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NMSU regent: It's all about the university system

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

“The decisions we make we have to be really thoughtful about,” New Mexico State University regent Ammu Devasthali said in an April 15 interview. “It’s not a popularity contest; it’s about what’s good for the university.”

Devasthali, fellow NMSU alumnae Dina Chacón-Reitzel of Albuquerque and undergraduate biology student Luke Sanchez of Las Cruces were appointed to the NMSU board of regents Feb. 26 by Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham and confirmed by the state Senate. They attended their first regents meeting March 8. Debra Hicks was

appointed to the board in 2015 for a term that continues through the end of 2020. There is one vacancy.

Collectively, the five-member board oversees a university with a 130-year history that has branch campuses in Alamogordo, Carlsbad and Grants, more than 14,200 students from across the country and around the world, 12 agriculture research and science centers, more than 2,400 full- and part-time staff, more than 800 full-time and more than 260 part-time faculty and an FY 2019 budget of \$518.5 million.

Devasthali and her husband, Rama, moved to Las Cruces from Chicago in 1987. Since then, she led and participated in

many NMSU fundraisers, including the ASNMSU Center for the Arts and Devasthali Hall, the university’s new visual arts facility that is expected to open this year.

Devasthali has a bachelor’s degree in Russian from Nehru University in New Delhi, India, two master’s degrees from NMSU and a Ph.D. in Soviet literature from Moscow State University in Russia. She and Rama also received honorary doctorates from NMSU in 2018.

“I have lived in Las Cruces for about 32 years and have earned two master’s degrees from NMSU, but I had never considered seeking the position of regent until this year,” Devasthali said in a uni-

versity news release. “I felt that I was ready to serve and that I could contribute to moving our university forward.”

“It truly is a call to service,” she said in the April interview. “That’s what appealed to me.”

While “NMSU is in a really good place,” Devasthali said, “We have a lot of work to do.” The university has “challenges across the board,” she said including funding, increasing enrollment, retention and the university’s four-year graduation rate.

NMSU’s new leadership has “a very ambitious strategic plan that can really move the whole system forward,” and not



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just the main campus, Devasthali said.

NMSU also must have a broad view of education that considers students not only during their time on campus, but also well before they enter college and after they graduate, Devasthali said. That includes working with public schools beginning at the elementary-school level to make sure students have a solid grounding in the basics.

“The real value in getting a college education,” Devasthali said, should also include broadening a student’s world view and making him or her “a more well-rounded person.” And, it means helping students who come to NMSU with economic disadvantages or lack of

family support that may not show up on an admissions form. It also means helping incoming freshmen acclimate to their new environment and get involved in all that the university and the community have to offer, she said.

And, the university should help each student highlight his or her personal strengths in pursuit of a four-year or post-graduate degree on the main campus or an associate degree at an NMSU community college, Devasthali said, and then offer guidance in making good career choices.

“It has to be about the whole experience,” she said. “You have to instill the love of learning in them and they can take that and go far.”

For NMSU Chancellor Dan Arvizu and his leadership team, that means

“you have to reach for the stars,” Devasthali said. “You have to set those goals high to achieve something.”

Devasthali said she is hopeful the university will have “longevity in leadership – a good, solid five-10 years of stable leadership,” which she said would help make NMSU “that shining star in the sky not just for New Mexico but for the country.”

NMSU’s regents “bring different strengths” to the board, Devasthali said. Hers, she said, include a strong connection to the community that NMSU serves – she was a longtime member of the board of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico, for example – and her great love of the arts: Her degrees are in printmaking and paint-



NMSU PHOTO

New NMSU regents Luke Sanchez, Dina Chacón-Reitzel and Ammu Devasthali.

ing. Devasthali designs jewelry in her in-home studio and is a patron of the visual and performing arts.

Devasthali’s recent attendance at an ag open

house on campus left her “in awe of the work that’s being done” on campus regarding NMSU’s more traditional mission, including research and crop manipulation. “It

just blew my mind,” Devasthali said.

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LAS CRUCES CITY COUNCIL

Session focuses on bonds, weed control, immigration reform

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

The Las Cruces City Council's May 13 evening work session included discussions of general obligation bond projects, integrated pest management and immigration reform.

GO bond projects

Mayor Ken Miyagishima said the city is "moving too fast" on \$35 million in general obligation bond projects that were approved by voters last August in four ballot questions. There needs to be more public input on the design of the projects, especially trails and sports field improvements, Miyagishima said. "This is their project. This is their money," the

mayor said.

Public input is a "critical piece" of project development, Councilor Greg Smith said, but the city needs to be careful that there aren't "too many layers" that delay the process.

"Start on time and complete on schedule" is what's most important to residents, Mayor Pro-Tem Gill Sorg said.

Arturo Gonzalez of ECM International said the bond questions were bundled into seven projects, all of which should be completed in early 2022. ECM is an engineering firm based in El Paso that was hired by the city to assist with project management for the bond projects.

"We will have the com-

munity involved with the design process until the end," Gonzalez said.

He said the animal services center and the fire station projects are underway, the East Mesa public recreation complex and Unidad playground are about to start and East Hadley Avenue recreation complex, parks and sports courts rehabilitation and recreational trails projects are being prepared for bid.

Integrated pest management

The consensus of the council was that the city Parks and Recreation Department needs to develop an integrated pest management plan (IPM) that eventually eliminates the use

of weed-control chemicals containing the herbicide glyphosate, which may be carcinogenic.

There is a link "between this chemical and a horrible effect on health," Councilor Yvonne Flores said, who said she could not support a city IPM that includes the use of glyphosate. "No way, no how," Flores said.

Councilor Jack Eakman said he supports the city's current pest management practices, which include the use of Roundup, which contains glyphosate, because he would rather have trained city staff "scrupulously following" instructions in its use rather than residents using it improperly. Pest control without

glyphosate would also cost the city considerably more money, Eakman said.

City Parks Administrator Franco Granillo said the city has continued to decrease its use of Roundup, but its use needs to be part of a true IPM plan. "We just focus hard on keeping the city clean," Granillo said.

Immigration reform

"The center of this is we're talking about human beings," Smith said, as he discussed a resolution he plans to introduce to the council calling on the federal government to enact immigration reform. The council's consensus was that the current situation, with Customs and Border

Patrol (CBP) officers bringing thousands of asylum seekers to Las Cruces for transport to their sponsors throughout the United States, is "not sustainable."

The lack of a federal policy is "turning neighbor against neighbor" in Las Cruces, Eakman said.

The resolution should ask "the federal government to take over a federal problem," Councilor Gabe Vasquez said. It should include language about the mistreatment of asylum seekers being brought to Las Cruces by CBP, Councilor Kasandra Gandara said.

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Despite continuous obstacles, NM women stride on

A hundred years ago, women in New Mexico and women all over the United States were not allowed to vote.



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From the Publisher

The 19th Amendment allowing women to vote was passed in 1920.

The fact that getting that vote took a long, arduous struggle illustrates the difficulties women faced getting respect back then.

In many ways, women are still battling for respect in our society.

In other ways, though, particularly here in New Mexico, women are making their mark in significant ways.

For example, New Mexico State University is one of the top schools in the country for enrolling and graduating women in computer science. Among more than 200 four-year public universities in the U.S., NMSU ranks No. 22 in that category, according to "The Chronicle of Higher Education."

One of those women is Angela Kearns, who received her degree in computer science and mathematics Saturday, May 11. Last summer she interned at Nike, where she has a job waiting after graduation.

"When I started college I was a declared math major, and I honestly knew nothing about computer science," Kearns said. "Freshman year I enrolled in an introductory computer science course, and I fell in love."

NMSU's Board of Regents has frequently had a majority female membership in recent times. And that other university up north, you know, the one in Albuquerque, has a woman president.

Women are also emerging on the state's stage when it comes to politics.

In case you haven't noticed, our last two governors were women. Susana Martinez and Michelle Lujan Grisham are also the first two Hispanic female governors in the U.S.

Currently, two of the five members of New Mexico's Congressional Delegation are women.

When Sen. Tom Udall announced he would not seek re-election in 2020, New Mexico State Secretary of State Maggie Toulouse Oliver quickly announced she would run for that seat. Also announcing was New Mexico's Dist. 3 U.S. Rep Ben Ray Lujan, meaning there would be an opening in his seat. And another woman has already announced she will run for Lujan's seat, Valerie Plame, a former CIA operative who has since moved to Santa Fe. We already have two women representing New Mexico in Congress: District 1's Deb Haaland and District 2's Xotchil Torres Small. And already having announced she will run against Torres Small is Yvette Herrell, who narrowly lost that race in the November 2018 election.

Don't be surprised if more women announce for these races, and if the cards fall a certain way, New Mexico's Congressional Delegation could increase from two women to four.

In the New Mexico State Legislature, 31 of the 70 state representatives are women, as are 8 of the 42 state senators.

Here in Las Cruces, it's easy to find women owning and/or operating businesses or holding key positions in a variety of organizations.

Still, according to data from the U.S. Census Bureau, women in America still average 80.7 cents for every dollar a man working full time makes. New Mexico is slightly better than the rest of the country in this category, as women here earn 82.7 percent of men's pay. That's enough to put us in a tie for 11th best in the

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One giant leap for mankind, one step at a time

In October 2010 I sat in the front row as Richard Branson and then New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson welcomed a new day at Spaceport America, a new era of commercial spaceflight. A completed runway with truly cool statistics.

I watched as WhiteKnightTwo appeared over the Gateway to Space building, an impressive feat, an impressive vehicle, it landed on that smooth and tailored runway to cheers and excitement. I saw it close when it parked, even touched it.

Before that day, in July 2009, I stood under an awning in a hot desert as actors dressed as Conquistadores appeared in the distance, wearing helmets and armor. They walked proudly across the desert toward us. There was Richardson, shovels, backhoes, talking about the past and the future on the Jornada del Muerto. When the Conquistadores arrived, the shovels started, and ground was broken for a new journey, from cross-



ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH

ing the desert to crossing into space.

Back up another few steps, all the way into the early 1980s: I work at Waldenbooks at Winrock Mall in Albuquerque. I

design the window displays, so I usually end up with the coolest promotional items. That's how I ended up with a sweatshirt (today they are called hoodies). "Virgin Vision" was emblazoned in red across the front of pure black, most comfortable shirt I ever owned. Quality, simplicity, style.

That was closer to the time when the Virgin (Records) vision was more about signing controversial bands – Sex Pistols, Ozzy Osbourne, the Rolling Stones – than it was about sending tourists to space.

At 10 a.m. on May 10, 2019, in Santa Fe, Virgin Galactic founder Richard Branson met with Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham and other officials to announce the next step in his goal of getting everyday people into

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Years of frustration don't lessen spaceport's potential

In the spring of 2006, then-Gov. Bill Richardson signed the legislation to create Spaceport America.

"This is a unique opportunity for New Mexico to be on the ground floor of a new industry that will bring new companies, more high-wage jobs and opportunities that will move our state's economy forward," Richardson said at the time.

If all had gone according to plan, Virgin Galactic would now have a thriving space tourism business operating out of the spaceport. Millionaires and billionaires from around the world would be coming



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As we all know, things have not gone according to plan. In October 2014, co-pilot Michael Alsbury was killed during a test flight when the spacecraft violently came apart above the Mojave Desert.

The tragic loss of life brought an end to the cheery, overly optimistic predictions being made up to that point by Virgin Galactic founder Richard Branson. He had originally predicted that flights would start in 2011 and was on the

David Letterman show a month before the fatal crash assuring that launches would begin the next year.

The plan for Spaceport America was that Virgin Galactic would be the anchor tenant and the cash cow. Its success would lure other companies to the spaceport and provide the resources for it to grow.

The crash meant that for the spaceport to survive, it would have to flip the script and bring in other space-related companies before Virgin Galactic was able to get off the ground.

It is, perhaps, fair to criticize past leaders for being slow in adapting to the new reality. To generate the revenue needed to keep the lights on, the

spaceport has even been reduced to a backdrop for photo shoots. But, the lights stayed on.

Last week, Branson announced that Virgin Galactic was moving more than 100 employees from California to the spaceport to complete final testing and preparations for commercial launches.

A photo from the press conference shows Branson hugging Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham from behind in what looks to be something akin to the Heimlich maneuver.

I suspect opponents of the spaceport will see it as an apt depiction of the billionaire putting the squeeze on our poor state. Supporters may see it as depicting

Branson as lifesaver for the spaceport. Neither is true.

I've always supported the concept of a spaceport but have never been thrilled with its primary purpose being joyrides for the wealthy. At the press conference, Branson laid out a vision for the spaceport that was much more expansive. He foresees a network of spaceports allowing for supersonic travel, with hotels in space.

I don't know if any of that will ever come true. I'm still not 100 percent convinced that his plans for space tourism will be a success. They are in the final stages of testing, and don't expect to have any more setbacks. But space is unpredictable.

I am, however, now

convinced that the spaceport can be successful even if Virgin Galactic is not. The lean years following the 2014 crash forced the spaceport to find new business. Earlier this month, SpinLaunch announced it would build its new test facility at Spaceport America. They join Boeing, UP Aerospace, HyperSciences and EXOS Aerospace, which are already at the spaceport.

Despite all of the frustrations since 2006, I think what Richardson said then is still true today. Thirteen years later, we're still on the ground floor of this new industry.

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space. Yes, he said, today the tickets are \$250,000; by the time our children are grown, the price will be considerably less. Maybe, instead of going to space and coming back to the same location, there will be

locations throughout the world to visit and a vehicle that can travel through space from place to place, he told us.

While this meeting was presented as a grand announcement, that 100 workers and their families will move to New Mexico this summer, officially

bringing Virgin Galactic operations here, really it is just another step. One more stretch to commercial space travel, an industry that is moving forward and part of the progressing world.

Many are critical of the pace, the careful one step after another nature of progress,

seemingly slower than it should be. But New Mexico, mostly Doña Ana and Sierra counties, put lots of money into this venture, trusting that the idea of space and Spaceport America could put us forward in the world, perhaps make us more than a couple of words on a map.

At the press conference Branson announced Virgin Galactic's development and testing program had advanced sufficiently to move the space-line staff and space vehicles from Mojave, California, to their commercial operations headquarters at Spaceport America.

"The move ... will commence immediately and continue through the summer, to minimize schooling disruption for families," according to a

press release.

"Our Virgin Galactic adventure has been intertwined with New Mexico and Spaceport America right from the start and our stories have unfolded together," Branson said at the press conference. "New Mexico delivered on its promise to build a world-first and world-class spaceport. Today ... we are now ready to bring New Mexico a world-first, world-class space-line. Virgin Galactic is coming home to New Mexico where together we will open space to change the world for good."

Strong words and big claims were used at the press conference, making New Mexico "a magnet for inward investment." Lujan Grisham said the day marked "the beginning

of the next chapter of aerospace in New Mexico."

Ten years is a drop in the bucket of stars that is space exploration. Ten years is less than NASA ever planned and completed anything. One step at a time has brought us here and what will take us into the future.

As a 16-year-old boy Branson started a magazine for his schoolmates and, over time, twisted it into a multibillion-dollar empire across the world. I have no doubt he will make it to space out of our own Spaceport America, and make money at it, not only for himself but for New Mexico as well.

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country. And while it's rare for New Mexico to be rated that highly in any national category, the fact that women still earn 17.3 percent less than men is nothing to brag about.

I would say at least we're making progress, but Congress passed the U.S. Equal Pay Act in 1963.

That should not stop us, however, from recognizing and appreciating all the priceless contributions women make in the public sector, the private sector and, perhaps most important, in all our daily lives. It seems chintzy that Mother's Day comes just once a year, so why not let that love and honor last a little longer, in any way we can.

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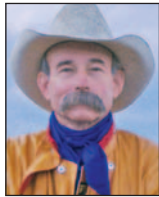
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Book sale: Sponsored by Friends of the Branigan Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave., 3-5 p.m. Friday, May 17 (for members), and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, May 18 (public).

Blazin' Brewfest: Seventh annual, 5-9 p.m. Friday, May 17, Plaza de Las Cruces. Local, regional and statewide craft breweries present their wares. Tickets \$15 in advance at www.nmbeer.org, \$20 at the gate.

'Summer Kickoff': Preview of museum and summer camp activities, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, May 18, courtyard outside the Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Info: 575-522-3120; las-cruces.org/museums.

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

lar admission (\$5 adults, \$4 senior citizens, \$3 children 4-17).

- May 18: Paper plate dairy cow
- May 25: Patriotic paper lanterns

Sale of Maya textiles: Weaving for Justice presents from weaving cooperatives in Chiapas, Mexico, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, May 18, 525 E Lohman Ave., Suite C. Info: weaving-for-justice.org.

'Living with Wildlife': Interacting with urban

wildlife, presented by Jeremy Lane, NM Dept. of Game & Fish, 1 and 2:30 p.m. Saturday, May 18, WBU Nature Education Center, 2001 E. Lohman Ave., Suite 130. RSVP at 575-523-5489 or wbulcnature@gmail.com.

Felting workshop: Create your piece of felted artwork out of wool, 1-3 p.m. Saturday, May 18, NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Fee, \$10. Register with LuAnn Kilday, 575-522-4100, or luannr.kilday@state.nm.us.

Roller derby: Crossroads City's Las Santas vs. Alamogordo's Rocketdolls, 8 p.m. Saturday, May 18, rink behind Meerscheidt Rec Center. Gates open at 7 p.m. Tickets \$7 in advance at Nessa's Café, \$10 at the gate.

Roundtable Discussion Group: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Sundays, Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces, 2000 S. Solano.

- May 19: Linda Rogers, "Being Transgender"

- May 26: Columnist Algernon D'Amassa, "Whiteness as Membership?"

Federation of Democratic Women: Monthly meeting, 6 p.m. Monday, May 20, Staybridge Suites, 2651 Northrise. Info: Connie, 575-521-0096.

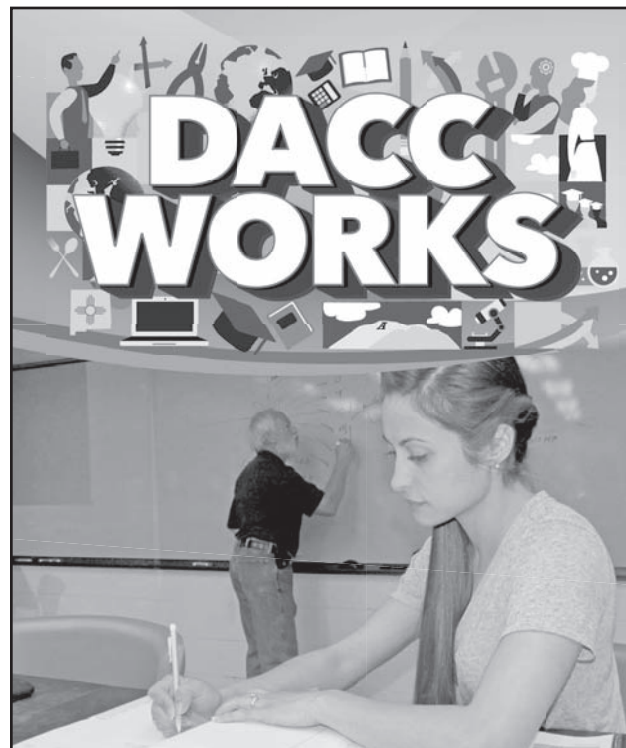
Biblical study session: The development of the biblical text and Jewish and Christian perspectives, 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 21, Temple Beth-El, 3980 Sonoma Springs Ave. Please RSVP to rabbi@tblc.org.

Volunteer orientation: For Raft the Rio, 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 22, Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho. Volunteers needed. Info: John Northcutt, 410-925-9126; northcuttjb@comcast.net.

Native Plant Society: Medicinal properties of creosote variants, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 22, Biology Annex, NMSU campus. Info: Carolyn Gressitt, 575-523-8413, 575-496-7584; canton49@hotmail.com.

Hemp conference: Sponsored by NMSU, May 23-24, NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Registration: www.aces.nmsu.edu/2019hempworkshop.

Doña Ana County Federated Republican Women: Guest speaker is Imelda Sanchez, NM State Police Investigations Bureau, on human trafficking; 11:30 a.m. Friday, May 24, Trinity Lutheran Church,



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Mayor's Downtown Bike Ride: Mayor Miyagishima leads a relaxed 5-mile ride from City Hall parking lot through the Alameda and Mesquite historic districts, 10 a.m. Saturday, May 25.

STEAMPunk – Marie Daly: Daly (1921-2003) was an American chemist who focused on the impacts of nutrition on heart health; 11:30 a.m. Saturday, May 25, Museum of Nature & Science, 411 N. Main

St. Info: 575-522-3120; las-cruces.org/museums.

'Constitutional Jeopardy': Put your civic knowledge to the test in "Jeopardy" fashion, noon-2 p.m. Saturday, May 25, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St.; 575-541-2154; las-cruces.org/museums.

Wreath memorial: 11th annual, 8 a.m. Sunday, May 26, St. Joseph Cemetery on Espina Street. Everyone welcome. Info: 575-800-9432.

Alzheimer's class: "Know the 10 warning signs," 2-3 p.m. Tuesday, May 28, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. Free. Info: 575-647-3868;

alramirez@alz.org.

'Food for Thought': Annual fundraiser, 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 29, for Las Cruces Academy, 1755 Avenida de Mercado. Tickets \$50, half as tax-deductible. Info: Vince Gutschick, 575-571-2269; Ellen Kay, 575-521-9384; lascrucesacademy.org.

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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Colorado snowpack boosts irrigation forecast

BULLETIN REPORT

Elephant Butte Irrigation District and its constituent agricultural producers in southern New Mexico are applauding news of Colorado's additional snowstorms.

In a recent meeting EBID's board of directors increased April's initial surface water allotment of 6 inches up to 10 inches for the 2019 irrigation season. The adjustment is made pending finalization at a

May 22 allocation meeting involving El Paso County Water Improvement District #1, the Bureau of Reclamation, and EBID.

Dr. Phil King, EBID engineering consultant, provided a water resource update to the District board. Snow accumulation was productive during February and March in the Rio Grande headwaters, he said, "...and the runoff is just beginning. It's still looking like a banner year.

"This is the clearest drought map we've seen since maybe the 1990s ... we are expecting further improvement in drought conditions in the Four Corners area.

"Final runoff performance is still unknown as the impact of years of dry watershed conditions may absorb much of the moisture before it makes it to Elephant Butte Reservoir. However, we can be encouraged that the storage level in Elephant Butte, which sat at 3 percent of

capacity on Oct. 1, is up to 19 percent now."

The release date remains the same at the end of May with diversions to begin on or about June 1. Irrigation Systems Director James Narvaez says EBID's Water Records Office will begin taking orders on May 20. The district board has set the Flat Rate (Small Tract) Irrigation Weekend for June 8-9.

"The end-of-the-year allotment will likely be limited by the late start of the season," King said. Ag producers are planning accordingly as they balance their water requirements, determine irrigation schedules and decide whether they must use



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Full canals are a welcome sight in the Mesilla Valley

groundwater or surface water sources.

"It's in everyone's best interest to get as much surface water as possible out there as this helps improve groundwater aquifer health," King said.

EBID continually monitors winter snowpack and subsequent runoff, making adjustments to water management plans throughout the season. Visit www.ebid-nm.org for updates.

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Utility scam

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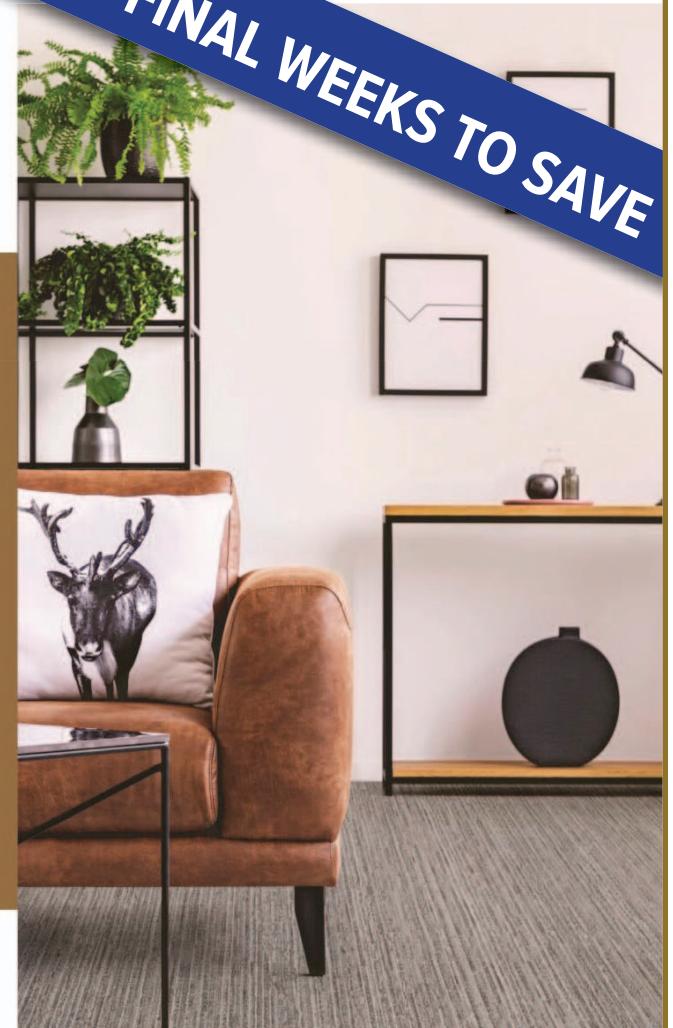
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- Do not provide personal or financial information to anyone you do

not know.

- Never agree to meet with the caller to arrange payment.

- Do not allow door-to-door solicitors into your home.

- Do not return phone calls to a number that is given to you. If you need to contact your utility company, call the number on your utility bill.

If you have questions

over the validity of a telephone call from a utility, hang up and contact the utility by calling the phone number listed on the utility's bill.

Teachers nominated

Six teachers from Doña Ana County high schools are among the 88 teachers statewide nominated for the 2020 Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching, the Golden Apple Foundation of New Mexico (GAFNM) announced May 8.

The nominees are Lisa Ehlers McCuller, Arrowhead Park Early College High School; Gregory Temple, Las Cruces High School; Alexis Black, Mayfield High School; Tony Ray, New America School in Las Cruces; Saul Nuñez, Santa Teresa High School; and David Ubinger, Chaparral High School.

"These dedicated teachers have been recognized by their students, parents, peers, administrators and communities for their exceptional ability to inspire students to learn, think, and create," the foundation said in a news release.

Nominees can apply for the Golden Apple Award in July. After an extensive application process, fewer than 20 finalists will receive site visits from Golden Apple selection committee members next fall. "Only seven teachers will eventually receive the award, so it is very competitive," said Golden Apple Foundation of New Mexico Executive Director Brian O'Connell.

Golden Apple Award recipients for 2020 will be announced in November, the foundation said.

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Storm damage

The Sunday, May 12, rain and windstorm caused some property damage in Las Cruces but no reported injuries.

The storm passed through Las Cruces about

5 p.m. and included rain, lightning and high wind gusts. The wind uprooted at least one tree and damaged several carports, sheds, roofs and vehicles.

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damage was limited to a three-to-four block area near Colorado Avenue and Española Street in central Las Cruces.

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State Law Requires Excavators to:

- 1) Plan your excavation.
- 2) Mark the excavation area in white.
- 3) Call before you dig.
- 4) Determine the location of any underground facilities.
- 5) Call the one call center if any facility is not marked to determine if it is "clear."
- 6) Preserve line location markings or provide offsets.
- 7) Expose any conflicts and maintain at least 18 inches of clearance from the horizontal mark and the edge of the mechanical digging device.
- 8) Support underground facilities during excavation as necessary.
- 9) Backfill in a careful manner.
- 10) Notify facility owners and 811 of any damage immediately.
- 11) Standard locate tickets are valid for 10 working days.

What Happens When You Call:

Once you provide the necessary information, the one call operator will confirm all pertinent details. It is your responsibility to ensure the information was properly recorded on the request. Likewise, faxed or on-line requests will be returned to you as confirmation, and it is your responsibility to immediately confirm the information is correct.

811 For questions, contact New Mexico One Call Toll Free at: Si tiene preguntas comuníquese a "una llamada" Nuevo México gratuitamente al:

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La ley de excavación de Nuevo México impone ciertas responsabilidades al excavador (Es una persona que utilice un artefacto mecánico para escarbar) para prevenir daños en las instalaciones bajo tierra. La ley provee un sistema de "una llamada" que el excavador puede utilizar sin costo para hacer arreglos para que le localicen las instalaciones bajo tierra y que estas sean marcadas antes de que la excavación ocurra.

La ley requiere que los excavadores hagan lo siguiente:

- 1) Planeé su excavación.
- 2) Llame antes de escarbar.
- 3) Marcar el área de excavación en color blanco.
- 4) Determine la ubicación de cualquiera de las instalaciones existentes bajo tierra.
- 5) Llame al centro de "una llamada" si alguna de las instalaciones no está marcada para determinar si es "seguro proseguir."
- 6) Conserve la ubicación de las líneas marcadas o proporcione la distancia/desvío.
- 7) Avise de cualquier conflicto y manténgase al menos 18 pulgadas al margen y de la orilla de algún artefacto mecánico para escarbar.
- 8) Apoye/conservar las instalaciones bajo tierra según sea necesario cuando este excavando.
- 9) Rellene con cuidado.
- 10) Avise a los dueños de las instalaciones y marque el 811 inmediatamente para reportar cualquier daño.
- 11) Las peticiones estándar (ticket) son validas 10 días hábiles solamente.

Qué pasa cuando usted llama:

Una vez que usted proporcione la información necesaria, la operadora de "una llamada" le confirmará acerca de los detalles pertinentes. Es su responsabilidad asegurarse de que la información sea registrada adecuadamente en el documento de la petición. A sí mismo, mande por fax o por Internet su petición, se le mandará una confirmación, y es su responsabilidad corroborar de inmediato que la información es correcta.

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BACK PAIN: How to Get Housework Done Without Making Your Back Worse

Has this ever happened to you? You're going about your day doing your usual day-to-day jobs, you could be doing something as simple as taking out the trash, gardening, folding up the laundry or changing the bed then all of a sudden you feel a sharp pain in your back and you can hardly move... Sound familiar?

Many people will 'put up' with a bad back for days - even weeks - hoping the pain will go away on its own. You really don't have to play the waiting game and suffer for so long - especially not if it's getting in the way of daily life or events that you've been looking forward to for ages! I'd like to give you some quick tips for everyday housework jobs to help make agonizing back pain a thing of the past - because chores themselves aren't to blame (even though we'd like to think they are). It's how you 'do' them.

1. When using the vacuum cleaner or a mop: One of the most common mistakes people make is pushing a vacuum cleaner or mop in front of them while bending at the waist over and over again. Bending forward from the waist while reaching forward with the arms can place a lot of strain on your muscles - especially the muscles in your back! To fix this, keep your hips and shoulders moving towards the work. Instead of leaning forwards and twisting your back, step forward in the direction of the movement with one foot and bend slightly at the knee, allowing your upper body to stay upright. This will reduce the strain in your back muscles.



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2. When doing the laundry: Similar to using a vacuum cleaner, doing laundry often puts your body into the wrong position. Reaching into the washer causes us to bend forward at the waist and reach with our arms (sound familiar?). Then, if that's not enough, we pick up heavy wet towels and clothing out of the washer, which puts a lot of strain on the back. To get around this, try this little trick. When you reach into the washer, put all your weight on one foot, and put the other leg straight out behind you, raising the foot of the floor as you bend forward. Make sure that the leg under you can support you before you try this! You'll have the support of the washer, and lifting one leg behind you will counter-balance the weight of the items you're lifting out of the washer. This will reduce the amount of work that your back muscles are doing. The deeper you reach with your hand, the higher your opposite leg should go so that you can keep your balance while simultaneously reducing the amount of strain on your back muscles.

One more thing, I know it can be easy to get caught up, rushing around the house to get everything done, but one thing to remember is to be kind to yourself and take breaks throughout. Relax for a while before returning to your chores. If you start feeling any signs of pain, walk, stretch and rest your back. Don't allow yourself to get so busy checking chores off your to-do list that you forget the safe way to move your body.

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noon every Saturday, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Info: 575-541-2154.

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Spanish Conversation Group: 1:30-3 p.m. Tuesdays, Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Intermediate/advanced conversation group welcomes new people to converse entirely in Spanish and improve skills. Participants choose two topics to discuss the following week. Info: 575-526-5174.



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Former ambassador hosts national podcast

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

With a new podcast called “The Left, Right, Forward Show,” retired Ambassador Delano Lewis is making use of the extensive national and international contacts he made during a 35-year career in Washington, D.C.

Lewis, 81, retired to Las Cruces with his wife, Gayle, more than 20 years ago after serving as U.S. ambassador to South Africa, CEO of National Public Radio, a major telephone company executive during the breakup of the Bell system and director of East and South Africa for the Peace Corps. He also led the effort to establish home rule in Washington, D.C., where he was a major player in city politics and often touted as a candidate for mayor.

Working with sound engineer Jason Begin out of Begin’s Las Cruces home studio, Lewis launched the podcast in March and has interviewed former U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell, former Virginia Gov. and Democratic National Chair Terry McAuliffe, U.S. Sen. Mark Warner, D-Va., Black Entertainment Television co-founder Robert Johnson, Washington Post publisher Don Graham, actor-director (and Lewis’ son) Phill Lewis, HD Supply CEO and President Joseph Deangelo and Dr. Helene Gayle, who spent 20 years with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control.

Lewis hopes future podcast guests include his longtime friends Bill and Hillary Clinton, for-

mer Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and other political and business leaders. To date, he’s interviewed the guests via telephone, but he expects to host in-studio guests from Las Cruces and the region.

Lewis said the podcast includes both liberal and conservative viewpoints and focuses on “business and political solutions that will help us move forward.” Topics going forward will include immigration, civil rights, law-and-order, criminal justice, health care, education, foreign policy and the 2020 elections.

Lewis said there will be new episodes of the podcast every Monday, with all episodes available on LeftRightForwardpodcast.com.

Lewis interviewed Deangelo May 6 by phone. Deangelo took over a company that “was valued at zero,” Lewis said. A division spinoff from Home Depot, HD Supply today has 500,000 customers and provides maintenance, repair, operations, construction and materials to homebuilders, large apartment complexes and government contractors.

Lewis said he met Helene Gayle when he served as U.S. ambassador to South Africa (1999-2001). She is an expert on HIV, he said, and served as director of CARE International for 10 years. Lewis and Gayle served together on the board of Colgate-Palmolive.

Episodes are 20 to 40 minutes in length.

“It’s great,” Begin said of the program. Lewis, he said, has great timing as



Podcast host Delano Lewis, lower right, with his producer Jason Begin.

host and does his homework for each interview. “You can hear his brain cranking as each guest

is answering questions,” Begin said.

“Gramps, it’s awesome,” is what Lewis said

his grandson, Clinton, 31, said about the podcast.

Access the podcasts at flyonthewallpodcast.com.

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LUSH & LEAN

Growing sustainable grass in the desert

By **CASSIE MCCLURE**
and **SUZANNE MICHAELS**
For the Bulletin

As Jackson Powers drives his golf cart down about three feet in elevation at the Fabian Garcia Research Center, it becomes noticeably cooler. Here, Powers is researching the different types of grasses that could be in your yard soon, ones more resistant to drought. If you want to learn more about what type of grasses work well in our area, head out to the Las Cruces Utilities (LCU) Lush & Lean Workshop on Thursday, May 23.

"Of course, there are environmental benefits to grass, like erosion control," said Powers, "but



Jackson Powers is happy to watch his grass grow while he learns more about what makes grass more resistant to drought stress.

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there are also things like dust control and the actual cooling of an area where it's planted."

Powers is a New Mexico State University graduate student in Horticulture with an emphasis on Turfgrass Science and Management. He's checking the drought stress of Bermudagrass, perennial

ryegrass, or Kentucky bluegrass at the research center, and also checking which pesticides and herbicides work best.

His Lush & Lean presentation, "Growing Grass in the Desert" will discuss which species of grass are the most environmentally friendly in Las Cruces. Plus, he will discuss the

misconceptions of artificial turfgrass.

"Living grass will always need maintenance, but once you have the right amount of water for the type of grass you have, then you have more control," he said. "Many people overwater. That won't improve the grass; it just wastes water."

And, too much water can equal standing water, which can lead to pests like mosquitoes, "which opens a whole other can

of worms," Powers said. "Calibrate your irrigation system and make sure you're planting warm or cool grass at the correct time of the season."

For those who want more answers about turf grass installation, Powers recommends reaching out to the NMSU Turf Club. Visit aces.nmsu.edu/academics/clubs/turfclub/

All Lush and Lean Workshops are free and open to the public. They are held from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Thursdays at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave., in the Roadrunner Room. See the complete list of speakers dates at www.las-cruces.org/WaterConservation.

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Sanchez settling into 'lost' county commission seat

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

When he lost the Democratic primary for the District 5 seat on the Doña Ana County Commission last June, Manuel Sanchez likely had no idea he would fill the seat less than a year later.

Sanchez became the fourth person to hold the seat in a little more than a year when he was appointed by Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham in late March to complete the term of Karen Trujillo, who won the June 2018 primary and November 2018 general election races to claim the seat, but was appointed secretary of the New Mexico Public Education Department last January.

Sanchez, 39, said he decided to run for the seat in 2018 because he was unhappy with the behavior and voting record of former Commissioner John Vasquez, who resigned the District 5 seat in January 2018. Republican Kim Hakes was appointed by then-Gov. Susana Martinez in



SANCHEZ

March 2018 and was defeated by Trujillo last November. District 5, which Sanchez called "interesting and unique," runs from Picacho Avenue north to the Doña Ana/Sierra County line, west to the border with Luna County, east to Interstate 25 and south to include northwest Las Cruces. It includes all the villages and colonias in northern Doña Ana County.

A native of Anthony, New Mexico, Sanchez grew up in El Paso and was in the first graduating class of Franklin High School. He earned a degree in mechanical engineering from MIT and worked for General Electric. A senior customer service leader, Sanchez works out of the North Valley home he shares with his wife, Teresa, and three daughters, ages 5, 7 and 9.

A "more left-wing" Democrat, Sanchez

said he is "representing people, not specifically a political party."

One of the most important issues facing Doña Ana County (DAC) is public transportation, Sanchez said. He advocates South-Central Regional Transport expanding to include service to residents in northern DAC, especially the elderly. He also wants better use made of DAC's 15 community resource centers located in communities throughout the county.

DAC needs strong leadership to ensure county revenue is invested in projects that benefit the county instead of spent on lawsuits, Sanchez said. Good leaders should get along with each other and work together with other elected officials, he added.

County fire service has improved recently, and that needs to continue, Sanchez said, because providing emergency response throughout the county is "vitaly important." Sanchez voices concern about consolidating the county's 16 fire

districts, wondering "can we then reach the outermost communities in time?"

Las Cruces is the center of Doña Ana County, but the county commission "can't lose sight of what's going on outside of it," Sanchez said. Communities to the north "sometimes get lost," he said.

Virgin Galactic and Spaceport in the northern part of the county provide opportunities for jobs and commercial development, Sanchez noted. The agriculture base that characterizes north DAC is also "part of our heritage," he said. "We would lose a lot if we did not have that agriculture throughout the county."

Sanchez's roots lie in southern DAC. His grandfather came to the United States from Mexico as part of the Bracero program in the 1950s, working in the fields of southern DAC, he said. "I can't imagine this area not having cotton fields, alfalfa fields, pecan trees."

Sanchez said the

county must get its vacant triage center funded and staffed to help address the county's mental health issues. "When people need help, how do we provide it for them?" he asked, adding that he supports the federal government providing Medicare for everyone.

Sanchez said he supported the county's allocation of \$50,000 to provide services to asylum seekers being brought to DAC by the U.S. Border Patrol. There is a lot of misinformation about asylum seekers, he said, with some people thinking they are staying in Las Cruces and DAC when most are moving on to their sponsors around the country within 24-48 hours. Sanchez said both he and his wife volunteered in the local humanitarian effort to help asylum seekers. "People have been amazing," he said. "What it must feel like [for asylum seekers] to have a place that would be welcoming."

Capital outlay funds earmarked by legislators for DAC should be spent

on the county's critical infrastructure needs, Sanchez said, especially roads and flood control. Improving broadband service should also be a priority.

Sanchez also wants the county to focus on training and education, especially in northern DAC. Providing adequate public transportation in the north will be a critical part of that effort, he said, so residents can get to classes.

The county, he said, has "so much to improve and build on."

As a commissioner, Sanchez said he wants to "make educated decisions" based on listening, asking questions and respect.

His wife and daughters keep him grounded, Sanchez said, and making sure they understand his decisions and votes on the commission is important to him. "If I couldn't do that, I think I'd be in trouble."

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Reyes announces for city council District 4

BULLETIN REPORT

Antoinette Reyes announces she is running for Las Cruces City Council for District 4, the seat currently held by Jack Eakman, who is not seeking re-election.

Reyes, 31, is a 15th generation New Mexican. She is the eldest in a low-income family and helped raise her younger siblings.



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She now has two children of her own. Reyes received her Bachelors in Anthropology with a supplementary major in Sustainable Development from NMSU. She is completing her Master's in

Applied Economics with a focus on the environment and natural resources.

According to a news release, Reyes recently finished a contract working for an organization dedicated to building a statewide network focused on environmental advocacy in public health. She is a substitute teacher and has worked as a private tutor for kindergartners

through college students. She holds a volunteer leadership position for a nonprofit that works on health care, the environment, electoral reform, and social justice. She worked at the Museum of Nature and Science and was a support provider for people with developmental disabilities.

As a former City of Las Cruces employee in

the Sustainability Office, Reyes helped garner a \$10 million bond for energy-related projects such as green retrofits, xeriscaping and solar installations.

Her agenda includes improving public safety, expanding public infrastructure (transit and broadband), cutting wasteful spending, improving the city's energy efficiency, expanding the

amount of bilingual materials, addressing poverty and ensuring small businesses thrive in Las Cruces. If elected, she vows to regularly hold constituent meetings throughout the district

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Outstanding graduates move on from DACC

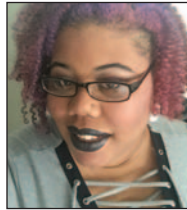
BULLETIN REPORT

Included among Doña Ana Community College's 1,400 graduates May 9 were students with diverse backgrounds and unique stories showing determination, academic excellence and the ability to overcome odds. Several of them include:

Jennifer Allen (Associate of Applied Science degree from the Computer Information Technology Program) will be awarded a DACC Cyber Security Degree in fall, 2019.

She is president and senator of the DACC Women in Technology Club (WIT) and senator for the Skills USA Club. She made the Dean's List twice.

"Jennifer was always working above and beyond her class load by participating in WIT, receiving the Grace Hopper Scholarship, and participating in many community and club events," said Professor



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Leilani Benoit of the computer technology department. "We are very proud of her and know she will carry the torch mentoring future students in the tech field."

"I have had a wonderful experience at DACC ... a sense of welcoming and being included as if I was family" Allen said. "During my time here, I have had some amazing mentors like Robert Doyle and Leilani Benoit who are always willing to help and have their students' best interest in mind."

Joycelyn Basey became a DACC Early Childhood Education student after transferring in fall, 2017. She brought a wealth of

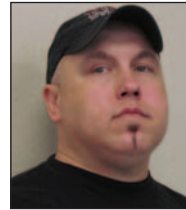


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knowledge and experience with her due to her travels as part of a military family.

According to Early Childhood Faculty members Shannon Bradley, Kathryn Million and Mylis Murdock, "Joycelyn is an outstanding student who was encouraging to her peers and will be a fabulous early childhood educator. We see her being a teacher leader in the future making strides in creating a more equitable society through her focus on eliminating achievement gaps in educational settings."

Basey works full-time as an in-home rehabilitation specialist for children with autism and is a mother



SCHUTT

of three. She will transfer to NMSU to complete her Baccalaureate degree.

Yazmin Diaz was born in Chihuahua, Mexico, and is a Mexican citizen. She received two degrees including an Associate in Pre-Business and an Associate of Arts. She plans to attend New Mexico State University in the fall and pursue a degree in International Business.

While enrolled at DACC, she is also working towards a bachelor's degree in International Relations at Universidad Autónoma de Chihuahua, Mexico.

Diaz is a Senator of the Desert Lizards Club in Sunland Park and secretary of the DACC Student Government Association.

"Participating in these organizations has taught me valuable professional skills," Diaz said. "It has helped me grow personally and challenged me to become a critical and independent thinker."

"Yazmin always steps up to the plate to take on new tasks outside of her offices and with her superb organizational and communication skills succeeds constantly," said Jackie Kiefer, director of the Southern DACC Learning Centers. "As a person she is caring, compassionate, kind and inclusive with poise, charm and confidence. It is not often one comes across such an individual."

Diaz is a member of the National Honor Society, the National Society of School Scholars, the Business Dean's list, and is a Crimson Scholar. She is fluent in Spanish, English and Mandarin.

David W. Schutt, from Waverly, New York, suffered a serious injury while working in a steel mill that precluded him from pursuing a career in that industry. He attended a trade school and obtained a certificate in Phlebotomy. In 2012,

while working at a New Mexico hospital, he suffered from back issues which led to major spine surgery.

Attending his first classes at DACC with a walker and staples down his back, he earned an ECG/EKG technician certificate with an "A" in the program. Over the past several years he has earned 68 credit hours.

During his time at the community college he has undergone four spine surgeries and two foot surgeries, but he walked across the Pan Am stage to accept three associate degrees with a combined 4.0 GPA.

"DACC gave me a chance to stay busy and focus on things other than my unfortunate health issues and gave me hope for the future," Schutt said.

A Crimson Scholar, Schutt was named the 2019 Outstanding Graduate in the Science, Engineering and Mathematics Division.

Allen awarded NMSU honorary degree

By **MELISSA R. RUTTER**
For the Bulletin

Larry Allen of Allen Theatres, Inc. has been honored by New Mexico State University for his 32 years of service to Aggies at NMSU and whose commitment to athletics, scholarships and theatre arts has profoundly impacted the state. Allen was recognized during commencement with an honorary Doctorate of Letters.

"The entire New Mexico State University community is fortunate to have



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our statewide mission of teaching, research and service and the contributions made by him and his family have helped make our university a better place."

Allen grew up in Farmington and was attending Brigham Young University when, at age 19, his father

passed away, forcing him to drop out to aid his mother in running the family business, Allen Theatres, Inc., founded in 1912 by Frank Allen, Larry's grandfather. Larry and his brother, Lane, later purchased the business from their mother, and, in 1982, expanded it to Las Cruces. In 2016 Larry Allen sold the company to his children and nephew but remains a consultant for the company.

In 1993, Allen established the Allen Theatres, Inc. Endowed Scholarship to benefit NMSU students who

work with the company. The family's generosity has made its mark on NMSU's Center for the Arts, where the box office is named after Larry's mother, Helen Foutz Allen, and the state-of-the-art marquee bears the Allen Theatre name.

In 2017, Allen Theatres, Inc., contributed a substantial gift to fund the Allen Family Locker Room and provide improvements to the NMSU Coca-Cola Weight Training Center.

"We are very appreciative of the Allen family and their efforts, not only

financially but in how they support this school and this program overall; it helps so much," said Doug Martin, NMSU head football coach

Allen served on the NMSU Aggie Athletic Club from 2006 to 2012, has been a member of the NMSU Foundation Board of Directors since 2012, has an Honorary Degree from Doña Ana Community College and, in 2016, was recognized at the third annual NMSU College of Arts & Sciences' "Starry Night" event for his contributions to the college.

"We never imagined

receiving such an honor. Diane and I accept this recognition with humility and sincere thanks. We feel tremendous gratitude and have a deep affection for New Mexico State University," Allen said.

Larry and Diane Allen have been married 55 years and live in Las Cruces. They have three children, eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Melissa R. Rutter may be reached at 575-646-4211, mrrutter@nmsu.edu.

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NOTICE is hereby given that on April 16, 2019, Robert Otero, PO Box 1787, Mesilla Park, NM 88047, filed application numbered LRG-1143-POD3, OSE File No. LRG-1143-1, 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 drilling replacement well LRG-1143-POD3 to a depth of 160 feet with an 8-inch casing, within the NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of projected Sec. 32, T23S, R2E (NMPM), more specifically located near the intersection of X=1483511 ft. Y=459693 ft. NMSP Central NAD83, on land owned by the applicant, and discontinue the use of existing well LRG-1143, located on land owned by the applicant within the NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of said projected Sec. 32, more specifically located near the intersection of X=1483596 ft. Y=459629.8 ft. NMSP Central NAD83, on land owned by the applicant, 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 via the EBID for the irrigation of 0.57 acres of land located within the SE 1/4 of said Sec. 32 as described in Subfile Order No. LRN 280140245A of the Lower Rio Grande stream system adjudication.

The site of proposed well LRG-1143-POD3 will be approximately 275 feet NE of the intersection of S Main St. and Wonder Ln. at the property address of 140 Wonder Lane, Las Cruces, NM, 88001. Existing well LRG1143 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 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: 05/17, 05/24, 05/31, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given that on April 22, 2019, Jaime A. Robinson, 21868 Stage stop lane lead, South Dakota, 57754, filed application numbered LRG-15095-POD2, OSE File No. LRG-15095-1&2 with the State Engineer for Permit to add an additional groundwater point of diversion within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Dona Ana County by drilling supplemental well LRG-15095-POD2 to a depth of 300 feet for a 16-inch casing, to be located within the SE 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 6, Township 27 South, Range 03E, NMPM,

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and more specifically described where latitude and longitude intersect at 31°59'25.21"N, 106°40'35.07"W (WGS84), on land owned by applicant to supplement existing well LRG-15095-POD1 located within the SW 1/4 NE 1/4 of Section 6, Township 27S, Range 3E and more specifically where latitude and longitude intersect at 31°59'28.197"N,

106°40'25.364"W on land owned by the applicant for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the August 22, 2011 Final 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 19.62 acres of land with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District combined with groundwater, located on land owned by the applicant, within the NE 1/4 of Section 6, Township 27S, Range 3E, NMPM, and for the irrigation with groundwater only of an additional 20.92 acres, owned by the applicant, located NE 1/4 of Section 6, Township 27S, Range 03E, NMPM, and NW 1/4 of Section 6, Township 27S, Range 03E, NMPM. The site for well LRG-15095-POD2 is located southwest of Anthony, NM at the physical address of 1611 Haasville Rd.

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: 05/17, 05/24, 05/31, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given that on April 22, 2019, Guerre and Aurora Rodriguez, 4515 Lamar Rd. Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-03959-POD8, OSE File No. LRG-03959-4, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling new well LRG-03959-POD8, to a depth of 160 ft. with a 6in. casing, to be located within the NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of projected Section 5, Township 24S, Range 2E (NMPM), and more specifically where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 14' 58.33" N, 106° 45' 29.13" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, and by discontinuing the use of well LRG-13841-POD1, located within the NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of projected Section 5, Township 24S, Range 2E (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 14' 58.48" N, 106° 45' 29.14" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the 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 2.47 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SE 1/4 and NE 1/4 of projected Section 5, Township 24S, Range 2E (NMPM), as described by Subfile Order No. LRS-25-002-0046 of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico.

The applicant has requested emergency authorization to chill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section

72-12-22.

Old well LRG-13841-POD1 will be plugged. The proposed location of well LRG-03959-POD8 is south of Las Cruces, NM and is approximately 1,970 feet northwest of the intersection of Lamar Rd. and Pajaro Rd.

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: 05/10, 05/17, 05/24, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given that on April 8, 2019, Anthony P. , Peter, and Vicky Mazza, 4334 N. Dona Ana Rd., Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-17628-POD2, OSE File No. LRG-176281, 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 drilling replacement well LRG-17628-POD2 to a depth of 150 feet with a 4-inch casing, within the SE 1/4 of projected Sec. 26, T22S, R1E (NMPM), more specifically located near the

intersection of X=1,468,161 Y= 495,939, NMSA, Central NAD83, on land owned by the applicant, and discontinue the use of existing well LRG-17628-POD1, located on land owned by the applicant located within the SE 1/4 of said Sec. 26, for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for domestic use as described in Subfile No. LRN 280080108 (B) of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the replacement well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22. The site of proposed well LRG-17628-POD2 will be located approximately 140 feet SE of the intersection of Dona Ana Rd. and Wendy Ln. at the property address of 4334 N. Dona Ana Rd. Existing well LRG-17628-POD1 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 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: 05/03, 05/10, 05/17, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given that on April 8th, 2019, Kenneth and Jennie Lou Needham, 2449 Calle de Vista, Las Cruces NM 88007, filed application number LRG-14319-POD3, OSE File No. LRG-14319, 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 drilling proposed well LRG-14319-POD3 to a depth of 150 feet with a 4-inch casing, in a location within the SW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 23 South, Range 1 East (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 17'42.323 "N, 106°50'8.169" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, and discontinue the use of existing well LRG-14319-POD2, located on land owned by the applicants located within the SW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 23 South, Range 1 East and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 17' 142.076"N and 106°50'1 8.074"W (WGS84), for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for domestic one-household use as described in Subfile Order No. LRN 28-012-0057 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The site of old well LRG-14319-POD2 and the proposed location for replacement well LRG-14319-POD3 are located approximately 1,950 feet southeast of the intersection of Wagon Wheel Trail and N. Fairacres Road in Doña Ana County. Existing well LRG-14319-POD2 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: 05/03, 05/10, 05/17, 2019

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 June 3, 2019:

(1) Council Bill No. 19-025; Ordinance No. 2890: An Ordinance Amending the Las Cruces Municipal Code by Adding a New Chapter 23, Article 3, Section 23-36 Entitled "Police Service Aides" and Providing for an Effective Date.

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 14th day of May, 2019.

Linda Lewis, CMC
City Clerk

Date: 05/17, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2019-00483

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs.

LOUIS D MILLER AKA LOUIS MILLER AKA LOUIS DEAN MILLER; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS,

DEWISEES AND LEGATEES OF CHERYL J MILLER, DECEASED; Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendant, the Unknown Heirs, Devisees and Legatees of Cheryl J Miller, Deceased to be published on:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff U.S. Bank National Association has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 5839 Megan Street, Sunland Park, NM 88008. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

LOT 28, BLOCK 15, OF VILLA VALENCIA SUBDIVISION PHASE I, IN THE COUNTY OF DONA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY AS PLAT NO. 5090 ON 11/22/2011 IN BOOK 23 PAGE(S) 234-37 OF PLAT RECORDS.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control.

Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the Complaint in said cause on or before thirty (30) days after the last publication date, judgment by default may be entered against you.

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Attorneys for Plaintiff

Dates: 05/03, 05/10, 05/17, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NO. D-307-CV-2018-01243

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

vs.

JOSEPH F. SWEENEY, JR.; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSEPH F. SWEENEY, JR.; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO JOSEPH F. SWEENEY, JR and UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSEPH F. SWEENEY, JR Defendant(s):

GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed an action against you in the above-titled Court and case on or before thirty days after the third publication of this Notice, a default judgment may be entered against you. Your response must be filed with the above-entitled Court.

This Case involves the real property in this case is legally described as follows:

LOT 24, TALAVERA SUBDIVISION, UNIT 3, TRACT 4, IN THE COUNTY OF DONA ANA, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 704 THEREOF, FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON DECEMBER 23, 1968, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 10, PAGE 43, PLAT RECORDS.

The address of the real property at issue is more commonly described as 5014 Copper Bar Rd., Las Cruces, NM 88011.

The name, mailing address and telephone number of

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Plaintiff's attorney is as follows:

GREENSPOON MARDER
LLP
By: /s/ Kevin J. Sanders

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CEDAR CREST, NM 87008
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@gmlaw.com
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WITNESS the Honorable
Manuel I. Arrieta, District
Court Judge of Dona Ana
County on this 5th day of
April, 2019.

(court seal)
By: /s/ E. Balizan

District Court
EBalizan, Judicial Specialist

Dates: 05/03, 05/10, 05/17,
05/24, 2019

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

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2019-01026

**WELLS FARGO BANK,
N.A.,
Plaintiff,**

v.s.

**UNKNOWN HEIRS, DE-
VISEES OR LEGATEES
OF DOLLY J YOUNG
AKA DOLLY JUNE
YOUNG, DECEASED
Defendant.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY
OF ACTION**

**STATE OF NEW MEXI-
CO** to Defendant, Unknown
Heirs, Devisees or Legatees
of Dolly J Young AKA
Dolly June Young, De-
ceased:

You are hereby notified that
the above-named Plaintiff
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. has
filed a civil action against
you in the above-entitled
Court and cause, the general
object thereof being to
foreclose a mortgage on real
property located at 4704
Glenn Ln, Las Cruces, NM
88007. The real property
which is the subject matter
of this action is legally
described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SIT-
UATE NORTH OF LAS
CRUCES, DONA ANA

COUNTY, NEW MEXICO;
BEING PART OF LOT 11,
BLOCK 23, ELEPHANT
BUTTE LAND AND
TRUST COMPANY SUB-
DIVISION "A" AND BE-
ING MORE
PARTICULARLY DE-
SCRIBED AS FOLLOWS,
TO WIT:

BEGINNING AT THE
SOUTHEAST CORNER OF
THE TRACT HEREIN
DESCRIBED, WHENCE
THE SOUTHEAST COR-
NER OF LOT 11, BLOCK
23,
ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND
AND TRUST COMPANY
SUBDIVISION "A" BEARS
S 31 DEG., 43' E., DIS-
TANCE OF 17.26 FEET;
THENCE S. 48 DEG., 24'
W., 128.76 FEET TO THE
SOUTHWEST CORNER
OF

THIS TRACT;
THENCE N. 31 DEG., 43'
W., 175.00 FEET TO THE
NORTHWEST CORNER
OF
THIS TRACT;
THENCE N. 48 DEG., 24'
E., 128.76 FEET TO THE
NORTHEAST CORNER
OF

THIS TRACT;
THENCE S. 31 DEG., 43'
E., 175.00 FEET ALONG
THE EAST LINE OF SAID
LOT 11 TO THE PLACE
OF BEGINNING, CON-
TAINING 0.509 ACRE OF
LAND,
MORE OR LESS

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the legal description and the
street address, the legal
description shall control.

Unless you serve a pleading
or motion in response to the
Complaint in said cause on
or before thirty (30) days
after the last publication
date, judgment by default
may be entered against you.

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Dates: 05/10, 05/17, 05/24,
2019

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

NO. CV 2019-1118
MANUEL I. ARRIETA

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE PETITION OF
MISTY ANN UZUETA
FOR CHANGE OF
NAME**

**NOTICE OF PETITION
TO CHANGE NAME**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that Misty Ann
Uzueta, 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 District Court,
Doña Ana County, New
Mexico, wherein she seeks
to change her name from
Misty Ann Uzueta to Misty
Ann Jaime, and that this
Petition will be heard before
the Honorable Manuel Ar-
rieta, District Judge, on the
24th day of June 2019, at the
hour of 3:00 pm, at the Doña
Ana County Courthouse, 201
W. Picacho Las Cruces
New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Misty A. Uzueta
Misty A. Uzueta
5201 Chiricachua Trail
Las Cruces, NM 88012
575-621-9983

Dates: 05/10, 05/17, 2019

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

NO. CV-2019-1213
MARCI E. BEYER

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE PETITION OF
RAMONA CHRISTINA
ULIBARRI
FOR CHANGE OF
NAME**

**NOTICE OF THE PETI-
TION TO CHANGE
NAME**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that Ramona Chris-
tina Ulibarri, 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 Ramona
Christina Ulibarri to Cristina
Ulibarri, and that this Peti-
tion will be heard before the
Honorable Marci E. Beyer,
District Judge, on the 18th
Day of June 2019, at the
hour of 11:00 a.m. at the
Doña Ana County Court-
house, Las Cruces, New
Mexico.

(seal)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Ramona Christina Ulibarri
Ramona Christina Ulibarri
1203 Mages St.
Las Cruces, NM 88005
PO Box 942, Las Cruces,
NM 88004-0942
575-640-9893

Dates: 05/10, 05/17, 2019

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

Case No.
D-307-PB-2019-00055
Judge: James T. Martin

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
EARL EDWARD SMITH,
JR.,
Deceased.**

**NOTICE TO CRED-
ITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that the undersigned
has been appointed personal
representative of this estate.
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 pre-
sented either to the attorney
for the undersigned personal
representative at the address
listed below or filed with
the Third Judicial District
Court in Dona Ana County,
201 E. Picacho, Las Cruces,
New Mexico 88001.

/s/ Roxanna Gates
Roxanna Gates
Personal Representative

Submitted by:
/s/ Jacqueline Bennett
Jacqueline Bennett
Attorney for Personal Repre-
sentative
PO Box 849
Las Cruces, NM 88004
(575) 527-0225

Dates: 05/10, 05/17, 05/24,
2019

/s/ Jacqueline Bennett
Jacqueline Bennett
Attorney for Personal Repre-
sentative
PO Box 849
Las Cruces, NM 88004
(575) 527-0225

Dates: 05/10, 05/17, 05/24,
2019

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

Case No.
D-307-PB-2019-00054
Judge: James T. Martin

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
ORAN GREEN LA-
POINTE,
Deceased.**

**NOTICE TO CRED-
ITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that the undersigned
has been appointed personal
representative of this estate.
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 pre-
sented either to the attorney
for the undersigned personal
representative at the address
listed below or filed with
the Third Judicial District
Court in Dona Ana County,
201 E. Picacho, Las Cruces,
New Mexico 88001.

/s/ Roxanna Gates
Roxanna Gates
Personal Representative

Submitted by:
/s/ Jacqueline Bennett
Jacqueline Bennett
Attorney for Personal Repre-
sentative
PO Box 849
Las Cruces, NM 88004
(575) 527-0225

Dates: 05/10, 05/17, 05/24,
2019

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

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-01770

**FREEDOM MORTGAGE
CORPORATION, Plain-
tiff,**

v.s.

**STEPHEN FAHR, PER-
SONAL REPRESENTA-
TIVE OF THE ESTATE
OF EDWARD STEVEN-
SON ELY II, DECEASED,
SONOMA RANCH
SOUTH SUBDIVISION
HOMEOWNERS' ASSO-
CIATION INC., Defend-
ants.**

**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 Coun-
ty, New Mexico, commonly
known as 1988 EL SEGUN-
DO TRAIL, LAS CRUCES,
NM 88011, and more particu-
larly described as follows:
LOT 15, BLOCK T, OF
SONORA SPRINGS,
PHASE 2 AT SONOMA
RANCH SOUTH, LOCA-
TED IN THE COUNTY OF
DONA ANA, STATE OF
NEW MEXICO AS
SHOWN ON PLAT
THEREOF RECORDED
ON OCTOBER 24, 2001 IN
PLAT BOOK 19, AT PA-
GES 743-745 AS PLAT
NO. 3536, RECORDS OF
DONA ANA COUNTY. 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
on June 13, 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 Judg-
ment granted on April 5,
2019, in the total amount of
\$282,785.11, with interest at
the rate of 4.2500% per
annum from February 7,
2019 through the date of the
sale. The sale is subject to
the entry of an Order by this

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

NO. D-307-CV-2018-02124

**PENNYMAC LOAN
SERVICES, LLC,
Plaintiff,**

v.

**OSCAR MONTOYA,
THE UNKNOWN
SPOUSE OF OSCAR
MONTOYA,
Defendants.**

Court approving the sale.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER
GIVEN** that the real prop-
erty and improvements con-
cerned with herein will be
sold subject to any and all
patent reservations, ease-
ments, and all taxes and
utility liens, special assess-
ments and taxes that may be
due. FREEDOM MORT-
GAGE CORPORATION, its
attorneys, and the under-
signed Special Master, dis-
claim all responsibility for,
and the purchaser at the sale
takes the property "as is," in
its present condition, subject
to the valuation of the prop-
erty by the County Assessor
as real or personal prop-
erty, affixture of any
mobile or manufactured
home to the land, deactiva-
tion of title to a mobile or
manufactured home on the
property, if any, environ-
mental 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 PUR-
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PROPERTY AND TO
CONSULT THEIR OWN
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**STATE OF
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NO. D-307-CV-2018-02124

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Plaintiff,**

v.

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SPOUSE OF OSCAR
MONTOYA,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SUIT

**STATE OF NEW MEXI-
CO** to the above-named
Defendant The Unknown
Spouse of Oscar Montoya,
GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that
the above-named Plaintiff
has filed a civil action
against you in the above-
entitled Court and cause, the
general object thereof being
to foreclose a mortgage on
property located as 812 N.
Melendrez Street, Las Cru-
ces, NM 88005, Dona Ana
County, New Mexico, said
property being more particu-
larly described as:

WEST 82 FEET OF LOTS
NUMBERED 16, 17, AND
18 IN BLOCK NUM-
BERED 14 OF PETERSON
PLACE, LAS CRUCES,
DONA ANA COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO, AS THE
SAME IS SHOWN AND
DESIGNATED ON THE
PLAT OF SAID PETER-
SON PLACE, FILED IN
THE OFFICE OF THE
COUNTY CLERK OF
DONA ANA COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO ON APRIL
15, 1909 IN PLAT BOOK 3,
FOLIO 29.

Unless you file and serve a
pleading or motion in re-
sponse to the complaint in
said cause on or before 30
days after the last publica-
tion date, judgment by
default will be entered
against you.

Respectfully Submitted,
WEINSTEIN & RILEY,
P.S.

/s/ Elizabeth V. Friedenstein

Elizabeth V. Friedenstein
5801 Osuna Road NE, Suite
A-103
Albuquerque, New Mexico
87109

Phone: (505) 348 3200
ElizabethF@w-legal.com
Attorney for Plaintiff

Dates: 05/10, 05/17, 05/24,
2019

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

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-00944

**NATIONSTAR MORT-
GAGE LLC D/B/A
CHAMPION MORT-
GAGE COMPANY, Plain-
tiff,**

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vs.

**UNKNOWN HEIRS, DE-
VISEES AND LEGATEES
OF CAROLYN M. BRAD-
LEY, DECEASED; FIRST
FEDERAL SAVINGS
BANK OF NEW MEXI-
CO; 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 Dona Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 4290 Libra Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE IN SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.R.S. SURVEYS, BEING PART OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 10-87A, LYING WEST OF THE LA MESILLA, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD SET FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT, WHENCE THE P.C. STATION 452+76.12 FOR THE WEST LEVEE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF THE RIO GRANDE RIVER BEARS THE FOLLOWING FOUR COURSES AND DISTANCES: S. 75 DEGREES 15'10"W., A DISTANCE OF 581.82 FEET; THENCE S.32 DEGREES 54'20"E., 175.62 FEET, THENCE S.32 DEGREES 35'40"E., 589.62 FEET TO A POINT OF BEING IDENTICAL TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 10-87A AND THENCE N.61 DEGREES 34'20"E., A DISTANCE OF 855.41 FEET; THENCE FROM THE PLACE OF BEGINNING N.14 DEGREES 44'50"W., 255.44 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE N.75 DEGREES 15'10"E., 222.57 FEET TO AN "X" FOUND CHISELED IN THE CENTER OF AN 8 FOOT CONCRETE DITCH FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE CENTER LINE OF SAID DITCH S.17 DEGREES 34'55" E., 255.76 FEET TO

CONCRETE DITCH FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE CENTER LINE OF SAID DITCH S.17 DEGREES 34'55" E., 255.76 FEET TO AN "X" FOUND CHISELED IN THE CENTER OF THE DITCH FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE LEAVING THE DITCH S.75 DEGREES 15'10"W., 235.22 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 1.3423 ACRE OF LAND, MORE OR LESS. SUBJECT TO A 5 FOOT WIDE IRRIGATION DITCH EASEMENT PARALLEL AND IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO THE EAST BOUNDARY LINE. The real property is also described as follows: A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE IN SECTION 27, T.23S., R.1E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.R.S. SURVEYS, BEING PART OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 10-87A, LYING WEST OF THE LA MESILLA, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT, WHENCE THE P.C. STATION 452+76.12 FOR THE WEST LEVEE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF THE RIO GRANDE RIVER BEARS THE FOLLOWING FOUR COURSES AND DISTANCES: S. 75 DEGREES 15'10"W., A DISTANCE OF 581.82 FEET; THENCE S.32 DEGREES 54'20"E., 175.62 FEET, THENCE S.32 DEGREES 35'40"E., 589.62 FEET TO A POINT OF BEING IDENTICAL TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 10-87A AND THENCE N.61 DEGREES 34'20"E., A DISTANCE OF 855.41 FEET; THENCE FROM THE PLACE OF BEGINNING N.14 DEGREES 44'50"W., 255.44 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE N.75 DEGREES 15'10"E., 222.57 FEET TO AN "X" FOUND CHISELED IN THE CENTER OF AN 8 FOOT CONCRETE DITCH FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE CENTER LINE OF SAID DITCH S.17 DEGREES 34'55" E., 255.76 FEET TO

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LAND, MORE OR LESS. SUBJECT TO A 5 FOOT WIDE IRRIGATION DITCH EASEMENT PARALLEL AND IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO THE EAST BOUNDARY LINE AND TOGETHER WITH A 25 FOOT WIDE ROAD AND UTILITY EASEMENT HEREON ATTACHED. FIELD NOTES BY BOTSFORD LAND SURVEYING, INC.

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 Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on March 8, 2019, in the total amount of \$231,283.17, with interest at the rate of 5.047% per annum from December 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. 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 EXAMINA-

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

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

No. D-307-CV-2019-00102
Judge James T. Martin

THE ALAN MALOOLY LONG TERM TRUST, Plaintiff,

vs.

**ROBERT OLIVER, DON-
NA OLIVER,
AND COUNTY TREASUR-
ER OF
DONA ANA COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 30, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the main entrance to Third Judicial District Complex, 201 West Picacho, Las Cruces, NM 88005, a Special Master will sell all right, title, and interest of above-named Defendants in the property described below to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds. The real property to be sold is located in Santa Teresa, NM, at 139 Crested Peak Court, Santa Theresa, NM; further described as:

Lot numbered 41 of Sunny Ridge Subdivision, Dona Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Sunny Ridge Subdivision, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Dona Ana County, New Mexico on July 1, 1996 in Plat Book 18, Folio 496-497 (the "Property").

The sale is to be made to satisfy a Final Default Foreclosure Judgment in favor of Plaintiff against Defendants totaling \$274,164.93, bearing

18.00% interest per year from June 1, 2019, \$3,040.00 in attorney's fees, and \$3,431.79 for costs and expenses, both bearing interest at 5.00% from April 19, 2019.

Purchaser at foreclosure sale shall be entitled to immediate possession of the property and improvements, subject to a 1 month right of redemption. The sale may be postponed/rescheduled at discretion of Special Master.

The property/improvements will be sold subject to all, taxes, utility liens, and other restrictions and easements affecting the property. The Special Master shall apply proceeds of sale first to costs of sale and Special Master fees, then to the Judgment, then distributed in accordance with further Orders of the Court. Sale subject to Entry of an Order of the court approving the sale.

The attorney for Plaintiff is Edward DeV Bunn, Jr. of Firth Bunn Kerr Neill Law Firm, 311 Montana. Law Center, El Paso, TX 79902.

/s/ Kenneth L. Beal
KENNETH L. BEAL
Special Master

Dates: 05/03, 05/10, 05/17,
05/24, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-00315

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

**MIGUEL A. ARMEN-
DARIZ AKA MIGUEL
ARMENDARIZ, JUSTI-
NE M. GRINDE AKA
JUSTINE GRINDE; NEW
MEXICO MORTGAGE
FINANCE AUTHORITY;
NEW MEXICO TAXA-
TION AND REVENUE
DEPARTMENT; NEW
MEXICO DEPARTMENT
OF WORKFORCE SOL-
UTIONS; 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 Dona Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2528 Waltz Lane, Las Cruces, NM 88007, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 5 IN BLOCK NUMBERED D OF WEST PICACHO ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PHASE II, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID WEST PICACHO ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PHASE II, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON FEBRUARY 24, 1999 IN PLAT BOOK 19, FOLIO 244-245. RATIFICATION OF PLAT AND DEDICATION, FILED OF RECORD ON MARCH 1, 1999, RECORDED IN BOOK 169, PAGE(S) 557, DOCUMENT NUMBER 995560, RECORDS OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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 on June 27, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on April 15, 2019, in the total amount of \$158,981.95, with interest at the rate of 5.590% per annum from January 1, 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. BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of

the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

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

No. D-307-SA-2016-00041
Judge Beyer

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ADOPTION PETI-
TION OF ESTEVAN B.
CHAVEZ
ESTEVAN CHAVEZ, PE-
TITIONER.**

AMENDED NOTICE OF PENDENCY

To: **ISRAEL VELAS-
QUEZ**, the biological father of a child born on September 10, 2007; 1630 Palo Verde Ave. Las Cruces, NM 88001.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Amended Petition for adoption and motion for termination of parental rights have been filed in the District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

You are hereby directed to serve a pleading or motion in response to the Amended Petition for Adoption within 20 days if you intend to

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contest the adoption, failure to so respond shall be treated as a default and your consent to the adoption shall not be required.

You are further directed to serve a pleading or motion in response to the Motion for Termination of Parental Rights within 20 days if you intend to contest the termination, failure to respond shall be treated as a default.

The name and address of the attorney for Petitioners is: Matthew G. Watson Smith, LLC) 1 100 S. Main St. Ste. 21 Las Cruces, NM 88005, Telephone 575-528-0500. Forward copies of all responsive pleadings to his attention.

Witness my hand and seal of the Court on April 24, 2019

(seal)

By: /s/ Gloria S. Lerma
Gloria S. Lerma

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Matthew G. Watson
Matthew G. Watson
Attorney for Petitioner 1100
S. Main St. Ste. 21
Las Cruces, NM 88005
(575) 528-0500

Dates: 05/03, 05/10, 05/17,
2019

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

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-02606

**U.S. BANK NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION, NOT IN
ITS INDIVIDUAL CA-
PACITY BUT SOLELY
AS TRUSTEE FOR THE
RMAC TRUST, SERIES
2016-CTT, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**RICHARD H. WELLS;
BARBARA RUTH AR-
NOLD, 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 Dona Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 1015 Avondale

Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 5, BLOCK 102, COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES NO. 3, PLAT NUMBER 1, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 593 THEREOF, FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON JUNE 27, 1963, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 9, PAGE 2, 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 on June 27, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure judgment granted on April 5, 2019, in the total amount of \$287,083.59, with interest at the rate of 5.5600% per annum from February 3, 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.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR THE RMAC TRUST, SERIES 2016-CTT, 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 con-

cerning 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.

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

No. D-307-CV-2019-00087
Judge Martin James T.

**CITY OF LAS CRUCES,
a New Mexico municipal
corporation, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**HENRY A. SONNEN-
FELD III,
Defendant.**

**NOTICE OF
FORECLOSURE SALE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real properties (the "Properties") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 615 and 619 N. Mesquite, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows:

615 N. Mesquite St: Subd:
ORIGINAL TOWNSITE
Lot: pc 10 Block: 63 S: 18
T: 23S R: 2E

619 N. Mesquite St: Subd:
ORIGINAL TOWNSITE
Lot: pc 9 Block: 63 S: 18 T:
23S R: 2E

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal

description shall control.

The sale is to begin at 9:00 a.m. on May 29, 2019, in front of the 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 or certified funds, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Properties to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure judgment granted on April 19, 2019 in the total amount of \$6,604.93 with interest at the rate of 12% per annum from April 11, 2019, through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

Said sale shall be to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds; provided, however, that Plaintiff shall be entitled to bid on the properties all or a portion of its Judgment or an amount in excess of the Judgment as authorized in lieu of cash.

If the amount bid is over and above the amount due the Plaintiff, plus costs of sale, the amount of the proceeds shall, pursuant to said Judgment, be paid into the registry of the Court for determination of the whom said amount shall be paid.

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Plaintiff or the Plaintiff's attorney.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real properties 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.

City of Las Cruces, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the Purchaser at the sale takes the properties "as is" in their present condition, subject to the valuation of the properties by the County Assessor as real or personal properties, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the properties, if any, environ-

mental contamination on the properties, if any, and zoning violations concerning the properties, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real properties subject to a nine (9) month right of redemption.

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

By: /s/ Matthew P. Holt
Matthew P. Holt, Special
Master
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**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT**

No. D-307-CV-2019-00089
Judge Martin James T.

**CITY OF LAS CRUCES,
a New Mexico municipal
corporation,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**HENRY A. SONNEN-
FELD III,
Defendant.**

**NOTICE OF
FORECLOSURE SALE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2410 College, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows:

Subd: MAYS COLLEGE
ADDITION 459 Lot: 5 S: 29
T: 23S R: 2E

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control.

The sale is to begin at 9:15 a.m., May 29, 2019, in front of the 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 or certified funds, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure judgment granted on April 19, 2019 in the total amount of \$7,151.64 with interest at the rate of 12% per annum from April 11, 2019, through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

Said sale shall be to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds; provided, however, that Plaintiff shall be entitled to bid on the property all or a portion of its Judgment or an amount in excess of the Judgment as authorized in lieu of cash.

If the amount bid is over and above the amount due the Plaintiff, plus costs of sale, the amount of the proceeds shall, pursuant to said Judgment, be paid into the registry of the Court for determination of the whom said amount shall be paid.

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Plaintiff or the Plaintiff's attorney.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due.

City of Las Cruces, 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 nine (9) 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: /s/ Matthew P. Holt
MATTHEW P. HOLT, Special
Master
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Dates: 05/03, 05/10, 05/17,
05/24, 2019

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

Case No.
D-307-PB-2019-00051
Judge: James T. Martin

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
ANA TORRES,
Deceased**

**NOTICE TO
CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate of the decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of any published notice to creditors or sixty (60) days after the date of mailing or other delivery of this notice, whichever is later, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the attorney for the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below or filed with the Third Judicial District Court in Dona Ana County, 201 E. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001.

/s/ Eva Leticia Macias,
Eva Leticia Macias
Personal Representative

Submitted by:
Jacqueline Bennett
Attorney for Personal Representative
PO Box 849
Las Cruces, NM 88004
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Dates: 05/03, 05/10, 05/17,
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**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
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THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2015-02585

**BANK OF AMERICA,
N.A., Plaintiff,**

vs.

**YOLANDA AGUILAR;
NEW MEXICO MORT-
GAGE FINANCE AU-
THORITY, HOUSING
AUTHORITY OF THE
CITY OF LAS CRUCES,
SECRETARY OF URBAN
HOUSING DEVELOP-
MENT, UNKNOWN TEN-
ANT (REAL NAME UN-
KNOWN), 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 County, New Mexico, commonly known as 1075 Poplar Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88001-0000, and more particularly described as follows: A tract of land situate in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, being part of a proposed street platted in Washington Heights, filed July 25, 1957, in Plat Book 7 Page 57, Doña Ana County records and being more particularly described as follows, to wit: Beginning at 1/2" iron rod found on the North line of Poplar Avenue for the Southwest corner of the tract herein described, being identical to the Southeast corner of Lot 4, Block C, Washington Heights, filed July 25, 1957, in Plat Book 7 Page 57, Doña Ana County records; Thence from the point of beginning and leaving the North line of Poplar Avenue and along the East line of said Lot 4, Block 4, N.27°00'00"W., 100.00 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found on

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the South line of a 20 foot wide alley for the Northwest corner of this tract; Thence leaving the East line of Lot 4, Block C, Washington Heights and along the South line of said 20 foot wide alley, N. 63°00'00"E., 79.40 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found for the Northeast corner of this tract being identical to the Northwest corner of Lot 1, Block D, Washington Heights; Thence leaving the South line of said alley and along the East line of said Lot 1, Block D, S.27°00'00"E., 100.00 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found on the North line of Poplar Avenue for the Southeast corner of this tract being identical to the Southwest corner of said lot 1, Block D, Washington Heights; Thence along the North line of Poplar Avenue, S.63°00'00"W., 79.40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.182 acre of land, more or less, 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 \$115,478.67, with interest at the rate of 4.375% per annum from January 1, 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. Bank of America, N.A., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environ-

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

NO. D-307-CV-2017-00720

**IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION,
Plaintiff,**

v.

**DAVID HOLGUIN, DEBBIE GONZALEZ, NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DAVID HOLGUIN, AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DEBBIE GONZALEZ,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on June 11, 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 NUMBERED 10 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 3 OF SUNRISE TERRACE ADDITION PHASE V-A, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN

AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID SUNRISE TERRACE ADDITION PHASE V-A, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MAY 22, 1984 IN PLAT BOOK 13, FOLIO 257-260.

The address of the real property is 1989 Buchanan Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88001. 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 judgment entered on February 15, 2019 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 \$121,383.36 plus interest from April 1, 2018 to the date of sale at the rate of 3.250% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

Margaret Lake
Special Master
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Dates: 05/17, 05/24, 05/31, 06/07, 2019

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

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2017-03296

**JAMES B. NUTTER & COMPANY,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVEISES AND LEGATEES OF DOSKIE M. BUCK, DECEASED; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendants, The Unknown Heirs, Devises and

Legatees of Doskie M. Buck, Deceased to be published on:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff James B. Nutter & Company has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 440 Farney Ln., Las Cruces, NM 88005. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

LOT 17, BLOCK D, COLLEGE PLACE SUBDIVISION NUMBER TWO, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 467 THEREOF, FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON OCTOBER 24, 1957, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 1, PAGE 34, PLAT RECORDS.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control.

Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the Complaint in said cause on or before thirty (30) days after the last publication date, judgment by default may be entered against you.

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Dates: 05/10, 05/17, 05/24, 05/31, 2019

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE PROBATE COURT
DOÑA ANA COUNTY**

NO. 19-0102

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FAY A. PULIS, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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 barred. Claims must be presented either of 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 Motel Boulevard, Las Cruces, NM 88007

Dated: 04-26, 2019

/s/ Earl W. Shumaker
Earl W. Shumaker
1560 S. Almendra
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Dates: 05/03, 05/10, 05/17, 2019

Torres named new DACC president

By **DARRELL J. PEHR**
For the Bulletin

Monica Torres has been named president of Doña Ana Community College. New Mexico State University Chancellor

Dan Arvizu announced during an NMSU Board of Regents meeting May 9.

Torres is DACC's current interim president and DACC's former vice president of academic affairs.



TORRES

"Since her selection as interim president, Dr. Torres has demonstrated her ability to lead with vision, purpose and a deep commitment to student success," Arvizu said. "NMSU's community college system plays an essential role in our work to serve the people of New Mexico, and Dr. Torres' knowledge of the campus and track record of accomplishments will serve the DACC community well."

"To be selected as the next president of Doña Ana Community College is the highlight of my career," Torres said. "I am truly committed to working alongside the faculty, staff and our community to continue the principal focus on student success. We have a rich tradition in this regard. Staying in step with our students' aspirations and educational needs is at the very heart of what DACC is all about."

Torres has bachelor's and master's degrees in English from NMSU. She earned a Ph.D. from the University of New Mexico in American studies with an emphasis in cultural studies.


Torres is the 10th president of the college, which celebrated its 45th anniversary this year.

DACC is the fourth-largest higher education institution in New Mexico and last fall enrolled more than 7,900 students on six different campuses and centers located throughout Doña Ana County.

Darrell J. Pehr may be reached at 575-646-3223, pehr@nmsu.edu.

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Victoria Vox



Bob Hull, left, and Gorton Smith lead a gospel sing-along at the Albuquerque Ukekopelli Festival in 2017. Smith, a retired pastor, is a board member of the Las Cruces Ukes and has played at the Las Cruces and Albuquerque festivals for several years.

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The Gospel According to Uke

Las Cruces UkeFest elevates the beloved 4-stringed instrument

BULLETIN REPORT

Now in its third year, the Las Cruces UkeFest will bring together outstanding ukulele instructor/performers and players from across the country.

The festival will be held Friday-Sunday, May 17-19 at two Las Cruces locations.

It kicks off with a concert in Atkinson Recital Hall, 1075 N. Horseshoe on the New Mexico State University campus, beginning at 7 p.m. Friday, May 17. The concert will begin with a couple songs performed by the host club,



Las Cruces Ukes

the Las Cruces Ukes, and then the professionals will take the stage. The second half of the concert will

be introduced by the Las Cruces Ukes Teen Club at Arrowhead Park Early College High School.

Events on Saturday and Sunday, May 18-19 take place at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage

Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. There are workshops in many genres of music and for all levels of players throughout the day on Saturday, followed by a prize drawing and an evening jam session.

Sunday morning the fun continues with The Gospel According to Uke, facilitated by Las Cruces Ukes board member Gorton Smith, a retired pastor. The final workshop of the festival will be taught by Kevin Carroll about playing Hawaiian songs on the ukulele.

Other well-known ukulele performers at the

festival will include Victoria Vox, Kevin Carroll, Abe Lagrimas Jr. and The Quiet American, Aaron and Nicole Keim.

Workshops on Saturday, May 18, include a beginner class, Celtic ukulele, strumming techniques, folk songs, jazz ukulele, chord melodies, “ukestra” and art of the ensemble. There are also classes on vocals and mouth trumpet that don’t require ukulele skills.

“New this year is a special day trip for non-ukulele-playing family members: a Billy the Kid



UPCOMING EVENTS

FRI MAY 17 • 10:30 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Rhythm Roundup - Music and Motion for ages 2-5*

FRI MAY 17 • 3:30 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Library Lab - Activities, Games and Stories for 6-10**

FRI MAY 17 • 7:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
Bullshot Crummond - \$10

SAT MAY 18 • 12:00 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Therapaws Reading Teams - Kids read to dogs who love to listen!*

SAT MAY 18 • 7:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
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SUN MAY 19 • 2:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
Bullshot Crummond - \$10

MON MAY 20 • 11:00 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Tai Chi Chuan

TUE MAY 21 • 10:30 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Read to Me - Story time for ages 3 and up*

TUE MAY 21 • 6:30 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Branigan Book Club - Dan Brown *Origin*

TUE+THU MAY 21+23 • 4:00 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Teen Game Night

WED MAY 22 • 11:00 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Mother Goose Time - Activities for Infants*

WED MAY 22 • 2:00 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Computer Class - Internet for Beginners

WED+THU MAY 22+23 • 10:00 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Toddler Time - Stories and Activities for ages 1-3 with caregivers*

SAT MAY 25 • 7:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
The Sound of Music - \$8

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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At the 2018 Las Cruces UkeFest, members of the Los Alamos Hill Strummers gathered for a group photo between workshops.

UKE

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tour that includes a visit to Mesilla, Outlaw Rock, Sparky's restaurant in Hatch and Fort Selden Winery.

"Ukulele clubs and festivals are popular the world over and we're so excited that players have been coming from all around to attend our event," said Las Cruces Ukes Kahuna Grande Cheryl Fallstead. "It's a wonderful opportunity to meet other players, share



Abe Lagrimas Jr.

tips, learn about (other uke) clubs and build new friendships while honing your ukulele skills. Even brand-new players



Ukuleles are popular with people of all ages. At the 2018 Las Cruces UkeFest, Henry Heerema, who has been playing for several years, attended a special youth workshop and won a Kala ukulele at the drawing. This year, he's attending the regular festival workshops with the adults.

can attend, and we'll loan them a ukulele for the day!"

The festival also will include Hubbard's Music-n-More and other vendors and prize drawings for ukuleles donated by Breedlove, Bondi, Kala, Ohana and Ortega. Sunday morning will have a ukulele swap.

Registration for the full festival includes the Friday concert, all workshops, catered lunch on Saturday, and the jam session. The cost is \$135, or \$75 for full-time high school or college students with ID. For non-players, concert tickets are available separately for \$10, with children aged 12 and

under admitted free with a paying adult.

The Las Cruces UkeFest is hosted by the nonprofit Las Cruces Ukes, which meets each Thursday evening in the creative arts room at Good Samaritan Las Cruces Village. The Strum for Fun group practices from 5:15-6:15 p.m. Mentors and loaner ukuleles are available to help beginners.

Visit www.lascrucesukes.com or email lascrucesukes@gmail.com. UkeFest registration information, instructor biographies and workshop descriptions can be found at www.lascrucesukefest.com.

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GALLERIES & OPENINGS

'Amending America: The Bill of Rights'

Through May 25
Branigan Cultural Center
501 N. Main St.; 575-541-2154

The origins of the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution, organized by the National Archives and Records Administration.

'Color and Light: The Joy of Watercolor'

Through May 29
DAAC Arts & Cultural Center
1740 Calle de Mercado; 575-523-6403

The wonder, mystery and sheer joy of painting in watercolor – a juried show that counts toward signature status for artists in the New Mexico Watercolor Society.

'Primavera'

Through May 30
Big Picture Gallery
2001 E. Lohman Ave.; 575-647-0508

Las Cruces Arts Association members, with a reception 5-7 p.m. Friday, May 17.

'Spring Fling'

Through May
In Effect Gallery
3390 Apple Cross Place
Exhibit by local and national artists. Email dennislujan@yahoo.com or deserthoundmilligan@gmail.com.

'The Face of Climate Change'

Through June 14
SW Environmental Center
275 N. Main St.; 575-522-5552

A photographic exhibition from a nationwide call to art on humans' footprints on the landscape.

'The Front Porch'

Through July 20
Branigan Cultural Center
501 N. Main St.; 575-541-2154

Las Cruces artist Storm Sermay depicts the front porches in the Mesilla Valley, and what they say about those who live there.

'Personal to Political'

Through July 20
Museum of Art
491 N. Main St.; 575-541-2137.

Fourteen African-American artists prominent in contemporary art across the country represented by prints from Paulson Fontaine Press.

'Animals of the Southwest'

Through Aug. 4
NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
4100 Dripping Springs Road; 575-522-4100

Thirty-four pastel paintings by former Las Cruces Dinah Swan portraying wild and domestic animals.

'Entomomania: Insects in Art and Culture'

Through early September
University Museum's

Kent Hall

1280 E. University Ave.
New Mexico State University anthropology master's student Rachel Cover's photographic exhibition of insects, bees, butterflies, ants and other tiny creatures, and how they influence culture and interact with the natural world.

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

Through Sept. 13
NM Farm & Ranch Museum
4100 Dripping Springs Road; 575-522-4100

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

'Grist for the Mill'

Through Dec. 2
NM Farm & Ranch Museum
4100 Dripping Springs Road; 575-522-4100

A portable gristmill from the museum's collection, a stone set from Mora, NM, and stones used in the Las Cruces area; one from the Lemon Mill in Mesilla, and the Schaublin Stone, which was on display for years in downtown Las Cruces.

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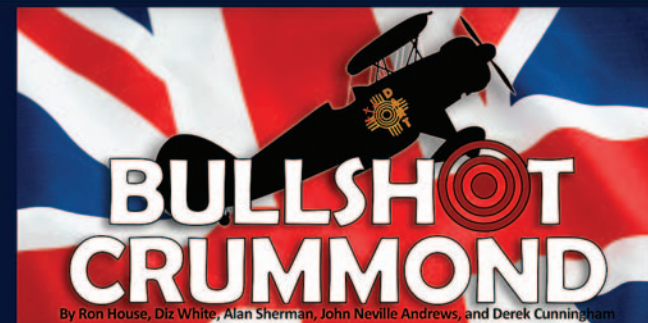
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Contra Dance: With Little Table Contraband, Lonnie Ludeman calling, 7:30-10:30 p.m. Friday, May 17, Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago. Info: 575-522-1691, www.snmmds.org.

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

- May 17: Nicole Osborn, rock/jazz piano and vocals, 8-10 p.m.
- May 18: Christopher Smith-Escarcega, rock, 8-10 p.m.
- May 19: Calista, singer/songwriter, 3-5 p.m.

Bellas Artes Sin Fronteras: Local and regional artists present in the 2nd

annual Multicultural Artisan Market, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, May 18-19, Mesilla Plaza. Opening ceremony, 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

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

- May 18, Luggage stickers
- May 25, License plates

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COAS bookstore downtown: 317 N. Main St.

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New Horizons Band: End-of-season concert featuring a variety of music for the whole family, 3 p.m. Saturday, May 18, Atkinson Recital Hall, NMSU. Info: Judy Bethmann, 575-532-0835; msjudy@hotmail.com.

'Belle Nuit': Musical fundraiser for the children's summer program, "Opera Storytellers Camp," 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 18, DAAC Arts & Cultural Center, 1740 Calle de Mercado in the Bulletin Plaza. Directed by Christa Frederickson, Centennial High School Choir teacher. Info: 575-523-6403; www.daarts.org.

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

- May 18: Status Crowes, acoustic jukebox
- May 23: Calista, singer/songwriter

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

- 3-4:30 p.m. or 5:30-7 p.m. Monday, May 20 and May 27: Feed Your Mind series, late-19th and 20th century art, with Kathleen Key. \$20.

- 1:30-3 p.m. Thursday, May 23 and May 30: Feed Your Mind series, history of fashion design, with Kathleen Key. \$20.

Rio Grande Vineyards & Winery: Live music on the patio, 2-5 p.m. Sundays, 5321 N. Highway 28; 575-524-3985.

- May 19, David Huerta
- June 2, Dr. Dan

New Horizons Symphony: Jorge Martinez-Rios, conductor, 3 p.m. Sunday, May 19, NMSU Atkinson Recital Hall. Free. Info: nhsocruces.com.

Manny Flores and Friends: Mesilla Valley Jazz & Blues Society's monthly concert, 7 p.m. Sunday, May 19, First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo. Cost: \$5.

Doña Ana Photography Club: Videos, including an interview with Wil-

liam Henry Jackson, a giant of early Southwest photography, recorded on his 98th birthday, 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 21, SW Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. Free. Info: www.daphotoclub.org.

Dance Extravaganza: 41st annual, with favorite children's songs, presented by Michele's Dance Academy, 6 p.m. Thursday-Friday, May 23-24, NMSU Atkinson Recital Hall. Info: 575-527-1893; michelesdanceacademy.biz.

Classic film series: "The Sound of Music," 7 p.m. Saturday, May 25, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Doors open at 6. Admission: \$8. Info: 575-541-2290.

CALL TO ARTISTS

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Branigan Cultural Center seeks artists for local LGBTQ history and culture exhibit to be shown Sept. 21-Oct. 2 or Nov. 1-Feb. 21, 2020. Selected pieces will embody LGBTQ expression and identity in the 21st

century in Las Cruces. Submission due by June 22. Email Norma Hartell at nhartell@las-cruces.org with up to four jpg. Images.

Calavera Coalition seeks original artwork for the official T-shirt and poster of the 2019 Dia de los Muertos on the Mesilla Plaza. Work must reflect the spirit and celebration of Dia de los Muertos. Must be in a black-and-white format and in pen and ink line art, gender-neutral and not overly detailed. Should be easily converted for screen printing. Winner receives free booth space for the annual event. Deadline July 5. Email digital files to calaveracoalition@gmail.com. CDs can be

mailed to P.O. Box 1308, Mesilla, NM 88046.

Las Cruces Museum of Art is registering adults, teens and kids for summer art classes to be held in June and July. Register in person at the Museum of Nature & Science, 411 N. Main St., 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Info: 575-541-2137, museums.las-cruces.org.

Renaissance ArtsFaire seeks artists for a juried art show and food vendors for the 48th annual event scheduled for Nov. 2-3. Artists apply at www.Zapplication.org. Vendors, nonprofits and Children's Realm participants apply at www.daarts.org. Info: 575-523-6403.

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'The Mustang': unbreakable souls, alone together

By **JEFF BERG**

For the Bulletin

This is a tale of two living creatures with barely controllable rage.

Roman Coleman is in prison in Nevada and has been for a dozen years. He is sullen, seemingly unfeeling, angry, as in *really* angry, and states that he is unable to be around people.

This statement works for him in the long run, as the prison counselor who is trying to place him decides that he should be assigned to outdoor maintenance. He has been in solitary off and on during his sentence and seems well suited for it.

One day as he is moving horse poop from one place to another, Coleman peeks into a shed where a horse is being kept that has been unbreakable.

There are thousands of wild horses scattered throughout New Mexico and around the West, some of which are captured, broken, and sold to police departments, the Border Patrol or ranchers, while others are put down, because of an alleged overpopulation of the animals.

When I was the postmaster in Pryor, Montana, in the late '90s, I had the good fortune to see a herd that was protected by the Crow Indian Nation, where Pryor was located. They ranged mostly in the nearby Pryor Mountains, occasionally traversing over the state line into Wyoming, where they could be captured, since they were no longer on the Crow Nation.

GRADE: A-

This movie will play for a week at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla, beginning on May 17.

But Coleman takes an interest in the horse and soon is invited by Bruce Dern, who apparently is the civilian head of the program, to work with the animal, which Coleman later names Marcus/Marquis for some emotional support.

So much so, that when his daughter comes to visit, he tries his best to apologize to her, which she really doesn't want to believe.

The film has some beautiful shots of the country around the prison (shot in Nevada) and is the feature debut for French director Laure de Clermont-Tonnerre, who based the work on a short film, "Rabbit," which has a similar theme, with a woman prisoner being assigned an animal to care for while incarcerated.

It works well on all levels, offering a somewhat humanitarian look at Coleman, bereft of the clichés of many other horse-related movies. Marcus/Marquis is not a hero, just a horse who makes a difference.

program care deeply for their animals and over time, Coleman starts to break down his armor a bit, relying on Marcus/Marquis for some emotional support.

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



COURTESY PHOTO

Prisoner Roman Coleman can relate to the fury of the mustang, Marquis.

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<p>May 17-23</p> <h3>The Mustang</h3> <p>A Nevada prison inmate (Matthias Schoenaerts) is given the chance to participate in a rehabilitation therapy program involving the training of wild mustangs.</p>	<p>May 24-30</p> <h3>3 Faces</h3> <p>In Persian, Azerbaijani & Turkish w/ subtitles</p> <p>Three actresses at different stages of their career. *Saturday, May 24 No matinee; Monday, May 27 Theatre closed; Thursday, May 30 1:30 matinee; no evening show.</p>
<p>Nightly 7:30, Saturday matinee 1:30, Sunday matinée 2:30. No one will be admitted after the film has begun.</p>	

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Boba Cabaret presents 'Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boba'

BULLETIN REPORT

Boba Cabaret's next live musical presentation is called "Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boba," and is billed by coordinator and performer Taylor Rey as "a magical night," featuring music from Disney classics including "The Little Mermaid," "Aladdin" and "The Lion King."

The show will have dinner performances at 6 p.m. and cocktail shows at 8:30 p.m. on both Friday and Saturday, May 17-18 at Boba Cabaret, 1900 S. Espina St.

Tickets are \$25 for dinner, which includes an appetizer, drink and dinner, and \$12.50 for the cocktail show.

The cast includes:



REY



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FELLMAN



KLETT

• Taylor Rey, Miss New Mexico 2017 and a graduate of Las Cruces High School and Oklahoma City University who has performed in several shows at Boba as well as at New Mexico State University, Las Cruces Community Theatre (LCCT), Black Box Theatre and for Scaffolding Theatre Company of Las Cruces.

• Brianna Horvath, a freshman theatre major at NMSU who has performed in NMSU's "My Fair Lady" and in Las Cruces Community Theatre's "Legally Blond"

and "Pippin";

• Ryan Fellman, a graduate of Concordia College who has taught choir at Oñate High School for the past six years as well as co-directed eight musicals; and

• Mark Klett, who accompanies several groups in the Las Cruces community and has played on the Boba stage several times, most recently in "Guitar Heroes."

For reservations, call Boba Café and Cabaret at 575-647-5900.

Artist shows crochet jewelry at Njoy Beads

BULLETIN REPORT

Local artist Terese Conklin began showing her unique bead-crochet bracelets and necklaces – gemstones crocheted within the glass seed beads—earlier this month in the new art gallery wing at Njoy Beads, Idaho Crossing shopping center, 1300 El Paseo Road, suite J.

Conklin said she began a love of working with her hands from her parents and grandparents as a child. When not out playing, Conklin "would sit for hours next to her grandmother, crochet hook in hand, mimicking her hands to make beautiful crochet blankets."

The gems, rocks and minerals of west Texas and southern New Mexico inspire her jewelry creations, Conklin said, as she has expanded her love of crochet into jewelry by incorporating beads and gemstones, a



BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK
Terese Conklin.

process which she said took her years to perfect. She now creates one-of-a-kind necklaces, bracelets and earrings using bead crochet.

Conklin strings yards of small seed beads and semi-precious stones onto durable cord – 800-

1,000 beads for a bracelet and 10,000 or more for a necklace.

The beads are crocheted one at a time to create intricate ropes of beads, Conklin said, with her designs reflecting "the geometric shapes of ancient Indians wall paintings, snake patterns and the rock formations of the Southwest."

Retired from a successful business career, Conklin is a court-appointed special advocate who volunteers on behalf of abused, neglected and abandoned children. She also enjoys hiking, cycling and playing piano. Conklin and her husband live in El Paso.

Njoy Beads is open 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Saturday.

For more information, contact Conklin at conklintr@me.com. Contact Njoy Beads at 575-652-2396 and njoybeadslc@gmail.com. Find them on Facebook at njoybeadslc.

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Registration open for Arts Council's summer camps

BULLETIN REPORT

The Doña Ana Arts Council (DAAC) continues its long tradition of offering three art-filled camps for children of all ages this summer. The camps are Career Art Path, a two-week visual art camp for middle school students, June 17-28; Opera Storytellers Camp, a two-week performing arts camp for 3-12th grade students, June 3-14; and Missoula Children's Theatre, a one-week theatre camp for K-12th grade students, July 8-13.

• Career Art Path (CAP), Monday, June 17-Friday, June 28 (8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. each day); for fifth-eighth grade students held at Centennial High school, 1950 Sonoma Ranch Blvd.; tuition is \$100 per student. CAP is a visual arts camp during which participants will explore a wide range of art-related careers through hands-on activities, speakers and field trips. The camp will be held at "Middle school is a great age to target the different art career opportunities," said DAAC Program Manager Lisa Carlson. "We try to get at least eight different artists over the two weeks. For example, we're lining up architects, landscape designers, tattoo artists, fashion designers, theatre experts and somebody from the (NMSU) Creative Media Institute. We're trying to expose these kids to the wide variety of art careers they can enter. We have a guest speaker in the morning and then we spend the rest of the day



PHOTO BY KATY MILLIGAN

Students in the 2018 Career Art Path visual art camp work on their self-portraits.

working on a project designed to go with the art career they heard about that morning."

• Opera Storytellers Camp, Monday, June 3-Friday, June 14; at Centennial High School in collaboration with the Santa Fe Opera; for third-12th grades; tuition is \$300 with scholarships available and a discount for multiple children from the same family. The camp is directed by Christa Fredrickson of Centennial High School and Jim Billings of New Mexico State University's Theatre Department. Using elements of opera, participants will compose and perform their own 30-minute musical drama based on the hero's journey. Campers will also learn the technical aspects of lighting and sound as well as set and costume design. No experience is required for this camp.

"In addition to learning the elements of opera and writing a story, our campers learn the

importance of what design can do to support the story telling," said Billings, who has been an associate professor of scenic and lighting

design at NMSU since 1985 and has helped lead the opera camp for three years. "Students will

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Students perform their original music drama in a previous year's Opera Storytellers Camp.

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DAAC has new program manager

Lisa Carlson, an art teacher on the cusp of retiring from Las Cruces Public Schools, is the Doña Ana Arts Council (DAAC) new program manager handling children's programs and a range of adult programs that take place in the DAAC Arts & Cultural Center, DAAC Executive Director Kathleen Albers said in a news release.

Carlson already has experience with DAAC; she's taught dozens of students during its summer Career Art Paths program.

Carlson has been an LCPS art teacher for 17 years. In addition to teaching art, Carlson makes and paints about 50 bowls a year for



BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK
Lisa Carlson.

Empty Bowls, the Potter's Guild of Las Cruces' annual fundraiser for El Caldito Soup Kitchen.

She led the creation of a community ceramic mural project as art director at LCPS' Mesilla Valley Training Center;

helped her students create the 20-foot rattlesnake mural depicting the Mesa Middle School mascot; joined another art teacher in making and operating hand puppets during a presentation at the National Arts in Education conference in 2017; and she often wears the necklaces and bracelets she began making about five years ago.

Carlson spent about 25 years as a professional potter before becoming a teacher.

She taught art at Desert Hills and Conlee elementary schools for seven years before moving to Mesa Middle School in 2010. She returned to teaching elementary art in 2016.

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develop a vocabulary of design terms and learn a little about how scenery, costumes, props and lighting are created and what they contribute to the show. We use drawing and crafting projects to develop characters and costumes, and this year we will be doing some lighting experiments to show how light can impact storytelling. It's a great opportunity to learn the elements of storytelling through writing, music, singing, character development, costumes, scenery and lighting. But most of all, it's fun and students learn how working together and collaborating creates something amazing."

• Missoula Children's Theatre is returning for

the 28th year, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday, July 8-13, grades one-12; held at Las Cruces High School, 1755 El Paseo Road; tuition is \$60, with a discount for multiple children in the same family. This year's production will be "Gulliver's Travels." Students may pre-enroll before July 8 to ensure they are one of the actors cast in the play, then audition for their roles Monday, July 8, at 10 a.m.

"The Missoula Children's Theatre is exciting because it is two working actors who come with this entire troop of props and costumes," Carlson said.

"They do team building and face painting exercises and writing exercises. In just one week, they go from 40 kids to an ensemble that will do two performances of 'Gulliver's Travels.'"

Performances are 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Saturday, July 13, at Las Cruces High School. Tickets for the performances are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children ages 12 and under and are available at the door.

Enrolling in summer camps

Enrollment applications are online at daarts.org. Advance enrollment is recommended, Albers said, "to ensure participation in these enriching summer programs."

If needed, partial scholarships are available for all programs.

The Doña Ana Arts & Cultural Center and DAAC administrative office are located at 1740 Calle de Mercado in the Bulletin Plaza.

For more information, call 575-523-6403 and visit www.daarts.org.



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Stills from the short film "Pozole."

CMI graduate produces award-winning film

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

A 10-minute film produced by a recent graduate of New Mexico State University's CMI program won the best narrative short film-comedy award at a major film festival and is now qualified to compete in the 2020 Oscars.

The 10-minute film is called "Pozole." The qualifying film festival is Cinequest Film and Creativity Festival, which drew more than 100,000 people to its 2019 festival earlier in April in San Jose, California. The film's producer is Jennifer "Jenn" Garcia, who graduated from CMI in 2016 and now works for Hardline Films in Albuquerque.

Garcia said only 140 short films qualify for Academy Awards nominations.

"Pozole" was filmed in Albuquerque's downtown and Martineztown over three days last summer, said its writer and director, Jessica Mendez Siqueiros, a filmmaker who divides her time between New York and Los Angeles. The story is set in Tucson, where Siqueiros grew up and centers around the death of the lead character's great-grandmother five days after



her 100th birthday. In the film, Siqueiros said she "wanted to explore the Hispanic traditions in my family," which go back at least five generations to Arizona statehood and even the Mexican-American War.

Siqueiros cast the lead roles in the film, she said, and then relied on Martinez to cast the remaining parts, help secure locations, hire the crew – including CMI students – and rent the cameras and other equipment to make the film.

CMI students working on the film, including the costume designer, "helped a lot on the set," Garcia said. "Their training (at CMI) defi-

nately helped in working on the film," she said.

"The mixed class productions and senior projects in CMI helped the most with my career," Garcia said. "The structure allowed me to build productions from the ground up under the guidance of the professors and helped me find a group of talented filmmakers that I still hire and work with to this day."

Garcia grew up in Roswell and moved to Las Cruces to attend NMSU, where she obtained degrees in creative media and marketing.

Garcia and fellow CMI alumni Keagan Karnes and Sheridan

O'Donnell started Hardline Films in Albuquerque.

Cinequest was founded in 1990, said Matt Opsal of Cinequest, Inc. Submissions just opened for the 30th annual festival, which will be held March 3-15, 2020. (Visit www.cinequest.org/submissions.)

For more information, visit www.cinequest.org/cinequest-2019-wrap-awards. For more information on Jenn Garcia, visit www.JennNicoleGarcia.com, www.HardlineFilms.com and cmi.nmsu.edu/2019/04/jenn-garcia/.

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Jenn Garcia.

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 7 History units
 8 Laos locale
 9 Mil. title
 10 Start to cycle?
 11 Having one dimension
 12 Sound reasoning
 13 Raises
 14 Very
 15 Least fresh
 16 'Sorry, can't, I'm late'
 17 Make smile
 18 "Cry, the Beloved Country" novelist Alan
 19 Smell
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 29 Closed in on
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 50 City in Texas
 51 Movement around an axis

52 Yang's partner
 54 Calc prereq, often
 57 Flowerless plant
 61 Fix, as holey socks
 62 Braggart's problem
 64 Employees' check time
 66 "-- pigs fly!"
 68 Weeper of Greek myth
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 72 Seafood chain
 73 Sharp scolding
 76 Churchill's title

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 81 Dental buildup
 82 "Undo" mark
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 87 Yearn
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 90 Protective sheet of film
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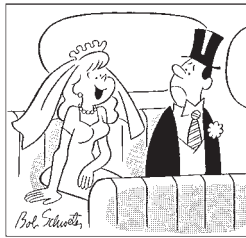
PUZZLES

WEEKLY SUDOKU By Linda Thistle

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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SCRAMBLERS



"Golly, I can hardly wait to see how my new name looks on a _____ card."

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Highest
TOTUMS _____

Smirk
PRIMES _____

Insult
RESCU _____

Rubble
BRIDES _____

TODAY'S WORD _____

CRYPTOQUIP

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: Z equals U

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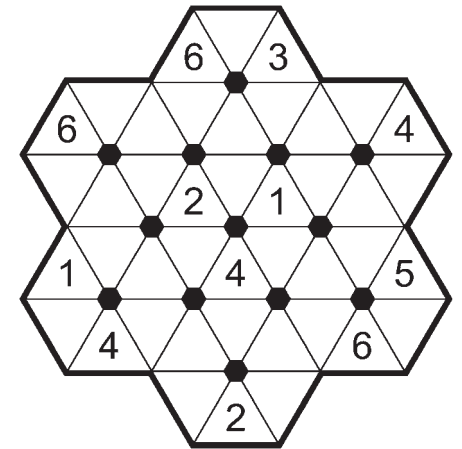
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SNOWFLAKES By Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

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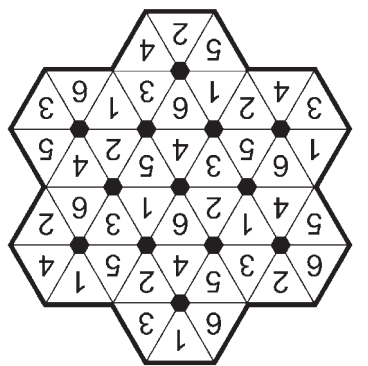
PUZZLE ANSWERS

If some alcohol is produced from decorative wood varnish, you may end up with lacquer liquor.

CRYPTOQUIP

CREDIT
Today's Word
3. Curse; 4. Debris
1. Utmost; 2. Simper;

SCRAMBLERS



SNOWFLAKES

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SUPER CROSSWORD



Teddy Aspen-Sanchez as Otto Von Bruno and Melissa Muñoz as Lenya Von Bruno.



Zach LaRue as Marovitch and Darin Robert Cabot as Hugh "Bullshot" Crummond in a Doña Ana Repertory Theatre rehearsal of "Bullshot Crummond."

PHOTOS COURTESY OF DOÑA ANA REPERTORY THEATRE

Parody of British WWI hero to open at Rio Grande Theatre

BULLETIN REPORT

Doña Ana Repertory Theatre (DART) continues its string of outstanding plays with a three-performance production of "Bullshot Crummond."

Performances are 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, May 17-18 and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 19 at Rio Grande Theatre (RGT), 211 N. Main St. downtown.

Tickets are \$10 and are available at the door before each performance and online at www.riograndetheatre.org/rio-grande-theatre-special-performances.

The play runs 90 minutes, with one intermission and is recommended for all audiences, including children ages 8 and older.

The cast features Darion Robert Cabot as Hugh "Bullshot" Crummond, Teddy Aspen-Sanchez as Otto Von Bruno, Heather



Zach LaRue as Algernon Longworth and Darin Robert Cabot as "Bullshot" Crummond.

Hosford as Rosemary Fenton, Melissa Munoz as Leyna Von Bruno, and Zach LaRue filling the role of seven characters, including Professor Rupert Fenton, the famous British scientist.

"Bullshot Crummond," written in 1974 and made into a 1983 film, "is a parody stage play of Bulldog Drummond, a British fictional hero," said

the play's director, Erin Wendorf. "In the original book series that was first published in 1920, Bulldog Drummond is a soldier from World War I, who uses his leisure time looking for adventure.

"In the play, we get a glimpse of Bullshot's life, his delight in intrigue, his desire for adventure and his high opinion of himself. We see him answer

the call of a lady in distress and try to best his arch nemesis, Otto Von Bruno, who happens to be the second most dangerous man in Europe.

"I wanted to direct a play that would be fun for the community," Wendorf said. The audience, she said, can expect "a fun night. There will be hijinks, daring escapes, romance and avian guest stars."

This is the second collaboration between RGT and DART. "We are very grateful for the opportunity to work with the RGT," Wendorf said.

The play was written by Ron House, Alan Shearman, Diz White, John Neville Andrews and Derek Cunningham.

For more information, visit DART's Facebook page and www.riograndetheatre.org.



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Casa Blanka Imports: handmade in Mexico

By ALEXIA SEVERSON
Las Cruces Bulletin

If you're looking to add regional flair to your home, you may want to make Casa Blanka Imports your first stop.

The store, located at 6275 Bataan Memorial, offers a wide selection of Mexican art, décor and furniture, including handcrafted wooden benches, table-and-chair sets and patio furniture. Casa Blanka also offers a unique selection of Mexican clothing, bags and other odds and ends.

"Everything is handmade, and everything is a unique piece," said owner Blanca Huizar. "We go twice a year to Mexico, to different places to buy merchandise, and we select everything to sell."

Huizar, who grew up in Mexico, moved to Las Cruces five years ago with her husband, a disabled veteran of the U.S. Army. She opened Casa



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY ALEXIA SEVERSON

Casa Blanka Imports, on Bataan Memorial, offers a wide range of Mexican art and décor.

IF YOU GO

WHAT: Casa Blanka Imports

WHERE: 6275 Bataan Memorial

HOURS: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday; closed Monday

INFO: 915-226-7417, "Casa Blanka Imports" on Facebook

Blanka on Solano Drive in September 2015, after realizing there was a mar-

ket here for quality, handcrafted Mexican items for the home.

She moved the store to its current East Mesa location in March of last year. Since relocating, Huizar said business has improved and that the new space provides more room for her large selection of Mexican pottery displayed outside.

The new location also attracts passersby on U.S. Highway 70 who notice



Casa Blanka Imports owner Blanca Huizar stands near the merchandise offered at her store in East Mesa.

the store's bright orange façade and colorful pottery.

"I feel happy when people come and they like my business, and they enjoy seeing everything," Huizar said. "And I enjoy when they come just to look, and then they buy something because they like it."

Many people also visit the store for specific items, such as Talavera or metal artwork, she said.

In early May, Las Cruces resident Thea Kavanaugh, who lives in East Mesa, visited Casa Blanka searching decorative pots. Like others, she had seen the store while passing through and decided to check it out.

"I'm very impressed," Kavanaugh said. "I think there's a different type of selection here com-



Casa Blanka Imports offers a wide selection of pots and outdoor décor, visible from U.S. Highway 70.

pared to other gift stores in town or in Mesilla. It brings a unique variety here, and it's a store that's up here in East Mesa, so that's nice to have, too."

Kavanaugh recommends people visit Casa Blanka if they are looking for something a little different.

"I think when you're from Las Cruces, you're used to a little bit of a Southwest style and traditional Mexican art, but this shop seems to bring a little bit more variety," she said.

Since opening Casa Blanka, Huizar said she

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Patience during progress: Rustics for Less

By **CASSIE MCCLURE**
and **SUZANNE MICHAELS**
For the Bulletin

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

There is an unexpected benefit to the Valley Drive road reconstruction for Rustics for Less. People waiting longer at the light at Valley Drive and West Picacho have time to notice what businesses are near the intersection.

"They might have seen our display in the mall and now customers can also see our showroom and sales floor on Valley Drive since traffic is moving slowly around the construction," explains Octavio Piña, co-owner and manager of Rustics for Less.

In Las Cruces since 2007, Rustics for Less is a family business started by Octavio's parents that sells Mexican rustic and Southwest wood furniture.

IMPORTS

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has received support from the community.

"Las Cruces has been a good time for my family, and business too," she said.

Future plans include adding shaded areas outdoors to make it more comfortable for customers, Huizar said.

"We're building here, growing little by little."

Alexia Severson may be contacted at alexia@las-crucesbulletin.com.



COURTESY PHOTO

Salesman Peter Melendez and co-owner Octavio Piña stand near one of their handmade solid wood cantinas in the Rustics for Less showroom at 750 N. Valley Drive.

They also have a setup in the Mesilla Valley Mall. Many customers who walk into the mall display don't realize at first that, although they can see the handmade

wood tables, chairs and mini-cantinas, when they are ready to buy Rustic's furniture, they must either go online at www.rusticsforless.com or head to the store

at 750 N. Valley Drive. The mall display has helped Rustics for Less survive throughout the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) road reconstruction on Valley Drive.

The Rustics storefront in bright orange and turquoise is deceptively small, with a huge inventory inside that includes couches, dining tables, bedroom sets, living room sets, entertainment centers and office furniture, with more in stock. If you find what you like, you can arrange local delivery either that same day or the next for \$40 – or buy online and schedule a pickup at your convenience. They also offer a shipping option

inside the United States.

Piña explains that customer service, especially with delivery and setup of their unique pieces, is key to their success and has ensured loyal repeat customers. Rustics for Less has also opened a store in Albuquerque.

The City of Las Cruces encourages residents to

continue to support local Valley Drive businesses. For the most up-to-date information, visit www.valleydrive.net or call Project Manager Ryan Tafoya at 575-418-7891. The next NMDOT meeting is 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 21, Thomas Branigan Memorial Library in the Roadrunner Room.

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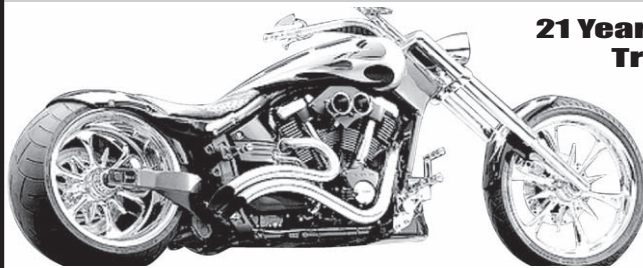
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Comfortable in her own skin

Las Cruces specialist is a finalist in international competition

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

“Skin really is my thing,” said Las Cruces master paramedical aesthetician Nora Thomas Medina, a finalist in The Skin Games, an international competition for skincare professionals that will be held in June in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Medina is among 10 finalists in the compromised skin category. For the competition, Medina completed an eight-week case study of a Las Cruces client, a 31-year-old teacher, who was diagnosed with lupus in 2016.

The disease caused autoimmune issues which contributed to a darkening of the skin on her face. Medina used an aggressive treatment program that included exfoliation, chemical peels, micro-needling, hydration and home care that included dietary changes and dry-skin treatment.

“I’m really happy with what we ended up with,” Medina said. “We got her skin to a really healthy space. I was able to try something new and that was an amazing opportunity. Everyone deserves to feel amazing and beautiful in their skin.”

Medina had also entered the Skin Games open category, using a case study of a client for whom she had done scar reconstruction. The client had gone through a double mastectomy and 19 rounds of chemotherapy and 33 rounds of radiation, with muscle and skin taken from her back to help reconstruct the surgical



Logo designed by Alissa Levey.

area. Medina treated both areas by helping to smooth out the skin and stopping the client’s nerve sensation. The client has regained her confidence, and is “100 percent healthy and cancer free,” said Medina, who has oncology training.

She also treats many other skin issues, Medina said, from acne to age management.

Medina, 29, has been interested in aesthetics since she graduated from high school. “I knew without a shadow of a doubt that this is what I’m supposed to do with my life,” Medina said. “I love what I do with all my heart. This is not a job for me, it is a calling.”

Founded in 2015, The Skin Games is a “professional platform for licensed skincare providers to showcase their work,” according to The Skin Games Facebook page.

The competition was created to honor licensed estheticians like Medina, who are “the unsung heroes of the skincare treatment rooms ... lurking in the corners of the glamorous billion-dollar beauty empire,” according to www.theskingames.com.



PHOTO BY COURTNEY LYNN

Nora Medina.

It is sponsored by The Extraordinary Esthetician, which was formed by friends of the esthetician industry, according to the website.

In addition, Medina has a degree in applied science from Doña Ana Community College.

“It’s all in the name of aesthetics and good science,” Medina said.

Medina also performs in plays and musicals at Black Box Theatre and Las Cruces Community Theatre.

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9305 and facebynora@gmail.com. Visit facebynora.com and www.theskingames.com/compromised-skin-category-finalists.

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Breast cancer support

Anna Dyson, MBA, NTP, nutritional therapy practitioner from Optimal You LLC, spoke in April at the Breast Cancer Support Group of Memorial Medical Center on the topic, "The Amazing Digestive System" – how optimizing your digestion can improve overall health and vitality. The support group meets 10-11:30 a.m. every fourth Saturday at Memorial's West Side Annex, 2450 S. Telshor. On May 25 the speaker is Dr. Eric Sandoval of Memorial Bone and Joint Center on "The Benefits of Exercising."

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HEALTH BRIEFS

Allergy season

The high tree pollen count in Las Cruces is affecting allergy sufferers.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), allergies are the sixth-leading cause of chronic illness in the United States. They can affect people of all ages – from babies to seniors.

An affordable health plan through beWellnm, New Mexico's Health Insurance Exchange, provides access to medical professionals who can help New Mexicans manage their allergy symptoms. Visit www.be-wellnm.com.

Tainted water

The New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH) reports water samples recently collected at Lake Holloman on Holloman Air Force Base contain high levels of per- and polyfluori-

nated compounds (PFAS), which can be harmful to health. The lake is fed by treated wastewater from Holloman Air Force Base.

Swimming in Lake Holloman is prohibited, and the lake water is not suitable for drinking.

On windy days foam can be present at the lake. While NMDOH didn't test the foam, studies at other contaminated sites indicate that PFAS concentrations are greater in foam than water.

If you do get water or foam from the lake on your hands, wash them with soap and clean water before eating. Pet owners should not allow animals to contact the water or foam. If a pet does make contact, rinse the animal with clean water before petting it.

PFAS do not enter the body well through skin contact; the primary concern is ingesting the water

or transferring PFAS from your hands to your food.

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Hospital ranked

Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico announces that, in 2018, it ranked in the top 10 percent of 868 inpatient rehabilitation facilities (IRFs) that qualified to be ranked in the IRF database.

"Being nationally recognized, for the thirteenth year in a row, is a testament to all of the hard work our entire team puts into providing compassionate, high-quality patient care and an accomplishment that we are all extremely proud of," said Rehabilitation Hospital CEO Sabrina Martin. "We are so fortunate to continue to serve southern New Mexico as the only rehabilitation hospital in Las Cruces."


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PET OF THE WEEK



Old but gold is exactly what Oberyn is. This mature fellow definitely knows how to chill. Oberyn is all about the peaceful things in life and lives his life following the three F's: Friends, Family and Fun for all. Visit him at the Animal Service Center of the Mesilla Valley, 3551 Bataan Memorial West; 575-382-0018. Weekend offsite adoptions for Saturday, May 18 are the Farmers & Crafts Market, 9 a.m.-noon; Petco, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; and PetSmart from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, May 19, PetSmart from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Low-cost services

Shadow is one of many animals available for adoption at ACTION Programs for Animals (APA), which is holding a low-cost vaccination and microchip clinic from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 18, at The Feed Store, 5165 Doña Ana Road. The following services will be offered: 1-year and 3-year rabies vaccination (\$15); distemper, adenovirus, parainfluenza and parvovirus (DAPP) dog vaccination combination (\$15); feline viral rhinotracheitis, calicivirus and panleukopenia (FVRCP) cat vaccination combination (\$15); microchips (\$10); and deworming for puppies and kittens (free).



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Humane Society receives low-income grant

BULLETIN REPORT

The Doña Ana County Humane Society has received a \$7,500 grant from the Banfield Foundation to provide veterinary aid to the pets of low-income families.

Challenges such as injury/hospitalization, moving, losing a job, or being on a fixed income can force people to make wrenching decisions about their pets, such as surrendering them to the municipal animal shelter because they can't afford their medical care.

But with the help of the Banfield Foundation's grant, the Doña



Ana County Humane Society is better equipped to keep these people together with their pets, according to a press release. Through its Animal Relief Fund, it offers emergency, quality-of-life and preventive veterinary assistance to low-income families in Doña Ana County. More than 250 pets and their families will benefit from this

program this year.

"The Animal Relief Fund is the only program of its type in southern New Mexico," said DACHS Executive Director Kathy Lawitz. "Our goal is to keep pets healthy and with their families, who would otherwise be forced to euthanize their animals, surrender them to a shelter, or allow them to suf-

fer due to lack of funds. With the high intake rate at our overcrowded municipal shelter, this program is key to keeping pets from being surrendered for financial reasons. It is central to our goal of 'Keeping People and Pets Together.'"

The Doña Ana County Humane Society, founded in 1955, administers programs that help people and pets in areas of unaddressed need, including low-income veterinary assistance, free behavior training for shelter dogs and discounted adoptions for senior citizens.

Visit www.dachslc.org.

APA offers adoption special

The nonprofit organization ACTION Programs for Animals (APA) is offering most adoptions at a 50 percent discount as part of the Summer Lovin' promotion through May 27.

To meet adoptable animals, visit APA's adoption and education center, located at 800 W. Picacho, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays, or by appointment.

APA will also continue to hold thrift sales to benefit rescue efforts. Second Chance Thrift Sales will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Friday and Saturday of the summer at 1150 E. Las Cruces Ave. until the end of July. Donations for future yard sales and for APA's future thrift store may be dropped off during these times.

Donations may also be dropped off at APA's current adoption center, located at 800 W. Picacho, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

For more information about the Summer Lovin' promotion or thrift sales, call or text 575-644-0505 or email mail@apalascruces.org.



Tootsie is one of many animals available for adoption at ACTION Programs for Animals. APA is holding a Summer Lovin' promotion, with most adoptions 50 percent off.

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Taekwondo Master Justin Castillo with his Golden Seniors martial arts class at Maximum Martial Arts Center.

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Martial arts for seniors: balance, flexibility, community

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

“You can’t give in to your age,” said John Scagno, 68.

Scagno and his wife recently added a martial arts class for seniors to their already active Las Cruces lifestyle, which includes biking and working out.

The martial arts class, called Golden Seniors, meets three times a week at Maximum Martial Arts Center, 415 E. Foster Road, and has members ranging in age from their 50s to their late 70s. There’s also a younger black belt who often joins the class.

“I thought I was doing okay,” said Scagno, who spent eight years as chief of police in El Paso. But after a few weeks of Golden Seniors, he is enjoying increased flex-

IF YOU GO

WHAT: Golden Seniors, Taekwondo class for older students of all experience levels

WHERE: Maximum Martial Arts Center, 415 E. Foster Road

WHEN: 10:30-11:30 a.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday

HOW MUCH: Two free lessons to see if you like it, six-week immersion period is \$69, including uniform

ibility, better balance and three more hours of cardiovascular activity every week. Scagno is also learning self-defense moves, and even how to count in Korean.

“One thing I find especially useful is Master (Justin) Castillo’s focus on building flexibility ‘in motion,’” said Scagno’s

wife, Laura. “Having worked on flexibility in various ways over the years I am especially impressed by his philosophy because we seldom injure ourselves in static stretching but rather in simple motions such as reaching for something or bending and twisting. We also practice falling (forward, backward and side falls). While these are traditional martial arts-type falls, they are so practical to modern living. Obviously, I am very excited about this class. Today I broke boards with hand strikes and kicks! Very empowering!”

Castillo opened Maximum Martial Arts in 2010 and moved it to Foster Road – the former home of Rising Sky Pottery – after locations on Amador Avenue, 17th Street and Solano Drive. Castillo said he’s happy to be a part of

the revitalization of Foster Road and is even considering expanding his studio.

Castillo teaches traditional Korean Taekwondo to children as young as 4 and seniors as old as 76. Even older students are welcome if cleared by a doctor.

Castillo, 38, started Golden Seniors last summer, and enjoys “working with the older crowd to understand my own self and aging.”

The class currently has fewer than a dozen members, but more are welcome, Castillo said, no experience required. In addition to the health benefits and learning self-defense, participants develop a sense of community. They help each other learn and enjoy socializing, even going out together one Friday each month. And, they earn belts, with most moving

up several steps in a few months from beginner’s white to yellow belts with green stripes.

Castillo was born in Santa Fe and moved to Las Cruces with his family at age 7. He visited a martial arts dojo near his home and watched through the window as students practiced and performed. Angry because he was frequently bullied by his cousins, Castillo tried to start fights with kids coming out of the dojo. That brought out instructor Daniel Walker, who told him that martial arts “is much more than fighting.” He gave Castillo a uniform and two weeks of free lessons.

“I non-stop fell in love with it. It changed my life,” said Castillo, whose 1-year-old son is named Daniel.

An avid practitioner of the martial arts for nearly

30 years, Castillo said Taekwondo “has so many positive benefits” for seniors, especially in balance and range of motion. It also gives them a “confidence boost,” he said.

“Do I need to become so old I’m going to fear falling?” Castillo asked. “Can I stay young enough to enjoy life?”

Seniors are “not too old to do anything,” Castillo said. “They have the wisdom to know where their limits are. They stay up with me. These students really challenge me.”

The class includes retired doctors, military and law enforcement. Practicing martial arts, Castillo said, allows them to “keep enjoying themselves after they’ve had such an impact on our community.”

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Camping episodes: It was a dark and stormy night

In the last column I shared my feelings about trying to continue taking long trips as my energy and funds have declined, and the advisability of staying home and simply enjoy recalling the trips already taken. Today and next column, I will recount more adventures and some of the awesome scenery we enjoyed.

We greatly enjoyed our camping visit to



RUTH MOORER

Not for Sissies

Monument Valley in Arizona. However, we did not realize what a challenge it would be to erect the tent because there was no soft dirt into which to drive a stake.

Fortunately, our older son, who was a good Boy Scout, used some of his skills to solve our dilemma; he found some large rocks, which he laid over the stakes that lay on the ground. They secured

the tent fairly well and, while occupying the tent, it could not very well blow away!

On an earlier trip, when our three children were very young, we borrowed a tenting trailer which made into two double beds and took off for the Rocky Mountain National Park in Colorado. We planned to make camp at a small state park in western Nebraska. As we got closer to the park, there was a large dark thunderstorm gathering

ahead. When we arrived at the park, there were no other people around. In the park was a small lake. The wind began to pick up. I suggested to my husband that it could be very unsafe for us to try to camp there. With my vivid imagination I could see a big gust of wind picking us up and dropping us into the lake and we would disappear with no trace! Well, he agreed, and we turned around and got onto the highway.

However, the storm really got going full force. The rain came down in buckets. We became aware that bales of hay were floating across the highway and we could not see the edge of the road. Thankfully, there were many

other cars on the road and we could follow the car ahead. If it went into the ditch, then we would not go that direction! Driving very slowly, we arrived at the next town, and looked for a vacant motel. There were none! What to do?

My husband had been serving churches in Nebraska and was aware that few of our denomination's churches, especially in small towns, locked their doors. With that in mind, we headed for the local church. By now it had grown dark. Finding the church and checking it out, we were relieved to find it open. No one was around to ask permission to move in, so we did, taking the mattresses, our bedding, suitcases, etc., in

as fast as we could. As the storm continued all night long, we were able to rest secure. Then we remembered the words of Psalm 84:

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! ... Even the swallow finds a nest for herself where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts...

Then there was the time that our air mattress came close to exploding. Oh well, that will be a good one for next time!

Ruth Justice Moorer is a resident of Las Cruces having moved here in 1996 with her husband, Charles. She has been a public-school science teacher and a United Methodist pastor.

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New outlet locates services for seniors

BULLETIN REPORT

Assisted Living Locators, based in Scottsdale, Arizona, has announced the launch of its franchise serving Las Cruces and El Paso.

According to a news release, Assisted Living Locators offers a no-cost, nationwide senior care placement and referral service for in-home companion care, independent retirement options, assisted living, memory care and skilled nursing facilities. The company has 110 franchises in 34 states.

The franchise is owned by Senior Living Care Advisor Jonna Sougstad.

"As a result of our



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growing senior population, many different options for care and housing are available," Sougstad said.

According to the Administration on Aging, the population of adults 65 and older is experiencing the biggest increase in history. Between 2010 and 2050, the number of seniors is expected to more than double.

"Seniors and their families need a trusted advisor to help them navigate what can be an overwhelming amount of

information," Sougstad said.

"My goal is to assist families in choosing appropriate care options for their loved ones, to save time, decrease stress, and to provide peace of mind.

"I live in the community. I look at a wide range of options for seniors that just can't be matched by online resource databases.

I tour and rank all the facilities I recommend, and make sure all our partners in the senior care market are fully committed to providing the best care possible."

Call Sougstad at 915-320-4426 or visit www.assistedlivinglocators.com/ElPaso-LasCruces.

Materials, not marketing give these clubs the edge

Golf-club wars are complicated and vicious. Original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) find it tough to stay in business let alone make a profit. Over the past 10 years Nickent, Adams and Nike have gone by the wayside, along with countless more makers of specialty equipment. Others, like TaylorMade and Maxfly, have been sold off. Yet, in the face of all that, in a sport with a declining consumer buying base, Tour Edge golf company is now having its best two years in its 33-year history.

So, what has happened with Tour Edge? Unlike the “big five” OEMs Tour Edge doesn’t pay pro tour golfers (at any level) to play their clubs. But they have plenty of players who play them, like Phyllis Meti, who recently won the woman’s long-drive championship with an amazing 413-yard blast using a Tour Edge driver. And PGA Tour veteran Scott McCarron, who has two wins this year on the PGA Champions Tour. In fact, McCarron has won four times since switching over. Other Champions Tour pros playing Tour Edge include Tom Lehman, Duffy Waldorf and Tim Petrovich.

Tour Edge has decided to focus on the Champions Tour (formerly the Senior Tour) players, as PGA Tour players mostly all have OEM company club endorsement deals paying considerable wampum. Remember, the Champions



CHARLIE BLANCHARD
Golf Doctor

Tour today is not your father’s old Senior tour, which once featured the likes of Jim Colbert, Tom Wargo, and – remember – Rocky Thompson, who made the Killer Bee 48-inch driver famous.

For example, Champions player ageless 61-year-old Bernhard Langer made the cut at this year’s Masters, finishing T62.

The top of the line Tour Edge clubs are called “Exotics,” due to the materials. The most popular among the pros are the Exotics CBX hybrids and fairway woods. Exotics CBX clubs have now been part of nine victories and 11 runner-up finishes on the PGA Tour Champions: that’s 20 of the last 34 events.

Master club designer and co-owner (with his brother Gordon) of Tour Edge David Glod decided long ago to opt for exotic materials, like titanium, for his clubs, to the virtual exclusion of expensive advertising and tour player contracts. Tour Edge is

the only clubmaker to use titanium faces on their fairway woods and hybrids. It’s an expensive material that goes into the “Exotics” line of clubs, but the High Launch (game improvement) and Bazooka (get in the game) lines also have the highest quality and workmanship. All are made at the factory in Batavia, Illinois, just 18 miles west of Chicago’s O’Hare airport.

Former PGA teaching pro David Glod, a former teammate of Lee Janzen and Rocco Mediate (who lost in a playoff to Tiger Woods in 2008 at Torrey Pines) at Florida Southern University, founded Tour Edge out of his garage in 1986. Hmm ... years earlier Apple computers were invented out of a garage. Garage-rock bands also became famous. I like garages. It’s where I keep my Corvette. The first Tour Edge-branded clubs came on the market (www.touredge.com) in 1987, as the company focused mostly on drivers and fairway woods in its early days.

Fast-forward to Tour Edge’s current competitive

strategy. “We spend money on materials, not marketing,” Glod says. In a recent blog on www.mygolfsfy.com. Chris Nickel notes that Glod’s fundamental premise is to provide customers more performance per dollar spent than the larger OEMs, who offset marketing, sponsorship and R&D budgets with inflated price tags. Today, most golfers aren’t impressed by \$2,000 iron sets or \$500 drivers. Not sorry, I play Tour Edge.

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Old Timers Golf Group

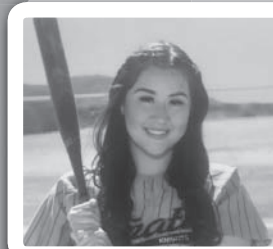


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The El Paso/Las Cruces Old Timers Golf Group played their monthly tournament May 7 at Sonoma Ranch Golf Course. Seated, from left, is the first-place team of Joe Bechtol, Picacho Hills Country Club; Sam Martinez, Lone Star Golf Course; Xavier Villanueva, Lone Star Golf Course; and Don Schrier, Sonoma Ranch Golf Course. Second-place team members, standing from left, are Jerry Bueck, Painted Dunes Golf Course; Rob Underwood, Vista Hills Country Club; and Ray Romero, Horizon Golf and Convention Center.

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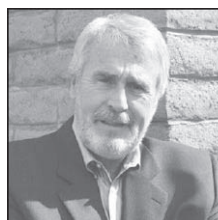


Samantha Barela is a 16-year-old junior at Oñate High School. She plays shortstop on the Lady Knights softball team. Barela’s batting average is .362, with an on-base percentage of .479. She has 25 RBIs, 8 home runs and a fielding percentage of .786. She is a two-year letterman. Barela is a hard-working, humble team leader. She is a dedicated student, with a 3.60 GPA. Outside of school and softball, Barela enjoys watching her siblings play sports and spending time with friends. She thanks her coaches and teammates for pushing her to be her best and her family for supporting her at every game.



Dylan Schneider is a 17-year-old senior at Oñate High School. He plays shortstop on the Knights baseball team. Schneider’s batting average is .310 with an on-base percentage of .459. He’s scored 22 runs and stolen 20 bases and has a fielding percentage of .802. He is a three-year letterman. Schneider exhibits leadership qualities, integrity, reliability and respect. He is a dedicated student, with a 3.60 GPA. Outside of school and baseball, Schneider enjoys riding dirt bikes and horses, hiking and going to the gym. He thanks his parents for all their love and support and his coaches and teammates for always pushing him to be his best.

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