O'Brien "no-heighted" in the pole vault and failed to qualify for the 1992 Olympic team headed for Barcelona.

He went on to win the 1993 and 1995 World Championships, the

1994 Goodwill Games and three U.S. Championships – all leading to the 1996 Olympic gold medal in Atlanta.

O'Brien today is the on-field emcee for major USA Track & Field events, and he's also involved as both a host and celebrity athlete for USATF's Win with Integrity, a mentoring program designed to help kids make good life decisions, set positive goals and adhere to a drug-free lifestyle. He also works with the United States Olympic Committee as part of its Olympic Ambassador Program, mentoring current athletes in the areas of media training, preparation and peak performance.

O'Brien has become a highly sought motivational speaker and has worked as an analyst for ESPN, CBS and NBC. He was a part of Yahoo! Sports 2012 Olympic coverage from London.

O'Brien lives with his wife Leilani in Scottsdale, Arizona,

where he is an assistant volunteer coach at Arizona State University.

Over the years, the Henson Breakfast has become the signature event for the Boys & Girls Club and the prime opportunity for community giving, with ongoing support from Lou and Mary Henson.

"We are indebted to Coach and Mary for their partnership with our club over the last 11 years," said CEO Ashley Echavarria. "We strive to instill in youth that greatness can be achieved no matter what obstacle is thrown your way, and Dan's story is proof of that. We are thrilled to welcome him to Las Cruces to hear his story."

Sponsorships for the breakfast, which begins at 7 a.m., are available. All sponsors are invited to attend an exclusive VIP reception the night before with O'Brien. To become a sponsor, call the Club at 575-526-1519. Visit www.bgclas-cruces.org.



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Dan O'Brien at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics, where he won a gold medal in the pole vault.



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COMING UP

Roundup at the Register: April-long drive benefits ACTION Program for Animals, Mountain View Market Co-op, 1300 El Paseo Road. Money and pet supplies accepted. Info: 575-523-0436.

Yuri's Night: A global celebration of humanity's past, present, and future in space, 7 p.m. Friday, April 12, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Free, presented as part

of the Las Cruces Space Festival. An excerpt from the theatrical production of "Yuri," followed by a talk by Alires Almon and an excerpt from the theatrical production "Silent Sky". Info: 575-541-2290.

Crafts for Kids: 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Children of all ages are welcome to create their own craft

to take home. Free with regular admission (\$5 adults, \$4 senior citizens, \$3 children 4-17).

- April 13: Cardboard Satellite
- April 20: Woven Magazine Coasters
- April 27: 3-D Bumblebees

Medical conference: New approaches in the treatment of mental illness and chronic disease, 9 a.m. Saturday, April 13, Room 304 of the Corbett Center, NMSU. Info: Stuart Kelter, 575-639-3325.

Cruces Apple Users Group: Presents the documentary, "Cyber War," 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, April 13, Alex Sanchez Hall, Room 114, DACC Espina Campus. Info: Louise Foster, louisefoster@mac.com.

Storytime: Featuring Pete the Cat's big Easter adventure, 11 a.m. Saturday, April 13, Barnes & Noble at Mesilla Valley Mall, 700 S. Telshor Blvd.

Fashion Show Community Fundraiser: Sponsored by Women's Progress Club, 11 a.m. Saturday, April

13, Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces. \$25. Info: 575-522-5474.

Republican Women of Mesilla Valley: Meet 11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 13, Hacienda de Mesilla, 1891 Avenida de Mesilla. Speaker is Janice Williams, RWMV president. Info: Carol Cooper, 575-526-4983; tcooper@qwest-office.net.

WALL-E: Noon Saturday, April 13, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. The last robot left on Earth spends his days tidying up the planet. After 700 years, WALL-E is more than a little lonely. Then he spots EVE, a shapely probe sent back to Earth on a scanning mission. Smitten WALL-E embarks on his greatest adventure yet when he follows EVE across the galaxy. Rated G. Free, presented as part of the Las Cruces Space Festival. Info: 575-541-2290.

Legislative debrief: Sponsored by Southern New Mexico New Progressives, 2-3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 13, Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N Main

St. State representatives and senators from Doña Ana County invited. Info: Facebook page @1snmnp, SNMNP.org

Science Girl: A S.T.E.A.M. presentation combining science, education and theatre, especially for girls, 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 13, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Presented as part of the Las Cruces Space Festival. Info: 575-541-2290.

Spaghetti dinner/bake sale fundraiser: 5:30-7 p.m. Saturday, April 13, at The Hope and Care Ministry at Sonoma Springs Church, 3940 Sonoma Springs Ave. Cost \$8 adults, \$4 children 10 and under. Dinners-to-go and gluten-free available. Info: Judy, 575-523-6528 or 575-649-0139, or JoAnn, 971-237-0343. Church office, 575-526-4907.

Back by Noon: Natural history/ecology outings, presented by the Southwest Environmental Center, Saturdays through May 11. Free, bring sturdy footwear, water, sunscreen and a

hat. Advance registration requested before each outing by calling 575-522-5552. Info: www.wildmesquite.org:

- 6 p.m. April 13 (Back by Midnight), The Secret World of Bats, with biologist Rachel Burke
- 8 a.m. April 27, The Explosive History of the Organ Mountains, with volcanologist Emily Johnson

Palm Sunday concert: "The Seven Last Words of Christ at the Cross," performed by NMSU and UTEP faculty, 3 p.m. Sunday, April 14, St. Albert Newman Center, 2615 S. Solano. Free, suggested \$5 donation at the door.

Academy for Learning in Retirement: New Mexico State University's programs for April:

- Monday, April 15: "Border Health Issues," by Jill McDonald, NMSU College of Health and Social Services
- Wednesday, April 17: "Border Security," by El Paso Sector Chief Border Patrol Agent Aaron Hull

Federation of Democratic Women of Doña Ana County: Meets 6 p.m. Monday, April 15, Staybridge Suites, 2651 Northrise. Program is a legislative update. Info: Rosemarie Sanchez, 575-650-3545.

Southwest Calligraphy Guild: Meets 6:30 p.m. Monday, April 15, First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Boutz. Visitors welcome. Info: Karin McClain, 575-524-2805.

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New Mexico State University's College of Arts and Sciences honored its 2019 class of Stars of Arts and Sciences April 5 at the annual Starry Night event. From left, presented as Star of Arts was 1981 NMSU grad and television writer Don Foster; the Star of Town and Gown was Wanda Bowman, Aggie supporter and owner of Ashley Homestore; Star of Sciences was Dr. Price Kagey, a physician who worked for the CIA for many years and began his studies at NMSU in 1961; and named a Star of both Arts and Sciences was Dr. Alejandro Lugo, a graduate of Mayfield High School and NMSU, and an anthropology professor for many years at different universities who gained international acclaim for his photographic essays.



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Information Age highlighted by information overload

Dang. I could have sworn I got an email from that client about this project.



RICHARD COLTHARP
From the Publisher

I've looked through all my email. Looked through all my trash email. Looked through my junk email. I even looked through my personal email.

Oh wait. Maybe it came through a text message.

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As convenient and helpful as modern technology can be, it can also be incredibly frustrating. Last week, after a couple of scenarios similar to the one above, I decided to take a count.

In a 24-hour period, between 3 p.m. Monday and 3 p.m. Tuesday, here was the tally:

- 133 office emails.
- 56 text messages.
- 40 personal emails.
- 30 face-to-face visits or work pop-ins.
- 13 cell phone calls.
- 11 pieces of snail mail.
- 9 phone notifications from websites.
- 8 office phone calls.
- 1 phone message.
- 1 Facebook Messenger message.
- 1 LinkedIn message.
- 1 yell from a car in the parking lot.
- 0 faxes.

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That's 284 contacts, 284 demands on my time. If you divide that by 18 waking hours, it comes to about 16 contacts per hour, or one every 3 minutes and 45 seconds.

And that was a slow day.

All I can say is, Thank goodness I'm not on Twitter or Instagram.

Just the other day I got an invitation to join something called Handshake, evidently a platform to help connect top college students with potential employers. I'm sure tomorrow will bring something else.

Your numbers may be as high or higher, and you may participate in more things that give you even more contacts.

For me, many of these contacts are utterly valuable. They make my work better and easier or help me in my personal life.

Much of them, though, are pointless distractions.

Do I really need to know about smartphone deals at the Staples in Kalamazoo, Michigan, written in Spanish? Or about the Boulder, Colorado, International Film Festival? Or how to get a deal on a military stock tactical flashlight?

Well, I certainly don't need them in order to help produce an edition of the Las Cruces Bulletin.

When I arrived in New Mexico in 1995, as editor of the Alamogordo Daily News, my biggest surprise was the amount of physical mail I had to go through on a daily basis. Some of it was even pertinent to my job.

Our publisher, Tom Reeves, would bring the mail in a big canvas bag from his daily visit to the post office box, and our receptionist would sort it. My stack was usually the biggest. Each day, around the same time in the afternoon, I would go through it.

That era was also near the peak of the fax machine, so we had to pay attention to that annoying modem sound throughout the day, and uncurl the fax messages, and refill the roll when needed, and it always went empty just before that one important fax was supposed to come in.

I suppose every new technological advancement brings curses along with the blessings, and I suppose every old fogey like me is required to complain about the newfangled inventions.

I'm sure, though, in the next few days, I'll get an email, or a text message, or a LinkedIn message, or a piece of actual mail, that will tell me about the latest newfangled software, app or gizmo that will help me organize my life and this onslaught of information.

When it comes, I'll forward a mass email to all of you.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Region becoming health center

To the editor:

My wife and I have come to Las Cruces from Wisconsin every winter for the past 15 years. We consider it our winter home. This year, it also turned out to be my healing place.

Much to my surprise, I had to undergo open-heart, triple bypass on Jan. 14. All I had was a little tweak in my upper back for a few months, which I wrote off to a back problem I've had for years. Instead, I turned out to be 99 percent blocked in one artery and 95 percent in two others. It was the dreaded "widow maker."

Well, as I write this, my wife still has her husband, and I am well enough to consider returning home to the Badger State. We want to thank everybody at Memorial hospital for literally saving my life. On the morning we went to MMC, we were headed to a hiking trail when I had that tweak again. This time, I decided to go to the hospital. It was the best left turn I've ever taken.

Everybody at MMC was terrific, from the emergency department personnel to Dr. Polano, who decided I should be checked further, to Dr. Leon, who did the test that revealed the blockage, and Dr. Dow and his

PA Carolyn Evans, who did the surgery. Equally as competent and as kind were the seemingly countless nurses, techs, assistants and other personnel. It continued through Annemarie and Lisa, who ran the cardiac rehab department where I was able to work myself back into shape.

It seems like Cruces is carving out a niche as a health center for southern New Mexico. Add El Paso facilities to the mix, and the region fits that description even more. MMC is an important part of that. It is a real jewel, largely because of the people who work there.

*Gregg and Pauline Hoffmann
Westby, Wisconsin
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Street finally drivable

To the editor:

A big thank-you to the crew that redid Travis Street between University and Telshor. They did an excellent job. It is a dream now to drive on that street. Travis was [previously] done in three sections by three different contractors and none knew what they were doing.

The manhole covers are now even with the street; I call all the other manhole covers in Las Cruces man-made potholes.

*Fidel Sanchez
Las Cruces*

Good timing and good fortune for Ben Ray Lujan

If there is such a thing as a political silver spoon, Ben Ray Lujan was born with one in his mouth.

The son of former longtime New Mexico Speaker of the House Ben Lujan, Ben Ray decided to follow his father's footsteps into politics and ran for the Public Regulation Commission in 2004.

Lineage probably counts for more than it should in New Mexico politics, especially in the Democratic Party. The last three Democrats to run for governor all hailed from powerful political families.



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The View
From Here

Diane Denish is the daughter of Jack Daniels, a former state representative who had run for both governor and U.S. Senate. Gary King is the son of former

New Mexico Governor Bruce King, though, sadly, he inherited none of his father's famed charisma. Current Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham is the niece of Manuel Lujan Jr., who served in both the U.S. Congress and the cabinet of George H. W. Bush as secretary of the Interior. She is also the granddaughter of former Supreme Court Chief Justice Eugene Lujan

and is cousins with Ben Ray.

After one term on the PRC, a seat in Congress came open for Ben Ray in 2008 when Tom Udall, the son of former U.S. Interior Secretary Stewart Udall, moved from the House to the Senate to replace Jeff Bingaman, who, unlike the Democrats mentioned above, was the son of a school-teacher in Silver City.

Ben Lujan was arguably the most powerful politician in the state when Ben Ray entered the political fray in 2004. Gov. Bill Richardson was busy preparing to run for president. Ben Lujan had been a member of the House for nearly 30 years by then and had

been the speaker for four years.

The House has changed its rules for the better and is a much more democratic body now than it was then. As speaker, Ben Lujan had absolute power and wielded it liberally.

Ben Ray had fairly thin credentials in 2004 – a couple of state government jobs, work as a blackjack dealer and a degree from New Mexico Highlands. But with Ben Lujan as his father, that would be plenty.

All of which explains why my jaw dropped when I listened to Ben Ray's interview on Fox News Sunday April 7. While speaking about wage stagnation, he said,

“Working families, like the one I was raised in, are still having a hard time all across the country.”

Working families? Ben Ray was 3 when his father was first elected to the Legislature. He can't remember a time when his family didn't hold political power.

Yes, technically, there is a lot of work running the Legislature. But typically, the term “working families” is used to refer to those a little lower down the ladder than speaker of the House.

The timing was perfect in 2004 when Ben Ray ran for the PRC seat vacated by Jerome Block. And in 2008 when he ran for the Congressional

seat vacated by Udall.

The timing again appears to be perfect, as Ben Ray begins his run for the U.S. Senate seat that will be vacated by Udall in 2020.

He certainly comes into this race with a much fuller resume than in 2004. A member of the House for more than a decade, Ben Ray has risen to the position of assistant majority leader.

There's nothing wrong with good timing or the good fortune of being born into a powerful family – as long as you're honest about it.

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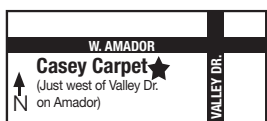
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Two jumps

Two Jumps said he used to ride bulls. In spite of his name, he tried.

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Unfortunately, he lacked skill. He was naturally inept

And as life laid down her cowpies, that's precisely where he stepped.

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hero to all who strapped on the steel.

Lecille knew the bulls and broncs and always offered advice

On rodeo, on love and life, on learnin' to sacri-

face.

It was over the chutes at Knoxville when Two Jumps heard the phrase

That would stay with him forever, long after those heady days.

Lecille was walkin' toward him. No, doubt, to wish him well.

Two Jumps cut eyes at his partners to make sure they all could tell

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Make the 2020 census count for New Mexico

On April 1 of this year, 2020 census takers began going door to door asking New Mexicans to help the U.S. government fulfill its decennial constitutional duty of counting every single person in our state. For the first time, residents will also have the option to fill the questions out online or by phone.

The census is a big deal for New Mexico and for residents in the southern part of our state. The census determines our number of representatives to the U.S. Congress, is the basis for drawing congressional, state and local districts, helps business determine where to locate, informs planning decisions of federal, tribal, state and



TERRA WINTER
Guest Column

local government, and is the key determinant for the distribution of billions of federal dollars to the state.

According to a George Washington University study, the top 54 federal programs distribute approximately \$7.8 billion to New Mexico in the form of Medicaid, Food Stamps, highway planning and construction, Medicare and Title I Education funds, Head Start, housing vouchers, and other programs. Should New Mexico have a 1 percent undercount, that would translate to approximately a \$750 million loss over the next 10 years, which would either mean replacing that funding with precious state dollars or cutting services.

Moreover, New Mexico

is considered the hardest state in the nation to count. New Mexico's ethnic, cultural and linguistic diversity is a major asset, but also makes it more difficult for an accurate count of these populations. These populations include young children under age 5, foreign-born residents, American Indians, Hispanics, African American, Asians and Pacific Islanders, transients, as well as those living in rural and remote hard-to-reach areas of the state.

New Mexico's inadequate access to broadband will make the new online approach for filling out the census very challenging.

The current federal administration's decision to add a citizenship question will make an accurate count even more difficult, as many

members of the public do not accept that the government is legally required to keep their information private and do not have faith the current administration will abide by that legal requirement. That issue is now before the Supreme Court, which we hope will act quickly to remove the question.

In the meanwhile, a group of private and community foundations came together with the New Mexico Legislature in 2017 to fund the initial work of the state demographer's office. Combining forces, we assembled \$362,500 to invest in verifying that the census lists of addresses were accurate, especially in hard to count communities. As a result, the state demographer's office identified close to 100,000 new or need-to-be updated addresses. On

average, each address, if counted, translates to about \$7,500 in federal funds to the state of New Mexico per year. So, while challenges of a potential undercount are significant, there may be an opportunity to increase federal funding into critical programs in the state.

Now is the time to act. The governor should immediately reorganize the statewide Complete Count Committee that brings together critical groups to spread the word of the importance of the census to their community. Other states are making significant investments to help avoid an undercount – California (\$90.3 million), Maryland (\$5 million), Illinois (\$33 million

pending), Washington (\$4.8 million) and others are considering investments. Our New Mexico 2020 Census Funders group – with assistance from national funders – has assembled over \$700,000 in commitments to advance an aligned strategy and support nonprofits reaching out to hard-to-count communities. With billions of dollars for critical federal programs for children, youth, economic development, and housing on the line, New Mexico cannot afford to fail.

Terra V. Winter is executive director of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico. Contact her at 575-521-4794, terra@cfsnm.org.

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It was him Lecille had chosen to pass along for this ride

The words he was

meant to live by. He fairly bursted with pride.

Two Jumps was pullin' his bullrope, the rosin startin' to smoke

When Lecille looked over the chute gate,

squinted his eyes, then he spoke

"Two Jumps," Lecille confided, "To really make yourself proud, Ain't no way you can ride this bull, so hang up

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LAS CRUCES CITY COUNCIL

Mayor's term, hospital speed zones, marijuana reform receive an airing

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

To increase voter turnout in Las Cruces city elections and level the playing field for city council candidates in all districts, Councilor Greg Smith is proposing that the mayor's term of office be increased from four to six years.

That proposal was discussed at the council's Monday, April 8 work session along with a discussion of hospital speed zones and decriminalizing possession of small amounts of marijuana.

Mayor's term

Before 1991, when a new city charter took effect, councilors were elected by districts and



GREG SMITH

then they chose the mayor. Since 1991, six councilors have been elected by district and the mayor citywide. In 1991 and every four years since, races for mayor and councilors in districts 1, 2 and 4 have been on the same ballot. In 1993 and every four years since, races for councilors in districts 3, 5 and 6

have been on the same ballot, with no mayor's race.

Turnout has always been higher when there is a mayor's race, Smith said. To increase voter turnout, he proposes to extend the mayor's term from four to six years, which would create "more equitable distribution of mayor's-race cycles" by alternating the council races that coincide with the mayor's race.

A longer term would also eliminate the unfair advantage enjoyed by incumbents representing districts 3, 5 and 6, Smith said, because, not being on the ballot with the mayor allows them to run for that office without giving up their council

seats.

The proposed change requires a two-thirds majority of the council to be placed on the Nov. 5, 2019, ballot, where it would need a simple majority of voters to become part of the city charter. If adopted, Smith said the extended term for mayor would take effect in 2023, meaning whoever is elected mayor this November would still serve a four-year term.

Smith has announced that he is running for mayor this year rather than seeking a third term as District 2 councilor. Councilor Gabe Vasquez, elected to the District 3 seat in 2017, said in a separate interview that he also is considering running for mayor. Incumbent Ken Miyagishima, who recused himself from the April 8 discussion, said in a separate interview that he has not decided whether he will seek re-election to a fourth term.

The issue will be discussed and voted upon by the council at a future meeting.

Hospital zones

The city currently has hospital speed-reduction zones on North Telshor Boulevard near Memorial Medical Center (MMC) and on East Lohman Avenue near MountainView Regional Medical Center (MVRMC) and has received multiple requests for the removal or extension of the zones, according to city documents. Both zones include signs and flashing lights to reduce the speed to 25 mph.

City engineer Hector Terrazas said a consultant hired by the city found that no other municipality in the country has speed zones specifically designated for hospitals, and that no traffic studies were ever done to warrant the zones, which are not required by federal or state law or city ordinance.

Terrazas said the consultant recommended removing the lights and signs and that city police and fire departments and American Medical Response, which provides city ambulance service, see no need for the speed zones because drivers

respond to emergency vehicles' alerts.

Miyagishima and several councilors said the city needs to reduce speed around hospitals. "We need to pass an ordinance if we're going to keep [the hospital zones]," the mayor said.

"I wouldn't want to remove them," Councilor Kasandra Gandara said. "People just need to slow down there" so that emergency vehicles and hospital staff and visitors "are safe coming in and out of those entrances and exits."

"I'm very interested in how this improves public safety," Councilor Jack Eakman said. He asked city staff to provide that data. If the zones increase safety, Eakman said, the city should consider creating them around other hospitals and healthcare facilities.

Marijuana possession

Senate Bill 323, which passed both houses of the New Mexico legislature and was signed into law by Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham in April, decriminalizes the possession of one-half ounce or less of marijuana and gives jurisdiction to magistrate or metropolitan courts, but not to municipal courts like the one in Las Cruces.

City Attorney Jennifer Vega-Brown said her office will conduct research to determine if the city could draft and pass an ordinance to give Las Cruces municipal court jurisdiction in petty misdemeanor cases involving marijuana possession.

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APRIL 2

Aggie Women's Softball Team vs. New Mexico (DH)

New Mexico State University Softball Complex, \$7. 575-646-1420

APRIL 3

Climate Change, Wildfire, Drought in Western U.S.

Rio Grande Theatre, 7pm. Free. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 3 - 4

Women Entrepreneurs (WE) Mean Business

Las Cruces Convention Center, \$0-\$50. 575-646-5575

APRIL 4

Movie: A League of Their Own

Rio Grande Theatre, \$5. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 4 - 7

Play: Alice in Wonderland

Black Box Theatre, \$10-15. nostrings.org

APRIL 5

Op-Ed Dance Display

Main Street Las Cruces/Rio Grande Theatre, 5-7pm. Free. 575-646-6001

Downtown Art Ramble

Main Street Downtown, 5-8pm. Free. downtownlascruces.org

Our Place in Space - Las Cruces Exhibit

Rio Grande Theatre, 5-8pm. Free. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 5 - 6

MVCS "Battle at the Crosses" Softball Tourney

Field of Dreams Softball Complex, 2300 Tashiro Dr.

APRIL 5 - 7

Southwest Premier Tournaments Championships

Hadley Athletic Complex, 928-817-2423

Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Grand Canyon

NMSU Presley Askew Field, \$5. 575-646-1420

APRIL 6

Trinity Site Open House

White Sands Missile Range, Call for admission, 575-678-1134

Volunteer Fair and Giving Day

Downtown Plaza de Las Cruces, 9am-1pm. Free. 575-528-3035

Oldies But Goodies

Rio Grande Theatre, 7pm, \$10. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 6 - 7

Aaron Gifford Pickleball Tournament

New Mexico State University Complex, 1pm. pickleballtournaments.com

APRIL 7

'Open House' at Spaceport America

Spaceport America, 10am-3pm. FREE. LCspaceFestival.com

Jewish Food and Folk Festival

Temple Beth-El, Temple Beth-El, 11am-3pm, \$3, kids under 12 free. 575-524-3380

77th Anniversary of Bataan Death March Ceremony

Veterans Memorial Park, 4pm, 575-522-8900, 575-644-1895

Vitaly World Renowned Illusionist

Rio Grande Theatre, 6pm, \$15-25. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 7 - 13

Las Cruces Space Festival

Various locations throughout Las Cruces. Time varies. Free. LCspaceFestival.com

APRIL 8

Our Place In Space - Las Cruces

Art Exhibition opens at eight locations. FREE. LCspaceFestival.com

APRIL 9

Apollo Anniversary Tour

Kilbourne Hole, 10am-2pm, \$40. 877-808-6877

Movie: Apollo 13 (Space Festival Week)

Rio Grande Theatre, 7pm. Free. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 10

The Big Space Quiz

The Game Sports Bar and Grill, 6-9pm. FREE to enter. LCspaceFestival.com

Movie: 2001 A Space Odyssey (Space Festival Week)

Rio Grande Theatre, 7pm. Free. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 11

'Making Contact' Space Industry Expo

Las Cruces Convention Center, 11-7. FREE. LCspaceFestival.com

Movie: Contact (Space Festival Week)

Rio Grande Theatre, Free. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 12

'Yuri's Night' Celebration Downtown

Plaza De Las Cruces & Rio Grande Theatre, 5-9pm. FREE. LCspaceFestival.com

APRIL 13

'Making Space For Everyone' Family Fun

Plaza de Las Cruces, 10am-2pm. FREE. LCspaceFestival.com

Movie: WALL-E (Space Festival Week)

Rio Grande Theatre, Noon. Free. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 13

Elizabeth Barrett Browning: Romance, Inspiration, Fun

Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 2pm. Free. 575-528-4005

Science Theater, Education & Inspiration for Young Minds

Rio Grande Theatre, 2:30pm. Free. riograndetheatre.org

Movie: The Martian (Space Festival Week)

Rio Grande Theatre, 7pm. Free. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 13 - 14

Home & Garden Show

Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 575-526-6126 for fees & time

APRIL 14

Mesilla Valley's Got Talent Show

Rio Grande Theatre, (Doors open at 2pm), \$5. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 19

Rocky Horror Picture Show - LC Shadow Cast

Rio Grande Theatre, \$10. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 20

Earth Day Celebration

Downtown Plaza de Las Cruces, 8am-Noon. Free. 575-541-2177

SpringFest

Young Park, 9am. Free. bravomic.com

March for Science

Downtown Plaza de Las Cruces, 9am-12pm. Free

Reuse and Recycle Fashion Show

Downtown Plaza de Las Cruces, 12pm-1pm. Free. 575-528-4506

6th Annual Red, White & Blues Festival

St. Clair Winery & Bistro, 3-9pm, \$15-20. mvjazzblues.net

Classic Film Series: Rear Window

Rio Grande Theatre, 7pm, \$8. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 24

Timeless - Ladies of Motown

Rio Grande Theatre, 7pm, \$23-50. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 26

Karla Perez as the Selena Show

Downtown Plaza de Las Cruces, \$10-15, 12 & under free, 5:30-10pm
575-541-2361. VisitLasCruces.com/destination-downtown

APRIL 26 - MAY 5

My Fair Lady

NMSU Center for the Arts, \$5-\$18. nmsutheatre.com/events

APRIL 26 - 28

USSSA Girls Fast Pitch Softball Tourney

Hadley Athletic Complex, facebook.com/LCUSSSA

Showcase of Homes

Various locations throughout Las Cruces. Free. 575-526-6126

APRIL 27

Children's Business Bazaar

Downtown Plaza de Las Cruces, 9am-1pm. Free. 575-680-6766

International Day of Dance

Rio Grande Theatre, 5-8pm. Free. riograndetheatre.org

APRIL 27 - 28

La Viña Spring Wine Festival

La Viña Winery, Noon-7pm, \$10-20, 12 & under free. lavinawinery.com

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City council beefs up meal initiative

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

At a meeting that lasted more than six hours on Monday, April 1, the Las Cruces City voted unanimously to add \$75,000 per year for FY 2020 and FY 2021 to the Mayor's Meal Initiative agreement between the city and Families and Youth, Inc. (FYI). Mayor Ken Miyagishima proposed the program in 2016 "to ensure no child in Las Cruces goes to bed hungry," according to city documents. The agreement was approved by the council in January 2017 as a pilot program between the city and Las Cruces Public Schools at Lynn Middle School, the city's community school. In November 2017, the agreement was extended through December 2018 and the pilot program was implemented at Lynn, with LCPS subcontracting with FYI. From December 2017-December 2018, Mayor's Meal funding paid for 91,000 meals served citywide, transitioned Lynn from a pilot to a permanent

evening-meal service site and increased meal service there from two to five days a week, replicated the pilot program at nine additional sites serving meals five days a week, expanded meal service at Young Park and Mesilla Park Elementary School to include weekend service, and served meals seven days a week during the summer.

At the meeting, the council also unanimously approved:

- A facilities management plan "to ensure timely preventative maintenance and sustainable preservation of facility assets and provisioning of services to citizens," according to city documents. The city owns more than 106 structures, more than 100 parking lots and other special areas which date from the 1860s (the historic Amador Hotel) to the present. And, the city anticipates that "16 new/expanded facilities (including a children's museum, animal shelter, two dog parks, downtown parking garage, East Mesa branch

library, East Mesa public recreation complex, fire station Nos. 3 and 9, an East Mesa multi-use recreation center, downtown municipal court building, municipal service center on Motel Boulevard, community pool, police academy and training facility, transit operations center administration on Motel Boulevard, Unidad Park splashpad) will be placed into service in the next few years." The new policy calls for a computerized system to track and maintain city assets and maintenance. Facilities management provides operations and maintenance for approximately 195 structures citywide with a total area of more than 1 million square feet and an average age of almost 34 years, according to the city. Replacement value is estimated at \$154-\$176 million. The city also leases facilities to nonprofit and commercial entities.

- An increase in the building permit fee schedule for single-family dwellings and duplexes from \$0.14 to \$0.20 per square foot. The fees

cover plan reviews, issuing of building permits, field inspection and certificate of occupancy, said City Community Development Director Larry Nichols. The city estimates that costs have increased 41 percent since the last fee schedule was approved in July 2002. The increase puts the city at the same rate set for Doña Ana County and below Albuquerque (\$0.26), Rio Rancho (\$0.31) and Santa Fe (\$0.79). The change will take effect May 1 and will raise the cost for a permit fee for a 2,000-square-foot residential property from \$280 to \$400, Nichols said. The increase will generate about \$15,000 during the remainder of the current fiscal year and an estimated \$75,000 annually, he said. That revenue could be used to offset the costs of the city's Community Development Department "One Stop Shop" for the permitting and inspection of all city building activities, according to city documents. All other permit fees are expected to be reviewed in 2020.

- The city's RoadRUNNER transit service

Title VI program update,

which is required every three years to ensure compliance with the federal Civil Rights Act. City documents show two city transit-related Title VI complaints and investigations have taken place during the three-year period that began Feb. 1, 2016. In both cases, passengers alleged bus-driver discrimination based on race. Subsequent investigations concluded that no discrimination took place. In one case, a bus driver received counseling and in the other case an EEO/ADA coordinator spoke with the passenger who filed the complaint with a result of "passenger satisfied," according to the city. The ROADRUNNER transit-user community has an estimated population of 107,000 people in Las Cruces, Mesilla and University Park; 37 percent are white/non-Hispanic, almost 57 percent Latino, two percent black, 1.7 percent Asian American and 1.9 percent Native American. About one-quarter of the total are below the poverty level.

- Amending the city's development agreement with Sierra Norte Land Holding, LLC, which was

approved in November 2017 to establish a voluntary assessment district to develop and construct road, sewer and drainage infrastructure for the Metro Verde area. The amendment was requested to meet increased construction costs and an increased scope of construction work. Construction includes portions of Sonoma Ranch Boulevard, Arroyo Road, Red Hawk Golf Road and Peachtree Hills Road. The amendment includes costs associated with landscaping, street lighting and per-acre assessment.

- The fifth amended joint powers agreement between the city and Doña Ana County regarding the South-Central Solid Waste Authority (SCSWA). The amended JPA was requested by the New Mexico Finance Authority, which makes loans pursuant to the JPA, to provide greater assurance of debt repayment, according to city documents. The county commission approved the agreement in March. The city and county entered into a joint agreement in 1990 to create a regional solid waste management master plan. The JPA was adopted in 1993 and amended in 1994 when the SCSWA was created. The city and county jointly purchased 640 acres of land on the west mesa and created the Corralitos Regional Landfill.

- A city median landscapes policy. In 2008, the council adopted a resolution requiring develop-

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ers of new subdivisions to include landscaping in the medians of any roads they build. The new policy defines a process for selecting which current and future medians will be landscaped by the city that aren't covered by the 2008 polio and mandates that landscapes selected for medians coordinate with city design standards, including the use of trees, shrubs, ground-covers and features like walls, sculptures and boulders.

• A tree care policy, which mandates that all tree planting, pruning and construction around trees conforms to national standards. The policy is designed to enhance trees on city property "to ensure that the right trees are planted in the right places, to remove hazardous trees and to ensure that new trees are in good condition before they

are planted," according to city documents. It also mandates that trees are properly irrigated.

• Reappointed pilot and state Sen. Bill Soules to the city Airport Advisory Committee. Soules is a private pilot and owns two planes that are housed at Las Cruces International Airport.

• Appointed Salud! de Mescilla co-owner Russell Hernandez to the city Convention and Visitors Bureau advisory board, replacing Vince Vaccaro, who had served two three-year terms on the board and was not eligible for re-appointment.

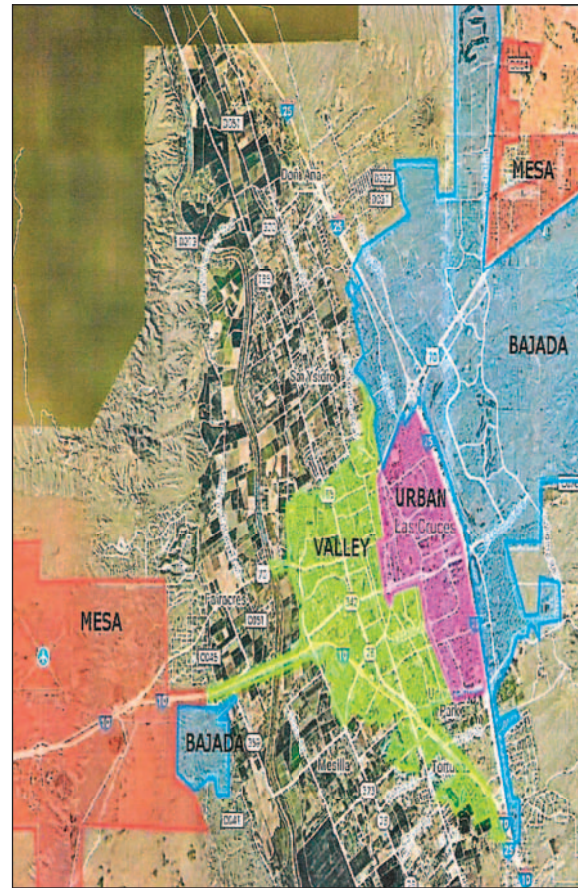
• The council tabled a resolution to adopt the city Parks and Recreation Department's Integrated Pest Management. The proposed policy will be considered at the council's May 20 work session. Councilors and members of the public expressed concerns about the use of chemicals for pest management that

contain glyphosates, which may be carcinogenic.

• Mayor Pro-Tem Gill Sorg said he supports city repairs to the Las Cruces Skate Park, 151 N. Walnut St., to make it safer and to consider building a new skate park. The council heard lengthy public input at the meeting in support of repairs and a new skate park. Councilor Gabe Vasquez said he supports repairing the skate park and building "a new ground-breaking skate park." Councilor Kasandra Gandara also expressed her support for rehabilitating the existing skate park and building a new, larger skate park.

• Councilor Gabe Vasquez said he will request that the city contribute \$100,000 to support programs that provide emergency humanitarian services to refugees coming into Las Cruces.

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CITY OF LAS CRUCES GRAPHIC

The City of Las Cruces has defined four median zones based on variations found in the Chihuahuan Desert. The zones are Urban: located in the heart of the city, relatively dense development, relatively tight and regular grid; Mesa: located to the east and west of the city center, relatively spare development, relatively open or wide street grid; Bajada: located east and west of the city center, mildly dense development intersecting regularly with arroyos and other natural drainageways and meandering to gridded street layout; and Valley, located to the east of the Rio Grande River and west of the city center, dense to sparse development interspersed with agricultural land, built irrigation and natural drainageways and meandering street grid reflecting land uses and historic travel routes.

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Do you have a child who would enjoy a fun and challenging week of lasers, robotics, rocketry and computer science at White Sands Missile Range?

If so, the Gains in the Education of Mathematics and Science (GEMS) program is accepting applications for GEMS middle school students for June 17-21 and July 22-26, and for high school students July 22-26. The application window for the middle school program is open until May 15, and high school applications can be submitted until April 30. The GEMS program is available for students in the local area. Transportation to and from White Sands Missile Range is



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A GEMS I student participates in a trajectory exercise during GEMS summer camp in 2017. The students were asked to shoot a rice ball into a trash container a few yards ahead.

provided.

During their week of inquiry-based, hands-on lab experiments and activities in world-class military labs and facilities not open to the public, students will be under the tutelage of research scientists,

engineers and servicemembers from WSMR and Holloman Air Force Base. Students receive a \$100 stipend upon completion of the week-long activities.

This summer marks the fifth year for the GEMS I Middle School Program at



Students get creative with foam cups during GEMS camp in 2017.

WSMR, and it continues to be a hit with students, said Mariette Mealor from the WSMR Leadership and Professional Development Office.

"The GEMS program offers an incredible opportunity for students to see why we do what we do and how we do it," said Mealor. "The excitement and wonder on the faces of kids

when they work hands-on with our servicemembers, engineers and scientist is amazing, and they have so much fun exploring and learning. By having this program, we hope to foster an increased interest in STEM-related studies."

GEMS I middle school program provides students in grades 6-8 with a variety of hands-on modules, demonstrations, experiments and tours. Students selected for the program will experience exciting STEM-related activities on one of the largest, most dynamic military test ranges in the world. This is an opportunity for students interested in exploring science and engineering. Various topics include Soldier Day, Robotics, Electronics, Rocketry, 3-D

Printing, Micro controllers, FM Transmitters, Cyber, Weather, and more.

GEMS II high school program consists of a series of hands-on modules. Students will experience a week of STEM-related activities (robotics, rocketry, computer science, lasers and more) inside a world-class military laboratory. Various topics include Soldier Day, Robotics, Electronics, Rocketry, 3-D Printing, Micro controllers, FM Transmitters, Cyber, Weather, and more. This is an opportunity for high schoolers to make important career and college major plans and decisions.

Applicants for GEMS I will be placed in the week of their choice if available. Each week will host 32 students. GEMS II can accommodate 40 high school students

The GEMS programs at WSMR are a joint/collaborative effort between the Combat Capabilities Development Command (CCDC)/Data and Analysis Center (D&AC) and the U.S. Army Test & Evaluation Command (ATEC).

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GEMS | middle school students learn to navigate robots during GEMS summer camp in 2017. One student provided the commands and the student controlling the robot followed the commands. The goal of the exercise was to get the robot to the other side of the room without hitting the "X" marks on the floor.

GEMS

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GEMS programs.

To apply, visit www.usaeop.com/program/wsmr. Students will be notified by May 31 of their selection.

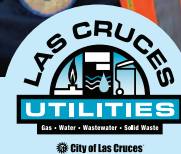
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Practice session



New Mexico State University students Evan Conner, Cindy Ho, Andrew Garcia, Lauren McGuire and Tristen Foley are part of a group participating in the Daniels Fund Ethics Initiative case competition in Denver. The group practiced their presentation April 5 for several Las Cruces business people and professionals.



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Lauren McGuire delivers her segment of the presentation.

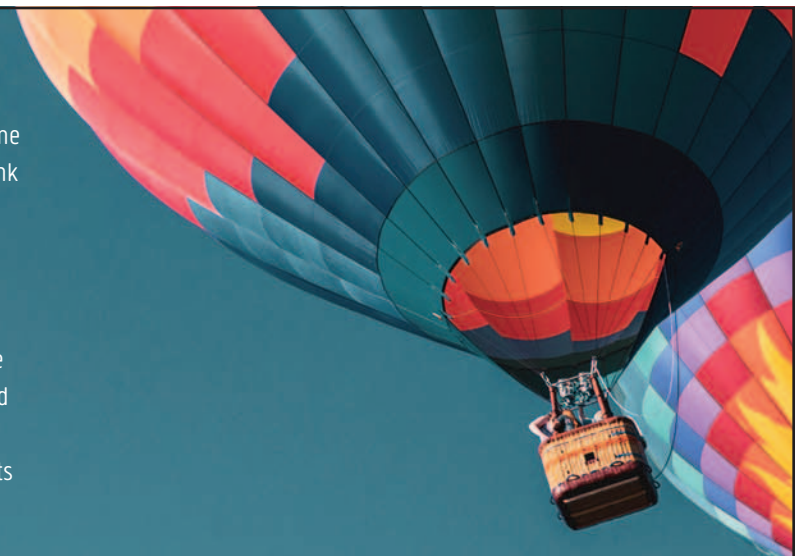
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IN THE NEWS



Water restrictions

Annual citywide spring and summer water restrictions are in effect, prohibiting watering of outside vegetation between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

A watering schedule allows residents with even-numbered addresses to water outside vegetation on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Residents with odd-numbered addresses are permitted to water on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. No watering is permitted on Mondays.

The Las Cruces Utilities Water Conservation Program hotline is 575-528-4444. The 24-hour hotline allows callers to leave a recorded voicemail to report water waste that includes watering on the wrong day or at the wrong time, water leaving the property or ponding on the property or not using a bucket and shut-off nozzle to wash vehicles or pavement.

When calling the hotline, be prepared to provide the day, time, location or address of any alleged violation. The TTY number, for people who are hearing impaired, is 575-528-3541.

Traffic update

The first phase of converting Water Street and Church Street to two-way traffic, between Bowman Avenue and Griggs Avenue, has been completed

as part of the Downtown Two-Way Conversion and Revitalization Project, constructed by Morrow Enterprises, Inc. in conjunction with the City of Las Cruces.

The proposed remaining schedule, subject to change:

- Monday, April 29 – the Roundabout will be closed, with a detour, for three days to pave and place all two-way striping and signage. Upon re-opening, Las Cruces Avenue to the Roundabout will be converted to two-way traffic, completing the project.

Sobriety checkpoints

Las Cruces police plan to conduct at least five sobriety checkpoints and two saturation patrols within city limits in April. The checkpoints and

patrols are intended to reduce the number of motorists who drive while intoxicated. Officers also will be on the lookout for other traffic safety violations such as drivers using cell phones and those who fail to properly utilize seatbelts and child safety seats.

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Members of the Omega Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma filled 57 purses with toiletries, essentials and cosmetics for homeless women staying at the Mesilla Valley Community of Hope. A caravan of members then delivered the filled purses to the Community of Hope, 999 W. Amador Ave., Monday, April 1.



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Legislative update

State Sen. John Arthur Smith, D-Luna, Hidalgo, Sierra and Doña Ana, and chair of the Senate Finance Committee speaks to an April 8 legislative reception sponsored by the Las Cruces Bulletin at Salud! de Mesilla. At far left is state Rep. Doreen Gallegos, D-Doña Ana. Also attending the reception were state Sens. Mary Kay Papen, who is Senate president pro tem, and Senate Education Committee Chair Bill Soules and state Reps. Angelica Rubio, Ray Lara and Micaela Lara Cadena (all Doña Ana County Democrats), along with NMSU regents Ammu Devesthali and Luke Sanchez, and Victor Reyes, director of legislative affairs for Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham. Legislators agreed that the 2019 session, which ended March 16, was difficult but productive for the state and the county. "I think our delegation did the county proud," said Gallegos, who is House majority whip.



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10 a.m. Tuesday, April 16, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Info: mesillavalleyweavers@gmail.com.

Computer literacy classes: Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Info: Vicki Minnick, 575-528-4002; vminnick@las-cruces.org. Schedule:

- April 16, 2-4 p.m.
- Connect to library resources
- April 18, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Gmail
- April 24, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

– Microsoft PowerPoint
• April 30, 2-4 p.m. – Microsoft Word for beginners

Storytime: Bring your little ones to the indoor Adventure Corral, 3-4 p.m. Tuesday, April 16, NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Info: 575-522-4100; www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org.

Minnesota Club: Meets 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 17, St. Clair's Bistro & Winery, 1720 Avenida de Mesilla. For those with ties to the Gopher State. Bring your stories and

appetite. Info: Kris, 575-323-3627 or 303-908-4876.

Military Officers Association: Mesilla Valley Chapter meets 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, Las Cruces Convention Center. Dinner is \$28 per person. Info: Christine Sautter, 352-317-7129, or Bob Gaupel, 575-993-3060.

11th Annual Lou & Mary Henson Community Breakfast: Boys & Girls Club supporters welcome Olympic gold medalist Dan O'Brien as guest speaker, 7 a.m. Thursday, April 18, NM Farm &

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SCIATICA!

A pain in the leg.

Over the last few weeks, we've covered what happens with the spine as you age and common spinal conditions in older adults. We've looked at some tips that can help to alleviate back pain while driving, especially if you have to drive a while to and from work every day. We've talked about daily habits that can help to reduce stiffness, and how you can get the housework done without making your back pain worse.

This week, I want to look into sciatica in a little bit more detail, as it's something that isn't always covered when we talk about back pain.

Sometimes it happens. You're going about your day nicely, you feel great and don't think twice about any 'health problems' because they're way off in the future anyway, but then all of a sudden you feel a twinge in your lower back or hip, and immediately you know something's not right...soon after you have a 'zinger' going down the leg, and you notice pins and needles all the way down to the foot.

Sciatica is simply described as pain which affects the back, hip, and leg, which may be caused by compression of a spinal nerve root in the lower back. Note that I wrote "may be". Pain in the back, hip, and leg "may be" caused by compression of a nerve root, but may instead be caused by pressure on the nerve at other locations in the low back or hip. The pain from sciatica is often so excruciating it makes it almost impossible to get out of the house, drive to the store and even sleep comfortably - and nearly always gets worse when you sit.



You might have numbness and even pins and needles as well as pain.

But there are things you can do, such as specific exercises to help you get back to feeling healthy and on your feet again, without worrying that your back is going to put you out.

Here's Three Tips:

1. Avoid sitting for any longer than is absolutely necessary.
2. As an exercise – stand up, put your hands on your hips and lean back – for one or two seconds. Straighten up and then repeat. Try to go a little further each time. Pay attention to your symptoms. If the pain reduces or doesn't go as far down the leg, then you're on the right track.
3. Lie flat on your stomach for 5 minutes.

Try out these three little things if you're suffering from sciatica. If they make your symptoms improve or go away completely, then you've found the solution! If these activities make you worse, or if you don't improve, then it's possible that your symptoms are coming from another problem. If you're not able to get rid of your symptoms completely in a couple of days, it's best to consult your physician or a physical therapist, who can sort out the cause of your pain and put you on the road to recovery.

As always, I'm happy to chat with you personally if you're unsure if Physical Therapy can help you. Simply call my office at 575-323-8131 to schedule a free, no-obligation Discovery Visit with a Physical Therapist. We see people who are experiencing sciatic nerve pain all the time, and we're happy to chat with you to find out if we can help you too.

Dennis Prickett
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Trivia winners



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The LCPS Foundation is raising money for teacher classroom supplies mini-grants through Monday Night Trivia. The first-place team from the February contest at The Game II was The Killer Bees. They were awarded their prize by Betsy Geery, executive director of the Las Cruces Public Schools Foundation. From left are Patsy Beasley, Don Beasley, Geery, Ann Berman and Gordon Berman.

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Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

Doña Ana County Historical Society: The Hermit of La Cueva, by author and historian David Thomas, 7 p.m. Thursday, April 18, Good Samaritan Auditorium, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Free. Info: Jim, 575-521-8771.

March for Science: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, April 20 (Earth Day), on Plaza de Las Cruces. Sponsored by faculty and students from New Mexico State University and Doña Ana Community College. Info: Hiranya Roychowdhury, 575-642-2921; www.marchfor-science.com.

Prius raffle fundraiser: 12th annual, sponsored by the Southwest Environmental Center, 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, April 20, Plaza de Las Cruces. 500 tickets sold at \$110 each. Purchase online at www.wildmesquite.org, or in person at SWEC, 275 N. Main St. Info: 575-522-5552.

Weaving for Justice: Sale of Maya textiles, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, April 20, 525 E. Lohman, Suite C. Info: weaving-for-justice.org.

Doña Ana County Federated Republican Women: Meet 11:30 a.m. Friday, April 26, Trinity Lutheran Church, 2900 Elks Drive. Guest is Hatch mayor Andrew "Andy" Nuñez. Deadline for reservations is April 22. Contact Patricia Rothen-gass, 575-650-5057 or art-

pjr1940@yahoo.com.

Lecture: "Heaven and Heather, God and Gorse: Living Between the Worlds," 2:30 p.m. Friday, April 26, Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces San Rafael Room. Info: Weeden Nichols, 785-259-2969; redolaf1@gmail.com.

Tutti Bambini: "Open Doors" fundraiser on behalf of special needs children, 5-8:30 p.m. Friday, April 26, Kitchen Kraft, 980 N. Telshor Blvd. Info: Sister Beth, 575-640-1997.

Fundraiser: Dinner and silent auction to benefit Distinguished Young Women of New Mexico, 6-9:30 p.m. Friday, April 26, American Legion Hall, 1185 E. Madrid. Music by Caliente and food from Rudy's BBQ. \$10 per person. Info:

Dora, 575-644-4514.

Book launch: "The Bower," by Connie Voisine, 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 26, NMSU Health and Social Services Auditorium. Free. Info: www.connievoisine.com.

Breast Cancer Support Group: Meets 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 27, Memorial Medical Center, West Side Annex, 2450 S. Telshor. Topic: "The Amazing Digestive System." Free, open to all. Info: 575-524-4373.

Basics of Alzheimer's Disease: Free presentation, 2-3 p.m. Tuesday, April 30, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. Info: Alexis Ramirez, 800-272-3900, alramirez@alz.org.

Google workshop: Sponsored by Las Cruces

Green Chamber and Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, 3-4 p.m. Tuesday, April 30, 2345 Nevada Ave. Info: Sergio, 575-527-7676.

LCHS-MHS Class of 1969 50th Combined Reunion: Nov. 1-3. Info: Talea Al-berson, tandealberson@gmail.com, or Bill McKinney, bmckinney51@gmail.com (MHS); Lisa Gray, troop2030@aol.com, or Robert Francis, rwfrancis69@hotmail.com, 575-649-9565 (LCHS).

ONGOING

Back Country Horsemen-Lower Rio Grande Chapter: Trail riding and trail maintenance, meets the first Monday at 6:30 p.m. at Delicias Café, 1413 E. Amador Ave. Info: Lisa, 724-612-1226

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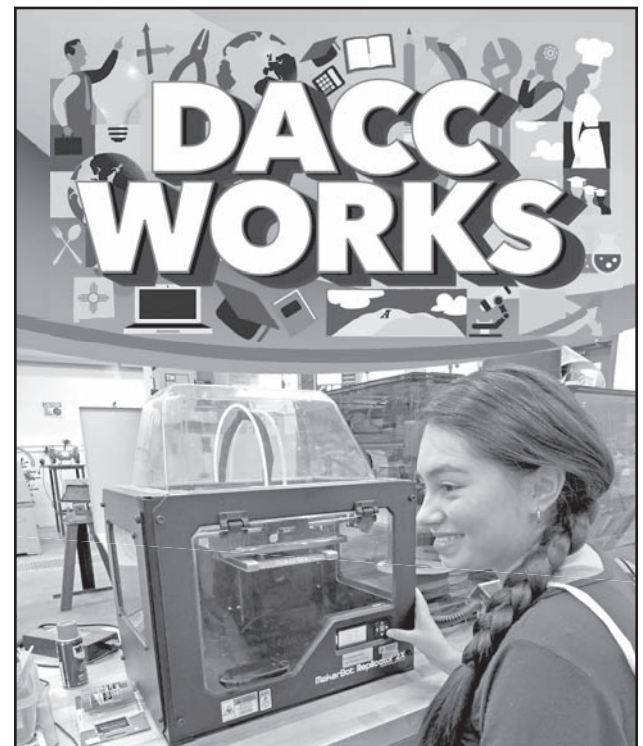
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Spaceport open house

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Youngsters had a chance to try out official LegoLeague robots.

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Former NASA Astronaut and current Virgin Galactic pilot CJ Sturckow spoke about the company's current run of successful test flights.



Vendors offered creative ways for guests to interact with space-related paraphernalia.



The Spaceport America Safety Team asked visiting children (both photos) to help demonstrate safety techniques.

Ready to serve

The Amador Patio Bar and Grill at South Main Street and West Bowman Avenue staged a soft opening April 4. It is the first of four restaurants/bars expected to occupy the Amador Project at the south end of downtown.



Audrey Tenorio and Damian Andrade tend bar.

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Chef Marc Najmi prepares a dish in the Amador kitchen.



The front entrance



Hostesses Michaela Chacon, Yesenia Macias and Cyrena Nielsen welcome guests.



Clockwise from lower left, Rita Stopa, Joe Stopa, Ana Mangino, Jim Hurst, Pistol Mangino, Annabelle Hurst and Michael Evans, get ready for dinner.

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Legal Notice

Jamie Stull Storage Units 2 960 South Triviz Drive Las Cruces, NM 88001

Alicia Adaoto
2801 N. Kentucky Ave. Apt. 131
Roswell, NM 88201

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 179 at Stull Storage Units #2, will be **SOLD AT AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$525.00**, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of:
Patio Furniture, Sofa, Boxes, Bags

Date of Auction: April 23, 2019 at 10 a.m.
Place: Stull Storage Units, 960 S. Triviz Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88001

Stull Storage #2-Agent
Laura Stull Kaczmarek, Manager
(575) 525-2927

Dates: 04/05, 04/12, 2019

Jamie Stull Storage Units 2 960 South Triviz Drive Las Cruces, NM 88001

Alicia Adaoto
2801 N. Kentucky Ave. Apt. 131
Roswell, NM 88201

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 272 at Stull Storage Units #2, will be **SOLD AT AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$525.00**, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of:
Car Seats, Boxes, Bins, Misc.

Date of Auction: April 23, 2019 at 10 a.m.
Place: Stull Storage Units, 960 S. Triviz Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88001

Stull Storage #2-Agent
Laura Stull Kaczmarek, Manager
(575) 525-2927

Dates: 04/05, 04/12, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 13, 2019, Diego A. Banegas, PO Box 105, Mesilla, NM, 88046, filed application numbered LRG-12478-POD1, OSE File No. LRG-17575-1, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by using existing well LRG-12478-POD1, drilled to a depth of 140 feet with an 8-inch casing within the NW 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 27, Township 22S, Range 1E (NMPM) & more specifically located at or near where Latitude & Longitude intersect at 32°22'19.471"N and 106°49'29.422"W (WGS84), on land owned by Patrick & Patricia Sullivan, and discontinue the use of well LRG-11327, located on land owned by Triple A Farms, LLC located within the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of said projected Section 27 and more specifically where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32°22'14.239"N and 106°49'20.585"W (WGS84), for the continued diversion of an amount of shallow groundwater reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant

Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 5.7 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SW 1/4 SE 1/4 of projected Section 22, Township 22S, Range 1E & the NW 1/4 NE 1/4 of said projected Section 27 as described in Subfile No. LRN 280060115 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to use the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-23. Proposed well LRG-12478-POD1 is located north of Las Cruces, NM and may be found approximately 790 feet northeast of the intersection of Fontana Way and Farside St., Doña Ana, NM. Existing well LRG-11327 will be retained for other rights.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number, email address, and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 04/12, 04/19, 04/26, 2019

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LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE is hereby given that on March 18, 2019, Norma Aguayo and Eugenio Mendivil, 4121 Egyptian Las Cruces NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-12019, OSE file No. LRG-17228-1 and LRG17229-1 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Point of Diversion within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by using existing well LRG-12019 to be located within the NW 1/4 of Section 5, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, and more specifically where Longitude and Latitude intersect at 32°15'21.435"N, 106°45'49.079"W (WGS84), on land owned by applicant to replace use of well LRG-01447, located within the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 5, Township 24 South, Range 2 East (NMPM) and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32°15'24.815"N, 106°45'59.812"W (WGS84), on land owned by Roberto A Marquez & Jeffrey Herrick & Christine M. Laney, and well LRG-01447-A located within the NW1/4 of Section 5, Township 24 South, Range 2 East (NMPM) and more specifically where Longitude and Latitude intersect at 32°15'16.5"N, 106°45'52.34"W (WGS84), on land owned by Roberto A Marquez & Jeffrey Herrick & Christine M. Laney for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, filed August 22, 2011, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 4.09 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the NW 1/4 of Section 5, Township 24 south, Range 2 East (NMPM), as described by Subfile LRS-28-002-0010 & LRS-28-002-0015 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. Existing well LRG-12079 is located south of Las Cruces, NM and may be found at the physical address 4D4 Egyptian street. Wells LRG1447 and LRG-1447-A will be retained for other rights.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in

writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number, email address, and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 04/05, 04/12, 04/19, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 20, 2019, Thomas and Pamela Moore, 9105 S. HWY 28 Anthony, NM 88021, filed application numbered LRG-17600-POD 2, OSE File No. LRG-17600-1, with the State Engineer for Permit to Drill and Use a Supplemental Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling new well LRG-17600-POD2 to a depth of 200 ft. with a 4-in. casing, to be located within the SW 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 19, Township 26S, Range 3E (NMPM), and more specifically where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 2' 5.05" N, 106° 40' 28.46" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, to supplement existing well LRG-17600-POD1, located within the SW 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 19, Township 26S, Range 3E (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 2' 5.73" N, 106° 40' 27.75" W (WGS84), on land

owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre feet per annum for domestic one household purposes, as described by Subfile No. LRS-28-013-7030 Right B of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey.

The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24.

The proposed site of well LRG-17600-POD2 is east of Chamberino, NM and is approximately 0.5 miles south of the intersection of Lara Rd. and Highway 28.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number, email address and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 04/05, 04/12, 04/19, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 22, 2019, Frank and Rebecca Mesa Family Trust, in care of Gilbert Mesa, 829 Rosinante Rd. El Paso, TX 79922, filed application numbered LRG-1919-POD3, OSE File NO. LRG-1919 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Point of Diversion within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-1919 located within the SE 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 9, Township 23 south, Range 1 East, NMPM, and more specifically where latitude and longitude intersect at 32°19'42.324"N, 106°50'52.18"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, and drilling replacement well LRG-1919-POD3 to be drilled to a depth of 200 feet for 14 in. casing to be located within the SE 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 9, Township 23 South, Range 1 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where latitude and longitude intersect at 32°19'42.515 N, 106°50'51.41"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant together with existing well LRG-1919-S located within the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 4, Township 23 south, Range 1 East, NMPM, and more specifically where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 19'46.24"N, 106°50'18.52"W (WGS84) on land owned by the applicant for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the August 22, 2011 Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 63.96 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within the NW 1/4 of Section 9, Township 23 South, Range 1 East, and SE 1/4 of Section 4 Township 23 South, Range 1 East NMPM as described by the Office of the State Engineer File No.: LRG-1919 and subfile No.: LRS-28-009-0045 of Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The site for the new well may be found approximately 125 feet southeast of the intersection of Shalem Colony Trail and Coral Rd.

The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22. Well LRG-1919 will be plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number, email address, and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 4, 2019, Wilfred E. Binns, 2700 E. Missouri, Ste. 1, Las Cruces, NM 88011, filed application LRG-6567 into LRG-17587 (OSE File LRG-17587) for permit to Change Place of Use, Purpose of Use, and Location of Well, within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by transferring 8 acre-feet per annum of groundwater historically exercised for commercial purposes at a business owned by the Wilfred E. Binns & Iva Bernice Binns Revocable Trust dated 10/15/93 (Trust), located within the SE 1/4 of Section 14, Township 23S, Range 2E, from well LRG-6567, located within the NW 1/4 SE 1/4

of said Section 14 & more specifically where Latitude & Longitude intersect at 32°18'22.473 "N & 106°42'30.509"W (WGS84), on land owned by the Trust, and instead exercising 8 acre-feet per annum from proposed well LRG-17857-POD1, to be located within the NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of projected Section 17, Township 23S, Range 1E (NMPM), more specifically where Latitude & Longitude intersect at 32°18'23.423 "N & 106° 51 '35.264"W (WGS84), on land owned by the Wilfred E. Binns & Iva Bernice Binns Irrevocable Childrens Trust dated 10/15/93, #1001 (Childrens Trust) for the irrigation of 32.73 acres of land owned by the Childrens Trust, located within the NE 1/4 and SE 1/4 of said projected Section 17. Well LRG-17587-POD1 will be located west of Las Cruces, NM, approximately 0.24 miles southeast of the intersection of Spanish Point Rd. & Barcelona Ridge Rd. Well LRG-10290 will be properly plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number, email address, and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If

no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 03/29, 04/05, 04/12,

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

The City Council of The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Intent to Adopt the Following Ordinance(s) at a Regular City Council Meeting to be Held on May 6, 2019:

(1) Council Bill No. 19-023; Ordinance No. 2888: An Ordinance Repealing and Replacing in Its Entirety Section 27-12-9, Parking Regulations, of the Las Cruces Municipal Code (LCMC) 1997, as Amended.

Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk. Witness My Hand and Seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 8th day of April, 2019.

Linda Lewis, CMC
City Clerk

Date: 04/12, 2019

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

NO. CV-2019-921
MARCIE BEYER

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF DOROTHY ROMERO FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Dorothy Romero, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from Dorothy Marie Romero Villa, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Marci E. Beyer, District Judge, on the 21st day of May 2019, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., at the Doña Ana

County Courthouse, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

/s/ Dorothy Marie Romero
Villa
Dorothy Marie Romero Villa
2938 La Union Ct.
Las Cruces, NM 88007

Dates: 04/12, 04/19, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

CAUSE NO.
D-307-PB-2018-00111
JUDGE: MANUEL I. ARRIETA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NANCY J. MACKEY DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HEATHER MACKEY 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., 2110 North Main Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88001.

DATED this 15 day of February, 2019.

/s/ Heather Mackey
Heather Mackey
Personal Representative
5142 S. McMinn Dr.
Gilbert, AZ 85298

Dates: 03/29, 04/05, 04/12, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-PB-2019-00026
Judge: Manuel Arrieta

In the Matter of the Estate of LAURO G. GUADERRA-

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**MA
Deceased.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that WINIFRED
GAYLON GUADERRA-
MA a/k/a GAYLON GUA-
DERRAMA whose address
is c/o Roggow Law, LLC,
205 W. Boutz Rd., Bldg. 2,
Ste. C, Las Cruces, NM
88005, has been appointed
personal representative of
this estate. All persons
having claims against the
estate are required to present
their claims within four (4)
months after the date of the
first publication of this
notice or the claims will be
forever barred. Claims must
be presented either to the
undersigned personal repre-
sentative at the address
shown in this notice or filed
with the court.

DATED this 19th day of
March, 2019.

ROGGOW LAW, LLC
By: /s/ James A. Roggow
James A. Roggow
205 W. Boutz Rd., Bldg. 2,
Ste. C
Las Cruces, NM 88005
575-526-2448
Attorney for Winifred Gay-
lon Guaderrama,
Personal Representative of
The Estate of
Lauro G. Guaderrama

Dates: 03/29, 04/05, 04/12,
2019

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

No. D-307-PB-2019-00037
Judge James T. Martin

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
E. JEANNE HAMM, De-
ceased.**

NOTICE TO CRED- ITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that the undersigned
has been appointed the
Personal Representative of
this estate. All persons
having claims against this
estate are required to present
their claims within four
months after the date of the
first publication of this
Notice or the claims will be
forever barred. Claims must
be presented either to the
undersigned Personal Repre-

sentative in care of Joseph
M. Holmes, P.A., PO Box
366, Las Cruces, New
Mexico 88004-0366, or filed
with the Third Judicial
District Court, 201 W.
Picacho, Las Cruces, New
Mexico 88005.
Dated: March 20, 2019

/s/ Betsy Geery
Betsy Geery, Personal Rep-
resentative
of the Estate of E. Jeanne
Hamm, Deceased

PREPARED & SUBMIT-
TED BY:
JOSEPH M. HOLMES, P.A.
PO Box 366
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0366
(575) 524-0833
holmespa@zianet.com

/s/ Joseph M. Holmes
Joseph M. Holmes
Attorney for the Estate

Dates: 03/29, 04/05, 04/12,
2019

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

No. D-307-CV-2018-00396

**IDAHO HOUSING AND
FINANCE ASSOCIA-
TION, Plaintiff,**

v.

**JUSTIN MILLER, DIANA
JARAMILLO, NEW
MEXICO MORTGAGE
FINANCE AUTHORITY,
THE UNKNOWN
SPOUSE OF JUSTIN
MILLER, AND THE UN-
KNOWN SPOUSE OF
DIANA JARAMILLO, De-
fendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that the undersigned
Special Master will on April
23, 2019 at 9:30 am, outside
the main entrance of the 3rd
Judicial District Courthouse,
201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces,
NM, sell and convey to the
highest bidder for cash all
the right, title, and interest of
the above-named defendants
in and to the following
described real estate located
in said County and State:

Lot 320, LEGENDS WEST
NORTH, PHASE I, in the
City of Las Cruces, Dona
Ana County, New Mexico,
as shown and designated on
the plat thereof, filed in the
office of the County Clerk of
said County on December

27, 2006, in Book 22, Pages
83-91 of Plat Records. The
address of the real property
is 2868 La Union Ct., Las
Cruces, NM 88007. Plaintiff
does not represent or warrant
that the stated street address
is the street address of the
described property; if the
street address does not
match the legal description,
then the property being sold
herein is the property more
particularly described above,
not the property located at
the street address; any
prospective purchaser at the
sale is given notice that it
should verify the location
and address of the property
being sold. Said sale will be
made pursuant to the judg-
ment entered on December
14, 2018 in the above
entitled and numbered cause,
which was a suit to foreclose
a mortgage held by the
above Plaintiff and wherein
Plaintiff was adjudged to
have a lien against the
above-described real estate
in the sum of \$179,306.69
plus interest from June 15,
2018 to the date of sale at
the rate of 3.875% per
annum, the costs of sale,
including the Special Mas-
ter's fee, publication costs,
and Plaintiff's costs expen-
ded for taxes, insurance, and
keeping the property in good
repair. Plaintiff has the right
to bid at such sale and may
submit its bid verbally or in
writing. The Plaintiff may
apply all or any part of its
judgment to the purchase
price in lieu of cash.
At the date and time stated
above, the Special Master
may postpone the sale to
such later date and time as
the Special Master may
specify.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER
GIVEN** that the purchaser at
such sale shall take title to
the above-described real
property subject to rights of
redemption.

Margaret Lake
Special Master
Pro Legal Services, LLC
201 Eubank Blvd. NE, Suite
A1
Albuquerque, NM 87123
(505)715-3711

Dates: 03/22, 03/29, 04/05,
04/12, 2019

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

CAUSE NO.

D-307-PB-2019-49
JUDGE MANUEL I. AR-
RIETA

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
JANICE KESSINGER,
DECEASED.**

NOTICE TO CRED- ITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that the undersigned
has been appointed personal
representative of the Estate
of Janice Kessinger deced-
ent. All persons having
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 time
barred. Claims must be
presented either to the
undersigned personal repre-
sentative at the address listed
below, or filed with the
Probate Court of Dona Ana
County, New Mexico, loca-
ted at the following address:

/s/ Delia Z. Gaskins
DELIA Z. GASKINS, Per-
sonal Representative

of the Estate of JOHN V.
ZELEZKO, deceased.
Prepared by:
The Law Offices of Dana M.
Kyle, P.A.
By /s/ Dana M. Kyle
Dana M. Kyle

Carolyn Doucette
(Personal Representative)
1216 N. Superior Street
Antigo, Wisconsin 54409

Third Judicial District Court
201 W. Picacho Ave.
Las Cruces, NM 88005

April 4, 2019.

/s/ Carolyn Doucette
1216 N. Superior Street,
Antigo, Wisconsin 54409
Phone: 715-623-2587
carriedou@yahoo.com

Dates: 04/12, 04/19, 2019

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

No. D-307-PB-2019-00050
Judge Arrieta, Manuel I.

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
OF JOHN V. ZELEZKO
Deceased.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that the undersigned
has been appointed personal
representative of this estate.
All persons having claims
against this estate are re-
quired to present their claims
within four (4) months after
the date of the first publica-
tion of this Notice or the
claims will be forever bar-
red. Claims must be pre-
sented either to the Personal
Representative c/o The Law
Offices of Dana M. Kyle,
P.O. Box 2277, Las Cruces,
New Mexico 88004, or filed
with the Third Judicial
District Court of Dona Ana
County, 201 W. Picacho,
Suite A, Las Cruces, New
Mexico 88005.

Dated this 4th day of April,
2019.

/s/ Delia Z. Gaskins
DELIA Z. GASKINS, Per-
sonal Representative

of the Estate of JOHN V.
ZELEZKO, deceased.

Prepared by:
The Law Offices of Dana M.
Kyle, P.A.
By /s/ Dana M. Kyle
Dana M. Kyle

/s/ Joseph M. Holmes
Joseph M. Holmes
Attorney for the Estate

Dates: 04/12, 04/19, 04/26,
2019

P.O. Box 2277
Las Cruces, New Mexico
88004-2277
(575) 525-0020
(575) 525-0017 fax
Attorney for Personal Repre-
sentative

Dates: 04/12, 04/19, 04/26,
2019

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

No. D-307-PB-2019-00002
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
I.K. PETERSEN, De-
ceased.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that the undersigned
has been appointed the
Personal Representative of
this estate. All persons
having claims against this
estate are required to present
their claims within four
months after the date of the
first publication of this
Notice or the claims will be
forever barred. Claims must
be presented either to the
undersigned Personal Repre-
sentative in care of Joseph
M. Holmes, P.A., PO Box
366, Las Cruces, New
Mexico 88004-0366, or filed
with the Third Judicial
District Court, 201 W.
Picacho, Las Cruces, New
Mexico 88005.

Dated: March 26, 2019

/s/ Thomas K. Petersen
Thomas K. Petersen, Person-
al Representative
of the Estate of I.K.
Petersen, Deceased

PREPARED & SUBMIT-
TED BY:
JOSEPH M. HOLMES, P.A.
PO Box 366
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0366
(575) 524-0833
holmespa@zianet.com

/s/ Joseph M. Holmes
Joseph M. Holmes
Attorney for the Estate

Dates: 04/12, 04/19, 04/26,
2019

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

D-307-PB-2019-00042
Judge James T. Martin

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
CAROLYN ANN CLARK,**

Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that the undersigned
LYNN ALAN LEDNICKY
has been appointed Personal
Representative of this estate.
All persons having claims
against this estate are re-
quired to present their claims
within four (4) months after
the date of the first publica-
tion of this Notice or the
claims will be forever bar-
red. Claims must be pre-
sented either to the Personal
Representative c/o The Law
Offices of Dana M. Kyle,
P.O. Box 2277, Las Cruces,
New Mexico 88004, or filed
with the Third Judicial
District Court of Dona Ana
County, 201 W. Picacho,
Suite A, Las Cruces, New
Mexico 88005.

Dated this 15th day of
March, 2019.

/s/ Lynn Alan Lednický
LYNN ALAN LEDNICKY,
Personal Representative of
the Estate of
CAROLYN ANN CLARK,
deceased.

Prepared by:
The Law Offices of Dana M.
Kyle, P.A.

By /s/ Dana M. Kyle
Dana M. Kyle
P.O. Box 2277
Las Cruces, New Mexico
88004-2277
(575) 525-0020
(575) 525-0017 fax
Attorney for Personal Repre-
sentative

Dates: 03/29, 04/05, 04/12,
2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-00739

**JPMORGAN CHASE
BANK, NATIONAL AS-**

SOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs.

**ANGEL Y CORDOVA;
THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA BY AND
THROUGH THE SECRE-
TARY OF HOUSING
AND URBAN DEVELOP-**

**MENT; Defendants,
NOTICE OF FORECLO-**

**SURE 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 Doña Ana Coun-
ty, New Mexico, commonly
known as 3933 North Doña
Ana Road, Las Cruces, NM
88007, and more particularly
described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SIT-
UATE NORTH OF LAS
CRUCES, DOÑA ANA
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO,
IN SECTION 35, T.22S.,
R.1E., N.M.P.M. OF THE
U.S.R.S. SURVEYS BEING
U.S.R.S. TRACT 5-77A2
AND MORE PARTICU-
LARLY DESCRIBED AS
FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BE-
GINNING AT A CON-
CRETE MONUMENT
FOUND ON THE WEST
LINE OF DOÑA ANA
ROAD FOR THE SOUTH-
EAST CORNER OF THE
TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED;
WHENCE THE
SOUTHEAST CORNER OF
U.S.R.S. TRACT 5-76A2
BEARS S.21°36'00"E.,
1042.63 FEET; THENCE
FROM THE POINT OF
BEGINNING AND LEAV-
ING THE WEST LINE OF
DOÑA ANA ROAD,
S.64°40'00"W., 280.90
FEET TO A 1/2" IRON
ROD FOUND FOR THE
SOUTHWEST CORNER
OF THIS TRACT;
THENCE N.21°36'00"W.,
116.40 FEET TO A 1/2"
IRON ROD FOUND FOR
THE NORTHWEST COR-
NER OF THIS TRACT;
THENCE N.64°40'00"E.,
280.90 FEET TO A 1/2"
IRON ROD FOUND ON
THE WEST LINE OF
DOÑA ANA ROAD FOR
THE NORTHEAST COR-
NER OF THIS TRACT;
THENCE ALONG THE
WEST LINE OF DOÑA
ANA ROAD, S.21°36'00"E.,
116.40 FEET TO THE
POINT OF BEGINNING,
CONTAINING 0.750
ACRES OF LAND, MORE
OR LESS. SUBJECT TO

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ANY EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD. INFORMATION IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS DESCRIPTION DERIVES FROM DEED FILED JUNE 17, 1991, IN BOOK 350, PAGES 732-734, DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS. A PLAT WAS PREPARED UNDER JOB #07-1054. FIELD NOTES BY MOY SURVEYING, INC., LICENSE NO. 5939.

THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

By: Robert Doyle
c/o Legal Process Network
P.O. Box 51526
Albuquerque, NM 87181

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**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-01500

**U.S. BANK NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**FERNANDO R. GAMEZ
JR.; NEW MEXICO
MORTGAGE FINANCE
AUTHORITY; UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA
BY AND THROUGH THE
SECRETARY OF HOUSING
AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT;
CAMINO REAL BUILDERS, INC.,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

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 Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 5524 Patagonia Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88011, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 5 IN BLOCK NUMBERED B OF DESERT BREEZE SUBDIVISION, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID DESERT BREEZE SUBDIVISION, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON JULY 26, 2006 IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 714-717.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on May 16, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña 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 19, 2019 in the total amount of \$136,391.94 with interest at the rate of \$12.07 per diem from October 31, 2018 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. U.S. Bank National Association, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

By: Robert Doyle
c/o Legal Process Network
P.O. Box 51526 Albuquerque, NM 87181

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**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-00881

LSF9 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST, Plaintiff,

vs.

EVA MARTINEZ; MICHELLE SIDDIQUL, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 1320 Church St. Anthony, NM 88021, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 1, BLOCK 22, STATELINE ADDITION NO. 3, IN THE COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON SEPTEMBER 11, 1967, RECORDED IN BOOK 10, AT PAGE 16, OF PLAT RECORDS.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on May 30, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on March 11, 2019, in the total amount of \$96,512.13, with interest at

the rate of 5.20000% per annum from February 5, 2019 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. LSF9 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

By: Robert Doyle
c/o Legal Process Network
P.O. Box 51526
Albuquerque, NM 87181

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4/26/2019 5/3/2019

**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2016-01822

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A CHAMPION MORTGAGE COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN E. BROWNING; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOHN E. BROWNING; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; STATE OF NEW MEXICO TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT; ALLIED BURGLAR & FIRE ALARMS, INC., Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 7146 Camino Blanco, Las Cruces, NM 88007, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 20 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 2 OF CAMINO BLANCO II, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID CAMINO BLANCO II, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON OCTOBER 26, 1995 IN PLAT BOOK 18, FOLIO 346-347.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on May 16, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña 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 26, 2019 in the total amount of \$490,852.30 with interest at the rate of 5.05999% per annum from October 31, 2018 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements con-

cerned 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. Nationstar Mortgage LLC D/B/A Champion Mortgage Company, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

By: Robert Doyle
c/o Legal Process Network
P.O. Box 51526
Albuquerque, NM 87181

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4/26/2019 5/3/2019

**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT**

DM-2010-1382
JUDGE ROSNER

JUANA MENDOZA, Petitioner,

vs.

FRANCISCO GONZALES JR., Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT, FRANCISCO GONZALES JR.:

You are hereby notified that a suit has been filed against you in the said Court and County by the Petitioner, Juana Mendoza, requesting Dissolution of Marriage.

You must file a response or responsive pleading within 30 days of the date of the last publication of this notice or judgement by default will be entered against you and the relief requested in the petition will be granted.

Law Office of Jill V. Johnson Vigil
1475 N. Main Street, Suite E
Las Cruces, New Mexico
88001
575.527.5405
575.527.1899 Fax

WITNESS the Honorable Mary W. Rosner, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 25th day of March, 2019

(seal)

David S. Borunda
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
By: /s/ Renee Torres
Deputy

Dates: 04/12, 04/19, 04/26, 2019

**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
COURT**

No. D-307-PB 2019- 38
Judge Martin

IN THE OF THE ESTATE OF DORIS JEAN O'BRIEN a/k/a DORIS O'BRIEN ESDERS, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JORGE A. LARRAZABAL GIL has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned counsel for Personal Representative or filed with the Clerk of the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

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MELISSA J. REEVES, P.C.

/s/ Melissa J. Reeves-Evins
Melissa J. Reeves-Evins
NM State Bar No. 7629
200 W. Las Cruces Ave.,
Ste. A
Las Cruces, NM 88005
575-522-5009 522-5031
FAX
Attorney for Personal Repre-
sentative

Dates: 03/29, 04/05, 04/12,
2019

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

NO. CV-2019-786
JUDGE MANUEL I. AR-
RIETA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF ANDREA NUÑEZ-SAL- MERON FOR CHANGE OF NAME OF SCARLET KELLY NUÑEZ

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME (OF PERSON UNDER 14 YEARS OF AGE)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that Andrea
Nuñez-Salmeron, has filed a
Petition to Change the name
of her child, from Scarlet
Kelly Nuñez to Scarlet Kelly
Gibbs. This petition will be
heard before the Honorable
Manuel Arrieta, District
Judge, on the 9th day of
May, 2019, at the hour of
9:00 a.m., at the Doña Ana
County Courthouse, 201 W.
Picacho Las Cruces, New
Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Andrea Nuñez Salmeron
Andrea Nuñez Salmeron
2944 Burgers Dr.
Las Cruces, NM 88007
575-202-1601

Dates: 04/05, 04/12, 2019

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

No. D-307-PB 2019- 41
Judge Martin

THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARGARET HOUSE, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CRED- ITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that **RAYMOND
PAUL MIGAS** has been
appointed Personal Repre-
sentative of this estate. All
persons having claims
against said estate are re-
quired to present their claims
within four (4) months after
the date of the first publica-
tion of this Notice or the
claims will be forever bar-
red. Claims must be presen-
ted either to the undersigned
counsel for Personal Repre-
sentative or filed with the
Clerk of the Third Judicial
District Court, 201 W.
Picacho, Las Cruces, New
Mexico 88005.

MELISSA J. REEVES, P.C.
/s/ Melissa J. Reeves-Evins
Melissa J. Reeves-Evins
NM State Bar No. 7629
200 W. Las Cruces Ave.,
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Las Cruces, NM 88005
575-522-5009 522-5031
FAX
Attorney for Personal Repre-
sentative

Dates: 03/29, 04/05, 04/12,
2019

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

NO. CV-2019-787
JUDGE MARCI E. BEYER

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF ANDREA NUÑEZ-SAL- MERON FOR CHANGE OF NAME OF ALLISON AUTUMN MCCONKEY

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME (OF PERSON UNDER 14 YEARS OF AGE)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that Andrea
Nuñez-Salmeron, has filed a
Petition to Change the name
of her child, from Allison
Autumn McConkey to All-
ison McConkey Gibbs. This
petition will be heard before
the Honorable Marci E.
Beyer, District Judge, on the
29th day of April, 2019, at
the hour of 11:00 a.m., at the
Doña Ana County Court-
house, 201 W. Picacho Las

Cruces, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Andrea Nuñez Salmeron
Andrea Nuñez Salmeron
2944 Burgers Dr.
Las Cruces, NM 88007
575-202-1601

Dates: 04/05, 04/12, 2019

State of New Mexico Doña Ana County Third Judicial District Court

No. D-307-PB-2019-00031

In the Matter of Estate of Nancy Lightfoot Wat- son, Deceased

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that
the undersigned has been
appointed Personal Repre-
sentative of this estate. All
persons having claims
against this estate are re-
quired to present their claims
within four (4) months after
the date of the first publica-
tion of this notice or the
claims will be forever bar-
red. Claims must be presen-
ted to the undersigned
Personal Representative at
the address listed below or
filed with the Third Judicial
Court of Dona Ana County
New Mexico located at 201
W. Picacho Ave. Las Cruces
NM 88005

Dated 3/20, 2019

/s/ Marianne P. Gillespie
First American Bank
1553 Avenida de Mesilla
Las Cruces NM 88004
575-524-8000

Dates: 03/29, 04/05, 04/12,
2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT DOÑA ANA COUNTY

NO. 19-0079

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LUIS FELIPE ALVAREZ, AKA LUIS F. ALVAREZ, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CRED- ITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
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 bar-
red. Claims must be presen-
ted either to the undersigned
personal representative at
the address listed below, or
filed with the Probate Court
of Doña Ana County, New
Mexico, located at the
following address:

845 N. Motel Blvd. 1-201,
Las Cruces, NM 88007

Dated: 03.26.19

/s/ Irma Alvarez
Irma Alvarez
109 Magic Shadow Dr.
Santa Teresa, NM 88008
325-733-5551

Dates: 04/12, 04/19, 04/26,
2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT DOÑA ANA COUNTY

No. 19-0073

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RUBEN RAMOS, De- ceased. AKA RUBEN T. RAMOS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** the undersigned has
been appointed Personal
Representative of the Estate
of Ruben Ramos, deceased.
All persons having claims
against this Estate are re-
quired to present their claims
within four (4) months after
the date of the first publica-
tion of any published notice
to creditors or within sixty
(60) days of the date of
mailing or other delivery of
this notice, whichever is
later, or the claims will be
forever barred. Claims must
be presented to the Personal
Representative, c/o Marcy
Baysinger, Pregenzler Bay-
singer Wideman & Sale, PC,
2424 Louisiana Boulevard
NE, Suite 200, Albuquerque,
New Mexico 87110, or filed
with the Dona Ana County
Probate Judge, 845 N Motel
Blvd, Las Cruces, NM
88007.

Dated: April 4, 2019.

/s/
Jessica Fullam
Personal Representative of

the Estate
of Ruben Ramos, Deceased
5301 River Ridge Ave NW
Albuquerque, NM 87114
(505) 417-3479

PREGENZER BAYSING-
ER WIDEMAN & SALE,
PC
B y : _____
/s/ _____
Marcy Baysinger, Esq.
2424 Louisiana Blvd. NE,
Suite 200
Albuquerque, NM 87110
Phone: (505) 872-0505
Fax: (505) 872-1009
Attorneys for Personal Repre-
sentative

Dates: 04/12, 04/19, 04/26,
2019

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2017-03329

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS, DE- VISEES, OR LEGATEES OF RAYMOND J. REY- NAUD, DECEASED, De- fendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

**STATE OF NEW MEXI-
CO to UNKNOWN
HEIRS, DEVISEES,
GRANTEES, ASSIGN-
EES, LIENORS, CRED-
ITORS, TRUSTEES, AND
ALL OTHER PARTIES
CLAIMING AN INTER-
EST BY, THROUGH, UN-
DER OR AGAINST THE
ESTATE OF RAYMOND
J. REYNAUD, DE-
CEASED, Defendants:**

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WITNESS the Honorable
Manuel I. Arrieta, District
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District Court

Dates: 04/05, 04/12, 04/19,
04/26, 2019

OBITUARIES

ALEXANDER "ALEX" MORALES

ALEXANDER "ALEX" MO-
RALES, age 51, lifelong resident
of Las Cruces entered eternal life
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nie Morales; brother, Charlie Mo-
rales, Jr; four sisters, Maria Elena
Reyes, Sylvia Morales, Christina
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of Las Cruces passed from this life
on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at
Casa Bella Assisted Living. Survi-
vors include his loving wife, Joyce
Elaine Crowl; two sons, Michael
James and Steven Craig Crowl; a
daughter, Michelle Jean Gossett; a
sister, Martha Hart. At Mr. Crowl's
request, cremation has taken place
and a Memorial Service was held
Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 11 AM.
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“Ancient Treasure”



“Sequestered”

The sensual forms and textured threads of Jo-An Smith

BULLETIN REPORT

An exhibit of new paintings and jewelry by longtime Las Cruces artist Jo-An Smith opens Saturday, April 13, at Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road. It continues through May 8.

An artist reception will be held 1-4 p.m. Saturday, April 13. There is no charge to attend.

The exhibit coincides with art lectures at the gallery at 11 a.m. on Saturdays, featuring City Councilor Greg Smith April 20, art historian Debbie Rindge April 27 and Smith May 4.



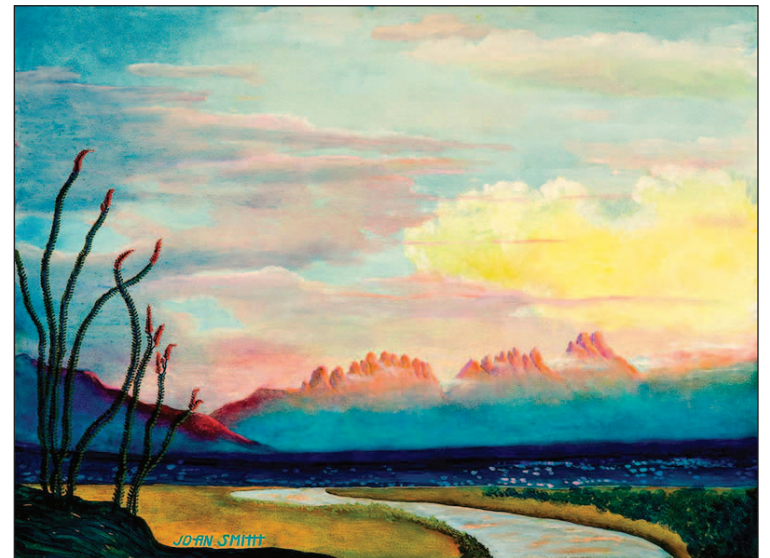
JO-AN SMITH

Smith will celebrate her 86th birthday during the exhibit. The exhibit is titled “CONTINUUM: From Caves to the Cosmos.” It will include “familiar New Mexico landscapes and subjects inspired by photographs taken with the Hubble Space Telescope,” according to a Cutter Gallery news release. “These natural forms are echoed in Smith’s gold and cloisonné jewelry designs. The subject matter reflects her activism protecting

Paleozoic animal footprints in the nearby Prehistoric Trackways National Monument as well as her fascination with the exploration and imagery of outer space.”

Smith’s media in this exhibit include oil, watercolor, alcohol ink and a new product that moves like watercolor but dries to resemble enamel, the news release said.

“My 45-year love affair with New Mexico is at the heart of my art,” Smith said in the news release. “So much is artistically inspiring here ... from historic cliff dwellings



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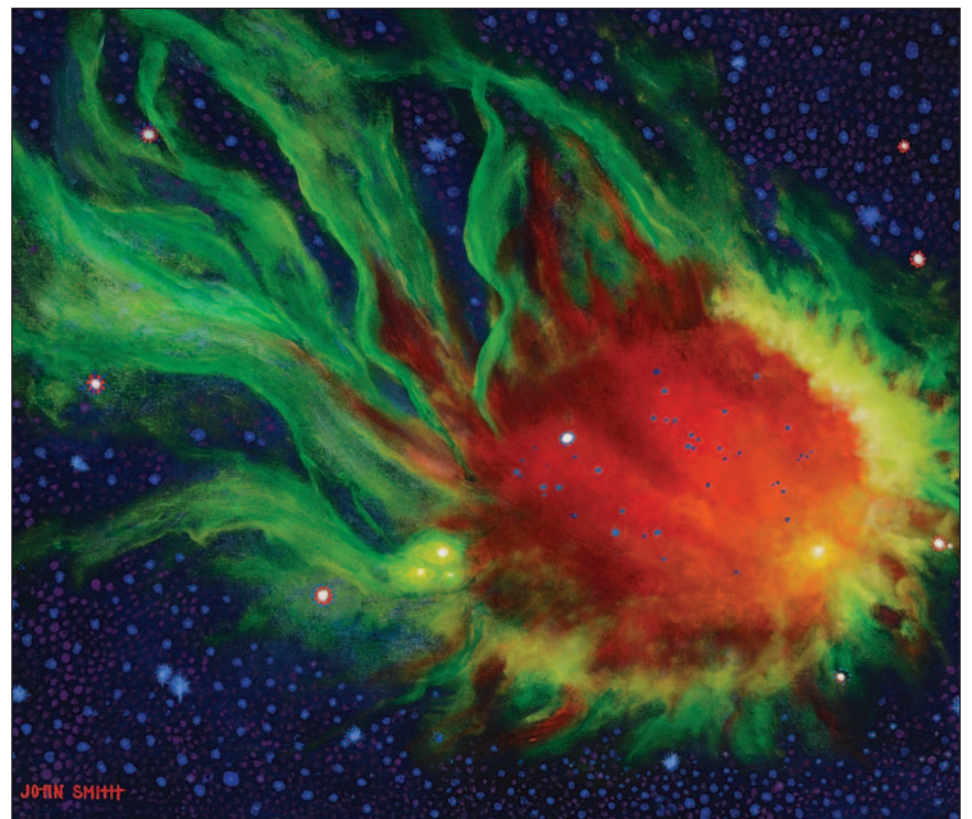


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“Emerald Nebula”

SMITH

CONTINUED FROM 29

to the sensual interior ‘landscapes’ of chile peppers, to the jewel-like quality of outer space formations, which I call ‘Space Gems.’ I started as a goldsmith and that background influences my paintings. Thin lines, like silver and gold cloisonné wire, appear as richly colored and

textured threads in my paintings. I prefer natural, organic shapes; these appear consistently in my jewelry, my paintings and in my hand-built adobe home, which overlooks the Rio Grande north of Las Cruces.”

Smith has lived in New Mexico since 1972. She received a BA in art from the University of Texas El Paso and an MA in studio art specializing in metalwork from New

Mexico State University. She is a distinguished member of the Society of North American Goldsmiths and a signature member of the New Mexico Watercolor Society.

Her paintings and jewelry are collected internationally. She is listed in the Who’s Who in American Art and Who’s Who in American Women.

As a jewelry designer and resident artist, she has worked with Cutter Gallery owners Sally and Glenn Cutter for 43 years.

Cutter Gallery is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday. The gallery is closed on Sunday and Monday.

Contact Debora Rindge at 575-541-0658 and info@thecuttergallery.com. Visit www.jo-an-smith.com and www.thecutter-gallery.com.

Fountain Theatre

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<p style="text-align: center;">April 12-18</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ruben Brandt, Collector <i>In English & Hungarian w/ subtitles</i></p> <p>A psychotherapist suffers violent nightmares inspired by legendary works of art. He becomes a wanted criminal known as “The Collector.” Who will dare to catch him? <i>Animated.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">April 19-25</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Sower <i>In French w/ subtitles</i></p> <p>An uprising in 1851 leaves a French village without men at home and the women take a mysterious stranger as a shared husband. <i>NOTE: Thursday, April 25 1:30 matinée; no evening show</i></p>
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Nightly 7:30, Saturday matinée 1:30, Sunday matinée 2:30.
No one will be admitted after the film has begun.

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OM-DP May artist in residence named

BULLETIN REPORT

The Bureau of Land Management and Friends of Organ Mountains - Desert Peaks announces the selection of Ners Neonlumberjack to the Organ Mountains - Desert Peaks National Monument Artist in Residence Program. The program utilizes artists' unique skills to depict the historic, cultural, geologic, and plant and wildlife features that provide a deeper understanding of public lands.

According to a new release from Friends of Organ Mountains - Desert Peaks, Neonlumberjack "aims for small pleasures; does not strive for great substantiality; values expendable details; prizes invention and imagination, delights in risk-taking for its own sake; values personal vision and peculiarity;



Ners Neonlumberjack

is unselfconscious; and shows the signs of eager, industrious activity.

"Ners has caste-off beauty; encourages innovation; and repurposes associations. Ners likes to start an argument by

being ... one-sided; is low-tech, modest in scale without being modest in thought, made with found objects and materials. Ners maintains involvement in a small area without point or aim; concentrates on pinning down one moment without glamorizing it; forgets accomplishments and moves on as soon as it has passed."

Continuing, "Ners Neonlumberjack bikes suburban neighborhoods and city streets collecting detritus, visits museums and galleries, enjoys landscaping and art making, yet ... would enjoy nothing more than to hike or canoe deep into the wilderness to camp for months at a time; learning, exploring and admiring the natural world ecstatic at

the glimpse of a majestic deer, bear, magnificent tree, crystal encrusted geode or fluorescent dinosaur while living off of chocolate and roasted marshmallows."

The selected artist in residence lives on Organ Mountains - Desert Peaks National Monument for the residency month, immersed in the landscape. "This program brings together an artist and our community, to provide both with a fresh and unique perspective on our public lands", said Patrick Nolan, Executive Director of Friends of Organ Mountains - Desert Peaks.

Contact Nolan at director@organmntnfriends.org or visit www.organmountainsdesertpeaks.org.

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FRI APRIL 12 • 3:30 P.M. Library Lab - Activities, Games and Stories for 6-10**	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
FRI APRIL 12 • 7:00 P.M. Yuri's Night - Performances/Lecture - FREE	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
SAT APRIL 13 • NOON Therapaws Reading Teams - Kids read to dogs who love to listen!*	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
SAT APRIL 13 • NOON Wall-E - Movie - FREE	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
SAT APRIL 13 • 1:00 P.M. Sound Session - Guitar Instruction for Teens	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
SAT APRIL 13 • 2:00 P.M. Elizabeth Barrett Browning Program	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
SAT APRIL 13 • 7:00 P.M. The Martian - FREE	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
SUN APRIL 14 • 1:30 P.M. Las Cruces SCRABBLE Players	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
SUN APRIL 14 • 3:00 P.M. Mesilla Valley's Got Talent Show - \$5	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
MON APRIL 15 • 11:00 A.M. Tai Chi Chuan	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
TUE APRIL 16 • 10:30 A.M. Read to Me - Story time for ages 3 and up*	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
TUE APRIL 16 • 6:30 P.M. Branigan Book Club N.V. Baker <i>Vanished</i>	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
TUE+THU APRIL 16+18 • 4:00 P.M. Teen Game Night	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
WED APRIL 17 • 11:00 A.M. Mother Goose Time - Activities for Infants*	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
WED+THU APRIL 17+18 • 10:00 A.M. Toddler Time - Stories and Activities for ages 1-3 with caregivers*	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
FRI APRIL 19 • 8:00 P.M. Rocky Horror Picture Show <i>Shadow Cast</i> - Movie/Performance - \$10	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
SAT APRIL 20 • 7:00 P.M. Rear Window - Movie - \$8	RIO GRANDE THEATRE

ONGOING EVENTS:

- Downtown Art RAMBLE - 1st Friday of the Month 5-7pm
- Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market - Wed. and Sat. Morn.

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It's 'A Doris Day' at Boba Cabaret

BULLETIN REPORT

Boba Café and Cabaret present a production highlighting the classic songs of movie and television star and recording artist Doris Day.

"A Doris Day" will have two shows a night during two weekends. Dinner shows begin eating at 6 p.m. (the show begins at 7) and cocktail shows begin seating at 8 p.m. (the show starts at 8:30) on Friday and Saturday, April 12-13 and 19-20 at Boba, 1900 S. Espina St.

Tickets for the dinner show are \$25. Tickets for the cocktail show are \$12.50.

The cast includes vocalists Vanessa Dabovich, Taylor Rey, Tatiana Garzon and Alyxandra

Shea; with Barry Shaw on Piano and Lauren Evans on bass.

Dabovich is media teacher at Sierra Middle School and has performed in many shows across Las Cruces, including numerous shows at Las Cruces Community Theatre and Black Box Theatre.

Rey is a graduate of Las Cruces High School and Oklahoma City University, who has performed in shows in Las Cruces, including Scaffolding Theatre's nationally recognized production of "Chicago."

She made her Broadway debut in Kristen Chenoweth's "My Love Letter To Broadway" in 2016. Rey was Miss New Mexico in 2017 and

a semi-finalist in the Miss America competition.

Garzon is 13 and in the seventh grade. She has been in several productions around Las Cruces including a starring role in "Annie" at LCCT. Garzon also plays the piano and has a blue belt in Taekwondo.

Shea is a clothing, textile and fashion merchandising student at New Mexico State University. She has performed with various artists in Las Cruces and is primarily interested in singing blues and jazz.

Shaw has worked with the LCCT and Unity Church of Las Cruces on many occasions. Evans grew up

in Las Cruces and is a second-year student at Doña Ana Community College.

Doris Day, born Doris Mary Ann Kappelhoff, celebrated her 97th birthday on April 3. She released 20 albums 1949-2011 and recorded more than 650 songs 1947-67.

Day has received six Golden Globe awards, was nominated for an Oscar for best supporting actress for "Pillow Talk" in 1960 and received a Lifetime Grammy Award in 2009. "Que Sera, Sera," Day's signature song, was the 1956 Oscar for best original song, from the film "The Man Who Knew Too Much."

For reservations and more information, call 575-647-5900.



Bob Diven

Diven wins category in actors' showcase

BULLETIN REPORT

Las Cruces artist Bob Diven is a visual artist, musician and playwright.

Now he's an award-winning actor.

Diven, 59, won the seniors category (55 and older) in the 2019 New Mexico Actors' Showcase in March in Albuquerque presented by The New Mexico Film Foundation.

Participants from around New Mexico submitted two-minute videos of a monologue. Finalists were chosen in five categories. Those finalists performed another monologue onstage in front of a live audience while on camera, in front of a director (who gave the actor notes before the monologue was performed a second time), and four film professionals who judged the performance, Diven said.

The showcase was hosted by Santa Fe actor and former NMSU theatre student Melissa Chambers; and New Mexico-based actress, producer and model Sarah Minnich.

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'Ruben Brandt, Collector' ... or, shall we say, thief

By **JEFF BERG**

For the Bulletin

Decidedly not for all tastes.

You've been warned, but if you like animated films, especially one that is unique in style and format, then "Ruben Brandt" is for you.

From Hungary, the picture follows the story of Dr. Brandt, a psychiatrist whose specialty is working with those whose issues revolve around art.

Alas, his own issue is art, as he has severe and constant nightmares about famous paintings, such as Manet's "Olympia and her Cat" and Edwin Hopper's "Nighthawks," and which leads to his desire to steal them.

Brandt recruits a cast of characters, sort of led by the slinky Mimi, who opens the movie with an art heist of her own for a "Mr. Big." This leads to a remarkable chase

GRADE: A

Interested? Ruben Brandt will play for a week at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla, opening tonight, April 12.

scene across France by a U.S.-based detective, one of the few characters in the film who doesn't have extra facial features, such as several eyes or two noses or at times two heads.

And any film that features souped-up vintage Citroens gets an extra vote from me.

It is not long before the good doctor has all his gang ready to swipe the works of numerous fine artists from around the world.

Not only are their references to those works, but films and filmmakers get a variety of nods, from Alfred Hitchcock-shaped ice cubes to Sam Peckinpah, which creates a New Mexico connection of sorts. During



COURTESY PHOTO

If you like a lot of weird faces, this animated flick is for you.

one scene involving a couple of semis trying to smooch our heroes' car, one of the nasty drivers has a poster of "Convoy" plastered in his cab, a film which was shot mostly in New Mexico and stars state resident Ali MacGraw.

There is also a lot of geography involved,

as we go from Paris to Rome to New York and to Tokyo, where

the last heist is to take place, one that is about Andy Warhol's "Double

Elvis." A shootout, circus acrobatics, and rye humor are all involved as the dynamic four destroy the pop art show where Elvis is being shown. The film is enhanced by the musical score which goes from classical to Sam the Sham's "Woolly Bully."

This ultimately makes things a bit hard to follow, let alone fathom (but that's okay) and one wonders if we are watching a comedy, a drama, a film noir, a heist film or an action picture.

The answer is yes.

Jeff Berg has been reviewing movies for the Bulletin since 2002. He lives in Santa Fe and may be reached at nedludd76@hotmail.com.

Las Cruces seeks input on public art master plan

BULLETIN REPORT

The City of Las Cruces is embarking on a master planning process to engage the community in a comprehensive conversation about the value of public art. This process will determine the vision and goals for public art in Las Cruces, capturing the community's culture, aspirations and spirit. The master planning process is an important piece to establishing a successful city-wide public art pro-

gram.

The City of Las Cruces and the City Art Board are working with Via Partnership to guide the planning process. Via Partnership is a public art consulting firm with more than 20 years' experience working with communities across North America to develop innovative and successful public art plans and strategies. The process relies on broad community input, which will be gained through citywide surveys, visioning ses-

sions, workshops and more.

Share your thoughts on public art by taking the Las Cruces Public Art Master Plan Survey:

English: www.surveygizmo.com/s3/4824684/Las-Cruces-Public-Art-Master-Plan

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CALL TO ARTISTS

El Paso Symphony Orchestra holds auditions from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Sunday, May 19, in the Fox Fine Arts Recital Hall at the University of Texas-El Paso. Positions open are section violin, section viola, 3rd oboe/English horn, 2nd clarinet and 3rd bassoon/contrabassoon. Contact symphony personnel manager Leann Isaac at 915-637-8144. Applications due by May 3.

Greenspace, 517 N. Mesquite, seeks musicians for a planned open mic series and house concerts. Musicians should contact Steve Klinger, 575 496-5571, sck01ster@gmail.com. Greenspace is open 2-4 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and 1-5 p.m. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, and by appointment. Info: 575 551-6778, greenspacegalleryylc@gmail.com.

In Effect Gallery, 3309 Apple Cross Place, Mesilla Park, seeks

submissions for "Spring Fling," to show 6-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 3-4, and 2-4 p.m. Sunday, May 5. Deadline is 5 p.m. April 23. All work must be 22 x 28 or less in any direction. All media accepted, 3D-type sculptures a plus. All work must be for sale. A \$15 entry fee for up to two pieces. Info: dennislujan@yahoo.com

Las Cruces City Art Board seeks an artist or artist team to create a site-specific indoor project to be designed for the central pillar in the lobby of Las Cruces City Hall. The commissioned artwork should reflect the architectural setting, the purposes of the building, and the City of Las Cruces, inspired by our local environment, history and cultures. Artwork must be large enough in scale and scope to provide a focal point and to create appreciation of the space. Submission

deadline is May 12. Visit artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=6413.

New Mexico Rep. Xochiti Torres Small invites high school students residing in New Mexico's 2nd Congressional District to submit their artwork for the 2019 Congressional Art Competition. All artwork must be submitted to one of her offices in Las Cruces, Roswell or Carlsbad by 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 17. Guidelines and entry forms: torressmall.house.gov/services/art-competition. Info: Libby Anaya, 575-323-6384; Elizabeth.Anaya@mail.house.gov.

Rokoko Art Gallery, 1785 Avenida de Mercado, seeks submissions for its "Fantasy Free for All" exhibit to run from May 11-June 22. Submissions due by May 4. Entry fee: \$15. Info: 575-522-5553, rokoko@rokokoart.com.

Tombaugh Gallery calls for regional artists within a 200-mile radius of Las Cruces to submit proposals for exhibitions for the 2020 calendar year. Non-traditional media or subject matter is welcome. All artwork must be for sale. Submissions should contain information about the artist, type of work to be shown and USB flash drive containing eight representative jpg. images. Submissions should be postmarked no later than April 15. Applicants will be notified by May 15, including those not selected. Send a SASE to have your art returned. Address submissions to Judy Licht, Committee Chairperson, Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces, 2000 S. Solano, Las Cruces, NM 88001. To submit electronically, email Judy Licht at jelicht@gmail.com.

A&E EVENTS

The DAAC Arts & Cultural Center: Exhibits and classes, 1740 Calle de Mercado in the Bulletin Plaza. Info: 575-523-6403; www.daarts.org.

- April 13, 4-7 p.m.: Gallery reception for artists Gary Ozias and Karen Currier during Second Saturday 10-10 Arts Hop. Ozias creates landscapes in oil and pastels that depict the Southwest and New Mexico. Currier is a gourd artist with whimsical and Southwest-themed creations. Free, open to the public. Light refreshments served, piano entertainment by Bill Killban.

- April 24, 5:30-7:30 p.m.: Get ArtRageous! paper making class with Martha Duran. The class is \$35 and includes all materials and light refreshments. DAAC members receive a 20 percent discount. Dress appropriately to have fun with potentially messy art materials.

- April 26, noon: Promoting Art in the Mesilla Valley brown bag meeting. Third of a four-part discussion on creating a Las Cruces/Dona Ana County arts directory. Free.

- April 29, 3-4:30 p.m. or 5:30-7 p.m.: Feed Your Mind series begins on the

topic of late 19th and 20th century art, with Kathleen Key. Series continues Mondays through June 24. Individual sessions are \$20 each, full series is \$90.

Amaro Winery: Live music, 402 S. Melendres St.; 575-527-5310.

- April 12, C.L. Smith

NM Vintage Wines: Live music, 2461 Calle de Principal. Info: 575-523-9463, nmvintagewines.com.

- April 12, Papayas con Chile, folk-rock de la frontera, 8-10 p.m.

- April 13, Doug Adamz, back-porch songs with fiddle and guitar, 8-10 p.m.

- April 14, Alister M., indie rock, 3-5 p.m.

Little Toad Creek Brewery & Distillery: Live music, 119 N. Main St. Info: 575-556-9934.

- April 13, CW Ayon Duo

- April 14, Wait for What

High Desert Brewing Company: Live music, 8 p.m. Thursdays and Saturdays, 1201 W. Hadley Ave. Info: 575-525-6752.

- April 13, TGTG, nomadic world music

- April 18, Christopher Smith Escarcega, solo guitar/ukulele

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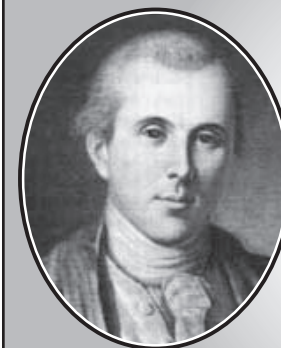


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'Animals of the Southwest'

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 NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
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Thirty-four pastel paintings by former Las Cruces Dinah Swan portraying wild animals such as bears, coyotes and birds, and domestic animals such as cattle, horses and cats. Artist reception is from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday, April 14. Info: 575-522-4100.

'Into the Night'

Through April 13
 Tombaugh Gallery
 200 S. Solano Drive
 The specialized nighttime photography of Victor Gibbs and Robert Petico-las. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday.

'Seasons at the Bosque'

Through April 27
 Rokoko Art Gallery
 1785 Avenida de Mercado
 An exhibit by Las Cruces acrylic artist Matt Henn, who specializes in the light and shadow of

Southwest landscapes.

'Protest Art: The Struggle is Beautiful'

Through April 30
 Southwest Environmental Center
 275 N. Main St.

Exhibit organized by New Mexico Comunidades en Acción y de Fé (NM CAFé), featuring borderlands artists who create art with a message, art that inspires action, and art to energize, move and mobilize. Info: 575-522-5552; www.wildmesquite.org.

'America: Purge & Recent Work'

Through May 5
 Obscura Gallery
 3206 Harrelson St.
 Almost two dozen oil paintings on canvas and paper by Raul Dorn. Info: 575-494-7256.

'Amending America: The Bill of Rights'

Through May 25
 Branigan Cultural Center
 501 N. Main St.
 Exhibit explores the origins of the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution (collectively

known as the Bill of Rights. Organized by the National Archives and Records Administration. Info: 575-541-2154; las-cruces.org/museums.

'Drawn to the Land: Peter Hurd's New Mexico'

Through Sept. 13

NM Farm & Ranch Museum
 4100 Dripping Springs Road

Renowned 20th-century artist Peter Hurd (1904-84) is the subject in an exhibit in the museum's Traditions Gallery. Info: 575-522-4100.

'Grist for the Mill'

Through Dec. 2
 NM Farm & Ranch Museum
 4100 Dripping Springs Road

The exhibit includes a portable gristmill from the Museum's collection, a

stone set from Mora, NM, and two separate stones that were used in the Las Cruces area; one from the Lemon Mill in Mesilla, and the Schaublin Stone, which was on display for years next to the tall, bank building in downtown Las Cruces. Info: 575-522-4100.



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Storytellers of Las Cruces: Stories for all ages, 10 a.m. every Saturday. Free.

COAS bookstore downtown: 317 N. Main St.

• April 13, Douglas Jackson

COAS bookstore Solano: 1101 S. Solano Drive

• April 13, Judith Ames

Studio art classes: Registration is open for spring studio classes planned through May 11 at the

Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St. Class options include painting, drawing, ceramics, fabric dyeing, printmaking and more. Offered to all levels. Register at the Museum of Nature & Science, 411 N. Main St. Info: 575-541-2137; las-cruces.org/museums.

Artventurous: Free hands-on art-making experience 10 a.m.-noon every Saturday, Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St. April 13: Sand paintings. Info: 575-541-2137.

PUZZLES

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1 Of Christian ritual immersion
 10 Fish also called a "jack"
 17 Ship for ETs
 20 Work partner
 21 Everlasting
 22 Edge
 23 Start of a riddle
 25 Log cutter
 26 Reply to "Shall we?"
 27 Bruins legend Bobby
 28 A dieter may try to lose it
 29 Obstruction
 30 Riddle, part 2
 37 Decline to vote
 41 Earsplitting
 42 Alleviates
 43 Riddle, part 3
 49 Cat sound
 50 Make fun of
 51 Seemly
 52 Zig's reverse
 55 Archie's sitcom wife
 57 Name on an elevator
 60 Minor error
 61 Bicycled, e.g.
 62 Rock singer Snider
 63 Epitome of easiness
 66 3/15 or 4/13, day-wise
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 70 Riddle, part 4
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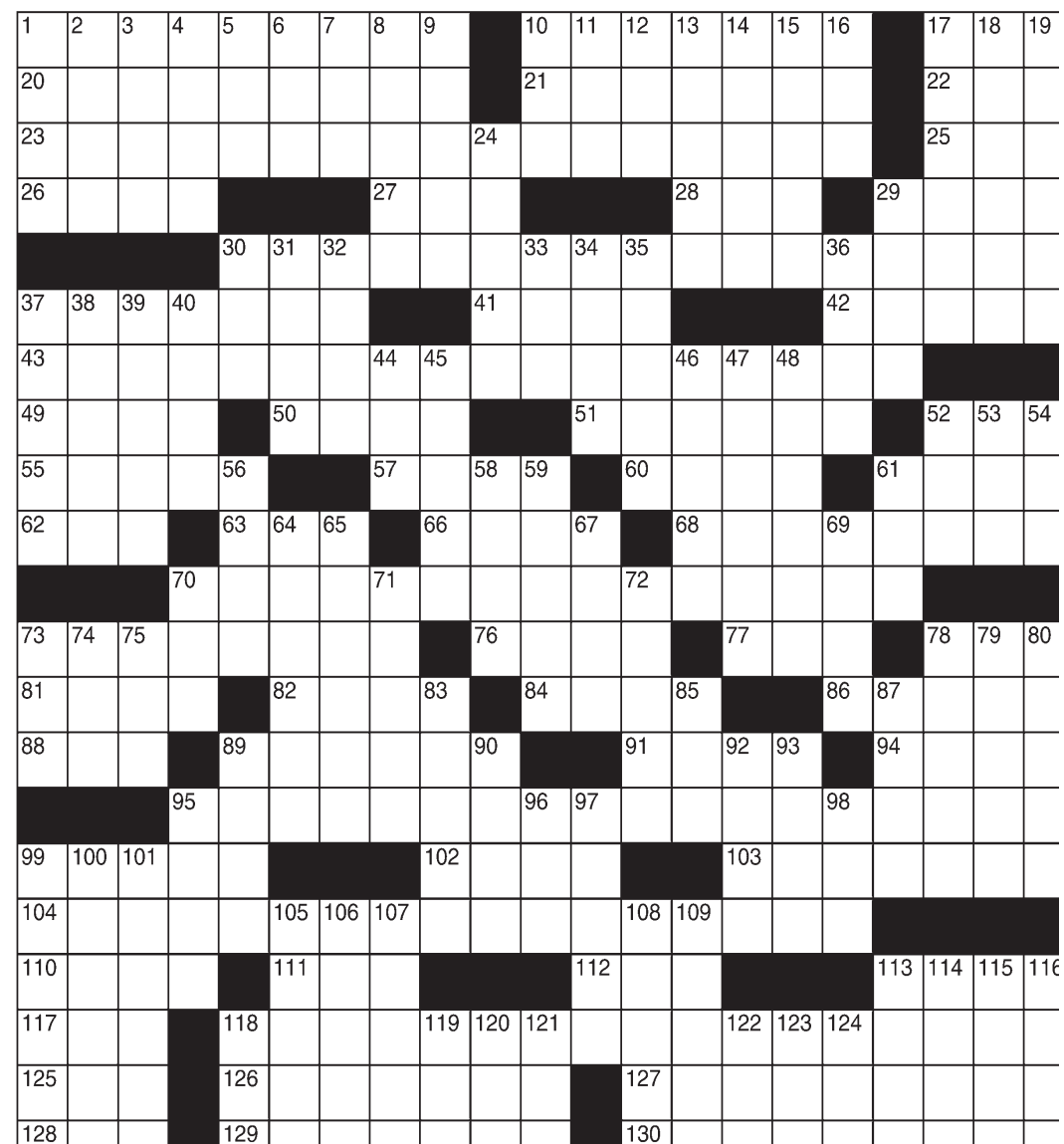
77 China's Lao- —
 78 "Blue Bloods" ainer
 81 Cat sound
 82 Tide type
 84 Scissor cut
 86 For only the case at hand
 88 Rest house
 89 Player getting a goal
 91 Hourglass fill
 94 Plus
 95 Riddle, part 5
 99 Part of Iberia
 102 Crab part
 103 Plush
 104 End of the riddle
 110 Go offstage
 111 Geologic span
 112 Lennon's lady
 113 Cuisine with tom yum
 117 Jar coverer
 118 Riddle's answer
 125 Flying geese formation
 126 Stud farm owner, e.g.
 127 Waterproof sheet
 128 Suffix with govern
 129 More lathery
 130 Got testy with

DOWN

1 Cry out loud
 2 Tennis champ Arthur
 3 Exam taken by many jrs.
 4 Little tykes

5 Here, to Hugo

6 Auntie, to Mom
 7 Wrestlers' pad
 8 Pal of Porthos and Aramis
 9 Looks of lust
 10 Architect I.M. —
 11 See 12-Down
 12 With 11-Down, New York Giants legend
 13 Pasta sauce brand
 14 Actress — Aimee
 15 U.S.-Can.-Mex. treaty
 16 Schnozz suffix
 17 Planet with 27 moons
 18 Focus one's gaze
 19 Final Greek letters
 24 Vocal quaver
 29 Really rise
 30 Slugger Ripken
 31 Raise
 32 From scratch
 33 British runner Sebastian
 34 Jostle
 35 Scents
 36 Heady brew
 37 Really longed
 38 Wedding party?
 39 "Wake Up Little —" (1957 hit)
 40 Trial balloon
 44 "O Sole —" (Italian song)
 45 High storage room
 46 "Memento" director Christopher
 47 Soul



48 Conical homes
 52 Wildlife park
 53 Stir in, e.g.
 54 "You don't say!"
 56 "Funny joke!"
 58 Joss or tiki
 59 Hauling trucks
 61 Panasonic alternative
 64 Like pogo sticks
 65 Mailer's "via"
 67 Arch across
 69 Far off the shore
 70 ENE's reverse
 71 One-named singer with the 2005 hit "Oh"

72 Simple-living sect
 73 "I didn't need that level of detail!" in texts
 74 Cackling bird
 75 Geologic span
 78 Sevigny of "Kids"
 79 Officer over deckhands
 80 Actor Wolf
 83 Lake fish
 85 Golf number
 87 "The BFG" author Roald
 89 Reasonable

90 Depend
 92 Twelve p.m.
 93 Bamboozle
 95 Droop
 96 British rule in old India
 97 — more (greater than one)
 98 Bloke
 99 Postpone
 100 Fairies
 101 Stage actors' whispers
 105 India's first prime minister
 106 Gluttony, e.g.
 107 Records on a

cassette
 108 Army outfits
 109 Like Livy
 113 "That's right"
 114 Embraced
 115 Korea locale
 116 "— that right?"
 118 "American Dad!" ainer
 119 Meanie Amin
 120 Singer David — Roth
 121 Hound sound
 122 Madrid Mrs.
 123 Antonym: Abbr.
 124 Disparity

Cellist in the house

Local musician Alison Reynolds performed on a recent Sunday afternoon at NM Vintage Wines in Mesilla. Reynolds is a regular solo performer in the Las Cruces area and mixes live beats with cello, guitar and a full range of her vocals.

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'Adoration'



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Michael Ponce checks his art installation at Art Obscura titled "Adoration." The gallery is located at 3206 Harrelson St. in Mesilla Park.

Art lessons



COURTESY PHOTO

Las Cruces artist Wayne Carl Huber offers art classes in drawing and painting at Cruces Creatives, 205 E. Lohman Ave. Beginning classes are 1-3:30 p.m. Tuesdays; intermediate and advanced classes are 1-3:30 p.m. Thursdays. Huber also offers a home-school art class for children ages 8-12 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Wednesday. With an MFA from University of Arizona, Huber has taught for more than 50 years, including at the as Cruces Museum of Art, El Paso Museum of Art and Doña Ana Community College. Call 575-647-5684, email wch1966@msn.com or visit www.waynecarlhuber.com or www.crucescreatives.org.

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Holy Week

April 14, 10:30 a.m. | Palm Sunday

Palm Processional with Children and Youth, Combined Choirs,
 Trio of Trumpets, Handbells

April 18, 7:00 p.m. | Maundy Thursday

Vox Vallis String Quartet with Chancel Choir,
 Meditation and Observance of the Last Supper

April 19, 11:00 a.m. | Good Friday Meditation

A pastor-led meditation on the Holy Week Scriptures
 contained in the Gospel of Luke

April 19, 5:30 p.m. | Taizé Evening Prayer

Jones Hall Chapel, Sung Prayer and Meditation Service,
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April 21 | Easter Sunday

Sunrise Service, 7:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
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Palm Sunday, April 14th

8:30am, 11am, 5:30pm Services
 8:30am & 11am Children's Procession Of
 the Palms

Maundy Thursday, April 18th

7:00pm Communion Service

Good Friday, April 19th

7:00pm Service

Easter Sunday, April 21st

6:30am Sunrise Service @ Downtown Plaza
 8:30am & 11am Communion Services
 9:45am Family Easter Egg Hunt & Games

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April 18 + 6:00pm

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Good Friday



April 21 + 9am and 11am

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Easter

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EASTER IS SUNDAY, APRIL 21ST

Holy Week at St. Paul's April 14-21

Sunday, April 14
Palm Sunday (8am, 9:30am, 11am)

Mon-Fri - Noon lunch with devotional following

Maundy Thursday Service, April 18
7pm Sanctuary

Good Friday Service, April 19
7pm Sanctuary, Rutter *Requiem* with Chancel Choir

Saturday, April 20
Easter Egg-stravaganza - 10am-12pm, Pioneer Park

Easter Sunday Services, April 21
Easter Sunrise Service 6:30am,
Plaza de Las Cruces (downtown)

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Holy Week Events

Sunday April 14:
Palm Sunday Service - 10:00 AM
Refreshments - 11:30 AM
"The Passion of the Christ" Movie - 12:00 PM

Friday April 19:
Good Friday Service - 12:00 PM

Sunday April 21:
Easter Sunday Service - 10:00 AM

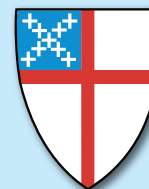
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Holy Week Service Schedule

Sunday, April 14
Rite I Palm Sunday Service - 8:30 am
Rite II Palm Sunday Service - 10:30 am

Wednesday, April 17
Tenebrae - 7:30 pm

Thursday, April 18
Maundy Thursday Service - 7:00 pm

Friday, April 19
Good Friday Service - 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 20
Holy Saturday Service - 10:00 am

Sunday, April 21
Rite I Easter Day Service - 8:00 am
Rite II Easter Day Service - 10:30 am

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Sunday, April 14 - 10:30am
Palm/Passion Sunday

Thursday, April 18 - 6:00pm
Holy Thursday

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Good Friday

Saturday, April 20 - 8:00pm (Dusk)
Easter Vigil

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Bat Conservation International nursery raises agave plants until they are 3 years old and ready to be placed in the desert to provide bats with nectar.

A desert pollinator's challenge to survive

By **ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Rather than swooping in the night, chowing down on mosquitos and other little flying critters, some bats in New Mexico survive by sipping the nectar of native plants.

“Not a lot of people in New Mexico realize there are three species of bats that drink nectar,” said Melia Bayless, ecologist and senior director at Bat Conservation International (BCI). “New Mexico, Arizona and Texas are the only states that have these nectarivorous species.”

Lesser Long-Nose, Mexican Long-

Nose and Mexican Long-Tongue bats all have jobs to do as they feed from and pollinate plants native to southern New Mexico, such as blue agave, from which tequila is made. Some refer to the Mexican Long-Tongue as the tequila bat.

The estimated Mexican Long-Nose bat population has plummeted by 50 percent in the past decade. Their range extends into Mexico, Guatemala and Honduras during the winter and to the American Southwest in summer.

“They follow blooming agave into the United States,” Bayless said. “Many populations of those bats will give birth and raise young in New Mexico, Texas and Arizona. They are really only here in early summer months and they move all the way down into southern Mexico.”

To protect the bats' food source, BCI is working with private landowners to plant agave grown for three years in BCI greenhouses.

“We have put out about 1,500 agaves and have another 6,000 growing now to be ready to be planted in two-three years,” Bayless said. “We are working with Mexican partners to protect roosts in Sonora, too. We welcome groups, including youth groups, that have some way to help us think about planting in remote areas.”

BCI is also restoring drinking water quality, primarily in the Gila. “Bats have to drink while they are

flying. It's touch-and-go drinking,” Bayless said.

BCI conducts systematic surveys at known bat locations, monitoring roosts, caves and mines with ultrasonic devices. Researchers have identified a handful of roosts in southern New Mexico, most in the Bootheel. But Bayless thinks there are more and plans more surveys to find them.

“We need to see if we can find additional roosts,” she said. “We need to protect those we know about and monitor the bat populations within those caves and mines.”

A recent partnership with XTO Energy has boosted BCI's ability to protect roosting sites and food sources of the Lesser Long-Nosed bat and the federally endangered Mexican Long-Nose.

“Thanks to XTO Energy we have additional resources to protect two at-risk bat species through a proven strategy of roost and food source protection,” said Kevin Pierson, BCI's chief conservation officer. “We're working hard to ensure the survival of these species and to continue to develop private industry partners that share our commitment.”

Bayless cited the collaboration as beneficial to the interests of business and the environment.

“You can make a difference while still making a profit,” she said.

Those wishing to join BCI can visit batcon.org.

Elva K. Österreich may be reached at elva@lascrucesbulletin.com.

Mexican Long-Nose bat

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NMSU to launch clinical trial for Hispanic mothers

By **CARLOS ANDRES LOPEZ**
For the Bulletin

A research team at New Mexico State University will launch clinical trials to evaluate the effectiveness of a cancer-parenting education program adapted for Hispanic mothers recently diagnosed with early-stage cancer who have children.

The trial, called Conexiones, will recruit participants from Doña Ana and El Paso counties, said Rebecca Palacios, associate professor in the College of Health and Social Services' Department of Public Health Sciences at NMSU. Palacios is the principal investigator overseeing the program and the clinical trial.

Conexiones is based on the cancer-education program, Enhancing Connections, a behavioral intervention developed by the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center for non-Hispanic white women. Palacios spent two years culturally adapting the original program to suit Hispanic mothers and their specific challenges of being diagnosed with cancer while raising school-age children.

"We've adapted all aspects of the program and translated it to Spanish. The purpose of the clinical trial is to test the efficacy of the Conexiones program with Hispanic women diagnosed with cancer at the same time they're raising school-age children," Palacios said. Palacios is working with



An established cancer education program for mothers has been adapted for Hispanic women.

program manager Clara Reyes and various graduate and undergraduate students to conduct the clinical trial.

"The clinical trial will compare Conexiones to a control intervention to see which is more effective in helping to reduce the cancer-diagnosed mothers' anxiety and depression," she said. "We also want to see if the program is effective in helping to improve mothers' parenting skills and confidence around the topic of cancer with their children, and if it is effective in reducing the children's emotional and behavioral problems associated with their mother's cancer."

Each mother in the study will participate in one-hour phone sessions with trained patient educators based at NMSU.

"The program is delivered entirely by phone in order to make it accessible for women diagnosed with cancer," Palacios said. "We wanted them to be able to participate within the comfort of their own home

and at times convenient to them."

During the sessions, patient educators will introduce several topics and activities aimed at helping participants engage in self-care skills and manage their stress, especially around their children.

"After the telephone sessions, mothers do homework with their child so what they're learning is being reinforced in a variety of ways," Palacios said.

Participants will complete post-surveys at three and six months after completing the intervention sessions.

"This will help us test the program in a very rigorous way. We want to make sure it is working for Hispanic mothers as well as it did for non-Hispanic mothers," Palacios said.

Palacios is now recruiting for the clinical trial. Participants must be Hispanic residents of Doña Ana County or El Paso County. They must have received an early-stage (stages 0 through 3) cancer diagnosis in the past two



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A research team led by Rebecca Palacios, center, associate professor in the Department of Public Health Sciences at New Mexico State University, will launch one of the university's first clinical trials this year to evaluate the effectiveness of a cancer education program adapted for Hispanic women with school-age children. The team includes, from left, Adriana Hernandez, Clara Reyes, Palacios, Karoline Sondgeroth and Isela Garcia.

years and have a child between the ages of 5 and 17, who must be aware of their mother's cancer. Eligible participants can have most types of cancers – except basal or squamous cell cancers, which are easily removed.

The clinical trial will conclude in August 2021.

"If we find that the program is effective with Hispanic women in this region, we hope to conduct a larger clinical trial," Palacios said. "We would like to expand the program to Hispanics or Latinas of other national origins."

Women interested in participating should contact program manager Clara Reyes at 575-646-5883.

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HEALTH BRIEFS

Grand opening

Ben Archer Health Center will host a grand opening for its new clinic at 3331 Del Rey Blvd. 2-5 p.m. Friday, April 12.

A health fair will be part of the grand opening, according to an event flyer, and will include free blood pressure, dental and glucose screenings.

Ben Archer provides primary care, dental services, health education and social services to clients in Las Cruces and other locations in Doña Ana, Luna, Otero and Sierra counties.

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Jardin grant

Jardin de los Niños announces it received a \$25,000 grant from

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico (BCBSNM) through its Healthy Kids, Healthy Families initiative.

“We are proud to support Jardin de los Niños’ weekend anti-hunger project, which makes a positive impact on children’s health and wellness,” said Janice Torrez, associate vice president of external affairs and chief of staff, BCBSNM. “Social determinants, such as lack of access to food, have a big impact on health. Jardin de los Niños helps address this social determinant by providing children and families with nutritious foods for weekends and holidays when they would not otherwise be able to access healthy meals.”



Assistant executive director of Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach Ruben Marquez, with NMSU Interim Provost Dr. April Mason, received the NMSU Department of Public Health Sciences' rising star public health hero award.



Casa de Peregrinos emergency food program Executive Director Lorenzo Alba, with NMSU Interim Provost Dr. April Mason, received the NMSU Department of Public Health Sciences' public health hero award.

Health professionals recognized at awards ceremony

BULLETIN REPORT

New Mexico State University’s Department of Public Health Sciences (DPHS) celebrated National Public Health Week by recognizing three Las Cruces public health professionals during the department’s fifth annual Public Health Heroes Awards ceremony April 1, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum.

• Casa de Peregrinos emergency food program Executive Director Lorenzo Alba received the public health hero award. “For 40 years, Casa de Peregrinos has been providing supplemental nutritional groceries and other services to hungry and food insecure families in Las Cruces and Doña Ana County,” NMSU said in a news release.

• Assistant executive director of Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach Ruben Marquez received



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Diana Bustamante, far right, executive director of the Colonias Development Council (CDC), and CDC Assistant Director Erika Contreras receive the NMSU Department of Public Health Sciences' outstanding community organization public health hero award. At center is NMSU Interim Provost Dr. April Mason.

the community rising star public health hero award. “This new award honors a professional starting out in the field of public health who contributes significantly as a leader to develop healthier communities,” the NMSU news release said. “Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach works to pro-

vide diabetes detection, prevention, education, support and health resources.”

• The Colonias Development Council and its executive director, Diana Bustamante, received the outstanding community organization public health hero award. “The council’s mission is to improve

quality of life through the promotion, development and preservation of adequate and affordable housing in colonia communities in southern New Mexico while creating the space for social, economic and environmental justice initiatives,” NMSU said.

Each year, DPHS selects community health leaders to honor for their commitment, collaboration and contributions to public health, said Cindy Kratzke, the awards selection coordinator.

“The nominees are our unsung public health professionals in our county,” she said, “and they serve as role models for our students. We are pleased to recognize them.”

NMSU graduate students in Kratzke’s MHP 572 Health Communication class reviewed and selected this year’s recipients.

Visit publichealth.nmsu.edu and www.nphw.org.



— PUBLIC MEETING — SOUTH MAIN RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

The City of Las Cruces Public Works Department will be holding a public meeting for the South Main Reconstruction Project. The project limits start at the intersection of Boutz and Main St. and end at the intersection of Idaho and Main St. The project will involve construction of new traffic signals, roadways, bike lanes, sidewalks, curb and gutter, ADA ramps, storm sewer and the rehabilitation of the water, gas and sanitary sewer infrastructure.

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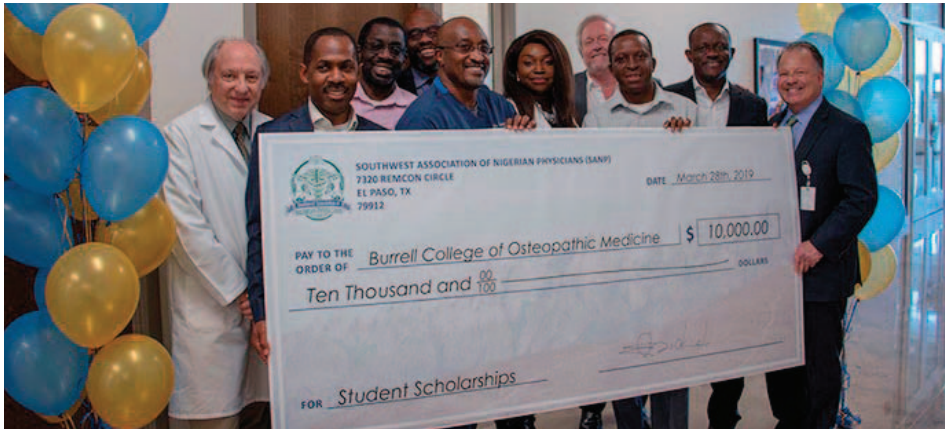


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Members of the Southwest Association of Nigerian Physicians present a check for \$10,000 to leadership at BCOM.

Nigerian physicians group funds BCOM scholarships

BULLETIN REPORT

The Southwest Association of Nigerian Physicians (SANP) presented a check for \$10,000 March 28 to the Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine (BCOM). The gift will help fund future scholarships for medical students pursuing a Doctorate in Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.) at BCOM.

“We are proud to support BCOM and its mission to build the physician workforce,” said Obi Okoli, MD, MPH, an infectious disease physician in Las Cruces and member of SANP. “Next year, BCOM will graduate 160 new physicians, many of whom will hopefully stay here in the Southwest. That’s something we want to invest in and be a part of.”

After the check presentation, SANP members toured the medical school. BCOM leadership also unveiled the newly named Southwest Association of Nigerian Physicians Study Room.

Located on the ground floor, the study room is a high-traffic space, particularly during interview season when medical school applicants are invited to campus to meet with faculty and staff.

“As a small token of our appreciation, we decided to rename the study room in honor of the SANP,” said Victoria Pineda, director of institutional advancement at BCOM. “We’re always trying to build scholarship opportunities for our students, so we’re thrilled that SANP is making this commitment. And SANP isn’t just supporting students financially; many of its members allow our students to shadow them. It’s so exciting to work with an organization of doctors willing to serve in so many different ways.”

At least five SANP physicians currently serve as preceptors for BCOM, allowing medical students to rotate through their clinical space and help care for patients. This hands-on training is a

medical student’s first opportunity to work directly with patients and learn about various medical specialties.

“It’s great to work with students who aren’t just from Las Cruces, but all over the U.S.,” said Dr. Okoli, who has served as a preceptor since BCOM opened in 2016. “I hope the SANP is making them feel welcomed and supported and that they are considering a future here in Las Cruces or the Southwest.”

The SANP scholarship funds will be merit-based and competitively awarded to BCOM students in the future. “I look forward to this lasting partnership and an annual gift from the SANP to support our students,” Pineda said.

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The same but different: Mesilla business reorganizes

BY MICHAEL SCANLON

For the Bulletin

A business on the Mesilla Plaza offering two disparate product lines has split in two as the sisters-in-law owners seek to tamp down customer confusion and improve marketing and internet sales.

Heather Salopek, owner of Legacy Pecans and Company, and Tennial Salopek, owner of Buffalo Swag, a Southwest clothing and jewelry boutique, will continue to operate the separate businesses in the same building at 2355 Calle de Guadalupe, just south of the Double Eagle restaurant.

“We were Legacy Pecans and Company – my sister-in-law Heather and I both had that,” Tennial Salopek said. “With Buffalo Swag, I’ve been trying to build an online business also. But when you follow Legacy Pecan, it’s clothing. It was confusing for our customers.

“So we decided to branch off,” she said. “Heather is continuing with Legacy Pecans, her company, and I am going to continue doing Buffalo Swag, but we’re still here together. So it’s like a mall here.”

The Salopek women are part of the prominent Mesilla Valley pecan-producing family, so Legacy Pecans integrates retail sales into the family businesses.

“We sell locally grown pecans and gourmet pecan gifts and New



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Heather Salopek, left, owner of Legacy Pecans and Company, and Tennial Salopek, owner of Buffalo Swag, pose between their shops on the Mesilla Plaza. Until recently, the two businesses were one, operating under the Legacy Pecans name.

Mexico food products,” Heather Salopek said. “We have seven different flavors of pecans, and we have probably 30 different products of pecans – like pecan butters.”

Legacy Pecans has been in business about five years, and Buffalo Swag has been operating on its own since January.

One thing the two businesses have in common is that both sell New Mexico native products, Tennial Salopek said.

“Whether it’s Legacy Pecans or Buffalo Swag, we both try to support New Mexico products,” she said, pointing out Buffalo Swag products on

display. “We try to support New Mexico designers. We have a jewelry designer, and we’re low on her stuff right now because it has sold so fast. She does a lot of the New Mexico inlaid wood stuff. And we’ve got some other designers we’re working with to create more unique jewelry. These shirts with the Zia symbol – a lot of these products are made just for our boutique.”

“We love to support New Mexico, and we have a lot of pride in our state,” Tennial Salopek said. “That’s been the fun thing about trying to get unique stuff in here

is finding these people along the way. It’s a lot of trial and error, and a lot of search and going to markets. That one thing neat about being a boutique is we can be unique compared to your department store.

“We also offer online now – we call it brick-and-click – that’s one of the things we changed with Buffalo Swag,” she said.

Customer traffic in the shops was brisk on a recent Friday afternoon as tourists and shoppers browsed under the freshly budding trees in the plaza.

“Heather and I moved



Legacy Pecans and Company and Buffalo Swag store front on the Mesilla Plaza is south of the Double Eagle restaurant.

our store – it started off down there behind Nambe, and when this place opened up, we moved down here to get on the square,” Tennial said. “It was a huge, huge difference. We learned a lot about the traffic in Mesilla. If you’re not on the square – even though we were one store off the square – Heather and I really did struggle with not being on the square.”

Tennial’s daughter, Tristan, 11, serves as a photographer for the website, and some of her own artistic creations are for sale in Buffalo Swag.

“My other daughter is in college, but she helps out here, too,” Tennial Salopek said. “It’s definitely a family business through and through. My mother-in-law is here a lot helping me. It takes a whole family effort. It’s also part of what makes us kind of unique.”

Buffalo Swag’s website is at buffalowsag.com. Legacy pecans can be found at legacypecans.com.

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'Patience during progress': Ranchway Restaurant

By **CASSIE MCCLURE**
and **SUZANNE MICHAELS**

For the Bulletin

Editor's note: Seventh in a series on businesses affected by Valley Drive road reconstruction.

Elsa Rodriguez doesn't stop smiling when she talks about her 44 years at Ranchway Restaurant. She remembers when they had just opened the business and her 2-year-old son, Chico, still fit into the cupboards while she took orders. Now, he's the head of the kitchen.

"Now we're here to support him," she laughs.

Sitting in a corner of the restaurant with the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) Valley Drive road reconstruction in view behind her, well-wishers approach, eager to connect with their friend.

"She's a jewel," said Chris Cowan who comes up for a hug from Elsa. "I'm 60 now and I've come here since early high school with my parents. I just wanted to bring my out-of-town friend and he loved it too."

"This is why we survive," said Elsa, as he leaves, "because generations bring the next generation and then they bring their friends. We've seen the mother grow bigger and suddenly there is a baby. And now the baby is grown and bringing in their children. It's like our family; our grandsons now work the register."

The restaurant has also survived for decades due to the family's dedication. They arrive at 4:30 in the morning to start the slow



Customer Chris Cowan snags a quick hug from Ranchway Restaurant's Elsa Rodriguez. His parents brought him to the restaurant for years, and now he brings a friend.

cooking of their famous brisket. Elsa is glad that she sees people from all walks of life come in. "Painters with their splattered white outfits, and workers from the fields, and presidents of banks, they all come to eat," she said, "And we treat everyone the same."

In her time, she's never seen road construction like what's happening on Valley Drive now, and she points toward the restaurant with only a few tables full.

"We don't blame anyone; it's just a process," she said. "We're grateful for the customers who are finding new ways to get here. And with the sign from the city, it lets people who haven't been here, think, 'Oh, what's Ranchway?'"

"We've been blessed with the consistency of our customers," she paused as emotion caught up with her. "I want to thank them from the bottom of my heart."

The NMDOT construction is expected to continue through early 2020. Valley Drive business owners impacted by the NMDOT road reconstruction can request a City-provided blue sign with their business name, which will direct traffic straight to the business. Please contact Hector Terrazas with the City of Las Cruces at 575-541-2508 to request a sign.

The next NMDOT meeting to update businesses on road reconstruction will be again at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library on

Tuesday, April 16. For the most up-to-date information about the Valley Drive road project, please visit www.valleydrive.net.

Questions or concerns about access to Valley Drive businesses, contact project manager Ryan



Owner Elsa Rodriguez poses outside Ranchway Restaurant, next to the orange construction barrels on Valley Drive.

Tafoya at 575-525-7313. Please do not move the bright orange barrels which can impede traffic flow and cause dangerous situations.

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MountainView Regional Medical Center board member Joe Bullock, Chamber Board Chair Jake Redfearn and MVRMC CEO Derrick Cuenca pose with the award for Large Business of the Year.

Chamber announces award winners

The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce announced the winners of its annual awards Thursday, April 4, at the chamber gala at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum.

Winners were: Citizen of the Year, Rick Jack-

son; Large Business of the Year, MountainView Regional Medical Center; Small Business of the Year, Kosh Solutions; Nonprofits of the Year, Casa de Peregrinos and Revolution 120; Crystal Apple Established Teacher of the Year, Lisa

Eller-McCullar; Crystal Apple Emerging Teacher of the Year, Tracy Olson; Crystal Apple Principal of the Year, Monica Montes; Las Cruces Police Officer of the Year, Det. Peter Martinez; Doña Ana County Deputy of the Year, Robert L. Martin; Las Cruces Firefighter of the Year, Frances Telles; Doña Ana County Firefighter of the Year, Chief Rudy Lopez; Chamber Conquistadore of the Year, April Tate; and Chamber Young Professional of the Year, Sumer Rose Nolen.

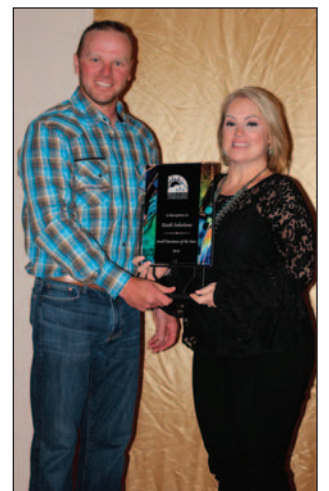


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Chamber Board Chair Jake Redfearn presents the Small Business of the Year award to Heather Hume of Kosh Solutions.

County benefits from Santa Teresa border crossing

The Santa Teresa/San Geronimo border crossing has become an engine of growth for Doña Ana county – home to industrial parks and the Union Pacific Intermodal Facility. Just across in San Geronimo is the massive Foxconn plant.

The Santa Teresa border crossing accounts for about 4,400 jobs, making it the second largest source of jobs in Doña Ana County, behind White Sands Missile Range. (NMSU is the largest single employer.) But unlike the missile range, where employment is relatively stable, employment continues to grow at the border crossing.

Year 2017 exports from Doña Ana County, most of them generated at Santa Teresa, were \$1.6 billion. Further expansion at Santa Teresa is among the best ways for New Mexico to diversify.

Geography is the source of Santa Teresa's comparative advantage. Mexican companies located between Durango and the border, which includes most of Chihuahua (the largest exporter in Mexico), are likely to choose either Santa Teresa or El Paso for crossing. For suppliers serving the maquilas, Santa Teresa is favored due to its proximity to the Union Pacific Intermodal facility.

Santa Teresa also has an advantage with overweight loads that



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aren't allowed on bridges. A special law that allows overloaded trucks to travel 12 miles into New Mexico from the border crossing means that trucks that are legal in Mexico but would otherwise be illegal in New Mexico can deliver to warehouses in New Mexico or to the Union Pacific Intermodal facility.

Among the most quintessential products of Santa Teresa are the giant wind turbine blades produced by TPI Composites. These blades are manufactured in Mexico, warehoused in Santa Teresa, and shipped out either via rail or truck.

The Foxconn plant, located just across the border from Santa Teresa, is the largest maquila ever. It currently employs around 9,700 workers, with the capacity to expand to 20,000. The plant currently manufactures 55,000 Dell computers a

day. A hundred trucks a day, prescreened at the Foxconn facility, bring these computers across using a dedicated lane. recently, Foxconn announced they will close the HP facility in Juarez and move that also to San Geronimo.

The expectation is for continued employment growth of 200-500 jobs per year. A major constraint on this growth is the availability of space. Often, businesses can't wait for new construction and need to occupy existing space. But finding builders willing to undertake the risk of spec construction is no easy task.

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Making sure



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A construction worker checks the lift crane mechanism before placing the new marquee sign for the new Freddy's restaurant on Telshor Boulevard Tuesday, April 2.

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Winning jump



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Eugene Pettes won the high jump at the Doña Ana Senior Olympics track meet Saturday, April 6, at Centennial High School. Competition was held in about 15 events in eight age groups, as older athletes from the county prepared to compete in the National Senior Games to be held in Albuquerque in June.

SPORTS BRIEF

Doña Ana County Senior Olympics invites men and women ages 50 and above to a competition Saturday, April 27, at Mesilla Park (Papen) Community Center. Events will take place in soccer, softball, frisbee and corn hole. The registration deadline is Friday, April 12. Call 575-522-7470.

Smart play



BULLETIN PHOTO BY STEVE MACINTYRE

Picacho Hills Country Club pickleball player Laura Smart competes in the 2nd annual Aaron Gifford Benefit Pickleball Tournament Sunday, April 7, at the NMSU Tennis Courts.

NMSU business professor appointed to NCAA committee

By **CARLOS ANDRES LOPEZ**
For the Bulletin

Kevin Melendrez, associate professor and department head for the Accounting and Information Systems Department in the College of Business at New Mexico State University, has been selected to serve on an NCAA Division 1 committee.

Melendrez will serve a four-year term on the Division I Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee, a 14-member panel that reviews and decides on progress-toward-degree waivers for student-athletes. Melendrez's appointment comes after he was selected last year as NMSU's faculty athletics representative to the NCAA. He will continue to serve in that capacity while also serving on the waivers committee from Sept. 1, 2019, until Aug. 31, 2023.

"The committee reviews and makes decisions on waivers submitted to the NCAA regarding extenuating circumstances that have prohibited student-athletes from making satisfactory progress toward their degree and would otherwise be ineligible to compete in their sport," Melendrez said. "As a member of the committee, on a weekly basis, I will review and discuss waivers with other committee members and make a determination to accept or decline the proposed waiver."

Melendrez said his appointment to the waivers committee holds importance because of his interest in the success of student-athletes and their wel-



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fare.

"This committee allows me to be a part of student-athlete welfare at the national level," he said.

"From an institution perspective, it is important and helpful to have NMSU represented at the national level with the NCAA."

Since August 2018, Melendrez has been serving as NMSU's faculty athletics representative to the NCAA.

Under NCAA rules, each member university must have a faculty athletics representative to provide oversight of the academic integrity of athletics programs and serve as an advocate for the well-being of student-athletes, among other responsibilities.

In this capacity, Melendrez reports to NMSU President John Floros in an advisory capacity on matters related to athletics and maintains a working relationship with NMSU Athletics Director Mario Moccia to develop a sound understanding of athletics programs.

Melendrez has served as the department head for the Accounting and Information Systems Department in the College of Business at NMSU since August 2018. He previously served in the same capacity from 2012 to 2016.

Carlos Andres Lopez may be reached at 575-646-1955, carlo-pez@nmsu.edu.

New golf balls are changing the game

Under the rules, a golf ball must have a mass of no more than 1.620 ounces (45.93 grams), must have a diameter not less than 1.680 inches (42.67 mm), and perform within specified velocity, distance and symmetry limits. Like golf clubs, golf balls are subject to testing and approval by the R&A and the USGA. Those that do not conform with regulations may not be used in officially sanctioned competition.

Frank Thomas, who started as director of technology at the USGA in 1974, developed the “Overall Distance Stan-



CHARLIE BLANCHARD
Golf Doctor

dard” for golf balls still in use today. Other important measurements include “Initial Velocity Test” at 100 mph, “Maximum Distance Test” at 120 mph and symmetry test, all of which are performed on sophisticated mechanized equipment. The USGA publishes a full list of over 1,000 conforming golf balls, by manufacturer, style and color, monthly on its website. A ball that is not on that published list is deemed to be “non-conforming.”

Last week I mentioned that a ball change was invented almost by happenstance by Coburn

Haskell in 1899 and consisted of a rubber wound core and a balata cover. In 1902 Sandy Herd won the Open Championship and Laurie Auchterlonie won the U. S. Open Championship, both playing the Haskell ball. Those two wins quickly convinced most tournament players to play the Haskell ball, despite the British outcry that the Haskell was “unsporting.” Fast-forward 120 years, and we have *deja vu* all over again.

The first real challenge to USGA conformity rules was in 1977 when the Polara “self-correcting” golf ball was introduced. The ball was designed with six rows of dimples at the ball’s equator, thereby substantially re-

ducing slices and hooks. The USGA introduced the “symmetry” requirement in 1981 and banned the Polara ball, which resulted in a fight. The USGA settled the case out of court and paid Polara \$1.375 million in 1985.

Understand, there are plenty of illegal golf balls readily for sale almost everywhere, including the Polara ball that has several more illegal versions. Among other popular illegal balls on the U.S. market are Kwami Premium, Nitro Non-Con LD+20, Bandit, Condor, Desperado, Volvik Magma, MG Senior and Ladies, Orlimar Pyro, Rogue, Felon 30, Pirate Long and (no kidding) the Foo King Long ball. I’m

not always in agreement with the USGA’s policies, but I do respect their role in protecting the game. In my research for these columns I did notice this quote: “If you ain’t long you’re short. Go ahead and cheat.” That might be the impetus for all the illegal balls flying off the shelf. Then there is the memorable quote from a member at one of the clubs I play often, “If ya ain’t cheatin’ ya ain’t tryin’.” Well, not in my group.

From a report by golfdigest.com, just eight weeks prior to the PGA Merchandise Show, it seems that the PGA of America is not particularly interested in a golf ball distance rollback.

PGA CEO Pete Bevacqua stated that his group is “highly skeptical that rolling back the golf ball ... will be in the best interest of the sport.”

Do you find a 25-year-old muscular male tour pro who has been groomed for tour golf since age 4, who hits his drive on a 570-yard par 5 hole and has a 9-iron left to the green believable? Or even reasonable?

Dr. Charlie Blanchard is a licensed psychologist specializing in sports and leadership who works with PGA professionals and young golfers to enhance their performance. Contact him at docblanchard71@gmail.com.

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Rocio Valadez is an 18-year-old senior at Oñate High School. She plays centerfield on the Lady Knights softball team. Valadez’s batting average is .417, with 12 RBIs, five doubles and three home runs, five stolen bases, .941 fielding percentage and 14 defensive put-outs. Valadez is a hard-working young lady who is a leader by example and plays hard for her team. She has overcome several obstacles and continues to find success. Oñate is very proud of her.

She is also a hard-working student, with a 2.76 GPA. Outside of school and sports, Valadez enjoys going out to eat, relaxing, writing and playing with her dog. She would like to thank her family for all their support through her high school career, her friends and boyfriend for always being there and her coaches for continuing to push her to be her best.

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