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## City redevelopment moves west

By Mike Cook  
For the Bulletin

Much of Las Cruces' recent development has been on its eastern and western edges, forming a kind of doughnut that has left parts of its core suffering from urban flight and blight. The city began to reverse that trend more than a decade ago with a revitalization of downtown. Now, with a

blueprint in hand and plans underway for a multi-million dollar renovation of Valley Drive, the city is looking to continue the redevelopment of west Las Cruces by breathing life back into the multi-use neighborhood it calls Amador Proximo.

The area, located north of Ama-



Old cotton wagons with a cotton gin on Compress Road in the background.

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## Chamber CEO announces departure

Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce CEO Bill Allen announced he will be leaving Las Cruces at the end of this year and moving back to his home state of Michigan taking on a new position as CEO of Midland Future, a combined chamber of commerce and economic development organization.



BILL ALLEN

"I will be forever grateful to the Las Cruces community for all the incredible experiences, friendships and success that I've had. This is a tremendous opportunity that I could not pass up, but I know that the Chamber is headed

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## Hawks on a mission

The Centennial High School Hawks will play for the state 5A football championship against perennial state powerhouse Artesia at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Field of Dreams. The Hawks are 12-0 and ranked No. 1 in 5A, but they'll be playing for more than just a title trophy. The Centennial family is grieving the loss of assistant coach Roger Grays, who passed away Monday, Nov. 30, from injuries suffered in a Thanksgiving Day automobile accident. **More photos, Page 28A.**

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## Enjoy the holidays safely!

The holidays are officially underway, and both the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department and the Doña Ana County Health and Human Services Department remind residents and visitors that public safety and home safety are government priorities as the celebrations get underway.

Doña Ana County Sheriff Enrique 'Kiki' Vigil said his department will work closely with other area law-enforcement agencies to make the roads and highways safe during the holiday season – and all year round. Vigil said his department will conduct aggressive saturation patrols, augmented by DWI checkpoints in a concerted effort to apprehend impaired drivers.

DWI arrests can result in high bail, expensive court costs and permanent criminal records.

The Doña Ana County Detention Center also gears up for the holiday season, knowing that there is a historic – and unfortunate – trend for more arrests related to DWI, domestic violence, substance abuse and other crimes.

"We're ready for the holiday influx," said Detention Center Director Chris Barela. "We gear up for it each year in both the booking and housing sides of the facility. If we run out of bed space,

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we'll use temporary mattresses on the floor to house the population – no matter how big the numbers get."

Health and Human Services Department Director Jamie Michael said the county's popular low-fare taxi rides will be in effect with expanded hours of operation throughout the coming month and into 2016.

"Operation Home is an effective program for people who find themselves out and about at various celebratory events. We'd much prefer these people call us for a reduced-fare taxi ride rather than risking the safety of themselves, their passengers and the public by getting behind the wheel. In an ideal world, they would not drink to the point of intoxication, but we realize it happens, and this program is in place to mitigate the danger they would otherwise impose."

Project Home is a collaborative initiative with Las Cruces Shuttle and Taxi by which a person or group who has been drinking can call (575) 524-TAXI to be picked up for a discounted ride home. For up to two people, the taxi fee is a flat \$5 to any destination within Doña Ana County. For up to four people, the flat fee is \$10. Grant funding pays the balance of the transportation charges.

Michael said Project Home has been operational since April of 2010.

"There are no perfect solutions to Doña Ana County's DWI problem," Michael said. "We're pleased that this program continues to benefit residents who need it on those infrequent occasions when they find they have had too much to drink and need to get home safely."

DWI Prevention Coordinator Chelo Gonzalez said the program does have limitations.

"These taxi rides are only authorized to get people home," she said. "You can't use the program to take you from your home to someplace where alcohol is served, and you can't use it to go to the store. It's called Project Home, because the focus is purely on getting people safely home if they suspect they've had too much to drink."

## Fire-safety tips offered for all residents

The Doña Ana County Fire and Emergency Services Department offers the following tips and strategies to avoid fire losses during the winter season.

### Christmas Tree Fire Prevention and Safety

\* Keep trees securely upright in a stand to ensure that it will not accidentally tip over or be knocked over by children, pets, or over-enthusiastic dancing adults.

\* Keep your tree away from any and all heat sources. This includes electrical outlets, radiators, space heaters,

and fireplaces.

\* Make sure natural trees are well watered.

\* If you plan to purchase an artificial tree, make sure it is labeled "fire retardant".

\* Unplug lights before leaving home or going to bed, and avoid real candles.

\* Use a maximum of three strands of tree lights on a single extension cord.

### Holiday Lighting and Fire Safety

\* Unplug indoor/outdoor lighting before going to bed.

\* Avoid using live candles.

\* Make sure the cords used for lights and other decorations are not frayed

\* Do not run electrical wires under rugs.

### Fireplace & Woodstove Fire Prevention

\* Always have a professional inspect your fireplace annually, and use a screen in front of your fireplace while it is burning.

\* After the holidays are over, do not try to get rid of your Christmas tree, wreaths, or leftover wrapping paper by burning them in a fireplace or stove.

### Additional Fire Prevention and Fire

### Safety Tips

\* Keep all items three-feet away from radiators, baseboard heaters, and space heaters.

\* Never place a space heater next to a bed, especially a child's bed, as blankets could ignite. Place the heater in a place where a sleepy person getting up in the middle of the night will not trip over it and get burned or fall.

\* Keep a list of emergency contacts handy, including the number for your home or renter's insurance company and a fire restoration specialist should the unthinkable happen.

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## Las Cruces, Mesilla Christmas trees to light up the night on Friday

Friday, Dec. 4 will be bright with the lights of the holiday, as both the City of Las Cruces and the Village of Mesilla will present their official Christmas tree lighting ceremonies, and, with some good luck and light traffic, clever folks can participate in both.

From 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. the City of Las Cruces

will light its tree at Albert Johnson Park, on the corner of Picacho Avenue and Main Street. Mayor Ken Miyagishima will lead the public in the lighting ceremony at approximately 6 p.m.

The Picacho Middle School Choir will perform to kick off the event, which will feature snacks, beverages and free candy

canes. A new attraction this year, the Camino Real Sculptures, have been placed at their new location near the Christmas tree, relocated from Main Street.

This event is free. For information, call 541-2250.

Just a quick drive from downtown Las Cruces, the Village of Mesilla will

light its tree from 6-6:30 p.m. on the Plaza, on south Highway 28.

Thousands of luminarias will light up the plaza surrounding the streets in Mesilla, and several shops will stay open late. No alcoholic beverages, smoking, or pets allowed. For information, call 524-3262, ext. 116 or 117, or visit [www.mesillanm.gov](http://www.mesillanm.gov).



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## From the publisher

BY RICHARD COLTHARP

### Bulletin increases home delivery, alters some retail locations

If you went to your favorite store or local business this week to pick up your copy of the Las Cruces Bulletin, and it wasn't there, you might want to check your driveway. There's a decent chance you might find one there on a regular basis.

The Bulletin has completed a revision in its distribution.

We've gotten quite a few calls the past couple of weeks from folks not finding the Bulletin where they used to.

We have increased our home delivery, adding additional homes in several neighborhoods. All told, 33 percent more homes will get the Bulletin, as we grow that distribution from 12,000 to 16,000.

At the same time, we have reduced some of our single copy outlets. We still offer the Bulletin in close to 200 retail and small business locations, however, and have

increased our overall distribution from 20,000 to 21,000.

A huge thanks to our relentless circulation manager Teresa Tolonen and her dedicated crew of delivery people for their Herculean efforts to make this transition happen.

We are all creatures of habit, and if you're used to picking up your weekly copy at, say, McDonalds on University Avenue, you'll have to find a new spot. You might check at nearby Toucan Market, Milagro Coffee y Espresso or Burger Time. And if you live in one of the neighborhoods along Locust Street, those are among the residential areas we're adding distribution.

There will be similar situations around town.

I apologize to readers who have been frustrated at not finding their Bulletins, and I appreciate your concerns.

Those calls, to me, are a great sign of our value.

There's been quite a bit of national conversation about newspapers the past few years. Some call it a dying industry. It's what we heard in the 1920s and '30s when radio came into vogue. It's what we heard in the 1950s and '60s when every household began adding televisions.

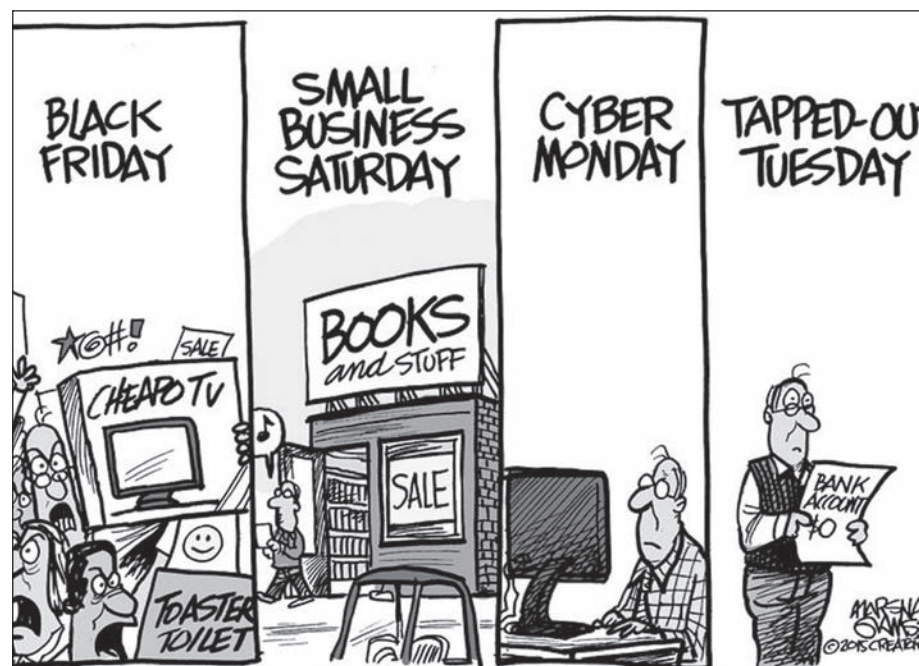
Here in Las Cruces, however, people are clamoring for their Bulletin when they can't find it. We're actually increasing our distribution when, in other markets, newspapers are losing circulation and cutting back days.

People in Las Cruces love their news so much, they support our weekly newspaper in addition to a daily newspaper.

I view that as a source of pride in our community.

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Cruces. They want to know what's going on. They want to celebrate the community's accomplishments, understand our challenges and mark our collective milestones. People still put newspaper clippings on their refrigerator and on their office bulletin board.

That part of the newspaper business has not changed since I began my career as sports editor of the Weatherford (Okla.) Daily News back in 1985.

There have been plenty of other changes, though, almost all of

them driven by improvements in computer technology.

Back in Weatherford, we had the same computers many newspapers of that day had: MycroTek. They used five-inch floppy disks. Remember those? And the monitors had green type on a black background.

When Apple Macintosh spearheaded the desktop publishing revolution, most newspapers jumped on board, and soon after, full pages were paginated. Previously, single stories were printed out in rolls

like toilet paper. Graphic artists used perilously pointy X-Acto knives to trim the copy, wax it and place it on a page like a jigsaw puzzle. Then the whole page was shot using a giant camera, which produced a negative, which produced a metal plate, which was attached to the printing press.

Nowadays it goes straight from the computer to the plate.

Anyway, I digress. The point is, just as in life, perhaps the only real constant in the newspaper business is change.

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE



## Dean's Driving School

Dean was in his eighties and still drove his pickup. This concerned his best friend Jack, who questioned the wisdom of riding with him. Dean based his self-confidence on the fact that he lived in western Kansas where you could drive from Hugoton to Bird City and never see a person wearing a suit and a tie!

Dean was a cattle feeder and planned a trip to Sublett. He invited Jack to go with him. Against his better judgment, Jack agreed. Dean insisted on driving. To the credit of

Kansas, the speed limit is high. Twenty miles from home, the truck started shaking. They pulled off on the shoulder and made an inspection. One of the rear tires was low.

On close examination they found a nail in the tread. These two wise sages pondered whether to try and fix it, which would entail crawling underneath the truck, letting the spare tire down, dragging it out from under the bed, jacking up the vehicle, spinning off the lugs, muscling the LT 265/70R 17 tire, etc., etc., etc.

Dean made an executive decision; don't pull the nail out, turn around and race back home before the air escapes out of the tire completely. Brilliant! Then have the tire fixed in town. Jack, who was a little younger, took over the driving, with Dean's approval.

They were flying (80 mph) down the long, bare, two-lane road, the

tire thumping and shaking the steering wheel as Dean egged Jack on! As you would guess, they attracted the attention of a lonely Kansas State Trooper who turned on his flashing lights and pulled them over. They explained about the tire and their urgency. It fell on deaf ears. He gave Jack a speeding ticket...a hefty ticket for speeding and

for driving an unsafe vehicle!

A week went by. Another trip was planned, same destination, same State Trooper. This time Dean was driving. He was made to pull over.

The Trooper recognized the vehicle and the two geezers from the previous week.

"Goin' a little fast, weren't you, boys?" he asked.

Dean, no stranger to this setting, said, "Eighty-three, officer. Only eight miles an hour over the speed limit. I didn't have the cruise on, better to pay attention without that automatic stuff. I try to be safe. I can't remember the last time I got a ticket...I got a good record...etc., etc., etc."

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IS IT WEDNESDAY ALREADY?  
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# The flaw in hating flawed leaders

*"The one thing I want to leave my children is an honorable name."*

**THEODORE ROOSEVELT**

There is a revisionist history move in the news which has been simmering for years but now has burst out in college campuses. Some activists want to remove many of our founding leaders from public buildings and revise our American history books because in today's world they all are scoundrels.

Even more modern presidents like Theodore Roosevelt are legitimately under attack for their flaws. And all forty-three men who have taken the oath of office for the presidency are flawed. There are some



**Michael Swickard**  
In My Opinion

flawed with graft, some with goofy ideas and some with being intentionally ignorant in times of crisis.

This is not a black and white issue. We must view our leaders in a more mature way than these protesters are doing. There is a more compelling story about the founding leaders clear up to our leaders today: what did they do for the ages.

That is the yardstick for me: what did these leaders do that others could not or would not such that we have the country we have today. Our country has brought freedom to other countries by example and by fighting wars, not for our own gain, but to insure

freedom from dictators for other people.

As to our founding leaders and the complaints currently about them: all of the leaders who founded our country either were slave holders or did not effectively resist the holding of slaves. That much is true. And we cannot change that flaw in them.

Some people suggest we even change the name of our national capital because George Washington was a slave holder. The angels on earth who created liberty for much of the world were flawed humans. Yet through their actions we have our freedom today.

But in the arena of public opinion there is an outcry to cleanse our national history of those who were flawed. And it is every leader we have ever had start-

ing with the first ones during our Revolutionary War. It is a mistake to not consider all of each man.

Thomas Jefferson is under attack and unable to defend himself. He wrote for the ages, "We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

Yes Jefferson was a flawed man in that he had slaves. And with Jefferson there are other things.

But one of the problems with revising history is can we do without the good just to punish the bad?

There were arguably four men who were essential to the Revolutionary War: George Washington who bril-

liantly commanded the weaker American forces into ultimate victory; Samuel Adams who provided the man-on-the-street leadership in effective citizen resistance; Benjamin Franklin who got the French to side with our nation or we would not have won and Thomas Jefferson who provided the words for our new country.

Alas, can we find anyone who is not flawed? My favorite modern person, Martin Luther King, Jr. was certainly flawed. Yet he wrote for the ages, "I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character."

In New Mexico we falsely worship a racial we call Billy the Kid and ignore a man,

yes flawed, who is a hundred times more interesting historically and as a member of our state: Pat Garrett. He was flawed in some ways and a legend by his resolve and courage. He had gumption and guts and ran toward the problem not away.

In no way do I advocate obscuring the flaws of our leaders. We see that Americans in general have a simplistic view of our presidents, "George Washington was the father of our country and a good man." That is a disservice to their sacrifices.

We have had some bad actions by men in the Oval Office which should be known. But ultimately let's take a look at their entire effect upon our country.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Thank you to all volunteers and sponsors

On behalf of the Doña Ana Arts Council Board of Directors and Staff, we want to thank the hundreds of volunteers and generous sponsors who helped make the 44th Annual Renaissance ArtsFaire on November 7 & 8 a great success. Approximately 15,000 people attended this year's event, including many out-of-town visitors, who got a taste of our warm hospitality and fabulous weather.

In addition to being a fun event, the Renaissance ArtsFaire provides a platform for 29 local non-profit organizations to raise funds and awareness for their missions. The ArtsFaire also helps raise funds for the year-round arts education programs presented by the Doña Ana Arts Council. None of this would happen without the support of our volunteers.

A special thanks goes to two very special volunteers who worked tirelessly before, during and after the event to ensure its success: Jim Vorenberg and Diana Seward (and her amazing family!).

Don't worry if you missed the jousting on horseback---we're planning to bring them back for next year's Renaissance ArtsFaire on November 5 & 6, 2016!

—Kathleen Albers, Executive Director Doña Ana Arts Council and Scott Breckner, Board President Doña Ana Arts Council

## BAXTER FROM PAGE A5

When he stopped to take a breath the officer stepped in, "The speed limit is 65 and I clocked you at ninety-two. And, I gave you a ticket last week for speeding and unsafe driving."

"Uh, you gave HIM a ticket last week," said Dean, pointing at Jack. The Trooper was examining Dean's driver's license. "You aren't wearing glasses." He said.

"Well, I was just cleaning them when you flagged me down. That might be why I speeded up, not bein' able to see the dashboard and all."

Jack said, "Let me trade with him and I'll drive us, I'm a lot safer."

"I gave YOU a ticket last week for speeding...Maybe you guys are a bad influence on each other, did you ever think of that?"

"You are absolutely right, Officer, so if you don't write him a ticket, I'll take him home, and just to be fair I'll make him pay half of mine!"

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# NMSU's College of ACES honors outstanding students

The New Mexico State University College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences Awards Selection Committee has selected 17 students to receive awards for their efforts during the Fall 2015 semester.

"The College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences has always felt that our students are a top priority to us," said Interim Associate Dean and Director of Academic Programs Gerald Hawkes, "The students in ACES and their families have accomplished a great milestone upon graduation. Recognizing these students is our way of thanking them for allowing us to come alongside of them in their educational journey through NMSU."

Hawkes said the College of ACES believes that many

students work hard during their college careers, and for that they deserve to be recognized for their efforts.

Student nominations are submitted each semester by the department heads and professors. The ACES Award Selection Committee, which is composed of seven members, meets to select from nominated students based on scholarships, leadership and service.

This year they selected 17 students to receive various awards.

The NMSU Alumni Outstanding Senior is Matisun Jane McDougal in the Family and Consumer Sciences department.

The Dean's Award of Leadership Excellence was awarded to Amber Jimerson and Mabelle Roybal, both undergraduates.

The Dean's Award of Ex-

cellence for Undergraduates was received by Savannah Salopek, Agricultural Economics and Agricultural Business; Klayton Bearup, Agricultural and Extension Education; Hunter Falco, Fish, Wildlife, and Conservation Ecology; Jasmine Singer, Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Management; and Megan Stovall, Plant and Environmental Sciences.

The Dean's Award of Excellence for Graduates was awarded to Marissa Bartmann in Agricultural Economics and Agricultural Business, and Bobbie Jo Fossberg in Agricultural and Extension Education.

The Outstanding Departmental Students who were selected were Lisa Michelle Shivers in Agricultural Economics and Agricultural Business, Cassie Jaquez in

Agricultural and Extension Education, Elizabeth Cuevas in Family and Consumer Sciences, Lindsey Howard in Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Ecology, and Maxwell Johnson in Plant and Environmental Sciences.

The Dean's Award of Academic Achievement was

awarded to Zachary Flowers in Agricultural and Extension Education, and Kori Connole in Family and Consumer Sciences.

"We in ACES are incredibly proud of all of our students, and are confident that our students will be prepared to meet the challenges they face after graduation.

The students recognized are some of the brightest, hard-working and dedicated that can be found on any campus, and we know that success will follow each of them," Hawkes said. "ACES faculty and staff would like congratulate our future leaders as they leave NMSU."

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## CHAMBER FROM PAGE A1

in the right direction with the vision of the board and all of the support from our great volunteers, particularly the Conquistadors," Allen said. Allen also said the experience he received in advocating for the military as well as the business community

over his five years at the Chamber was a positive factor in him being considered for this newly created position.

"We are grateful for the work Bill has done here in Las Cruces. As an organization we will carry on the work that began under his

leadership. He leaves behind a legacy of making a positive impact on our community. We wish him all the best on his new venture," Russell Allen, chairman of the chamber's board of directors said.

The Chamber will begin a search for its new leader right away. Allen's last day will be Dec. 31.

## Coming Up

### Chile-fueled rocket to launch

Self-proclaimed "mad scientist" Lee Rush will discuss and show his chile-fueled rocket at five presentations in December. Rush will present the demo rocket Dec. 1 through Dec. 4 from 4 to 6 p.m. and Dec. 5 from noon to 6 p.m. at the All State building, 3850 Foothills Road. Visitors can sign the rocket before it launches. Adults \$10; children \$5. For information, call 360-840-4003.

### Annual City Christmas tree lighting ceremony

The City of Las Cruces' annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will be from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, at Albert Johnson Park, corner of Picacho Avenue and north Main Street. Mayor Miyagishima will lead the lighting ceremony at approximately 6 p.m. A performance by the Picacho Middle School Choir begins the event and snacks will be provided. A new attraction to the event is the Camino Real Sculptures, which have been placed at their new location near the Christmas tree. For information call the Parks & Recreation Department at 541-2550.

### NMSU Choirs perform at St. Paul's

A Holiday Spectacular featuring K. Lee Scott's "Christmas Cantata" and traditional holiday favorites will be presented at St. Paul's Methodist Church, 225 West Griggs Ave, by the NMSU Choirs on December 4 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. For tickets or more information, contact 646-2067 or [www.music.nmsu.edu](http://www.music.nmsu.edu).

### Candlelight vigil to be held for DWI remembrance

The 15th Annual Candlelight Vigil of Remembrance and Hope for DWI and Homicide Victims will be held for family, friends and community to attend Saturday, Dec. 5 at 5 p.m. at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs. A vigil walk will proceed to Pioneer Park where there will be speakers. For information, call 527-3479.

### Observatory Open House at NMSU

The NMSU Department of Astronomy will hold an Observatory Open

House at the NMSU campus observatory on Friday, Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. We'll be looking at the planet Uranus, the Snowball Nebula and the Pleiades open star cluster. The talk topic is Planetary Exploration Accomplishments during 2015. For information, contact the NMSU Astronomy Department at 646-1868. Admission is free and children are especially welcome.

### More than 7000 luminarias to brighten campus

On Sunday, Dec. 6 from 6 to 9 p.m., more than 7,100 luminarias will illuminate the campus of New Mexico State University during the 31st annual "Noche de Luminarias," a university tradition that began in 1984. It is a way for the university and community to kick off the holiday season with an evening of festivities and entertainment. For more information, call Campus Activities at 646-3200.

### Holiday Luminarias at the Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park

The Asombro Institute for Science Education is giving the Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park some holiday cheer by lighting

up the desert. On Friday, Dec. 11, from 5-7:30 p.m. stroll the Desert Discovery Trail while enjoying hundreds of luminarias, a campfire, hot chocolate & cookies, and holiday spirit. Family friendly and free! The Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park is located northeast of Las Cruces. For information, call 524-3334 or check our web site at [www.asombro.org](http://www.asombro.org).

### Coalition for Pets & People meeting

Mayor Ken Miyagishima will be the special guest presenter at the Coalition for Pets & People meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 8, at 6 p.m. at Branigan Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. in the Roadrunner Room. The public is invited to learn more about the Coalition and its goal to help the animal shelter reach No Kill status. For more information, contact co-chair Joanne Ferrary at 575-649-1231.

### BLM Resource Advisory Council to meet

The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Las Cruces District Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 8, at 1800 Marquess St. The half-day meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. All RAC meetings are open to the public. There will be a half-hour public comment period at 11:30 a.m. for any members of the public who wish to address the RAC. Depending on the number of speakers and time available, individual comments may be limited. Written comments also may be sent to the RAC by mailing them to the BLM Las Cruces District Office, 1800 Marquess St. Las Cruces, NM, Attn: Deborah Stevens. For information, call 525-4300.

Planned agenda items include updates on the New Mexico Copper Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS); the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument Record of Decision for the Approved Record Resource Management Plan and EIS; Lands with Wilderness Characteristics; Restore New Mexico; and Grazing Permit Renewals.

### Educational retirees' holiday meeting

The Las Cruces Association of Educational Retirees will meet Tuesday, Dec. 8 from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the NMSU Golf Course restaurant ball room, 3000 Herb Wimberly Drive. Special guests are the Cactus Chords Barbershop Quartet. Also, LCAER members will create crafts. Cost of the luncheon is \$12.50 per person. All retired education personnel are welcome. For reservations or information, contact Gale Wiley at 522-2893 or Dick Schriver at 524-2809.

### Christmas play Los Pastores del Valle de Mesilla

Performances of Los Pastores will be at the Basilica of San Albino Church in Mesilla, 2280 Calle de Principal, Thursday, Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 12, at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free. For information, call 523-5345.

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### Free Alzheimer's presentation

"Conversations about Dementia" is the title of a free presentation offered by The Alzheimer's Association, New Mexico Chapter on Friday, Dec. 11th, noon-1 p.m., at the Alzheimer's Associa-

tion's Southwestern NM Regional Office, 125 N. Main St. This presentation is designed primarily as a general forum for non-professional or family caregivers seeking a basic knowledge of Alzheimer's disease and an overview of support resources that are available in their area. To register or for information, contact Maia Sideris-Dorame at 647-3868 or [msiderisdorame@alz.org](mailto:msiderisdorame@alz.org).

### Meeting to discuss statewide Silver Alert program

A meeting to discuss the Alzheimer's Association's Silver Alert program is set for Friday, Dec. 11 from noon-1 p.m. at 125 N. Main. This program, which was signed into law in July of 2013, is a notification method to inform citizens of a missing person 50 years or older. Similar to an Amber Alert, the Silver Alert focusses on a vulnerable segment of society: any person 50 years or older who has an irreversible deterioration of intellectual faculties. For more information, contact NMSP Public Information Officer at 505-827-3349 or email at [nmspio@state.nm.us](mailto:nmspio@state.nm.us).

### 'The Gifts of Christmas' at Calvary Baptist Church

Calvary Baptist Church presents Journey to Bethlehem "The Gifts of Christmas" Friday, Dec. 11 at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 12 at 2:30 and 6 p.m. Tickets are free and required for entrance. Tickets can be picked up at Calvary Baptist church, 1800 S. Locust St., between the hours of 9 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, visit [cbclasruces.org](http://cbclasruces.org) or call 522-7900.



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# Doña Ana County nonprofit receives grant

(Santa Fe) – Con Alma Health Foundation announced today it is awarding \$500,000 in grants to nonprofits, including the New Mexico State University Foundation and La Semilla Food Center in Doña Ana County, that improve New Mexicans' health. The state's only private foundation dedicated solely to health is providing four \$50,000 grants and more than two dozen small grants to communities across New Mexico.

La Semilla is using its grant to increase access to fresh, healthy food in underserved communities in Doña Ana County. "We will work to advocate for policy change to advance health equity through a Healthy Food

Financing Initiative, a viable and effective tool to reduce health disparities, improve community health, and create jobs in communities traditionally left out of traditional economic development activities," said Krysten Aguilar, La Semilla's food planning and policy advocacy specialist.

Grants support advocacy, education and care for populations that need extra support, including grandparents raising grandchildren, uninsured patients, caregivers, veterans and at-risk youth. Nonprofits receiving grants support people statewide and specifically in Bernalillo, Chaves, Cibola, Curry, DeBaca, Doña Ana, Lea, Harding, McKinley, Rio Arriba,

Roosevelt, San Juan, Sandoval, Santa Fe, Sierra, Valencia, and Torrance counties.

The New Mexico State University Foundation is using its grant to address health inequities in Doña Ana County by connecting college undergraduates with high school students to research public-health policy issues and advocate for changes that benefit their communities.

"We believe that through advocacy-based public health education, hands-on learning, and the integration of appropriate role models we can contribute to empowering youth in our communities," said Satya Rao, Ph.D., professor at New Mexico State University.

"They, in turn, can become powerful culturally competent agents of change - not merely in the immediate future but throughout their lifetime."

Con Alma's grants include \$150,000 to 13 nonprofits that serve people in Los Alamos, Rio Arriba and northern Santa Fe counties through a partnership between Con Alma and the Hospital Auxiliary for the Los Alamos Medical Center, called the Northern New Mexico Health Grants Group.

"We are excited to support nonprofits that are developing sustainable solutions to the challenges people face in New Mexico, especially in rural, underserved com-

munities," said Dolores E. Roybal, Con Alma's executive director. "Our grants further our goal of achieving health equity

in our state, in which everyone has an equal chance at being healthy regardless of income, ethnicity or zip code."



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For your convenience a self addressed return envelope is included with your tax bill to facilitate payment. Also you may pay in person at the Treasurers office at the above address.

You may pay online with a credit or debit card, or an electronic check at [www.donaanacounty.org/tax/](http://www.donaanacounty.org/tax/) or by phone at (866) 495-8925. There is a nominal fee for these services.

### ATTENTION MOBILE HOME OWNERS

If you own a mobile home and did not receive a tax bill, please contact the Treasurer's office. Mobile homes are taxed separately from your land. The first half is due by December 10, 2015.

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For property owners who may not live full time in Doña Ana County, the office has implemented a procedure by which any property owner can put an alternate mailing address on file. Once the December 10th deadline has passed, the staff will review the files and send a copy of the tax bill to the alternate address of any person with a delinquent account who has registered.

## Coming Up

### NMSU Board of Regents to meet

The New Mexico State University Board of Regents will hold a regular meeting at 9 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 11, in the Regents Room in the Educational Services Building on the university's Las Cruces campus.

A closed executive session will be held at 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, in the Barbara Hubbard Room in the Pan American Center on the Las Cruces campus to discuss personnel, real estate, water rights and threatened or pending litigation matters in accordance with sections 10-15-1 H (2), (7), and (8) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act.

Please contact the Office of the Board of Regents at 646-2227 for information.

### 2nd Annual "Chilly Dash and Splash"

The Parks & Recreation Department will conduct the 2nd annual "Chilly Dash and Splash" on Saturday, Dec. 12, at Frenger Pool, 800 Parkview Dr. The 5k run, 3.2 miles, around Frenger Park will begin at 9 a.m. followed by a polar plunge-style dive into the cold waters of Frenger Pool at 11 a.m.

Registration will be through Dec. 11 at the Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave., during normal operating hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Holiday hours may vary. Late entries will be taken from 7 to 8 a.m. the day of the event, Dec. 12, at Frenger Pool. First 50 entries receive a free event T-shirt the day

of the event.

Early registration fees: Run and Plunge, \$20. Run only, \$15. Plunge only, \$5. Late registration fees: Run and Plunge, \$25. Run only, \$20. Plunge only, \$10. For more information contact the Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center at 541-2782. The TTY number is 541-2771.

### Mesilla Valley Teen Singers present free Christmas concert

"Christmas, Here & Back Again" is the theme for this year's free holiday performance by the Mesilla Valley Teen Singers, Friday, Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. at University Presbyterian Church, 2010 Wisconsin. A free dessert reception follows the performance. The concert is a blend of holiday music accompanied by pianist Barbara Toth. The group is made up of more than 40 young vocalists from area high schools, as

well as home-schooled students. More information about the group is available at [mvteensingers.blogspot.com](http://mvteensingers.blogspot.com).

### Branigan Library to Celebrate "International Games Day"

Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. will join more than 1,000 libraries around the world on Saturday, Dec. 12, for the eighth annual celebration of gaming in libraries: International Games Day@ your library. The event, from 1 to 5 p.m. is suitable for the whole family. Games include Scrabble, Red November, Tsuro, Seven Dragons, Munchkin, Shadows over Camelot, Castle Panic, Red Dragon Inn and three new games: "Munchin Treasure Hunt", "Wonky" and "Reverse Charades." For information, call 528-4005 or email [library.reference@las-cruces.org](mailto:library.reference@las-cruces.org).

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Amador Avenue, east of Valley Drive, south of Hadley Avenue and west of the railroad tracks, played an important role in the early development of Las Cruces. It includes 50-plus acres that are home to historic cotton gins and warehouses and an old onion shed, alongside Brewer Oil, MacArthur Elementary School, Mesilla Valley Community of Hope, the Gospel Rescue Mission, Save Mart grocery store, several locally owned restaurants, High Desert Brewing Company, Branigan Park, Project in Motion and Las Cruces Fire Station No. 3, along with other retail businesses and residential areas.

The Amador Proximo blueprint was approved

by the city council in October after more than a year of planning and research and a five-day charrette in June that included significant public participation; although “thoughts of developing this area date back at least 20 years,” said commercial real estate broker and former Las Cruces city councilor Gil Jones.

The name Amador Proximo was arrived at collaboratively by city staff and the consulting firm Placemakers to guide the charrette. Placemakers, a planning and urban design company, has offices in Canada and the United States, including one in Albuquerque. Proximo is the Spanish word for “next.”

The blueprint would

make the neighborhood “more walkable and bikeable,” improve its “mix of commerce and housing” and “provide better connections between where people live and work,” city Community Development Department Director David Weir told Mayor Ken Miyagishima and city councilors when the blueprint was presented at an August 2015 council meeting.

Amador Proximo’s “historic connection to the city’s legacies of agriculture and industry gives it a special identity,” according to the blueprint. “And while its assets have been underutilized in the recent past, a variety of residences and businesses have located there, with others suggesting they’d consider relocating if the mix of opportunities was right. That makes the area ideal for testing the city’s strategies for encouraging more integrated approaches to redevelopment.”

The area has a “unique identity,” said former City Councilor Nathan Small, who championed the Amador Proximo blueprint process. His second term on the council ended in November, but Small continues to be an advocate for the neighborhood’s redevelopment.

There is “certainly a great deal of opportunity and relevance” for revitalization efforts, which must be pursued with “a grounding in the heart and heritage” of the area and an “eye toward more



This building is a cottonseed storage barn, and once was the site of a cottonseed mill. Cottonseed mills crush/process cottonseed for oil and in the process produce a range of byproducts (cottonseed meal, linter fiber, etc.), said Las Cruces real estate broker and former city councilor Gil Jones. The site is such a Las Cruces icon that it is part of the Amador Proximo logo.

value, more safety, more opportunity,” he said.

The “most exciting piece” of the blueprint process “is all the different people from different perspectives who are working together,” Small said. The “strengthening and invigorating” of Amador Proximo will be “based on the folks who live and work and/or want to live and work nearby,” he said.

City Downtown Planning and Development Coordinator Andy Hume said about 200 people from throughout the Amador Proximo area attended the charrette, including residents, business owners and officials from nonprofits in the neighborhood.

One of the great values of the charrette was that it allowed Amador Proximo redevelopment to be

discussed in “a positive environment,” Hume said. The blueprint was not designed to provide all the answers, but to present all the challenges and opportunities of redevelopment, he said.

Jones said 95 percent of stakeholders, including residents of the neighborhood, are aware of the planned development. He credited Small with getting city funding for the charrette and driving the blueprint process. “Nathan was essential,” Jones said. “It took Nathan’s leadership to bring it forward.”

“Public input (has been) a very important part of this process,” said Jerry Paz, vice president and Las Cruces branch manager of MolzenCorben, the Albuquerque-based engineering, architectural and plan-

ning firm hired by the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) for the Valley Drive project.

Renovation of more than 1.5 miles of north Valley Drive and less than a quarter-mile of Avenida de Mesilla will be one of the first steps of Amador Proximo redevelopment.

Because Valley Drive is a state road, NMDOT has committed \$11 million to the project, but could spend \$2.5 million more.

“If NMDOT pursues a project inclusive of oversized storm drain and proposed improvements for the Amador Proximo, the anticipated cost is approximately \$13.5 million,” said NMDOT Public Information/Compliance Officer Bridget Spedalieri. “Should

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NMDOT pursue a standard department project to not include Amador Proximo improvements and recommendations for City of Las Cruces drainage structures, the estimated cost is approximately \$11 million," she said.

If the drain system and improvements are included, Spedalieri said, NMDOT would enter into a road transfer agreement with the city, making the city "responsible for all maintenance, permitting and any future construction or improvement needs," she said.

"The project will include approximately 1.6 miles on Valley Drive (between Picacho Drive/US 70 and Avenida de Mesilla) and approximately 0.2 miles on Avenida de Mesilla from Hickory Drive to Valley Drive," Spedalieri said.

"Project scope will consist of full depth roadway reconstruction, storm drain system and curb and gutter, new street signals and lights, bike lane and ADA sidewalks," she said. "Existing signals will be replaced with new signal hardware." Paz said the new traffic lights will be synchronized.

"N.M. 188 (Valley Drive) is one of the key north-to-south corridors through the City of Las Cruces," according to [www.valley-drive.net](http://www.valley-drive.net). "As Las Cruces has urbanized over the past 20 years, Valley Drive has seen its importance to the community grow as well. This segment is part of the Historic U.S. Route 85, the primary route between El Paso on the south, extending north all the way to the Canadian border prior to the construction of the interstate system."

The Valley Drive project is currently in the study phase, Paz said. Next, it will move into the environmental compliance phase, with project

design expected to begin in early 2016.

"Our current completion date for design and bidding is scheduled for March of 2017 with an expected construction start date of late summer of 2017," Spedalieri said. "At this point, a 12- to 14-month construction time is estimated, but will be finalized as the design process progresses."

The construction phase could be extended "because the public has requested that we build it in pieces, segments, so the whole two miles isn't torn up all at once," Paz said. That was one of the recommendations that came out of the charrette and other public meetings, he said.

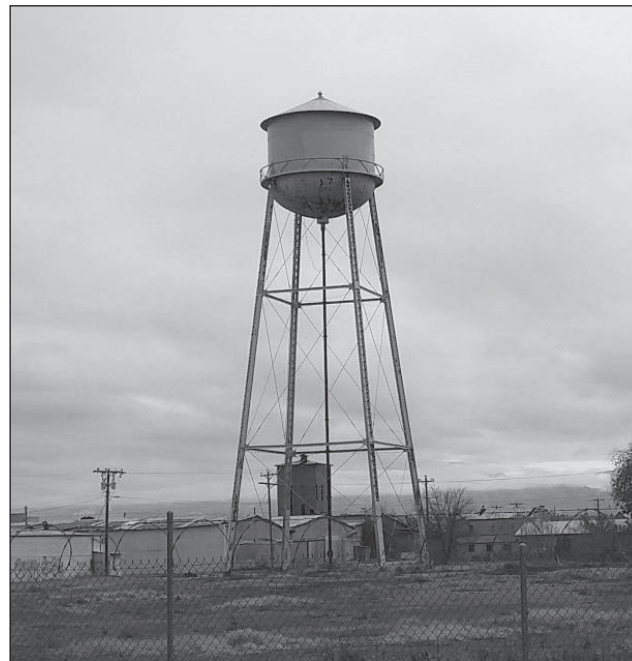
The reconstruction of Valley Drive has to be done "in a manner that is least harmful to existing businesses and to the flow of traffic," Small said. "Rehab is such a necessary part" of redevelopment, but the challenge is that the extreme inconvenience can be very harmful, especially to existing business. That's why careful planning and public input are so important to the process, he said: "Measure twice, cut once."

"From what I understand, it's going to be a big project, very well needed," said Jerry Silva, one of the co-owners of Save Mart grocery store, which is located at the corner of Valley Drive and Hadley Avenue and has been a fixture in the area for decades. "We just want to make sure it's done correctly so we don't have any problems with traffic," he said. Silva said he is especially glad the construction on Valley Drive will include an upgrade to the traffic light at Valley and Hadley that will include left turn signals, making that intersection safer for drivers.

Small described Valley



Save Mart grocery store at the corner of Valley Drive and Hadley Avenue, has been a fixture in that area for decades.



The iconic water tower as seen from Valley Drive. It is located on land owned by Calcot, Ltd., a cotton marketing cooperative founded in 1927.

Drive as a "major thruway for the entire county and city," and said it is the "catalyst piece ... to the area and the regional future."

Planting trees along the street will also be important because they will help to "calm traffic (and improve) the visual aspect as opposed to just a ribbon of asphalt," said Hume, who has worked extensively on the Amador Proximo project.

Valley Drive began as a farm road, he said, and "the city has grown up

around it." Reconstructing part of it will "interface with re-development," as Amador Proximo is converted "from its very heavy history of agriculture and ag production and processing to one of residence, retail, offices and those types of opportunities," Hume said.

Since the neighborhood is "a confluence of so many different things," Hume said, the challenge will be to determine "how does re-development of the area integrate and enhance

and be enhanced by?"

For example, he said, the water tower and cotton gins visible to the east from Valley Drive "are icons from our history; and at the same time, how do they fit into the redevelopment?"

Calcot, Ltd. owns about 31 acres in the Amador Proximo area, including the land containing the water tower and many of the unoccupied warehouses in the area, said Jones, who is an associate broker with NAI 1st Valley Realty. Calcot, which has offices in Bakersfield and Hanford, CA and Glendale, AZ, is a cotton marketing cooperative founded in 1927 and owned by cotton producers in California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas, according to [www.calcot.com](http://www.calcot.com).

"The cotton gins (one saw gin and one roller gin, now long removed from their buildings) are located between Hayner and Hadley, and on the corner of Compress and Hadley," said Jones. "Compress is actually singular. It was/is a press that repressed cotton bales when gins had much older pressing technology. Cotton has been important in the area at

least as far back as 1926," he said.

"The B.E. Harvey cotton gin was built in 1926 but burned to the ground in 1927," according to the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum's Research and Collections (see [www.nmfarm-dranchmuseum.org/oralhistory/detail.php?interview=64](http://www.nmfarm-dranchmuseum.org/oralhistory/detail.php?interview=64)). "It was rebuilt in 1928 and has remained at the original location along the railroad tracks in Las Cruces."

Members of the Salopek family own the land with the tall, peaked warehouse just east of the Gospel Rescue Mission on Amador Avenue, Jones said. That warehouse is such a Las Cruces icon, it is part of the Amador Proximo masthead created during the charrette to help brand the project.

"Assets wear out," Jones said. But, because of the charrette and the blueprint, the city "has a plan" for redevelopment. Research by city staff has already produced "justifiable and recommendable" results, he said; but, the challenge is still enormous. "Redeveloping is very, very expensive. We

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# GivingTuesday fundraiser a success

With hours still to go in its first-ever 24-hour marathon GivingTuesday fundraising event, early estimates indicate New Mexico State University brought in more than \$3.5 million in new scholarship funding Dec. 1. More than 900 donors contributed online or in-person gifts.

“This has already been a tremendous success, and we’re still counting gifts coming in all evening,” said NMSU Chancellor Garrey Carruthers. “I’m extremely proud, not only of the additional money to support deserving students throughout the NMSU system, but even more so of the level of participation we’ve seen today. NMSU truly is a caring community, and the waves of donors coming in to show their support are further evidence of that.”

Online and in-person giving totals had reached \$426,553 on Tuesday afternoon when Carruthers surprised guests at the GivingTuesday headquarters at Corbett Center’s Aggie Lounge with the announcement of gifts from members of the NMSU Foundation Board of Directors totaling an additional \$881,950. Preliminary estimates of all GivingTuesday gifts, plus matching funds from the bequest of an anonymous alumnus and additional funding from the alumni license plate program, indicate the university will add more than \$3.5 million to its scholarship funds system-wide.

“Every single one of our Board of Regents and Foundation Board members and regents participated in this Giving



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Dr. Carl Eichstaedt, retired professor of kinesiology who taught at NMSU, UTEP and Illinois State University during his career, donates to the Dr. Donna R. Eichstaedt Memorial Endowed Dance Scholarship at the GivingTuesday event held on campus Dec. 1. Helping the process are Fiscal Assistant Patsy Wallace (center) and NMSU Alumni student worker Ari Larkin (right).

ing Tuesday event,” Carruthers said. “That 100 percent participation is something we as a university can be very proud of.”

Carruthers made gifts of his own, contributing to several scholarships and making good on his own matching challenge – Carruthers and his wife, Kathy, will add \$5 for each NMSU employee who set up a

new gift through payroll deduction, a total that continued to grow all afternoon.

Many other campus leaders jumped in as GivingTuesday drew closer to add their own matching challenges, pledging dollar amounts for each employee in their department or student in their program. Enthusiasm for the initiative came from across all of NMSU’s com-

munity college campuses, as well.

Andrea Tawney, NMSU interim vice president for university advancement, joined Carruthers in praising their community of donors for their commitment, and noted that every gift, large or small, has an impact on students. Tawney said the success of the campaign is due to the work of the universi-

ty advancement team, which planned the event for several months.

“That’s what this is all about – our students,” Tawney said. “We had our community, our Foundation board, our regents, our alumni, our advancement team, our faculty and staff, and our students really step up

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need more economic viability in Las Cruces to drive development," Jones said.

"It's absolutely essential that we continue our efforts to revitalize the core of our city," he said. And, although it may be a while before private developers are willing to invest in Amador Proximo redevelopment, "over time it will be success-

ful," Jones said.

Renovation plans for Amador Proximo are "going to be very valuable for the community," Silva said.

Within the next decade or so, Small said he hopes to see "a good deal of development" in Amador Proximo, so that residents can "get to work, school, health care efficiently

and safely," enjoy "good roads with good sidewalks, parkways and green space," and live in an area that is friendly to vehicles, pedestrians and bicyclists and has grocery stores, restaurants, medical services, recreation and entertainment.

The charrette recommended a number of major changes to the neighborhood, including "creating a system of



Project in Motion, a Las Cruces nonprofit dance company founded in 1999, has converted an old warehouse space on Compress Road into a performance space.

parks, trails and playgrounds to tie the neighborhood together, to nurture healthy, active life-

styles for kids and adults, and to deal with storm water challenges," according to the blueprint.

It also said "Hadley, Hayner, and eventually Compress must have streetscape improvements to incentivize new development. These should be city investments to leverage the potential employment base of the neighborhood. As development intensifies, landowners and developer groups will be respon-

sible for the additional streets required to achieve the development capacity of the neighborhood."

The blueprint suggested that "funding for public projects may be identified through the formation of a Tax Increment Development District, the Capital Improvement Program or general obligation bonds."

For more information, visit [www.amadorproximo.org](http://www.amadorproximo.org) and [www.valleydrive.net](http://www.valleydrive.net).

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# Shrimp Company makes waves at Fish 2.0 competition

A New Mexico sustainable seafood company receiving support from Arrowhead Center at New Mexico State University made plenty of waves during the Fish 2.0 competition at Stanford University last month.

New Mexico Shrimp Company, which is co-owned by Tracey Carrillo, assistant director of New Mexico State University campus farm operations, didn't win a cash prize from the competition, but Carrillo's pitch garnered the attention of more than 20 investors at the event. One investor is interested in building a new facility. Plans are already underway to build four additional facilities, targeting high tourism areas such as Santa Fe, Scottsdale, Den-

ver and Austin.

"My 90-second pitch was perfect and drew the attraction of several investors and businesses," Carrillo said. "While we did not place first we were able to make so many contacts and network with some key companies that will ultimately help mold and shape New Mexico Shrimp Co."

New Mexico Shrimp Company was launched out of the Arrowhead Technology Incubator at Arrowhead Center. The company was one of 18 finalists to give a five-minute pitch to investors at Fish 2.0, and was named a runner-up in the post-revenue early state category. The competition put 37 seafood companies, including some from as far away as Chile and England,

in front of investors and spanned almost a year, beginning in January with pitch preparation and moving through five phases prior to the final competition.

Dale Spencer, an enterprise adviser at Arrowhead who attended the competition with Carrillo, said he was "favorably impressed with the competition itself," noting the hundreds

of people and numerous investment opportunities present.

Carrillo and Spencer are now gearing up for the company's first commercial shrimp harvest, set to occur in late December. The company has received so much interest from local restaurants and residents that Spencer expects the harvest to sell out quickly.



Arrowhead enterprise adviser Dale Spencer, left, and New Mexico Shrimp Co. co-owner Tracey Carrillo attended the Fish 2.0 competition at Stanford University last week.

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# Elementary students get the skinny on pumpkins

## Bulletin report

Mesquite Elementary School teachers and students are taking advantage of the local environmental park to develop life skills while having fun.

Larry Sedillo, who teaches reading intervention K-2 in English and Spanish at Mesquite Elementary is the sponsor of the Mesquite Environmental Club at the school.

"We have this club that teaches leadership, taking care of our environment, using the Mesquite Environmental Park to help our students to develop their skills in observation and practi-

cal applications for reading, writing and math for their advancement in their success in their lives," Sedillo explained.

Just before Thanksgiving, the club discussed types of pumpkins and observed the interior, exterior and contents of a pumpkin and learned about the many uses of the versatile gourd.

Parents assisted their children during the event. This spring, the students will be planting seeds from the various pumpkin varieties that were given to the club from the La Union Maze in the Mesquite Environmental Park.



A Mesquite Elementary student shows off a variety of pumpkins grown as a project of the school's Environmental Club.

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today. We've been saying all along that one day can make a difference, but this really surpassed our expectations."

A final total for the GivingTuesday event won't be available for several days, Tawney said, because gifts are still coming in from alumni and friends of the university across the country and the globe.

Aaron Villalobos, who earned his bachelor's degree in journalism and mass communication in 2006, made a gift online from Atlanta, Georgia, where he works in sports marketing and design.

"My experience at NMSU would not have been possible without the assistance of scholarships," Villalobos said in an email.

"As a young alum, I'm excited to participate in NMSU's GivingTuesday, knowing that my contribution will have the potential to afford a stu-

dent the same education and opportunities that gave me the foundation for my career. It's a good feeling knowing that I get to pay the Aggie experience forward on GivingTuesday."

In addition to making gifts supporting existing scholarships, donors established more than 50 new scholarships on GivingTuesday.

"The dollar-for-dollar match we offered through our license plate funds – and one very generous Aggie legend whom we recently lost – made it possible for many of our faculty, staff and other donors to establish new endowed scholarships to honor their loved ones or celebrate a person who had an impact on them," Tawney said. "They're leaving a legacy that will create opportunities for more students to pursue their educational goals."

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# NMSU celebrates Human Rights Day with free screening of 'The Trials of Spring'

In honor of International Human Rights Day, the New Mexico State University Department of Interdisciplinary Studies in the College of Arts and Sciences will host a free screening of "The Trials of Spring" from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10, in Domenici Hall Room 109.

The film will conclude with a moderated discussion by Hend Nafea, the subject of the film; Gini Reticker, the film's director; and Manal Hamzeh, associate professor of interdisciplinary studies in the Women's Studies Program.

"The Trials of Spring" is a documentary on the

Jan. 25, 2011, revolution in Cairo.

The film follows the story of a young Egyptian woman, Hend Nafea, who travels from her village to join millions of Egyptians in demanding the end of a 60-year neo-colonial military dictatorship.

"Hend's unyielding

spirit is a testament to a universal fight for human rights and freedom," Hamzeh said. "This is an event that speaks to many on the NMSU campus."

The film screening and talk will stimulate discussion around a number of themes, including peace-building, social

change, gender justice, rebellion, revolution, resistance, militarism, securitization, religious extremisms, heteronormativity and more.

The Women's Studies Program, within the interdisciplinary studies department, is screening the film in celebration of the 15th anniversary of

United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325, which recognizes women's critical role in peace-building.

A trailer for the film can be viewed at [www.trialsofspring.com/about](http://www.trialsofpring.com/about).

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All ages welcome. Free. It will be about an hour in length so perhaps people would like to take a break from the rush of last minute Christmas preparations to come join in the singing of carols reflecting the reason for the season. There will be hot cider and biscochitos available. For information, call 523-5229.

### Luminarias, music on the Plaza in Mesilla Christmas Eve

The Town of Mesilla will host the annual Luminar-

ias and Christmas Carols on the Plaza Thursday, Dec. 24. The Don Walker Family will lead in singing Christmas carols from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The Town of Mesilla, the Lions Club of Mesilla and the Las Cruces High School Baseball team, in partnership with the Las Cruces High School Band will light luminarias in the plaza and around town beginning at dusk. Anyone interested in helping light the luminarias should call the Town of Mesilla at 524-3262 ext. 116. Several thousand luminarias will be displayed. As part of the Christmas Eve event on the plaza, the Mesilla Fire Department will hold a special candlelight vigil.

**Dec. 25-31**

### Birding ID tour Saturday, Dec. 26 at Leasburg State Park

The monthly bird ID

tour at Leasburg State Park is set for Saturday, Dec. 26.

Meet Volunteer Birding Guide CJ Goin at South Day Use Area for a walking tour along the banks of the Rio Grande. You might observe a Belted Kingfisher, Osprey, American Flicker, Killdeer, Phainopepla, American Pipit, Spotted Sandpiper or Pyrrhuloxia. Dress warmly with appropriate footwear. Easy to moderate walk along mostly level ground. Fees: regular entrance fee. Contact Alex Mares at 524-4068.

### Spring 2016 After-School Program Registration

The City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department is accepting payments from current After School Program participants enrolled in the 2016 spring session.

Payment may be made at the Parks & Recreation office at 1501 E. Hadley Ave., through Jan. 8, 2016. Unpaid slots will become available at a later date or as enrollment capacity allows. The following schools participate in the After School Program: Alameda Elementary, Cesar Chavez/Sunrise Elementary, Fairacres Elementary, Hermosa Heights Elementary, Highland Elementary, Mesilla Park Elementary, Monte Vista Elementary and Valley View Elementary.

The program is open for children K through 5th grade. Cost per child is \$360. Payment may also be made in four monthly installments of \$90 due the 7th of each month. Initial payment is due at registration. Payments may be made at the following locations: Parks & Recreation Department office, 1501 E. Hadley Ave., Meerscheidt Recreation Center, 1600 E. Had-

ley Ave., Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave. and Frank O'Brien Papen Community Center, 304 Bell Ave., during regular business hours. A 10% discount will be offered if paid in full before Jan. 8, 2016. Acceptable payments include cash, check, money orders, and major credit cards (VISA, Discover or MasterCard). For information call the Parks & Recreation Department at 541-2550.

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### First Day Hike at Leasburg State Park

Join a park ranger on a moderate walking tour of the Mogollon trail and visit geothermal springs along the riverbed at Leasburg Dam on Friday, Jan. 1, 2016. Tours start at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Located 15 miles north of Las Cruces, exit 19 at Radium

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### Free Course in Spanish for Alzheimer's Families & Caregivers

"Cuidando con Respeto" is a free course presented in Spanish for caregivers of people with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. It provides much of the same helpful information as the popular "Savvy Caregiver" Program. It will be presented as a two day course in two, 4-hour sessions. The following options are available: Tuesday, Jan. 12 and 19, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. or Thursday, Jan. 14 and 21, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. All classes will be held at the Southern Area Health Education Center, 4003 Geothermal Dr. To register or for more information, please contact Alma Gross, 646-3061 or [algross@nmsu.edu](mailto:algross@nmsu.edu).



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# NMSU's annual 'Noche de Luminarias' brightens campus for the 31st year

More than 7,100 luminarias will illuminate the campus of New Mexico State University from 6 to 9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, during the 31st annual "Noche de Luminarias."

One of the largest luminaria displays in New Mexico, the candle-lit paper bags will begin at

the Educational Services Building, follow along the International Mall, surround Corbett Center Student Union, extend down to Barnes and Noble and continue to the University Museum. The event is free and open to the public.

Visitors can enjoy trol-

ley rides provided by Frontier Adventures along the luminaria route, and free refreshments inside Corbett Center. Activities and entertainment will be held at various locations inside Corbett Center, including an indoor ice skating rink.

"Noche de Luminarias"

or "Night of Lights" is a university tradition that began in 1984 as the President's Holiday Reception. It is a way for the university and community to kick off the holiday season with an evening of festivities and entertainment.

Morgan Busch, student program coordinator,

said she is very excited for Noche de Luminarias and encourages more NMSU students to experience the holiday tradition.

"It is my second time working with the event, and I am eager to see more college students join us," Busch said.

"Noche de Luminarias"

is sponsored by NMSU Campus Activities, ASNMSU, Aggies Activities Council, Auxiliary Services, Barnes & Noble at NMSU and the University Museum. The Las Cruces High School band will set up the display.

For more information, call Campus activities at 646-3200



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Luminarias line a sidewalk at the Noche de Luminarias event in 2014 on the New Mexico State University campus. NMSU will host this year's event from 6-9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6.



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## In The News

### Detectives search for missing teen

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in locating a missing Las Cruces teen. According to a report, Anika Samario, 15, was last seen on Thanksgiving Day. She is described as five feet tall, weighing approximately 110 pounds, with brown eyes and a light complexion. She has red hair with black highlights and also has a piercing on her right cheekbone below her eye. Anyone with information about Samario's whereabouts is encouraged to call the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department at 525-1911 or the Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority at 526-0795.

### Las Cruces nurse wins community service award

Tara M. Lucero, a staff nurse at Memorial Medical Center Cancer Center in Las Cruces, received the Excellence in Community Service Award at the 2015 New Mexico Nursing Excellence Awards.

Lucero first began working with the community when her older brother

was diagnosed with an autoimmune disease at the age of 17 and needed a life-saving liver transplant.

Because the family's insurance did not cover transplants, she began two years of fundraising and immersed herself in the community as well as healthcare. She was ultimately successful in helping her brother receive not one, but two liver transplants and decided to become a nurse.

While attending nursing school as a single mother, Lucero too was diagnosed with an autoimmune disease but continued to care for her brother. She dedicated herself to becoming the best nurse, community volunteer and educator she could be, participating in the Southern New Mexico Cancer Coalition and specializing in oncology nursing.

Tragically, Lucero lost all four grandparents over the next 20 years to pancreatic, breast, colon and lung cancer. Throughout this time, she continued to advocate for prevention and early detection through regular cancer tests, screenings and living a healthy lifestyle.

When her son was diagnosed with autism, she added advocacy for this condition to her passion for education and advocacy about cancer, serving as a guest speaker and participating in radio interviews as well as dis-

cussing autism and cancer at health fairs, support groups and community events.

As her nursing career progressed, Lucero reached out to the Las Cruces Hispanic Chamber of Commerce to create a health committee that ensured businesses throughout Doña Ana County would receive information to share with their employees. She also started a relationship with the Southern New Mexico Promotoras in order to provide information on women's health so they could educate their patients.

Lucero earned a bachelor of science degree in nursing from New Mexico State University in 2008 and is currently completing coursework to earn a Master of Public Health degree from NMSU.

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### Borderlands Media launches short film contest

In an ongoing effort to find new and innovative ways to package and distribute short films, Borderlands Media is in pre-production on a new series of anthology movies, to begin shooting in early 2016. Tentatively titled "Night Shades," the series will follow a formula that has been around since the early days of cinema (and was turned into an art form by the late, great Rod Serling): The introduction of each film, by a recognizable host, as part of a greater themed whole.

To kick this project off, Borderlands Media will hold a contest for filmmakers in New Mexico and West Texas on the subject theme, "the sins of man." The contest runs through December and January with a submission deadline of January 31, 2016. A \$5000 cash prize will be awarded to the winner. Top submissions, including the grand prize, will be considered for distribution via the anthology model. To find out more and to view submission guidelines and contest rules, visit the Borderlands Media website at [www.BorderlandsMedia.com](http://www.BorderlandsMedia.com).

### Insights Science Center, Fab Lab awarded El Paso Electric grants

Insights El Paso Science Center and the Fab Lab El

Paso are pleased to announce that efforts from their innovative partnership are paying off. The El Paso Electric Company has selected to award these two organizations a grant to kick off a series of Maker Fairs at the museum. With this award, the public will now have access to a total of three maker-themed events held at Insights and Fab Lab in the coming months.

Two of these events will be geared to the general public, who can explore applications of cutting-edge technologies like 3D printing, coding, tech toys, and other maker-movement activities simply by visiting the museum on the 'Maker Movement Takeover' weekends. Visitors may find themselves creating their own home decorations, orchestrating funny chain reactions, or discovering new learning toys to add to their wish list.

The Maker Fair Weekends, sponsored by El Paso Electric Company, will foster an atmosphere of growth, creativity, and endless opportunity. Insights will be releasing further details through their website, [www.insightselpaso.org](http://www.insightselpaso.org), FaceBook (InsightsElPaso), and through event listings in local papers.

### NMSU's Arrowhead Center welcomes first Innovator in Residence

Scott Maloney, CEO and co-founder of the Albu-

querque-based software company BowTie, has joined New Mexico State University's Arrowhead Center as its first Innovator in Residence. He will mentor NMSU students and faculty in both commercialization of innovation and developing ideas and projects that address a market need in innovative and creative ways. He will provide NMSU students and faculty with face-to-face experience with a successful innovator, objective feedback regarding their business idea and possible plans of action, valuable guidance on how to start their own company, professional network opportunities and the chance to develop new research ideas from real life areas of opportunity, said Kathryn Hansen, director and CEO of Arrowhead Center.

Hansen said another objective is for Maloney to provide Arrowhead with recommendations on ways to strengthen the local innovation ecosystem and to grow Arrowhead's contacts and connections to innovation resources.

Maloney said his new role with Arrowhead and NMSU "allows me the privilege of mentoring new entrepreneurs in their network and providing strategic planning to ensure Arrowhead's dominance as a startup factory for years to come. I am humbled and excited to work closely with Arrowhead as they drive innovation in New Mexico and the country, and as they make positive changes in the lives of entrepreneurs."



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Barbara Schneider accepts congratulations following the ribbon cutting.



Scott Schneider describes the work of the Salvation Army providing services to the Las Cruces community.



While volunteers on the periphery pack canned foods into the dinner boxes, others break down previously emptied cartons as members of the Las Cruces Home Builders Association, assisted by volunteers from the community, assemble 420 Thanksgiving dinner boxes for local families in need.

## Home Builders share Thanksgiving bounty

### Bulletin report

Unloading the food truck from Albertson's began at 8 a.m.

Slinging sacks of potatoes over their shoulders, a line of 50 volunteers hurried from the tightly packed truck into the Las Cruces Home Builders Association building at 2825 N. Main St.

Inside, the workers plopped down their potato sacks at one of the work stations lining the meeting room. At other stations were tables



Hale Huber of Sun Tech helps unload the truck.

piled high with canned vegetables, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce,

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Conquistadores from the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce organize themselves at the Las Cruces Salvation Army Thursday, celebrating the organization joining the chamber.

## Salvation Army joins Chamber of Commerce

By **Alta LeCompte**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The Salvation Army becomes visible each December when its bell ringers solicit contributions from holiday shoppers.

Much less visible is the work the organization does throughout the community, all through the year. Distributing food to the hungry, providing programming for teens and senior citizens and helping young families become self sufficient are just a few of the activities carried out by a staff of three and an army of volunteers.

The Salvation Army, in fact, delivers some \$425,000 worth of in-kind and financial services to Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, said Maj. Scott Schneider, corps officer



Barbara and Scott Schneider pose with their best-known volunteer.

### VOLUNTEER

To volunteer as a bell-ringer raising funds for the local Salvation Army, call 524-4713 or visit <https://volunteer>.

at the Family Services center and pastor for the Christian Fellowship.

The headquarters at 1590 California Ave. marked a milestone

Monday, Nov. 23, when it celebrated a ribbon cutting with the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce.

### Learning from the community

"Partnerships are key to success," Schneider said. "There's nothing Scott can do by himself. If there's a need in the community, people in the community want to share that vision."

Schneider and his wife, Maj. Barbara Schneider, also a corps officer and pastor, took over the Las Cruces operation three years ago after many years serving in The Salvation Army in the U.S. and abroad.

At first they connected with the

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# New regulations would tie policymakers' hands

Those wascally wabits in Congress are up to their ol' twicks!

The House is considering the Fed Modernization and Reform Act that would force the Federal Reserve to adopt a mathematical formula to determine interest rates.

This is an old debate in monetary theory – whether to follow set rules or allow policy makers discretion. Its earliest manifestation was the debate over whether to adhere to the Gold Standard. Later, Milton Friedman proposed that the money growth be set equal to 3 percent, a rate that he claimed could eliminate inflation yet allow steady economic growth.

The specific rule currently under consideration by Congress is the Taylor Rule, named

**Chris Erickson**  
*State of the Economy*



after Stanford professor John B. Taylor, who originally proposed it in 1993. This rule would require the Fed to set interest rates based on deviation from targets for economic growth and inflation. If growth slows, then the interest rate is raised; if inflation accelerates, then the interest rate is lowered. The exact tradeoff between the two goals is determined by the Taylor Rule formula.

The Taylor Rule was given credibility by Janet Yellen when she was vice chair of the Fed and stated that the Fed was following a modified version. But there is a world of difference between the Fed

voluntarily following the Taylor Rule during a specific period of time and a congressional mandate to follow the Taylor Rule for all time and in every circumstance.

Rules do have some advantages. If nothing else, they constrain the actions of the unelected technocrats who run the Federal Reserve. No one voted for Fed Chair Yellen, so why should she and her minions be allowed unfettered control of money supply? Shouldn't the Congress be the body setting monetary policy, doing so by imposing the Taylor Rule?

On the other hand, the wrong rule could mean

disaster. Take the Gold Standard. Much loved by old-line conservatives, it required each nation to maintain a price of their currency in terms of gold. This prevented individual governments from engaging in inflationary policies.

Sounds good, but during the Great Depression, the countries that first left the Gold Standard were the countries that recovered the quickest.

It seems that what was needed was a flexible money supply, not a fixed price of gold.

Then there is Friedman's 3 percent rule. It assumes a fixed relationship between money and nominal GDP, but that relationship has been anything but stable. Indeed, the relationship has become so unstable that no one takes

Friedman's rule seriously any more.

This despite the fact that the 3 percent rule was very popular in the 1970s and 1980s. How wrong we were back then.

The Taylor Rule is more complicated than Friedman's 3 percent rule or the Gold Standard. It recognizes that the Fed has competing goals, yet it still isn't subtle enough to deal with every situation. Moreover, even if a rule could be developed, if the rule weren't correctly calibrated, the result could be disaster. Set the GDP growth target too high, say at 4 percent as proposed by Jeb Bush, the result could be ever accelerating inflation.

In actuality, the Fed does follow the Taylor Rule in that it balances various goals, but not in

a slavish way. Rather the Fed adjusts to circumstances. The Taylor Rule, for example, isn't relevant to the zero interest rates since the 2008 financial crisis.

As things stand now, each member of the policy setting Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) determines their vote based on what each thinks is best for the country.

And each FOMC member likely has a different trade off, depending their own preference between growth and inflation.

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## Cross-promotion can help compatible businesses build client base

Sharing customers seems incompatible with a competitive marketplace, but examples of such cross-promotion are everywhere: the bank or coffee shop that occupies its own niche inside a supermarket, for example, or the fast-food chain that promotes a blockbuster movie with theme-related food offerings.

But the large corporations that take advantage of these strategic arrangements don't have a franchise on cross-pollination.

In fact, many small businesses have found that collaborating with a compatible business or businesses can be mutually beneficial: It can help all parties expand their outreach into new sales channels and build a client base while saving marketing costs.

Such networks can be especially critical to a startup that hasn't developed a stable



clientele.

### Picking a good partner

A well-planned cross-pollination partnership can increase revenue – and profitability – for all participating businesses. But picking the wrong partner can have the opposite effect, which is why businesses should be selective about potential cross-pollinators.

Most entrepreneurs engaged in such alliances look for a business that's offering a related product or service but not one that presents a direct conflict with their own interests. For example, the electrician who recommends a plumber isn't competing against herself; she's helping a colleague in a related trade with hopes of rec-

iprocity. The same goes for the event planner who recommends specific florists and musicians and venues.

The relationship can be as informal as an oral agreement to refer customers to one another's businesses or a bundled offering from compatible service providers. Or it can be a formal partnership, in which business owners hold each other to specific promotional promises. In this case, a letter of intent clarifies expectations and objectives. More specific and binding agreements might be required if the collaboration evolves into a true joint venture.

Cross-promotional ideas include:

**Referral programs:** With a cross-promotional referral program, companies reward their customers with special discount codes or coupons when they buy products from

partner businesses. Some reward cooperating businesses as well with referral fees or complimentary services.

**Co-branded initiatives:** A partnership can promote multiple products or services in one commercial advertisement at a fraction of the cost of going it alone. Or the businesses can host a contest featuring prizes from each partner.

**Social media mentions:** Businesses can post positive comments or guest content on each other's social media platforms or websites, and they can include links to their own sites.

**In-store displays:** A home-improvement store might agree to let an interior decorator or contractor place brochures inside the store in exchange for an agreement to purchase a specific amount of materials from the store.

Businesses that share mall space can profit from that proximity by promoting neighboring businesses that return the favor.

**Sharing space:** Partner businesses can make temporary or long-term space-sharing arrangements that benefit all parties. They can share a booth at a trade show, or a larger business can rent space to a smaller partner so the smaller business can be more visible to potential customers.

Whatever the arrangement, the relationships have to be mutually enriching to be sustainable.

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# Volunteers give the gift of time

The Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico (CFSNM) is fortunate to have a robust group of dedicated volunteers.

These volunteers play an important role in the organization's success. Whether they are planning events, raising money, awarding scholarships, or building partnerships with local businesses, these individuals are making a difference in the communities of southern New Mexico.

Committed volunteers not only help ensure the CFSNM is successful and thriving but they serve as ambassadors in the community. Their enthusiasm for the work the CFSNM does and excitement about the lives that are changed is contagious.

These volunteers dedi-



cate numerous hours to events, activities and causes –and the CFSNM is incredibly thankful for the devotion its volunteers display. “We couldn’t be more grateful for our volunteers and their hard work,” said Jennifer Cervantes, CFSNM executive director. “They inspire us every day.”

Volunteers are special because despite how much they may give to their committee work, they expect nothing in return. They simply want to make sure the community is a better place than it was the day

before.

Gifts play an important role for the CFSNM, and gifts come in a variety of forms. When speaking of volunteers, it is important to note that one form of giving that the CFSNM is especially grateful for is the gift of time.

While financial contributions are vital to the CFSNM, time is priceless.

Because the CFSNM exists to help people give back in ways that are meaningful to them and in ways that strengthen our immediate and surrounding communities, the CFSNM is happy to provide opportunities for volunteers that allow them to find important roles and make a difference right in their own backyard.

Donna Tate, CFSNM

past board member, donor and volunteer said: “My belief is that giving begins in the community and we need a source that will facilitate our philanthropic efforts.”

The Community Foundation is that source.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or learning more about how you can make a difference in the lives of others living in southern New Mexico, contact Courtney Merhege at [courtney@cfsnm.org](mailto:courtney@cfsnm.org).

*The CFSNM is a charitable resource linking donors with community needs. Interested donors are encouraged to call the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico at 521-4794 or visit [www.cfsnm.org](http://www.cfsnm.org) to contribute to programs and organizations serving our community.*

## Succession planning should begin well before owner exits

Many small-business owners fantasize about what they'll do when they retire, but most are too preoccupied with day-to-day survival to devote the same attention to what will become of the business once they're gone.

Some expect to sell their business or take it public; others assume it'll stay in the family if an heir or relative shows interest and aptitude.

To protect their interests, small-business owners need an exit strategy that includes a well-conceived succession plan that also accounts for unexpected events, such as disability, financial collapse or death.

Investing in a retirement plan and purchasing life and disability insurance can protect against the unpredictable; a succession plan, on the other hand, allows the business to set its course with fresh leadership and specific goals.

Large corporations typically hire consultants to help them navigate leadership transitions. Their suggestions apply just as well to the owners of small businesses.

Involve all interested parties: Depending on the business structure, stakeholders might include a board of directors, partners or family members. The business owner should invite all to participate in developing a



profile of the ideal successor — specifically the skills, personal qualities and experience he or she should have. What emerges is an objective blueprint that can be used to evaluate potential candidates.

Look inside first: The best future leader of the company might already be drawing a paycheck there or occupy a top-tier position with lots of responsibility. All potential talent should be measured against the consensus profile, and the owner should identify those who could lead right away if necessary and those who need grooming to be ready for leadership. The owner might begin mentoring a top candidate and test how he or she performs critical duties and responds to real-world challenges. Doing so allows the owner to decide early whether the company needs to conduct an external search.

On-the-job training: No matter where the company finds its next generation of leadership, the new boss needs time to adjust to the role. For a small company, this could involve shadowing the outgoing owner for a specific period, but a larger com-

pany might create a team to coach the new leader. A newcomer needs time to make — and recover from — mistakes and misjudgments before the safety net disappears.

All in the family: A son, daughter or other relative might lack the knowledge and commitment to sustain or grow a family-owned company once the original owner retires, which is why family members need to be judged by the same yardstick a business would use with any other potential candidate.

If the former owner expects the business to be a source of retirement income, the new owner needs the drive and passion to keep it profitable.

For this reason, many businesses hire an outside consultant to ensure that succession decisions aren't based on emotional attachments and relationship entanglements.

Whether the business handles succession in-house or hires a pro, the results are better when all stakeholders are engaged in envisioning and shaping the business's future.

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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Andre assumes presidency of Francis Aviation

Francis Aviation has announced Scott Andre as president.

Andre oversees the daily operations of fixed-base operations (FBOs) at Santa Teresa International Jet Port and Las Cruces International Airport, as well as the recently relaunched charter operation at Francis Aviation in Santa Teresa.

With more than 30 years of experience in aviation, Andre started in the United States Air Force in 1984 and retired in 2004 as the Chief of Flight and Explosives Safety for Hick-

am Air Force Base Hawaii. He has worked for Raytheon Aircraft Services at Houston's Hobby Airport, Houston Executive Airport and Cutter Aviation.

Andre is a graduate of Wayland Baptist University and attended Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. He is a Certified Safety and Health Official and is a member of the American Society of Safety Engineers. Andre serves as vice chair of the National Air Transport Association's (NATA) Safety Committee and also holds memberships at the NATA Presidents Counsel and on the National Business Aviation Association's Safety Committee.

## Save the Date

**FRI 12/11**

**Las Cruces Home Builders Association installation banquet,** New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum. Cost \$40. Reservations by Wednesday, Dec. 9. RSVP to Nicole Black at 526-6126 or [membership@lchba.com](mailto:membership@lchba.com).

**FRI 1/22**

**6-9 p.m. Chamber Choice Awards & Gala,** Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. For more information, call the

Chamber at 524-1968.

**FRI 1/30 – MON 2/1**  
**Las Cruces Day Santa Fe, Eldorado Hotel & Spa,** 309 W. San Francisco, Santa Fe. Annual event to focus on the legislative issues of Las Cruces and Southern New Mexico. Hosted by the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce and the Council of the Conquistadores. *Early bird registration ends Jan. 8.*

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Volunteers file out of the Las Cruces Home Builders Association building to unload a truck of food for Thanksgiving boxes.



Chairwoman Sylvia Lauer and Janet Baker, former officer and Home Builders member since 1985



Valentina Mayz unpacks canned corn.

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pies and toppings, butter and milk, foil pans for turkey roasting and last to arrive, but certainly not least - turkeys.

After unloading, the volunteers took their stations at the tables. Forming an assembly line, they packed 420 boxes with all the fixings for a family Thanksgiving feast.

Volunteers included a number of builders and realtors as well as a church group, retirees and two students from Mayfield High School.

Sylvia Lauer, vice president of Doña Ana Title, gave the instructions that kept the operation on schedule.

By 10:30 a.m., trucks had delivered all the meals to five elementary schools: Booker T. Washington, Doña Ana, Mac Arthur, Sunrise and Berino.

Another busy day had come to an end for Lauer, who has chaired the annual project for 20 years along with sidekick Janet Baker, now retired from First American Bank.

"It was a record time for us," Lauer said. "Everything

was on track."

She said the organization exceeded its goal of packing 400 boxes.

Asked what keeps her coming back year after year, Lauer said: "It gives me great satisfaction to see the end result - how our organization and our sponsors and volunteers come together."

Lauer's year started in spring with the Home Builders Association's annual golf tournament to raise funds for the organizations service projects. From May on, they raised funds every month at the membership lunches. "The month before the event, we start contacting sponsors and volunteers," she said.

Because the event has grown over the years, trucks donated by Foxworth Galbraith, American Document Services and McGinley Construction have been added to assist the one from L & G Construction.

"The community just comes together," Lauer said.



Steve Chavira, executive director of the Las Cruces Home Builders, photographs the assembly line.



Ralph Salas of Salas Homes and Karen Altamirano of Steinborn & Associates unpack the potato bags.

## JOIN

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community through networking informally.

Scott Schneider said he got involved with the local pastoral association because most members have been in the community for a long time and are familiar with the community and its culture. He also got acquainted with city leaders.

Now, the couple is forming an advisory board, not to set policy like a board of directors but to guide the professional staff as it expands its mission. The board currently consists of eight members and the Schneiders are looking to add more members.

"I came from somewhere else," Schneider said. "I can look around and see what I think the community needs. But they know where the pitfalls are and they can keep me from making stupid mistakes."

Barbara Schneider said the board includes business and professional people such as real estate and financial specialists, and members of the medical profession.

"They are our fast track, helping us get to know what's going on in the community," she said. "Because we do a lot of disaster relief, we would like to get police and firefighters on the advisory board."

It was a board member who suggested joining the chamber to expand their network of contacts and access the chamber's resources for businesses.

"Rick Jackson of American Document Services sponsored us," she said. "They were really happy to help us take that step."

Scott Schneider said the board recently completed an evaluation of community needs.

"After the sorting, we believe the greatest need



Scott Schneider describes the work of the Salvation Army providing services to the Las Cruces community.

is supporting young families toward independence."

Their work with young families includes life skills education for young parents, such as budgeting, parenting, cooking and nutrition.

"We spend the majority of our time and energy giving away food," Barbara Schneider said. "We learned how many people don't know how to cook that food."

Other high-priority community needs are resources for youth — not just after-school recreation but also mentoring and life skills education, Barbara Schneider said.

The local Salvation Army also plans to keep trained teams ready to deploy for emergency service during disasters.

More after-school programs for youth and

more space for food distribution are two goals that will have to wait until the organization completes a capital campaign, which Scott Schneider said is imminent, and then acquires a larger building.

"Last month we finished putting the ideas together and in January we will look at how to implement them," he said.

But from now until January, the focus will be on fundraising at the distinctive red kettles.

One already is in place at Hobby Lobby and others will be added at locations such as Sam's Club and Walmart — when volunteers come forward to sign up for two-hour shifts ringing the bell for the cause.

"A high percentage of our funding comes in this

time of year," he said. "The kettles are an important aspect of our fund raising. We really, really, really need volunteers."

Another important revenue source for the Las Cruces Salvation Army is its Thrift Store at 220 E. Idaho Ave. Volunteers augment paid staff at the store, which welcomes donations.

Scott Schneider said all funds raised in the community stay in the community.

"If it doesn't come from the community, it doesn't stay in the community," he said.

Not only does the store provide revenue for programming, it also provides merchandise for people in need.

Barbara Schneider said vouchers are given to people who have lost

their belongings in fires, the homeless and those who are coming out of prison.

She said the couple first became acquainted with the work of The Salvation Army when they were working with schools in the Republic of Georgia.

"We started volunteering with The Salvation Army running summer camps. We fell in love with the organization and when we finished our commitment we signed on."

She said although most Salvation Army recruits attend a two-year training college, they came in on the fast track because they were older and had extensive Christian work experience.

They asked to go back to Georgia, where they ran a day center for street

kids as well as relief programs.

"I was in charge of feeding centers that fed 5,000 per day. Scott was in charge of all the corps in the area," she said.

They also spent five years in Alaskan villages, where she ran an orphanage and he a senior residence.

"Every community is a little different," he said of their stay in Alaska.

The Salvation Army provided food and rental assistance for residents in the area.

In addition, the couple started a community gym.

"There's not a lot to do in those places," Scott Schneider said.

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## Former Crucens excelling at next level

**By Barbara Boxleitner**  
Special to Las Cruces Bulletin

Julian Padilla's standout soccer play has been rewarded.

The Las Cruces High School graduate has been recognized as the Region IX Division I South most valuable player and has been named to the all-region first team, the school's online site indicates.

The Trinidad State College (Colo.) sophomore forward started 15 of the 17 games he played. He had six goals and five assists, his 17 points tying for fourth among the region's Division I South players.

He had season highs of two goals and three assists in a win over Northeastern Junior College.

### More men's soccer

University of Antelope Valley junior midfielder Cesar Escamilla has been named to the all-California Pacific Conference honorable mention team. The Las Cruces High product had two goals and one assist in starting 15 of the 17 games he played. He previously played for Trinidad State.

### Football

Abilene Christian University sophomore linebacker Sam Denmark has been named to the all-Southland Conference first team. The former Bulldawg led the conference with 138 tackles in 11 games. He had two sacks.

Another from the Bulldawgs, Eastern New Mexico University quarterback Jeremy Buurma was named to the All-Lone Star Conference honorable mention team. He started all 11 games and threw eight touchdowns and four interceptions. He finished with 450 rushing yards, third on the squad, and four touchdowns. He was one of three to share the conference academic player of the year.

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# Aggies topple Miners



New Mexico State's Matt Taylor takes off for an electrifying dunk in the Aggies' 73-59 victory over rival Texas-El Paso Wednesday, Dec. 2, at the Pan American Center. The Aggies' next home game will be 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13, against Wyoming.

PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER BELARDE

## Siakam named WAC men's player of the week again

For the third consecutive week, New Mexico State University's Pascal Siakam has been selected as the Western Athletic Conference Men's Basketball Player of the Week as he has continued his dominating play since the start of the season.



**PASCAL  
SIAKAM**

Siakam, the media's choice as the WAC's Preseason Player of the Year, collected his fifth career WAC Player of the Week honor.

The sophomore forward from Douala, Cameroon, averaged 30.5 points on 64.9 percent shooting, with 12.5 rebounds and 3.0 blocks per game as the Aggies went 1-1 in a pair of overtime

games. Siakam collected a career-high 35 points to go with 11 rebounds in the Aggies' 81-71 win over Robert Morris.

He followed it up with his fifth double-double of the year and the 12th of his career with 26 points, 12 rebounds and a career-best six blocked shots in NM State's 66-64 overtime loss at Air Force.

Siakam leads the nation in total field goals made with (63), ranks second in scoring (26.8) and 11th in rebounding (11.8). In addition to scoring and rebounding, he leads the WAC in blocked shots (2.17) and minutes played (36.17) per game.

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## Aggies close season in Louisiana

The NM State football team travels to Monroe, La., for its season finale Saturday, Dec. 5., against 1-11 Louisiana-Monroe. The 1 p.m. game will air on ESPN3 and will be broadcast on AM 570.

The 3-8 Aggies are coming off a 52-28 loss to Arkansas State on Senior Day last Saturday.

A victory would give NM State its first four-win season since 2011.

Against ASU, Jordan Bergstrom had a career-high in both touchdowns and receiving yards with two and 110, respectively, on just four catches. The 110 receiving yards dwarfed his previous career-high of 77 yards, which came earlier this

season. The senior now has 24 catches for 341 yards and five touchdowns this season.

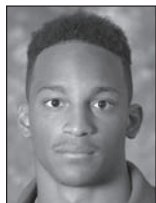
Quarterback Andrew Allen completed 13-of-24 passes for 211 yards and three touchdowns. The sophomore is 92-of-178 for 1,221 yards and 14 touchdowns in only six games this season. Nick Jeanty was 13-of-17 for 104 yards against the Red Wolves. He is 54-of-110 for 531 yards and three touchdowns in his six games this season.

Larry Rose III used 15 carries to rush for 106 yards against Arkansas State. This is the sophomore's seventh 100-yard rushing game this season.

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# Rose III announced as semifinalist for Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award

NM State running back Larry Rose III has been named a semifinalist for the



LARRY ROSE III

Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award, the Selection Committee announced Nov. 30.

Only 16 semifinalists are chosen for this prestigious award.

This award is presented annually to a player who was born in Texas, graduated from a Texas high school or played at a Texas-based junior college or four-year college. The player must also exhibit the enduring characteristics that define Earl Campbell, including integrity, performance, teamwork, sportsmanship, community, and tenacity –

specifically tenacity to persist, drive, determination to overcome adversity and injury in pursuit of reaching goals.

Rose, a Fairfield, Texas, native, currently leads the Sun Belt Conference with 1,587 rushing yards, breaking the all-time single season rushing yards record for the Aggies. He is first in the conference in average rushing yards per game with 144.3.

Rose III has racked up three 200-yard rushing games this season, including a career-high 260 rushing yards at New Mexico, 212 yards against Idaho and 207 yards at Texas State. The sophomore also scored a career-high four rushing touchdowns against Idaho and two touchdowns at Texas State to lead the Ag-

gies to victory over both conference opponents. His performances in these games earned him back-to-back SBC Offensive Student-Athlete of the Week awards.

Additionally, Rose III has seven 100-yard rushing games, which includes five in conference play. In six of these seven games, Rose III has rushed for 180 yards or more.

The Selection Committee is comprised of Texas-based journalists, college football dignitaries and each of the previous award winners. The award is presented by SPORTyler, Inc., in conjunction with the City of Tyler, the Tyler Convention & Visitors Bureau and Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce. Five finalists will be announced in December.



Las Cruces High School defenders stopped Eldorado to prevent this first down, but ultimately lost 44-42 in the 6A state semifinal game Nov. 27 at the Field of Dreams. Mayfield High School also lost in the 6A semifinals to Cleveland, 63-27, Nov. 28, also at the Field of Dreams.



Brandon Baeza beats out a defender to catch the pass

## LCHS, MHS fall in semis



Kameron Miller catches a TD pass to put the Dawgs up 34-27.

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Rose III continues to lead the team and the Sun Belt in rushing yards with 1,587 in 11 games. His 144.3 yards per game ranks fourth in the nation.

Jacob Nwangwa led the Aggies' defensive efforts with 10 tackles. He cur-

rently ranks second on the team with 74 tackles. Nwangwa is tied for a team-high three interceptions on the season and has one forced fumble as well.

Louisiana-Monroe is coming off a 28-26 loss at

Hawai'i. The Warhawks were led by Earnest Carrington, who completed 27-of-44 passes for 234 yards and two touchdowns.

NM State holds a 3-1 series lead against the Warhawks. The two teams last met Nov. 22, 2014, as Louisiana-Monroe captured a 30-17 victory.



### Centennial X-country celebrates with year-end awards

The Centennial High School Boys and Girls Cross Country teams celebrated their year-end awards on Tuesday, Nov. 24. Coach Frankie Benavidez led his teams to 3-5A District Championships at Valencia on Oct. 30. Centennial girls finished the season 5th in the state, and the boys took home 6th place state honors out of 25 total teams. Hawk of the Year awards went to runners Izak Rubio and Jenna McClellan.

# ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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**KAMERON MILLER**

Kameron Miller is a 17-year-old senior at Las Cruces High School. He plays quarterback on the Bulldawg football team. This season, Miller is 109 for 178 passing for 1,960 yards with 15 touchdown passes. He has rushed 142 times for 1,375 yards and 21 rushing touchdowns. Miller is a leader on and off the field. He has an incredibly driven work ethic and a will to succeed that is rarely seen at the high school level. Miller is a people person, as he establishes a great rapport with all he comes in contact with.

He is a dedicated student, with a 3.60 GPA and in his free time enjoys skiing, volunteering with youth, cooking and going to the movies. Las Cruces High School is proud to have Kameron Miller as a leader in our school. His future is extremely bright!

LAS CRUCES HIGH SCHOOL

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**Women's soccer**

University of Dallas freshman forward Mason Cosgrove is on the all-Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference second team. The Mayfield High graduate started 20 of 21 games and led the team in points. She had three goals and three assists.

Western Oregon University junior goalkeeper Nicole Tejada had a 3-4-0 record in starting eight of 10 games. The Oñate High alumna had a 1.21 goals-against-average and a .767 save percentage.

Las Cruces High graduate Alejandra Mendez started four of the six games she played for Trinidad State. The freshman forward/midfielder scored once.

**Women's volleyball**

University of the Southwest's Hannah Massey is on the all-Red River Athletic Conference honorable mention team. Out of Mayfield, the freshman middle blocker finished third on the team in kills and points and fourth in blocks.

Send updates about area athletes to Barbara Boxleitner at [bboxleitner@outlook.com](mailto:bboxleitner@outlook.com).



The Centennial Hawks stuffed Moriarty 42-0 Nov. 27 at the Field of Dreams in the 5A state semifinals. They face Artesia for the state title 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, at the Field of Dreams.

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# How to win your Majors: A look back, then forward

*(Part 1 of 2)* As we near the close of 2015, I thought I would share with you an article I wrote for the Bulletin a little more than nine years ago, just a few months after I began doing this very column.

What prompted me to go back to this story is that I happened to be going through file notes and slides I used for presentations to the annual PGA Merchandise Show, the Sun Country PGA Section, NM High School Golf Coaches. One folder that leaped out was a copy of a June 1994 article in Golf Digest titled "How to win your Majors."

It was by Dr. Bob Rotella, who arguably popularized sport psychology for the pedestrian golfer. The subhead of the above Rotella article read: "Your game may be good enough already, but your mind is holding you back."

Long before my becoming a licensed clinical and perfor-

mance psychologist, I had always believed that the mental and emotional element of competition made the difference, including in large measure desire. In fact, for the May 1984 issue of Metropolitan Detroit magazine, I wrote "Keeping Your Mind on the Ball," in which I made the following statement: "One of sports' most visible practitioners of visualization is golfer Jack Nicklaus. He pictures every shot; he calls this mental rehearsal process 'going to the movies.' Executed thousands of times, it's an exercise that has helped emblazon the name Jack Nicklaus into golf history." I idolized Jack then and now.

Then we move 10 years ahead when I found golf to be something more than just a recreational pastime. From the time I started working with a broad spectrum of golfers, including the NMSU golf teams, players would want to

**Charlie Blanchard**  
Golf Doctor



know what it takes to go out and play the very best that they were capable of. In the late 1990s, PGA Professional and Hall of Fame Coach Herb Wimberly started instructing golfers of all ages and abilities at our Performance Golf Schools, and one of the questions most frequently asked by our students was specifically about how to play your best golf in important tournaments and personal matches. People honestly wanted to know our advice, but truthfully it was such a difficult request because it was so complicated and had so many details and individual nuances.

Understanding that this is the first episode of a two-part topic, let's start with the basics.

When any golfer plays in a tournament, regardless of whether he or she is an aspiring tour professional or a local club player with a high handicap, most of the time poor performance can be attributable to the golfer being way outside his comfort zone. This even applies many times to pro-ams and scrambles. An apt comparison is a person with stage fright asked to give a speech.

Most folks are not used to playing strictly by the written rules of golf, where you can't place your ball anywhere in a preferred (i.e. perfect) lie, there are no "Mulligans" and no putts are "gimmes." The USGA Sun Country Golf Assn. organizes many of the tournaments around our state and supervises them quite well. They have rules on the course and they enforce the pace of play. This rattles some golfers, and many golfers don't know the proper procedure for taking re-

lief from an obstruction, and don't know where and how to drop the ball. They don't know the actual rules concerning water hazards and unplayable lies, so they take illegal drops and get disqualified. Some lose their cool, panic and get so confused that they don't know when the rules are in their favor, as with the "burrowing animal hole" rule. Some others cheat; I've seen it. These things happen with grown-ups as well as junior players. And the bottom line is that thorough knowledge of the rules and how they work gives you an advantage.

In his 1994 article, Dr. Rotella talked about dealing with pressure, thinking positive, staying in control, welcoming the intensity. Next week we will consider these elements and several more that I will introduce to enable you to play your best when you want to win your own "majors."

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# ROBERT B. GONZALES

May 26, 1931 to November 14, 2015



Our beloved father, grandfather, brother-in-law, uncle and friend, ROBERT "BOBBY" B. GONZALES, age 84, lifelong resident of Tortugas left his dwelling place on earth and entered eternal life to be with his heavenly Father on Saturday, November 14, 2015 at the Golden Mesa Retirement Community surrounded by his loving family. He was born May 26, 1931 in Los Angeles, CA to Frank and Lorenza Belarde Gonzales. "Bobby"

as he was fondly known to his family and friends served his country honorably in the United States Army during the Korean War and retired from White Sands Missile Range as a Logistics Manager. He was a communicant at the Shrine and Parish of Our Lady of Guadalupe where he was a member of the Indigenes de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe; the Tortugas Improvement Association and the Tortugas Cemetery Crew. He was also an active member with the Knights of Columbus Council # 1226; the VFW Post #3242; the Veterans Memorial Wall Committee

and Tierra Del Sol.

Those left to mourn his passing include three sons, Frank Gonzales (Amalia) of Tortugas, Chuck Gonzales (Araceli) of Calexico, CA and Marty Gonzales of Albuquerque; two daughters, Donna G. Morris (Jay) of Dallas, TX and Diane Gonzales-Gomez of Tortugas. Other survivors include a sister-in-law, Gloria Gonzales; nine grandchildren; two great grandchildren as well as numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Nellie Gonzales; a brother, Danny Gonzales and a sister, Terry Gonzales.

les.

Visitation for Bobby was held at 5 PM Friday, November 20, 2015 in the Shrine and Parish of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 3600 Parroquia Street in Tortugas where the Recitation of the Holy Rosary led by Deacon Frankie Nevarez followed. Family and Friends joined together to celebrate the Funeral Mass on Saturday, November 21, 2015 in the same church with Reverend Valentine Jankowski officiating. The Rite of Committal and Interment will follow in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 5140 W. Picacho with military honors accord-

ed by a New Mexico National Guard Honor Guard and the Marine Corps League – El Perro Diablo Detachment.

Serving as casket bearers will be Jose Gomez, Gabriel and Francisco Gonzales, Taylor, Austin and Derek Morris and Jeremy Trujillo. Honorary bearers will be the Tortugas Cemetery Crew, Ciro's Breakfast Club and Holy

Cross Bible Study Group.

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# MARIA G. ROMERO

April 24, 1942 to November 17, 2015

Our beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, MARIA G. ROMERO, age 73, of Fairacres entered eternal life to be with her heavenly Father on Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at La Posada – Mesilla Valley Hospice surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Rincon, NM on April 24, 1942 to Manuel and Estefana Gutierrez Torres. Mrs. Romero was a homemaker and along with her

husband were longtime coaches for the Fairacres Rangers. She was a communicant at San Jose de Picacho Catholic Church.

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# JESSICA SALAS

June 6, 1972 to November 17, 2015

On Tuesday, November 17, 2015 our beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, JESSICA SALAS, age 43, of Anthony left her dwelling place on earth and entered eternal

life to be with her heavenly Father. She was born June 6, 1972 in El Paso, TX to Raul Jerry and Cecilia Sanchez Salas. Jessica retired from the Gadsden Independent School District as an In-

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## REGINA GADLIAUSKAS

November 20, 2015

REGINA GADLIAUSKAS, 88, of Las Cruces Northrise, Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces. Died Friday, November 20, 2015 at the Village at

## LEAH CHRISTENSEN

November 16, 2015

LEAH CHRISTENSEN, age 50 of Las Cruces went to be with the Lord on November 16, 2015. She is survived by her mother, Juanita Holder (Juan); a son, Shawn Christensen and a grandson, Aiden Christensen. No services are scheduled.

## ROANA J. OSTROM

November 20, 2015

ROANA J. OSTROM, age 74, of Deming died Friday, November 20, 2015 at Mountain View Regional Medical Center. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.

## SARA ALVAREZ GARAY

November 22, 2015

SARA ALVAREZ GARAY, age 79, of Derry passed away Sunday, November 22, 2015 at her home. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces 527-2222

## HIGINIO E. ROMAN

January 13, 1950 to November 15, 2015

HIGINIO "GINO" E. ROMAN, age 65, of Las Cruces entered eternal life on Sunday, November 15, 2015 at Memorial Medical Center surrounded by his loving family. He was born January 13, 1950 to Marcos and Amalia Enriquez Roman in Fort Worth, TX. "Gino" as he was fondly known to his family and friends was a truck driver by trade and a member of the Catholic Church.

## WALTER PRANGE

November 20, 2015

WALTER PRANGE, of Las Cruces died Friday, November 20, 2015 at the Village of Northrise. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.

## LYNELLE C. HOLGUIN

November 14, 2015

LYNELLE C. HOLGUIN, age 35, of Las Cruces entered eternal life Saturday, November 14, 2015 in Las Cruces. "Veterans and Family Memorial Care." For online condolences logon to www.bacasfuneralchapelslascruces.com

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# Get in the CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

*Check out the many musical performances this season*

**See feature in Arts & Entertainment, B2**

# Mesilla Valley home to numerous Christmas, holiday concerts

## Bulletin Staff Report

As the holidays head into full-swing, the Mesilla Valley comes alive with seasonal, holiday and Christmas concerts and musical performances galore.

The season begins this evening – Friday, Dec. 4 – with two holiday-themed musical performances: the New Mexico State University Choirs’ “Holiday Spectacular” at St. Paul’s United Methodist Church and the Santa Fe Opera’s Holiday Show at the Rio Grande Theatre, both at 7:30 p.m.

At St. Paul’s United Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave., the **New Mexico State University Choirs** will present their annual “Holiday Spectacular,” featuring K. Lee Scott’s “Christmas Cantata” along with traditional holiday favorites. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Call 646-2067 or visit [www.music.nmsu.edu](http://www.music.nmsu.edu).

As a “special gift” to the citizens of Las Cruces, the Santa Fe Opera Educational and Community Outreach Department and the Doña Ana Arts Council present at the historic Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St., a free holiday concert by the **Santa Fe Opera**, featuring arias, songs of the season, musical theater selections and sacred music, all performed by up-and-coming opera stars accompanied by SFO Musical Director Kirt Pavitt. All seating is first-come, first-served general admission. For more information, call 523-6403 or visit [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com).

Closing out the weekend and the Rio Grande Theatre is “Holiday Magic” by the **Mesilla Valley Chorale**, set for 3 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 6. The Mesilla Valley Chorale, a community chorale of 60 voices under the direction of Nancy Ritchey, presents this annual holiday concert with a diverse program including sacred selections, spirituals and exciting choral arrangements of holiday favorites with instrumental backup. Doors open at 2:30 p.m. and the show begins promptly at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$10 general admission. For more information, or to reserve tickets, call 647-2560.

For its twice-monthly Every Other Tuesday concert series, which offers a free venue for local performers to showcase their talents, the Rio Grande Theatre presents at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8, a preview of the upcoming **“Feliz Navidad! Christmas in Song and Dance”** highlighting the cultural celebrations of the Borderlands, which opens the following weekend – more on that below. Admission to Every Other Tuesday is free and open to the public. Call or visit the Rio Grande Theatre’s website for more information.

At 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10, the **Las Cruces Ukies**, a community group of ukulele enthusiasts, will perform a free holiday concert at Good Samaritan-Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Under the guidance of Chief Musical Officer Bob Hull, they’ll be featuring beloved songs of the holiday season, along with some of their anytime favorites. Attendees will surely be tapping their toes with songs they know. Bring the family for a fun evening where one can sing along or just sit back and enjoy the show. Good Samaritan’s auditorium is located



Mesilla Valley Teen Singers, a group of 40 young vocalists and students from local high schools and home schools, will hold their annual holiday performance “Christmas, Here & Back Again” Friday, Dec. 11, at University Presbyterian Church.

downstairs in the Social Center. More information about the group can be found at [www.facebook.com/lascrucesukes](http://www.facebook.com/lascrucesukes). The Las Cruces Ukies will return for a second concert in December; more on that below.

**El Paso Brass**, one of the

country’s finest brass quintets, will return to the Rio Grande Theatre for its annual holiday concert at 7 p.m. Dec. 10. Composed of key members of the El Paso Symphony Orchestra and other distinguished musicians from the Southwest,

El Paso Brass ensemble is renowned for outstanding musicianship and the diversity of its repertoire. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Adult general admission tickets are \$15 and children ages 6 to 8 are \$7.50. Tickets are available at [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com).

com, the Rio Grande Theatre box office, KRWG FM, The Cutter Gallery and Better Life Pet Food.

Kick off next weekend’s holiday cheer with a Christmas performance from the **Mesilla Valley Teen Singers** at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, at University Presbyterian Church, 2010 Wisconsin Ave. “Christmas, Here & Back Again” is the theme for this year’s free holiday performance, featuring a blend of holiday music traditional and modern, including choral songs such as “Carol of the Bells,” “Hush, My Babe” and “I Wonder as I Wander,” as well as some songs performed by the young men and women separately. The singers are accompanied by pianist Barbara Toth.

Mesilla Valley Teen Singers has been performing under the direction of Terry Kay Gilbert for more than 10 years and presents two concerts each year, spring and winter. The group is made up of more than 40 young vocalists from area high schools, as well as home-schooled students. They will begin preparing for their spring concert in January and new singers are always welcome to join. Admission to “Christmas, Here & Back Again” is free. More information about the group is available at <http://mvteensingers.blogspot.com>.

A Las Cruces tradition celebrating its 20th anniversary, the **Living Christmas Tree Concert at First Baptist Church** of Las Cruces begins Saturday, Dec. 12, with five performances through Tuesday, Dec. 15.

Last year, close to three



The Las Cruces Ukes will perform two shows this holiday season.

## CONCERTS FROM PAGE B2

thousand southern New Mexicans attended this unique, festive blend of timeless Christmas traditions with the tools of technology. The Living Christmas Tree Concert is a dramatic announcement of the Celebration of Christmas, drawing audiences from across the region. The performances delight people of all ages with the wonders of Christmas.

Adorned with the traditional evergreen and draped with red and gold lamè, this steel structure reaches 24 feet to the ceiling of the First Baptist Church Worship Center and serves as a platform for the 50-voice choir accompanied by a 30-piece orchestra. They are joined by the church's children, youth and senior adult choirs, and a drama cast, to present a worship experience enabling individuals to encounter the Love of God.

The 90-minute presentation is an incomparable expression of the holiday season's music. This musical extravaganza is animated with dramatic visual effects that are a

unique and inspiring observance of the season. As traditional and contemporary Christmas carols are sung, 65,000

computer-controlled lights dazzle audiences with a dramatic spectacle of exciting color.

Performances are 7 p.m. Saturday through Tuesday, Dec. 12-15, with a spe-

cial 1 p.m. opening-day matinee Saturday, Dec. 12. Tickets are \$5 and are available at First Baptist Church, Johnson's True

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**FRI DECEMBER 4 • ALL MONTH** Branigan Library  
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**FRI DECEMBER 4 • 7:00PM** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
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**SAT DECEMBER 5 • 1:00 P.M.** Branigan Library  
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**SAT DECEMBER 5 • 1:00 P.M.** Branigan Library  
Alphabet Reading Prize Party

**SAT DECEMBER 5 • 7:00PM** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
Consulate General of Mexico & City of Las Cruces present Lux Boreal, Danza Contemporanea

**SUN DECEMBER 6 • 3:00PM** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
Mesilla Valley Chorale presents Holiday Magic

**TUE DECEMBER 8 • 10:30 A.M.** Branigan Library  
Read to Me-Storytime ages 1-3 NONE THIS WEEK

**TUE DECEMBER 8 • 6:30PM** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
EOT: Feliz Navidad! Christmas in Song and Dance preview

**TUE+WED DECEMBER 8+10 • 4:00 P.M.** Branigan Library  
Teen Game Night-ages 12-18 NONE THIS WEEK

**WED TUE DECEMBER 9 • 10:00 A.M.** Branigan Library  
Toddler Time-Storytime ages 3-5 NONE THIS WEEK

**WED DECEMBER 9 • 11:00 A.M.** Branigan Library  
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**THU DECEMBER 10 • 7:00PM** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
KRWG presents El Paso Brass Holiday Benefit Concert

**SAT DECEMBER 12 • 6:30PM** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
Feliz Navidad, Christmas in Song and Dance

**SUN DECEMBER 13 • 2:00PM** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
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December 4, 2015 • 7pm

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**MESILLA VALLEY CHORALE**  
December 6, 2015 • 3pm

**EOT: FELIZ NAVIDAD** preview  
December 8, 2015 • 6:30pm

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December 10, 2015 • 7pm

**FELIZ NAVIDAD! CHRISTMAS IN SONG & DANCE**  
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December 13, 2015 • 2pm

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# Short film captures mystery, magic of the borderland

By Mike Cook  
Las Cruces Bulletin

If you saw “La Catrina,” a new short film about the unique culture that both embraces and transcends the border between southern Doña Ana County and northern Mexico, you would never expect to discover that the filmmaker was born in New York City and grew up in Jerusalem and Ottawa before coming to Las Cruces.

There are no professional actors in the 10-minute film, which was written and directed by Ilana Lapid, 37, an assistant professor in New Mexico State University’s Creative Media Institute; and produced by Diana Molina. With a modest budget, La Catrina was shot in less than three days by Lapid and some of her students.

In the film, Lapid’s heroine, Caterina, struggles with the finality of death and the search for meaning in her life, surrounded always by the beauty and mystery that is the borderland. It is love story, tragedy, folktale, allegory and art; and all without a single word being spoken.

The story is “an emotional experience (told) purely through visual imagery with actors combined with symbols of the harvest,” said Lapid, who credits Sergei Parajanov’s 1969 Soviet film “The Color of Pomegranates” as her inspiration.

“Caterina is a farm worker on the border,” said Lapid. “Her husband told her he’d be back before the harvest, but never returned. Now she is harvesting alone. In her grief over his death, she becomes ‘La Catrina,’ the character of death associated with Dia de Los Muertos, and journeys to find him through the mythic landscape of the harvest. La Catrina is a

poetic exploration of the cycle of life and death, the land and the seasons, and the movement from loss towards healing. The film is an experimental performance art piece inspired in part by illustrated folktales.”

Lapid was drawn to filmmaking during a year-long Fulbright Scholarship in Romania, where she worked with the visual stories of Roma (Gypsy) children living in a garbage dump. While there, she also briefly hosted five Romanian filmmakers who were visiting for the First International Transylvanian Film Festival. “I was so inspired by them,” Lapid said.

She created “La Catrina” to be part of the “JUNTOS Art Association’s Icons and Symbols of the Borderland” at the Centennial Museum and Chihuahuan Desert Gardens at the University of Texas at El Paso. The exhibit continues through January 2016. The film has been screened multiple times at the museum and also at the White Sands Full Moon program and at two venues in Albuquerque, including the South Broadway Cultural Center.

Priscilla Garcia, who is a farmer and dancer in real life, portrays Caterina in her first acting role. Cristobal Rivera, a musician, educator and beekeeper, who is also a first-time actor, plays her husband. They both live and work near La Union, N.M. and “had this beautiful chemistry,” Lapid said.

Garcia was “very brave in that she allowed herself to be open and present and the camera really witnesses that presence in her,” Lapid said. “This project allowed us all to take creative risks. Everybody was willing to participate. It just unfolded in an



La Catrina/Caterina is played by Priscilla Garcia.

organic way. It reminded me of the excitement that can come from the process of creative collaboration just for the sake of creating something beautiful.”

Both actors, Lapid said, “breathe themselves and their own life and their own energy into it.” The film has “a spirit of play and experimentation that was possible because it was such a small production.” In making the film, she said, “you witness what the universe has presented you on that day.”

“La Catrina” is “really getting back to the idea of visual storytelling,” Lapid said, and allows “space for the audience to bring what they bring to the viewing experience.”

The film is filled with flower mandalas, created by Lapid’s students in a single afternoon. They are “beautiful and so impermanent,” she said. “I wanted to have these design elements – vegetable tableaux, flower manda-

las, the earth.” Red chile is used in the film to symbolize pain, absence and loss. Several JUNTOS artists, including Wayne Hilton and Orlando Cedillo, participated in the production, doing the make-up and production design.

One subtitle in the film is the Spanish word “escoge” – “choose” in English. “You can’t choose circumstances, but you can choose how to respond to the circumstances you’re in,” Lapid said.

La Catrina’s cinematographers are Lapid’s film students, Robert Dugan and David Morales, who was also the editor. The film uses only natural light – the overcast skies of late summer in the Chihuahuan Desert and candlelight in the film’s single indoor scene, a small chapel near Anthony set with a Dia de los Muertos altar.

Silence is a critical part of the film, but you will catch the sound of a

mourning dove (a favorite of Lapid’s) and hear the song “El Arado” (“The Plough”), written by Victor Jara and performed by Grupo Libertad and Lucia Carmona.

Before accepting the Fulbright Scholarship, Lapid worked in Las Cruces for the Border Book Festival and at the county Juvenile Detention Center, where she taught creative writing – one of the places she discovered her love for teaching. Lapid also worked briefly at Court Youth Center, and considers local arts activist Irene Oliver Lewis a mentor and friend. “I’m very grateful for all that she taught me,” Lapid said.

Lapid holds a BA from Yale University (where she later was an artist in residence) in political science, and an MFA from the University of Southern California in film production.

Lapid has directed about a half-dozen short

films, including “Red Mesa,” which won best short at the Los Angeles Latino International Film Festival in 2009. She has also written two feature films, including “Lordsburg” (co-written by Joshua Wheeler), which was a finalist at the Sundance Screenwriter Lab and is in development.

“I’ve always experienced the world through stories,” Lapid said. “A filmmaker is not just an entertainer. A filmmaker can also be a keeper of memory and can heal through the stories they tell, even if they’re telling dark stories.”

For all her travels, Lapid said she has “always loved coming back” to the Las Cruces area. “This region has always felt like home of all the places I’ve been,” Lapid said. “There’s a lot of room for dreaming in this landscape.”

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## CONCERTS

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The following afternoon at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, **New Horizons Band of Las Cruces'** winter concert takes the stage at Atkinson Recital Hall, 1075 N. Horseshoe Drive on the NMSU campus. Directed by John Schutz, the program includes performances of "Little Suite for Band," by Clare Grundman; "Blue Angels Overture," By John Edmondson; "The Best of Henry Mancini," featuring "The Pink Panther," "Baby Elephant Walk," "The Sweetheart Tree" and "Peter Gunn"; "And All the Bells Shall Ring," by Rob Romeyn; and "The Pine Rivers March" by Barrie Gott.

The show will also include the **Las Cruces Good Time Singers** holiday concert, "A Not So Silent Night," and a Christmas singalong directed by Diane Schutz. Pieces will include "On A Silent Night," by Jay Althouse and Sally K. Albrecht; "I Wish You Christmas," by John Rutter; and "It's the Holiday Season," by Roger Emerson. Admission is free. For more information, contact Nora at 649-1465 or [ndyary-an8@gmail.com](mailto:ndyary-an8@gmail.com).

That night at 6:30 p.m., the Doña Ana Arts Council, in association with Bella Artes Sin Fronteras, continues its 2015-16 New Mexico Heritage Series with a special holiday performance, "Feliz Navidad! Christmas in Song And Dance." Enjoy the pageantry of a traditional border/cultural celebration of Christmas through the universal language of song and dance. Doors open at 6 p.m., show starts at 6:30 p.m.

The next afternoon – 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13 – the Rio Grande Theatre will feature an encore show of



"Feliz Navidad! Christmas in Song And Dance." Doors open at 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$32 for reserved seats (all fees included). Ticket price includes a meet and greet, with traditional Christmas "antojitos" one hour before the doors open. For more information, call 523-6403 or visit [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com).

Make sure you pick up a copy of next week's Las Cruces Bulletin, where we'll have a larger feature on "Feliz Navidad! Christmas in Song And Dance."

At 3 p.m. Dec. 13, **The**

### Mesilla Valley Concert Band

holds its second free concert of the season in the Atkinson Recital Hall at NMSU. Their Sousa march, "Corcoran Cadets," sometimes called "Sousa's eighth-note march," was composed for a cadet drill team in Washington, DC. Following will be Roger Nixon's "Fiesta del Pacifico," the title referring to a 1950s festival in San Diego that featured their Spanish heritage through a monumental pageant, parade, rodeo, and street dance motif. Also on the pro-

gram is Claude Smith's "Incidental Suite," with meters firmly set in the 20th century of Aaron Copland and Igor Stravinsky. The program also features Alfred Reed's "Othello" depicting love and tragedy in five movements. Rounding out the concert will be Julie Giroux's "Jingle Them Bells," which takes the original melody through a wild ride of stylistic transitions.

**Celestial Sounds**, a group of Las Cruces women who love to sing that includes professional

quality volunteers singing an exciting and challenging repertoire of choral music, will present back-to-back performances of its Christmas concert, "A John Rutter Christmas" Sunday and Monday, Dec. 13 and 14.

"A John Rutter Christmas" features the choral music of John Rutter, who has been described as "the world's greatest living composer and conductor of choral music." His festive and familiar holiday carols are being sung all over the world this season in celebration

of his 70th birthday. Please join the Las Cruces celebration, featuring Director Carol Nike, accompanist Ji Young Han and the Celestial Sounds women's choir.

Performances of "A John Rutter Christmas" are 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13, at Stucky Hall, Good Samaritan-Las Cruces Village, and 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14, at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. Admission is free, with a suggested \$5 donation to defray expenses. For more information contact Carol Nike at 202-9646.

Last but not least, the **Las Cruces Ukies** return for a second performance as guests of the Rio Grande Theatre's Every Other Tuesday series at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 22. Under the guidance of Chief Musical Officer Bob Hull, they'll be featuring beloved songs of the holiday season, along with some of their anytime favorites. Admission is free.

For more holiday concerts, performances, special events and more, see our Events Calendar, pages B6-7.

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**FRIDAY, DEC. 4th, 5:30 p.m.**  
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# Events Calendar

## FRI. 12/4

**4:30 to 7:30 p.m. La Casa Holiday Bazaar**, Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. For more 25 years, on the first weekend of December, the La Casa Inc. Holiday Bazaar has provided a fun holiday shopping opportunity for Southern New Mexico and West Texas. More than 75 vendors will fill the convention center in 100 booths offering handcrafted items for sale including jewelry, photography, metal work, baskets, woodworking, crochet and knitted fashion accessories, paintings, glass art, quilts, soaps and food products. All proceeds go to benefit La Casa's Domestic Violence Shelter and programs. Admission is \$6 per person. Call 526-2819.

**5:30 to 6:30 p.m. City of Las Cruces Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony**, Albert Johnson Park corner of Picacho Avenue and Main Street. Mayor Ken Miyagishima will lead the public in the lighting ceremony at approximately 6 p.m. Picacho Middle School Choir will perform to begin the event, which will feature snacks, beverages and candy canes provided. A new attraction this year, the Camino Real Sculptures, have been placed at their new location near the Christmas tree, relocated

from Main Street. Free. Call 541-2250.

**5 to 8 p.m. Eleventh annual Holiday Open House**, Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. The Las Cruces Railroad Museum is proud to host its 11th annual Holiday Open House. Santa will arrive at 5 p.m. and will be available on the deck until 8 p.m. to visit with children of all ages. Throughout the evening, visitors can listen to holiday music, view the specially decorated model trains, take in the festive holiday decorations, and complete a craft project. Light refreshments will be served. The holiday lights at the museum will be lit each night from Dec. 4 through Jan. 10, 2016. Free. Call 647-4480.

**7 p.m. Santa Fe Opera Holiday Show**, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. As a special gift to the citizens of Las Cruces, the Santa Fe Opera Educational and Community Outreach Department and the Doña Ana Arts Council present a holiday concert featuring arias, songs of the season, musical theatre selections and sacred music performed by up-and-coming opera stars accompanied by SFO Musical Director Kirt Pavitt. Seating is first-come, first-served. Free. Call 523-6403 or visit [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com).

**7 p.m. Live music**, Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. No cover. Call 527-5310.

**7 to 10 p.m. Live music**, The Game Sports Bar and Grill, 2605 S. Espina St. No cover. Call 524-4263.

**7 p.m. Howling Coyote Coffeehouse and Open Mic**, Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. The "granddaddy" of open mics in Las Cruces is open to acoustic musicians, poets, storytellers and singer-songwriters. Artist sign-up begins at 6:30 p.m. and performances begin at 7 p.m. Free. Call 525-9333.

**7:30 p.m. NMSU Choirs Holiday Spectacular**, St. Paul's Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave. The choirs of New Mexico State University will present a program featuring K. Lee Scott's "Christmas Cantata" along with traditional holiday favorites. Tickets are \$10 adults and \$5 students. Call 646-2067 or visit [www.music.nmsu.edu](http://www.music.nmsu.edu).

**7:30 p.m. Camino Real Trail Association presentation**, Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. Speaker is New Mexico Deputy State Librarian Joy Poole, who edited the travel diaries of Dr. Rowland Willard, one of the first Anglo-Americans to record their travels to New Mexico. Dr. Willard (1794-1884) journeyed west on the Santa Fe Trail in 1825, then down the Camino Real Trail into Mexico, taking notes along the way. This edition of the young physicians' travel diaries and subsequent autobiography, annotated by Poole, is a rich historical source on the two trails and the practice of medicine in the 1820s. Free. Email [executivedirectorcarta@gmail.com](mailto:executivedirectorcarta@gmail.com).

**8 to 10 p.m. Live music with Tucker & Co.**, Vintage Wines, 2461 Calle de Guadalupe. No cover. Call 523-9463.

**9 p.m. Live music with Overcome Las Cruces**, Pecan Grill & Brewery, 500 S. Telshor Blvd. No cover. Call 521-1099.

## SAT. 12/5

**7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Big Daddy's Flea Market**, 5580 Bataan Memorial East. Indoor and outdoor vendors on 20 acres. A wide variety of items will be available. Call 382-9404.

**8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Farmers & Crafts Market of Las Cruces**, Main Street Downtown. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh produce, unique fine art, pet adoptions and more. Free. Visit [www.fcmlc.org](http://www.fcmlc.org).

**9 a.m. to noon, MVM Farm volunteer day**, MVM Farm, 2653 Snow Road. Interested in organic farming and local food production? Want to find out more about vermiculture, compost-

## PLAYBILL

### LAST CHANCE:

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### OPENING:

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Through Sunday, Dec. 20

### RUN EXTENDED:

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**10 a.m. Family Science Saturday**, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St. Join the museum as we learn about the science of food. This week's topic is cooking methods. All ages are welcome, from 3 to 93. Free. Call 522-3120.

**10:30 a.m. Storytellers of Las Cruces**, COAS Bookstores, 1101 S. Solano Drive and 317 S. Main St. This week, Douglas Jackson will be the storyteller at the Downtown location and Loni Todoroki will be the storyteller at the Solano location. COAS will give coupons for free books to all children who attend. Free. Call 524-8471.

**11 a.m. to 1 p.m. SNAP**, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science and Museum of Art atrium, 491 N. Main St. Recognizing the importance of interdisciplinary learning experiences, the education staff of the Las Cruces Museums system have collaborated on a new program offering SNAP – the Science, Nature and Art Program. The program encourages visitors to embrace their artistic creativity while engaging in educational activities inspired by Science, Technology, Engineering and



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**7 p.m. Lux Boreal,** Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Lux Boreal Dance Company is a circle of choreographers and dancers from all over Mexico converging through dance toward a common language to express their vision of reality through art. Presented by the City of Las Cruces and the Consulate General of Mexico in El Paso. Admission is free, seating on a first-come, first-served basis. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Call 523-6403 or visit [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com).

**7 to 10 p.m. Live music,** The Game Sports Bar and Grill, 2605 S. Espina St. No cover. Call 524-4263.

**8 to 10 p.m. Live old-time string music with The Mule-tones,** Vintage Wines, 2461 Calle de Guadalupe. No cover. Call 523-9463.

**8 to 11 p.m. Live music with one-man band CW Ayon,** High Desert Brewing Co., 1201 W. Hadley Ave. No cover. Call 525-6752.

**9 p.m. Live music with singer-songwriter Chris Baker,** Pecan Grill & Brewery, 500 S. Telshor Blvd. No cover. Call 521-1099.

## SUN. 12/6

**7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Big Daddy's Flea Market,** 5580 Bataan Memorial East. Indoor and outdoor vendors on 20 acres. A wide variety of items will be available. Call 382-9404.

**10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday Farmers Market,** Tractor Supply Co., 1440 W. Picacho Ave. This is a true farmers market with produce and food as the primary items, along with some arts and crafts. Free. Call 993-6521.

**10 a.m. to 4 p.m. La Casa Holiday Bazaar,** Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. For more 25 years, on the first weekend of December, the La Casa Inc. Holiday Bazaar has provided a fun holiday shopping opportunity for Southern New Mexico and West Texas. More than 75 vendors will fill the convention center in 100 booths offering hand-crafted items for sale including jewelry, photography, metal work, baskets, woodworking, crochet and knitted fashion accessories, paintings, glass art, quilts, soaps and food products. All proceeds go to benefit La Casa's Domestic Violence Shelter and programs. Admission is \$6 per person. Call 526-2819.

**2 p.m. Bluegrass, country and folk music jam,** O'Donnell Hall, corner of Williams and Gregg Streets on the NMSU campus. All players are welcome. Free. Call 405-1290.

**2 to 5 p.m. Live music,** Rio Grande Winery, 5321 Highway 28. No cover. Call 524-3985.

**2:30 to 5:30 p.m. Live music,** Sombra Antigua Winery, 430 La Viña Road, Chamberino, N.M. No cover. Call 915-241-4349.

**3 p.m. Mesilla Valley Chorale presents "Holiday Magic,"** Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. The Mesilla Valley Chorale, a community choir of 60 voices under the direction of Nancy Ritchey, presents its annual holiday concert, "Holiday Magic." This diverse program includes sacred selections, spirituals and exciting choral arrangements of holiday favorites with instrumental backup. Doors open at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 general admission. Call 523-6403 or visit [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com).

## MON. 12/7

**9 p.m. Open Mic hosted by Chris Baker and Friends,** Pecan Grill & Brewery, 500 S. Telshor Blvd. No cover. Call 5214-1099.

## TUE. 12/8

**1 to 3:30 p.m. Beginning Drawing and Painting,** My Place Jewell, 132-B Wyatt Drive. Pencil, pastel, charcoal drawing and watercolor and acrylic painting focusing on the basic and advancing at your own pace. Taught by artist and educator Wayne Carl Huber. Adults and high school home school students are welcome. Enroll any Tuesday for four weeks at \$45. Contact Huber for supplies and more information at 647-5684.

**5 to 6 p.m. Belly Dance Club,** My Place Jewell, 132-B Wyatt Drive. Join one of the longest-running dance groups in the area. Open to ages 11 and older. Great low-impact exercise. Cost \$4 per lesson. Call 639-1616.

**6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Argentine Tango de Las Cruces,** 2251 Calle de Santiago, Mesilla. Daniel Haverporth will teach a class from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m., dances from 7:15 to 9:30 p.m. Cost \$5, NMSU students free with ID. Call 620-0377.

**6:30 p.m. Every Other Tuesday: Feliz Navidad! preview,** Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Highlights from the upcoming "Feliz Navidad! Christmas in Song and Dance" will be presented, highlighting the cultural celebrations of the Borderlands. Every Other Tuesday is a Doña Ana Arts Council program showcasing local performers on the stage of the Rio Grande Theatre. Free. Call 523-6403 or visit [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com).

## WED. 12/9

**8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Farmers & Crafts Market of Las Cruces,** Main Street Downtown. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh produce, unique fine art, pet adoptions and more. Free. Visit [www.fcmlc.org](http://www.fcmlc.org).

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**5 to 8 p.m. Open Mic,** New Mexico State University Barnes & Noble, University Avenue and Jordan Road. Poetry and musicians alternate. Organized by David Rodriguez. Free. Call 646-4431.

**8 to 10 p.m. Open mic,** Q's Steak, Pasta and Brewhouse, 1300 Avenida de Mesilla. No cover. Call 571-4350.

**8 to 10 p.m. Old-time fiddle music with Los Cacahuates,** Spotted Dog Brewery, 2900 Avenida de Mesilla. No cover. Call 650-2729.

## THU. 12/10

**9 a.m. Planeteers,** Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St. Children ages 3 to 5 are invited to the museum the second Thursday of each month to learn about the Final Frontier. This week we will explore meteorites, the solid pieces of meteor that have hit the surface of the Earth. Learn more about comets and watch as demonstrators create a simulated comet. Free. Call 522-3120.

**11 a.m. Mrs. Prickett's Story Time,** Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Join Mrs. Prickett and her delightful puppets as they read books and tell stories that are sure to engage children of all ages. A related activity

appropriate for pre-school children will follow the story. Meet the whole gang at second Thursday of each month. Free. Call 647-4480.

**1 p.m. History Notes Lecture: "Insurrection: A Brief History and Archaeology of the Pueblo Revolt,"** Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Maria Hroncich-Conner will present December's lecture. The details of the Pueblo Revolt, during which the Pueblo peoples ejected the Spanish from their homelands, is unknown to many. This lecture will explore the turmoil in post-contact New Mexico that culminated in the Pueblo Revolt of 1680, and examine how life changed for Pueblo people once the Spanish fled from the colony. Hroncich-Conner has nearly a decade of experience in archaeology. She has conducted archaeological excavations, archaeological surveys, historical investigations, archival research, academic presentations and course instruction exclusively in the American Southwest. She is currently Adjunct Faculty at NMSU, Senior Archaeologist at Versar and has previously worked as a lab instructor at University of New Mexico. History Notes, monthly lectures on historical topics, take place at 1 p.m. the second Thursday of each month. Free. Call 541-2154.

**1 to 3:30 p.m. Intermediate to Advanced Drawing and Painting,** My Place Jewell, 132-B Wyatt Drive. Watercolor, acrylic and water-soluble oil painting classes taught by art educator Wayne Carl Huber. Open enrollment starting any Thursday. Cost \$45 for four two and a half hour sessions. Call 647-5684.

### Tuesday and Thursday Classes

Stretch Slow	4:30-5pm	\$2.00
Beg Hula	5:00pm	\$2.00
Belly dance	5:00-6pm	\$4.00

(pay for Belly Dance and get Stretch & Slow free)



### Saturday Classes

3:00-3:30	Adv. Drum	\$2.00
3:30-4:00	Beg Drum	\$2.00
4-4:30pm	Stretch & Slow	\$2.00
4:30-5:00	Hula	\$2.00
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# New Mexico 'In a Nutshell' at Farm & Ranch Museum

The New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum has a new exhibit that focuses on the nut-growing industry in the state – “In a Nutshell: Growing Nuts in New Mexico.”

Few crops are more diverse and more individually tied culturally and economically to the various geographical areas of New Mexico than the state's bountiful nut crops. Each of the state's top nuts – piñons, pecans, peanuts and pistachios – has its own story to tell about how and why it is grown and harvested. Each shares certain botanical similarities, but they have their differences as well, just as they do in their particular contribution to the economy, history and people of New Mexico.

“This exhibit has a strong emphasis on science and research, and it tells some wonderful success stories that highlight the ingenuity and determination of farmers and scientists in our state,” said Craig Massey, the museum's spokesman.

In the rolling mountain hills in much of the northern half of the state, the fall harvest of the nuts produced by the official state tree, the piñon, occurs



New Mexico nuts, including the pecan, are the subject of a new exhibit at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum titled “In a Nutshell: Growing Nuts in New Mexico.”

as it has since the first humans came here more than 16,000 years ago. To the south – from Luna County across Doña

Ana County and to Chaves and Eddy counties – lie some of the largest pecan orchards in the world, an industry that began nearly a century ago. On the sandy plains along the state's eastern border with Texas, grows virtually the entire country's supply of the delicious Valencia peanut, fed by months of sunshine, complex groundwater systems and the tenacity of Roosevelt County farmers. And in a small fertile pocket of the arid Tularosa Basin is the entire state's 40-year old pistachio industry in a group of small, family-run farms around Alamogordo.

“In a Nutshell” covers everything from the health benefits to the definition of a nut (of these four, only the pecan is a true nut from a botanical perspective). In between is a fascinating look at the history, research and uses as well as growing and harvesting techniques. Through display panels, photographs and videos, visitors also are introduced to some of the farmers and scientists who helped make these nuts profitable and prominent crops in New Mexico.

#### Crafts for Kids 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5

Children of all ages are invited to come by the Museum and create their own Christmas crafts to take home. Regular admission is required for all family members: \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens, \$3 for children 4 to 17 and free admission for children 3 and under.

#### Culture Series: Stories of Holidays Past 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10

The Museum's annual December living history event offers visitors a retrospective view of New Mexico history during the holiday season. The audience will enjoy several different holiday vignettes in the Museum's theater with characters from various time periods in our state's history. Admission is \$2.

#### New exhibit: “Linda Hagen: Light Affects” Opening 5:30 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11

New Mexico always has been renowned for the effects of its light and its attractiveness to artists. Light affects the way we view this beautiful state, and in this collection of paintings by Las Cruces artist Linda Hagen, she accepts the challenge of capturing light on canvas – on form, distance and color. A love of animals, the West and nature inspire her work. The show will be in the Museum's Arts Corridor through April 3, 2016.

*The New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum is located at 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Regular hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Regular admission is \$5 adults, \$4 seniors age 60 and older, \$3 children ages 4 to 17 and free for children younger than 4 years. For more information, visit [www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org](http://www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org) or call 522-4100.*

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## LCCB donates to Jardín de los Niños



Angelina Randazzo poses with food donations gathered by the Las Cruces Chamber Ballet on behalf of Jardín de los Niños while in rehearsals for the LCCB's upcoming performances of the Nutcracker Ballet Friday through Sunday, Dec. 18-20, at Atkinson Recital Hall on the New Mexico State University campus. For more information call Michele's Dance Academy at 527-1893 or visit [micheledanceacademy.biz](http://micheledanceacademy.biz).

## Call to Artists

### LCCT holds 'Neon Palms' auditions Dec. 6

Las Cruces Community Theatre (LCCT) is holding auditions for its upcoming production of "Neon Psalms" from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, at the theater, 313 N. Main St.

"Neon Psalms," written by Thomas Streilich, directed by Algernon D'Amassa, will run Jan. 22 through Feb. 7, 2016, with performances at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays. Rehearsals will begin the week following auditions.

A character breakdown is as follows: Patina Mears, late '50s, born-again; Luton Mears, early '60s, retired miner, drove a Euclid earth mover in an open-pit borax mine, husband of Patina; Barbara Mears, mid '30s, daughter of Patina and Luton; and Ray Hays, early '30s, delivers propane.

The setting of this off-beat play is an isolated trailer near Boron, Calif., site of the world's largest open-pit Borax mine. A fragile truce between Luton Mears, a retired heavy equipment operator, and his born-again wife Patina is disrupted by the unexpected arrival of their daughter Barbara, a divorcee in her thirties. Lost and bottomed out, she moves home just to get back on her feet and finds herself trapped in a comic but progressively brutal cross fire between Luton who wants her to stay and Patina who wants her to go. This wasteland receives a blast of hilariously fresh air from the propane delivery man, Ray, who describes a bizarre but strangely comforting future. The play asks: Is there a substitute for the love of another human being, and if so, what are the consequences of that substitution?

For more information, call 523-1200.

# DACC 10-Minute Play Festival continues Dec. 4



Doña Ana Community College Theatre Arts Club members Rebecca-Paige George, Jessica Jimenez, Shawn Denley and Casey Singleton.

Doña Ana Community College Theatre Arts Club's fifth annual Ten Minute Play Festival will continue Friday, Dec. 4 at the DACC East Mesa campus, 2800 N. Sonoma Ranch Blvd.

There is no charge to attend either performance, and the evening includes dinner.

Dinner begins at 5:15 p.m. and the show begins at 5:30 p.m. Dinner is provided by Dion's Pizza.

The festival includes five original plays written, directed and performed by students "in the short-play format that is becoming a major popular entertainment genre," said DACC Assistant Theatre Arts Professor Layle Chambers. "The plays ... represent a wide variety of styles and reflect our diverse community. Student directors bring their unique vision to each play, and student performers bring it to life," she said.

The five plays are "Porcelain," by Adrienne Leyva, directed by Jacob Oliveira; "The Choice," book by Jacob Oliveira, story and music by Shawn Denley, who also is the director; "Crimes of Love," by Frances Marquez, directed by Teddy Aspen-Sanchez; "A Horrible Day," by Chris Burn, directed by Rebecca Paige George; and "The Meeting," by Alexandria Selders-O'Neal, di-

rected by Michael-Ray Vallejos.

For more information, contact Chambers at [lchambers@dacc.nmsu.edu](mailto:lchambers@dacc.nmsu.edu). You can like them on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/DACCTheatre](http://www.facebook.com/DACCTheatre).



# 'Truth' is a fast-paced, fact-based docudrama

Review by Jeff Berg

For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Definitely not a film made in New Mexico, since we seem to lack any kind of truth in our political system, "Truth" tells the true story of an ambitious network news team that followed up on the juicy omission about G.W. Bush's military record, which included suggestions that Mr. Bush was not actually present very often while on active duty.

The story – widely dismissed after naysayers bombarded the CBS network with petty grievances and macrobiotic tidbits (as it is noted, not once has the story ever been shown to be untrue – Bush apparently WAS "missing in action," so to speak) – was the demise of an honored newsman, Dan Rather, and that of the investigative reporter/producer, Mary Mapes, who wrote the book the movie is based on.

I've done some investigative type stories myself in the past and, fortu-

nately, have not had any bad feedback, but what happened during this time, in 2004 on "60 Minutes," is rather interesting and unnerving.

Following some tips, Mapes and crew follow the story about Bush, which was big news back in the day, and more truthful than the so-called "swift boat" nonsense that haunted John Kerry.

The story runs and hopes are high, but it didn't take long for the other side

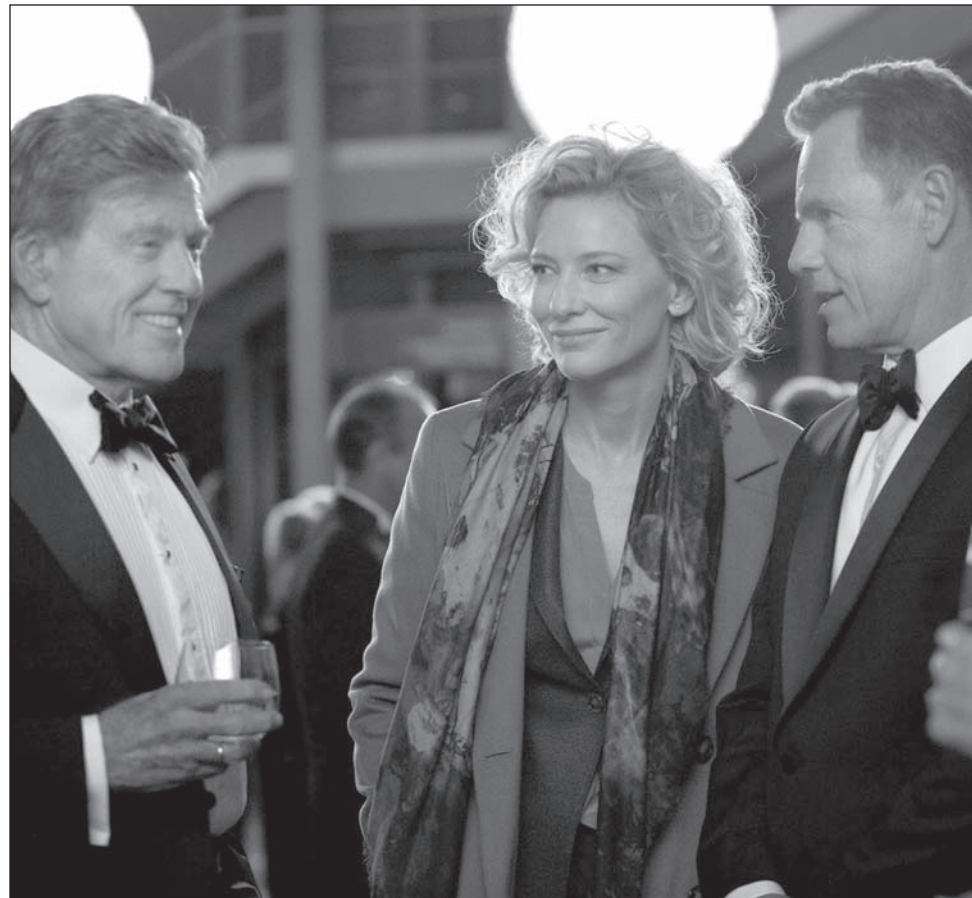
to strike back. Those who shared the story were said to have certain faults, shall we say, and actor Stacy Keach, one of the main information droppers, looks graceless and rather disturbed at best.

Robert Redford, who recently filled the Fountain Theatre with his gentle comedy "Walk in the Woods," returns to the screen in the film, playing newsman Rather. He does a handsome job without really looking like Rather, and withers away believably when he discovers CBS is not backing him and, rather, going on the defensive.

FILM REVIEW

Witness the "Truth" at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla beginning Friday, Dec. 4, for a week run. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. nightly.

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Robert Redford, Cate Blanchett and John Benjamin Hickey star in director James Vanderbilt's fact-based political drama "Truth," now playing at the Fountain Theatre.

A humiliating apology is later offered by Rather/Redford and Mapes, who later went on to win a Peabody Award for her work on the Abu Ghraib torture story. Cate Blanchett plays the hard-driven Mapes, and does a fine job of such.

As the news story unravels, so do our main characters, but only to a point. It is nice to see they seem to feel that with the job of journalism

come a lot of obstacles to telling the truth.

"Truth" is carried well by its strong story and performances, and it remains didactic throughout without being overbearing or shrill. Most audiences will like it, except the defenders of George W. Bush.

Jeff Berg can be reached at ned-ludd76@hotmail.com.

## Sudoku

Complete the grids below so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively. It is a game of logic, not math, and there is only one solution per puzzle. Have fun and exercise the grey matter.

Tips and computer program at [www.sudoku.com](http://www.sudoku.com)

### BEGINNER

			1	7				5
5	3				2	8		
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	2		4		9			6
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		4		5		2	9	6
		8	9				3	1
	1			4	6			

### CHALLENGER

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	6								1	
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9	5			4					3	1
	7									9
		4	2		9	8				

### EXPERT

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	2								6
		1	9				2		
	3				9				
8		2					1		
			3	4				2	5

### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

BEGINNER

3	8	7	9	5	1	4	6	2
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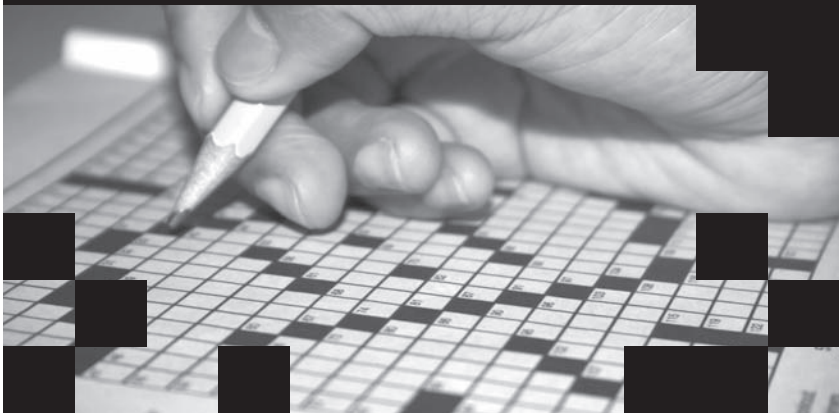
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5	2	6	3	7	4	9	8	1
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7	3	8	4	1	6	5	2	9
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EXPERT

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8	6	2	5	1	3	7	4	9
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3	4	9	7	8	6	2	1	5
2	1	8	3	5	4	9	7	6

# BrainGames



## Word Salsa

Circle these English words and their Spanish equivalents that appear in the grid horizontally, vertically, diagonally and backward. Encierre estas palabras en inglés y sus equivalentes en español que aparecen al revés, horizontal, vertical y diagonalmente.

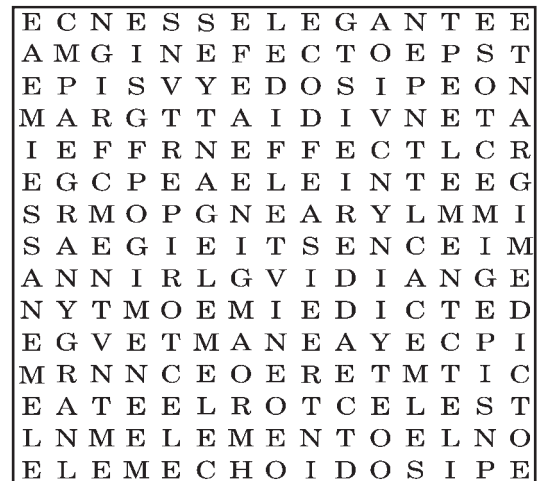
### BOTH START WITH 'E'

#### ENGLISH

- ECHO
- EDICT
- EFFECT
- ELECTOR
- ELEGANT
- ELEMENT
- EMIGRANT
- ENEMY
- ENIGMA
- ENVY
- EPISODE
- ESSENCE

#### SPANISH

- ECO
- EDICTO
- EFFECTO
- ELECTOR
- ELEGANTE
- ELEMENTO
- EMIGRANTE
- ENEMIGO
- ENIGMA
- ENVIDIA
- EPISODIO
- ESENCIA



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## Crossword Puzzles

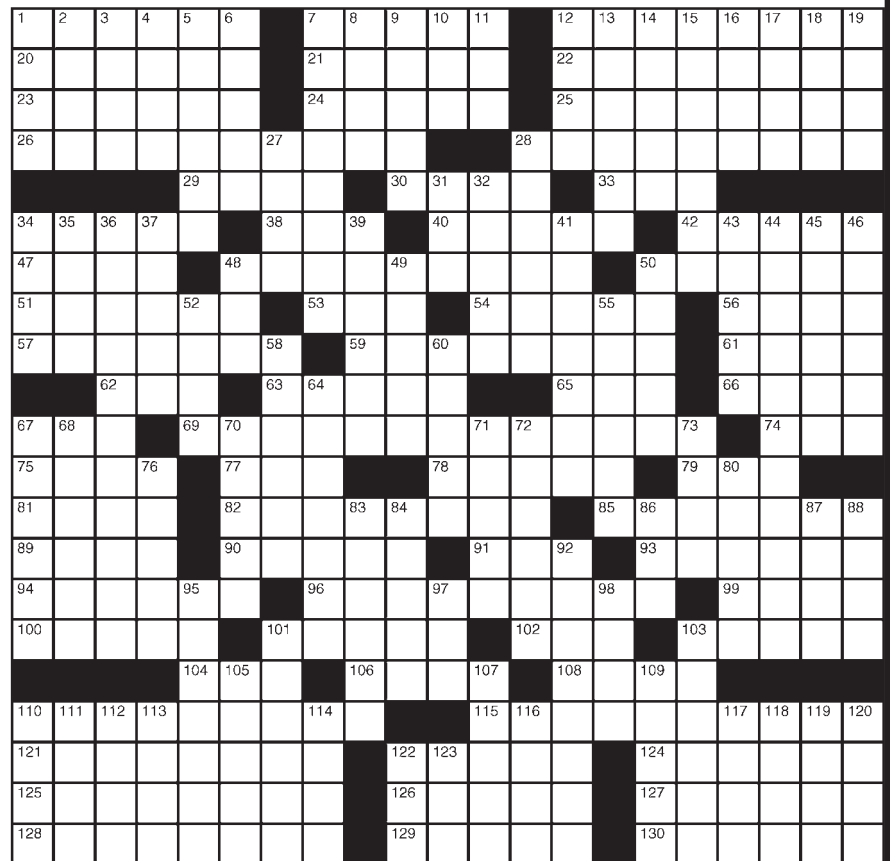
### Diagramless, 21 x 21

Like a regular crossword but with an added challenge. Sleuths must also create the diagram and figure out where the numbers and black squares go.

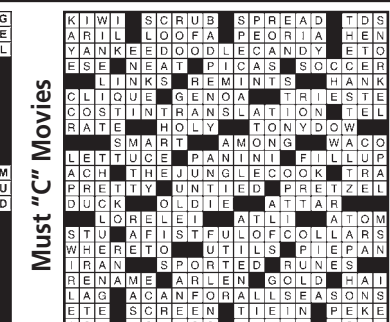
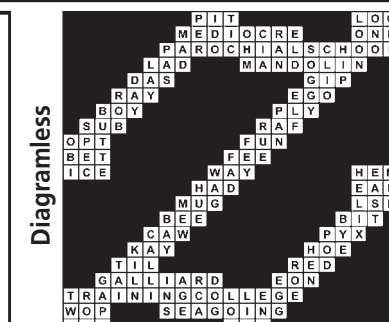
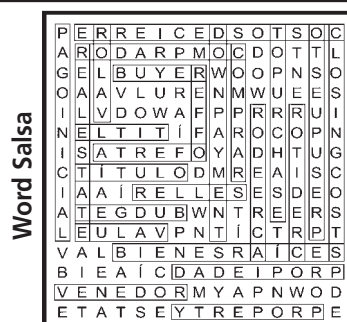
- ACROSS**
- 1 Stallion's mate
  - 5 Gulf V.I.P.
  - 9 Scope
  - 13 Absurd
  - 14 Fears
  - 16 Repairman
  - 17 Sticker
  - 18 Amigo
  - 20 Annual foursome
  - 24 Paris Hilton?
  - 29 Check out
  - 30 A Roosevelt
  - 31 Witness perhaps
  - 34 What a driver sees almost all the time
  - 38 Cyst
  - 39 Roman street
  - 40 "\_\_\_ alive!"
  - 41 "Chicago" lyricist
  - 42 Man's name and girl's name for short
  - 43 Civil War soldier
  - 44 Pekoe
  - 45 Addition
  - 46 Final resting place, sometimes
  - 47 "Comprende?"
  - 48 Plutons
  - 56 Skilled professional
  - 63 Make smooth
  - 64 Eliminate from the investigation
  - 65 Mandarin orange type
  - 66 Science of the ear
  - 67 Little bird
  - 68 "i" lid
  - 69 Statistic
  - 71 Lensless pix maker
  - 79 Look scornful
  - 80 Put behind one
  - 81 Enduring symbol
  - 82 "\_\_\_ Only Just Begun"
- DOWN**
- 1 Wharton degree
  - 2 Duchamp contemporary
  - 3 Good name, for short
  - 4 Ring bearer, maybe
  - 5 "Gimme \_\_\_!" (start of an Iowa State cheer)
  - 6 \_\_\_ Zedong
  - 7 What a keeper may keep
  - 8 Musical notes
  - 10 Extinct
  - 11 Needing a drink....
  - 12 Bewitch
  - 13 Nazareth native
  - 15 Relative
  - 17 \_\_\_ War
  - 19 Bank claim
  - 20 "Dear" one
  - 21 Abolish
  - 22 Death on the Nile cause, perhaps
  - 23 Getaway
  - 25 "Way cool!"
  - 26 "Star Trek" rank (abbr.)
  - 27 Opera landmark (abbr.)
  - 28 Mr., abroad
  - 31 Washing machine
  - 32 Social climbing lady in ancient Greece
  - 33 Coffee choice
  - 35 High point
  - 36 Respondent in some law suits
  - 37 Not a professional
  - 49 The Platters' "\_\_\_ Mine"
  - 50 Fertility clinic stock
  - 51 Authorize
  - 52 Helpful connections
  - 53 Plug
  - 54 Cuban's home?
  - 55 Texas related, e.g.
  - 56 Fruit and veggies
  - 57 Self service restaurant
  - 58 Coin opening
  - 59 Addr. book entry
  - 60 Jersey call
  - 61 Calendar abbr.
  - 62 Chester White's home
  - 70 Two-year-old sheep
  - 71 "\_\_\_ Luv U" show
  - 72 Publicity, slangily
  - 73 Recent
  - 74 Main layer
  - 75 Do some yard work
  - 76 Role in Haydn's "The Creation"
  - 77 Increase, with "up"
  - 78 "You \_\_\_" (Lionel Richie hit)

### PREFIXED PEOPLE

- ACROSS**
- 1 San Joaquin Valley tribe
  - 7 Outshines
  - 12 Mixed sandwich spread
  - 20 Dismount
  - 21 In the work cited
  - 22 Type of gland
  - 23 "Robocop" co-star
  - 24 Pee Wee or Della
  - 25 In complete agreement
  - 26 More than one "Cape Fear" co-star?
  - 28 Wrong fictional detective?
  - 29 McGregor of "Moulin Rouge"
  - 30 Matador's foe
  - 33 NYC winter hours
  - 34 Plods
  - 38 Energy
  - 40 Potvin or Savard
  - 42 Assesses
  - 47 Hawaiian port
  - 48 Small country singer?
  - 50 Most docile
  - 51 Estevez of "Repo Man"
  - 53 NASA's ISS partner
  - 54 Fellini's "La \_\_\_ Vita"
  - 56 High: pref.
  - 57 Canine pest
  - 59 International business conflict
  - 61 Fervor
  - 62 CBS hit
  - 63 Supplied with hints
  - 65 Dog tags, e.g.
  - 66 Noble family of Ferrara
  - 67 Mouths: Lat.
  - 69 Driven director?
  - 74 DDE's foe
  - 75 Forfeiture
  - 77 Spread seeds
  - 78 "Hollywood Squares" panelist Paul
  - 79 Carpool-lane letters
  - 81 Sprint
  - 82 Sirens
  - 85 "The Bartered Bride" composer
  - 89 French cheese
  - 90 Frost over again
  - 91 Born
  - 93 Cured
  - 94 Virgil's Trojan hero
  - 96 1/10 of a bandleader?
  - 99 Boffo review
  - 100 Pulverize
  - 101 Object mildly
  - 102 6-pointers
  - 103 Lucci or Dey
  - 104 Breakfasted
  - 106 Stock index
  - 108 Of the ear
  - 110 Around a fictional lawyer?
  - 115 Dry Broadway star?
  - 121 Rabble-rouser
  - 122 Canonical hours
  - 124 Mysterious
  - 125 Number sheets
  - 126 Hit hard, old-style
  - 127 Sundial
  - 128 Unit of radiation wavelengths
  - 129 Stellar blasts
  - 130 Kennedy assassin
- DOWN**
- 1 Bawl
  - 2 Butter's bro
  - 3 Murder
  - 4 Unattractive
  - 5 Neighbor of Luxor
  - 6 Scatter
  - 7 "Marty" star
  - 8 Fencing item
  - 9 Odor
  - 10 Third word of "America"
  - 11 Fr. holy woman
  - 12 Actor Morales
  - 13 Radon and neon
  - 14 Takes by theft
  - 15 Old Blue Eyes
  - 16 Declare as true
  - 17 Illuminator
  - 18 Inland Asian sea
  - 19 Unit of force
  - 27 Sitarist Shankar
  - 28 Fifth president
  - 31 Type of poem
  - 32 Double-check the total
  - 34 Lean-to
  - 35 Elite wheels
  - 36 Little fashion designer?
  - 37 Plays a round?
  - 39 Becloud
  - 41 Bringer of bad tidings
  - 43 Bowl over
  - 44 Broadcast TV cop?
  - 45 What is left
  - 46 Entrance gates
  - 48 "Simpsons" barkeep
  - 49 Chef's gizmo
  - 50 Curt
  - 52 Pieces of pelvises
  - 55 Grubs
  - 58 Play starter
  - 60 Astaire's sister
  - 64 Shoreline state
  - 67 Frump
  - 68 Lion, at times
  - 70 Exploiters
  - 71 Actress Loy
  - 72 Set among
  - 73 Korean leader Syngman
  - 76 Martin of "Apocalypse Now"
  - 80 Hokkaido port
  - 83 "The \_\_\_ Cometh"
  - 84 Beginning of the large intestine
  - 86 Frequency meas.
  - 87 River to the Gulf of Finland
  - 88 Arabian Sea port
  - 92 Backs
  - 95 Sway-resistant
  - 97 Anger
  - 98 Regarding
  - 101 1539 Florida visitor
  - 103 Rejects derisively
  - 105 Mongolian invader
  - 107 34, once
  - 109 Insect stage
  - 110 Pop
  - 111 Richard of "A Summer Place"
  - 112 Diana of "The Avengers"
  - 113 Suffix for diseases
  - 114 Provo neighbor
  - 116 Kett of comics
  - 117 Garbage barge
  - 118 Author Janowitz
  - 119 Organic compound
  - 120 Give temporarily
  - 122 Tax form ID
  - 123 Comic Philips



### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS



**CRYPTOGRAM**

H M N Y A F H Q Z W A M W  
 V X K K F X W X E X D Y Q J  
 V M W Z W Z X E N V D M W S H X W  
 S D X J W K Q D S X S M Q J, H M N A  
 W Y X S A W.

**LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:**  
 Santa is being more environmentally friendly. The proof? He ordered Rudolph to turn his bright red nose olive green!

# AtTheMovies

## Coming soon on DVD Dec. 8

**Ant-Man**  
 Rated: PG-13  
 Genre: Comedy, action  
 Starring: Paul Rudd, Michael Douglas  
 Director: Peyton Reed

**Minions**  
 Rated: PG  
 Genre: Family  
 Starring: Sandra Bullock, Jon Hamm (voices)  
 Director: Kyle Balda, Pierre Coffin

**Knock Knock**  
 Rated: R  
 Genre: Suspense  
 Starring: Keanu Reeves, Lorenza Izzo  
 Director: Eli Roth

**The Transporter Refueled**  
 Rated: PG-13  
 Genre: Action  
 Starring: Ed Skrein, Loan Chanbanol  
 Director: Camille Delamarre

## Top-grossing Nov. 27-29

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| <b>1</b> <b>The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 2</b> (Week No. 2) \$352,004,595 | <b>6</b> <b>The Night Before</b> (Week No. 2) \$8,376,461     |
| <b>2</b> <b>The Good Dinosaur</b> (Week No. 1) \$39,155,217                    | <b>7</b> <b>Secret in Their Eyes</b> (Week No. 2) \$4,423,540 |
| <b>3</b> <b>Creed</b> (Week No. 1) \$29,632,823                                | <b>8</b> <b>The Martian</b> (Week No. 9) \$3,221,066          |
| <b>4</b> <b>Spectre</b> (Week No. 4) \$12,887,772                              | <b>9</b> <b>Love the Coopers</b> (Week No. 3) \$3,069,792     |
| <b>5</b> <b>The Peanuts Movie</b> (Week No. 4) \$9,749,592                     | <b>10</b> <b>Victor Frankenstein</b> (Week No. 1) \$2,469,341 |

# Picking the Flicks



Movie information from www.rottentomatoes.com. Movie reel based on a 5-point scale.

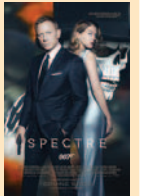
### Goosebumps

**Rated:** PG  
**Plot Overview:** A teenage boy teams with the daughter of author R.L. Stine, whose literary demons have been loosed on a Maryland town.  
**Starring:** Jack Black, Dylan Minnette  
**Director:** Rob Letterman



### Spectre

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** James Bond is sent after a sinister organization from a message out of the past, and uncovers the terrible truth behind SPECTRE.  
**Starring:** Daniel Craig, Christoph Waltz  
**Director:** Sam Mendes



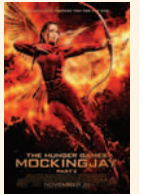
### The Martian

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** An astronaut marooned on a manned mission to Mars must survive on a hostile planet with dwindling supplies – and find a way to contact Earth.  
**Starring:** Matt Damon  
**Director:** Ridley Scott



### The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 2

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** As the war of Panem escalates and the Capital destroys other districts, Katniss Everdeen must bring together an army against President Snow, with everything she loves hanging in the balance.  
**Starring:** Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson



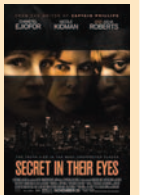
### The 33

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** Based on the true story of a gold and copper mine collapse that trapped 33 Chilean miners underground for nearly 70 days.  
**Starring:** Antonio Banderas, Rodrigo Santoro  
**Director:** Patricia Riggen



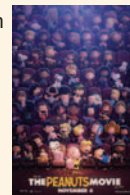
### Secret in Their Eyes

**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** A team of high-rising investigators is torn apart when one of their own teenage daughters is found murdered.  
**Starring:** Chiwetel Ejiofor, Nicole Kidman  
**Director:** Billy Ray



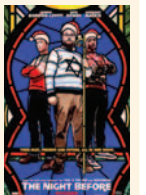
### The Peanuts Movie

**Rated:** PG  
**Plot Overview:** Snoopy and his team take to the skies in pursuit of their arch nemesis, while Charlie Brown goes on his own quest at home.  
**Starring:** Francesca Capaldi, Madisyn Shipman (voices)  
**Director:** Steve Martino



### The Night Before

**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** Facing the end of their annual New York Christmas Eve tradition, three lifelong best friends go looking for the "Holy Grail" of Christmas parties.  
**Starring:** Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Seth Rogen  
**Director:** Jonathan LeViner



### Victor Frankenstein

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** Told from assistant Igor's point of view, we see the evolution of his relationship with a young medical student named Victor Von Frankenstein and how he became the legend we know now.  
**Starring:** Daniel Radcliff, James McAvoy



### Spotlight

**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** The true story of how the Boston Globe uncovered the shocking child molestation and subsequent cover-up by the local Catholic Archdiocese.  
**Starring:** Mark Ruffalo, Michael Keaton  
**Director:** Tom McCarthy



### Love the Coopers

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** Four generations come together for Christmas Eve; when unlikely events turn the house upside down, the Coopers rediscover family bonds and the spirit of the season.  
**Starring:** Olivia Wilde, Amanda Seyfried  
**Director:** Jessie Nelson



### Creed

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** Rocky Balboa steps into the role of trainer to promising young boxer Adonis Johnson – the son of Rocky's late friend and former rival Apollo Creed.  
**Starring:** Sylvester Stallone, Michael B. Jordan



### The Good Dinosaur

**Rated:** PG  
**Plot Overview:** In an alternate timeline where dinosaurs never went extinct, Arlo the Apatosaurus makes an unlikely friend in a young human caveboy named Spot.  
**Starring:** Jeffrey Wright, Frances McDormand (voices)  
**Director:** Peter Sohn



### Krampus

**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** Amidst a bad Christmas, a young boy unwittingly summons a Christmas demon to his family's home.  
**Starring:** Adam Scott, Toni Collette  
**Director:** Michael Dougherty



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# Galleries & Openings

## OPENING

**BRANIGAN CULTURAL CENTER** presents three new exhibits opening for the month of December, "Remembering the Mays," "The Beggars of Venice" and "Around the World, Around Other Cultures."

Celebrating local history and one of Las Cruces' pioneering families is the focus of "Remembering the Mays." Settling in Las Cruces in the late nineteenth century, John and Elizabeth May opened and operated the successful Rio Grande Hotel on Main Street. The couple raised six children in Las Cruces, many of whom grew to become important figures in their own right, owning important businesses throughout the City and becoming involved in local and regional politics.

The exhibit will feature historic photographs as well as items from the Museum System's collection that belonged to members of the May family, allowing visitors insight into life in Las Cruces during an exciting period of time in which the city was rapidly developing. "Remembering the Mays" opens with a reception, with descendants of the May family in attendance, from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4.

The suite of drawings "The Beggars of Venice" captures the many characters of the most present but often unnoticed residents of Venice, Italy. Utilizing graphite and ink on paper, artist Ed Smith's images create a sense of historical continuity with the great artists Callot, Tintoretto, Tiepolo, Goya and Rembrandt. "The Beggars of Venice" opens with a reception from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, and will remain on display through Jan. 23, 2016.

"Around the World, Around Other Cultures" is an exhibit of the work of artist Alejandra Gamez. Gamez developed her own style of producing monotypes while studying at the Autonomous University of Ciudad Juarez. Utilizing mediums of acrylic ink and paper, this show presents a series of artwork that illustrates the artist's passion for different countries and cultures, and how they relate to each other in the world. "Around the World, Around Other Cultures" opens with a reception from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, and will remain on display through Saturday, Dec. 26. Branigan Cultural Center is located at 501 N. Main St. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call 541-2154.

**TOMBAUGH GALLERY** presents "Steel and Wings," an exhibit of new works by Las Cruces artists Jill Somoza and John Northcutt. Somoza's paintings capture an ephemeral quality by painting on vinyl sheeting stretched in unusual shapes. The pieces chosen for this show were all done in the past two years and display the simple lines of juxtaposed panels combined with curved wood. These paintings are more accurately described as elaborate sketches of fleeting feelings, drawn in wood, vinyl, color and line. Northcutt's sculpture is minimal kinetic and viewer participatory. He has chosen to explore the concept of the existence of multiple planes within a plane and their interaction. The planes are based on minimal geometric shapes, rectangles, squares,

triangles, etc., interacting with each other. In the past, he has worked thematically drawing ideas from American Indian mythology, art history references, or observations on friends, thus giving the work an allegorical quality. For this show, he draws inspiration from the Sand Hill Cranes and their flight. "Steel and Wings" opens with an artists' reception from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6. Another reception is set for 5 to 7 p.m. Jan. 8, 2016, and the exhibit will remain on display through Jan. 22, 2016.

Tombaugh Gallery is located inside the Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces, 2000 S. Solano Drive. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and by appointment. For more information, call 522-7281.

**BIG PICTURE DIGITAL IMAGE EXPERTS AND GALLERY** presents "Southwest Visions" by fine artist Greg Allen. Inspired by the mystical terrain of the desert, Allen brings to life the landscapes of the Southwest, capturing light, forms and architecture. His authenticity and purity of vision is delineated throughout the work. Many of his oil paintings possess a distinctly classical composition while others are imbued with a contemporary painterly surface. Illuminated from within, viewers experience an overwhelming sense of familiarity, intimacy and innocence. "Southwest Visions" opens with a reception from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, and will remain on display through the end of December.

Big Picture Digital Image Experts and Gallery is located at 311 N. Main St. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 647-0508.

**MAS ART** presents the work of two young talents, Rudolf Medina and Sherrena Richardson, a combination of realistic style shown through Medina's work and the fascinating surrealism style of Richardson, in the joint exhibition "Anecdotes and Striations." The exhibit opens with a reception from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, and will remain on display through the end of December.

Mas Art is located at 126 S. Main St. Regular hours are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 526-9113.

**QUILLIN-STEPHENS GALLERY** welcomes everyone back for a Christmas Ramble featuring wood-turner Les Fairchild. Fairchild specializes in wood inlay, combining several types of wood in intricate patterns to create items ranging from bowls to kaleidoscopes, as well as offering Christmas ornaments and jewelry in wood. In addition, the gallery's four permanent artists will offer some Christmas specials to help you complete your shopping list. The show opens with a reception from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, and will remain on display through the end of the month.

Quillin-Stephens Gallery is located behind COAS Books at 317 N. Main St. For more information and gallery hours, call 312-1064.

**WEST END ART DEPOT** is proud – and a little sad – to present its final exhibit at the warehouse by the tracks, David Canales' "Metal Show." The gallery's final show features sculptures incorporating metal and found objects, and photographs based on the sculptures. Canales, a Las Cruces transplant from L.A., will also exhibit custom-built game tables. Available for modest prices, everything included in the show is priced at \$300 or less. On his current work Canales said, "The principle idea I am working with is metal. I'm fascinated by the longevity of the material. Secondary to that solidity is the interplay of light and, third, there is a primary focus on balance, if not symmetry. "Metal Show" opens with a reception from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, and will remain on display through the end of the year.

West End Art Depot is located at 401 N. Mesilla St. Gallery hours are 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, noon to 3 p.m. Sunday and by appointment. For more information, call 312-9892 or visit [www.we-ad.org](http://www.we-ad.org).

**ART OBSCURA GALLERY** presents three new exhibitions for the month of December: Jesse Reinhard's "Reflections," Sam Ross' "Etiquette Unraveled" upstairs in the Tiny Room Gallery and, outside and for one night only – Saturday, Dec. 5 – "Making Sense," an exhibition of work from New Mexico State University MFA graduate students.

Jesse Reinhard received an MFA in printmaking from NMSU and has been active in the local art scene since arriving in Las Cruces in 2004. Along with Art Obscura, his artwork can often be found at the West End Art Depot and Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market. This is rumored to be Reinhard's last show in Las Cruces, as he is moving to the Dallas-Ft. Worth area at the end of the year to join a religious cult.

"Etiquette Unraveled" reveals artist Sam Ross' new paintings that vibrate with humor. This month-long display showcases his new work, along with limited edition T-shirts, prints and miniature paintings. "I've always been the jovial type and I love connecting with people through humor, which is what I primarily aim to achieve through this style," Ross said.

"Making Sense" features a diverse range of artwork made by NMSU MFA graduate students, focused on the investigation of the origin, nature, methods and limitations of the five senses of taste, touch, sight, smell and hearing, and their integration into each individual's artistic practice. Time is also of the essence, as this exhibition will be on display for only a few hours the night of Dec. 5, from 7 p.m. to midnight.

All three exhibits open with a reception at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5. "Reflections" and "Etiquette Unraveled" will remain on display through January, 2016.

Art Obscura Gallery is located at 3206 Harrelson St. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 494-7256.

**COTTONWOOD GALLERY**, inside Southwest Environmental Center, presents a new show of artwork by Las Cruces painter Meg G. Freyermuth. Freyermuth recently completed the first Artist-In-Residence program for the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument,

a program that supports public lands through art. An avid hiker, traveler and gardener since childhood, Freyermuth uses these experiences to display her passion for the environment through brightly colored, dramatic paintings and drawings of the United States' wilderness. Freyermuth's show opens with an artist's reception from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, and will remain on display through the end of January.

Cottonwood Gallery is located inside Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. Regular hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 522-5552.

**NOPALITO'S GALERÍA** presents Kate More's "The Tortugas Journey of Our Lady of Guadalupe," an exhibit of photographs from her research on the Tortugas Pueblo, as well as Norma Hartell's "La Vida de Un Agricultor (Life of a Farmer)," depicting the connection between farmers and their livestock. Both exhibits open with a reception from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, and will remain on display through the end of December.

Nopalito's Galería is located at 326 S. Mesquite St. Gallery hours are 4 to 7 p.m. Friday and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call 524-0003.

**MESILLA VALLEY FINE ARTS GALLERY** features two local artists for the month of December, Bert Gammill and Lori Shalett. Gammill is a mixed-media artist working in watercolor, oils, pastels and pencils, rendering realistic things that are close to her – horses, dogs, cats, friends and family. The gallery is also pleased to welcome its newest member, Mike Shalett, a basket-weaver. In addition, the gallery's 30 member artists offer work in many media.

Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery is located at 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Sunday. For more information, call 522-2933.

**NEW MEXICO FARM & RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM** presents in its arts corridor "Linda Hagen: Light Affects." New Mexico always has been renowned for the effects of its light and its attractiveness to artists. Light affects the way we view this beautiful state, and in this collection of paintings by Las Cruces artist Linda Hagen, she accepts the challenge of capturing light on canvas – on form, distance and color. A love of animals, the West and nature inspire Hagen's work. "Light Affects" opens with a reception from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, and will remain on display through April 3, 2016.

The New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum is located at 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Regular hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Regular museum admission is \$5 adults, \$4 senior citizens, \$3 children ages 4 to 17, \$2 active U.S. military and veterans and free for children age 3 and younger. For more information, visit [www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org](http://www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org) or call 522-4100.

## ONGOING

**ADOBE PATIO GALLERY** presents the Border Artists' second exhibition of small-scale art show "Small is Beautiful II." This exciting show

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introduces two of the Border Artists' newest members, Margaret Berrier and Sharbani Das Gupta, whose work will be shown alongside three Signature Members – Carolyn Bunch, Tom Gerend and Dan Tapper – as well as active members Tauna Cole, Janice Cook, Sherry Doil-Carter, Winfrey Hearst, Annetta Hoover, Amanda Jaffe, Suzanne Kane, Cassandra Lockwood, Rosemary McLoughlin, Jeanne Rundell, Storm Sermay, David Shaw, Jo-An Smith, Jean Wilkey, Bob Willis and Terry Wolfe. The art in "Small is Beautiful II" may be small in size, but it's powerful in feeling and wide in variety. During December, a percentage of each sale of art will be donated to Jardin de los Niños. "Small is Beautiful II" will remain on display through December. Several artists will be on hand in the gallery from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5.

Adobe Patio Gallery is located at 1765 Avenida de Mesilla. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call 532-9310.

**UNSETTLED GALLERY** presents the fifth annual "Let's Go Ornamental" exhibit, featuring eclectic area artists – and a few from further afield – creating artful treasures perfect in size, composition and price for gifting or adding to your personal collection. The holidays are an excuse and inspiration for our artists, and the gallery, to allow a bit of fun, discovery and experimentation to enter the creative process resulting in work to enjoy not just for the holidays, but year-round. "Let's Get Ornamental" opens with an artists' reception from 3 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5. The exhibit will remain on display through Saturday, Dec. 19.

Unsettled Gallery is located at 905 N. Mesquite St. Regular gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday

and Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and by appointment. For more information visit [www.unsettledgallery.com](http://www.unsettledgallery.com), email [u@unsettledgallery.com](mailto:u@unsettledgallery.com) or call 635-2285.

**NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY ART GALLERY** presents its fall 2015 collaborative exhibition, "Points of Departure." Forming a multifaceted curatorial exchange, three concepts will be on display within the gallery for "Points of Departure": Laboratory, Curatory and Points of Departure. The UAG will host a plethora of community programs, taking place from mid-November through early December. For the complete schedule, visit [uag.nmsu.edu](http://uag.nmsu.edu). "Points of Departure" will remain on display through Saturday, Dec. 19.

The NMSU University Art Gallery is located inside D.W. Williams Hall, at the intersection of University Avenue and Solano Drive. Regular gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, visit <http://uag.nmsu.edu> or call 646-2545.

**ART ON EASELS GALLERY**, located inside the Community Enterprise Center, features nearly 50 works by members of the Las Cruces Arts Association. December's LCAA featured artist is Penny Dunclee. Dunclee is a long-time member of the LCAA and is a well-known watercolorist. A versatile artist, she draws on many inspirations to create her images, often instilling her sense of humor along the way.

The Community Enterprise Center is located at 125 N. Main St. Art on Easels Gallery is open from 5 to 7 p.m. during each First Friday Downtown Art Ramble, as well as during the Las Cruces Farmers & Craft Market on the first and third Saturdays of the month. For more information, visit [www.lascrucesarts.com](http://www.lascrucesarts.com).

**AA STUDIOS** presents "New Paintings and Monotypes" by Las Cruces abstract artist Michael Pavao for the month of November. All Pavao's work for this show is new, and the

small-format monotypes are dynamic and affordable. Pavao numbers, rather than titles, his work, incorporating the date of completion. Doing this avoids the preconceived imagery or meaning a formal title often suggests, and suggests an affinity with music and math, where form is counterbalanced by the space around the form. A feeling of improvisational jazz can be seen in Pavao's work. "New Paintings and Monotypes" will be open the second weekend of the month, as well as by appointment, through Jan. 2, 2016.

Aa Studios is located 2645 Doña Ana Road. Gallery hours are by appointment the second weekend of the month, 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 520-8752.

**AMARO WINERY** features paintings and drawing by Meg Freyermuth and a landscape pastel series by Wayne Carl Huber. The show will remain on display through Jan. 10, 2016.

Amaro Winery is located at 402 S. Melendres St. Hours are 3 to 10 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, 1 to 10 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 527-5310.

**FIREBIRD RISING FINE ART GALLERY** presents its grand opening celebration and exhibition "Union of Flames," a group show of local, national and international visual artists featuring Paul Neff, Lilith Love, Wes Naman, Chris Bardey, Jodie Herrera, Jef Bourgeau, Deret Roberts, Cody Jimenez, Michael Ponce, Praxis, David D. Sorensen, Stephanie Sweet, Maureen Bachaus and Michael C. Gutierrez. "Union of Flames" will remain on display through Jan. 3, 2016.

Firebird Rising Fine Art Gallery is located at 330 W. Mountain Ave. Regular gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday through Sunday and by appointment. For more information, call 303-2434.

**NEW MEXICO FARM & RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM** presents in its north corridor "In a Nutshell: Growing Nuts in New Mexico," an exhibit centered on nuts grown here in the Land of Enchantment. Few crops are more diverse and individually tied culturally and economically to the various geographic areas of New Mexico's bountiful nut crops. Each of the state's top nuts – piñon, peanuts, pecans and pistachios – has its own story to tell about how and why it is grown and harvested. The exhibit covers everything from the definition of a nut

to its health benefits. In between is a fascinating look at the history, research and uses as well as growing and harvesting techniques. "In a Nutshell" will remain on display through Sept. 25, 2016.

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**CAFÉ DE MESILLA** presents "Art Demitasse," an exhibit by the Ten O'Clock Club. The "Tenners" meet monthly at 10 a.m. on the 10th day of each month to talk art; every other day of the week at 10 a.m., they think art or, most often, get involved with their media to create, work and play. "Art Demitasse," the last of the Tenners' 10th anniversary shows, will remain on display through December.

Café de Mesilla is located at 2190 Avenida de Mesilla. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. For more information, call 524-0000.

**DESERT ROOTS ARTISTS' MARKET AND GALLERY** features works by local artists and a cozy café area.

Desert Roots Artists' Market and Gallery is located at 1001 S. Solano Drive. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 652-7366.

**DOÑA ANA COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER** is currently displaying more than 100 pieces of new, original artwork created by students from Las Cruces Public Schools and Gadsden Independent School District in the center's first-floor corridor. The exhibit includes drawings, paintings, photography, etchings and more.

The student art exhibit complements the permanent art collection held inside the center, featuring 41 original acrylics and oils by Joyce T. Macrorie, several historical photographs and landscapes, art from students attending J. Paul Taylor Academy and Hatch Valley Public Schools and more.

The Doña Ana County Government Center is located at 845 N. Motel Blvd. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 647-7210.



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# New Thought leader brings international perspective to center

Rev. Carol Carnes will begin her tenure as spiritual director of Wellspring, a Las Cruces center for metaphysical study and personal growth, 11 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, at 140 Taylor Road. She will speak on the topic "Open the Flue" (the bearer of gifts needs a way to get to your "home").

Carnes is widely read online through her daily essay blog "Living Consciously." A compilation of some of those writings became her first book "The Way In."

She brings 28 years of ministry to Wellspring, having served in Calgary Alberta; Sarasota, Fla.; Santa Cruz, Calif.; Knoxville Tenn. and now, Las Cruces.

Carnes also brings an international perspective to her teaching. In dialogue with His Highness the Dalai Lama on

three occasions, one of which was at the Pope's summer residence in Italy, she has been a part of a worldwide movement to release religion from superstition and dogma. She has been a presenter at two Parliaments of the World's Religions, one in Cape Town, South Africa, and another in Melbourne, Australia.

Carnes said New Thought has been called the spirituality of "healthy mindedness" by William James, noted scholar and author of "Varieties of Religious Experience."

As a single mother of two who raised her children in Hawaii, at times receiving welfare, she knows the struggles of trying to live without an understanding of our own power. Carnes said she teaches

"how to change our lives by the right use of our powerful mind."

When she discovered New Thought and learned to practice daily meditation, her life began to transform into one of abundance and joy. Carnes intends to bring Wellspring into greater visibility in Las Cruces. The center has plans to relocate to a more accessible meeting place in Las Cruces, she said.

She said she is interested in serving the community through outreach programs. She created "Shoe-In" in Canada, which provides new shoes for kids in need.

The center in Calgary also housed the homeless one day a week, in conjunction with other organizations. For more information, visit [www.carolcarnes.com](http://www.carolcarnes.com).



Rev. Carol Carnes, new spiritual director of Las Cruces' Wellspring Center, meets and speaks with His Highness the Dalai Lama.

## Menorah lighting, concert marks Dec. 6 start of Chanukah

Chabad Jewish Center will ignite a public nine-foot menorah erected at Old Mesilla Plaza followed by a Grand Concert and celebration on the first night of Chanukah, which falls on Sunday, Dec. 6, with the celebration beginning at 5 p.m. The Menorah will be lit by our local dignitaries. Following the menorah lighting ceremony, hundreds will dance, sing and eat the night away with a Special Concert by the Rogers Park Band, an award winning Hasidic folk/pop duo out of Chicago, Ill. Rogers Park was named Continuum Theatre's "Best Chicagoland Band 2014" and there will be hot cocoa, gelt (chocolate "Chanukah money"), hot latkes, jelly donuts, candles and more.

The public menorah lighting was organized by Chabad Rabbi Bery Schmukler of Chabad, who said, "The Menorah serves as a symbol of Las Cruces' dedication to preserve and encourage the right and liberty of all its citizens to worship G-d freely, openly and with pride. Specifically in America, a nation that was founded upon and vig-

orously protects the right of every person to practice his or her religion free from restraint and persecution, the Menorah takes on profound significance, embodying both religious and constitutional principles."

Susan Klein, who is looking forward to attending the public menorah lighting, said, "I want my kids to grow up with pride in their Jewish heritage and a feeling of equality and self-confident as an American. Chabad's Chanukah Menorahs are arguably one of the most important developments ever to help my child's education. I wish they had this where I grew up."

Las Cruces' menorah is one of thousands of large public menorahs sponsored by Chabad throughout the world, helping children and adults of all walks of life discover and enjoy the holiday message.

Chanukah, the Festival of Lights, recalls the victory more than 2,100 years ago of a militarily weak but spiritually strong Jewish people who defeated a ruthless enemy that had overrun ancient Israel and sought to



New Mexico State Rep. Jeff Steinborn lights the menorah at last year's celebration marking the beginning of Chanukah.

impose restrictions on the Jewish way of life, prohibit religious freedom and force the Jewish people to accept a foreign religion. During the occupation of Jerusalem and the Temple, the Syrian Greeks desecrated and defiled the oils prepared for the lighting of the Menorah, which was part of the daily service in the temple. Upon recapturing the Temple from the Syrian Greeks, the Jewish people found only one jar of undefiled oil, enough to burn only one day, but it lasted miraculously for eight days until new, pure olive oil was produced. In commemoration of this event, the Jewish people celebrate Chanukah for

eight days by lighting an eight-branched candelabra known as a Menorah. The Menorah is placed in a highly-visible place to publicize the miracle, with its message of hope and religious freedom to all. Today, people of all faiths consider the Chanukah holiday as a symbol and message of the triumph of freedom over oppression, of spirit over matter, of light over darkness.

This year's Hanukkah celebrations bring added significance as Jewish communities worldwide celebrate the year of Hakhel, a once-every-seven-years opportunity to celebrate Jewish unity and learning.

Throughout the year Jewish synagogues and organizations are hosting communal gatherings for men, women and children dedicated to encouraging Jewish observance.

Throughout the State of New Mexico, Chabad will be presenting scores of Chanukah events and celebrations, including public menorah lightings, giant menorahs made out of ice and Legos, Menorah Parades, Latkes parties, Giant Dreidel Houses, "Chanukah Wonderlands" and more. To find a local event in Las Cruces or practically anywhere throughout the world, visit [www.JewishLC.com](http://www.JewishLC.com).

## Celebrate Hanukkah with Temple Beth-El

Temple Beth-El in Las Cruces will celebrate Hanukkah on Friday, Dec. 11, with a festive dinner and family worship experience, the lighting of Hanukkah candles, dessert, and Chanukah games and activities. A dairy/vegetarian potluck dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m. featuring latkes/potato pancakes, one of the signature foods of this Festival of Lights. At 6:15 p.m., a service for this Sabbath of Hanukkah will include families lighting Hanukkah candles for the sixth night of the holiday (bring a menorah to light) and special music. Following the service, "dreidels and dessert" will include a sampling of sweet Hanukkah delicacies, games including playing with a Hanukkah "dreidel" (a 4-sided top) and time to enjoy the festival. For more information, call the Temple office at 524-3380. The Temple is located at 3980 Sonoma Springs Ave. The community is welcome to attend.



## Operation Christmas Child



Volunteers with Operation Christmas Child pack and distribute thousands of boxes of toys and essentials to children in need. Las Cruces, southwest New Mexico and El Paso residents packed 10,580 shoeboxes filled with essential items such as toys, sports items or stuffed animals, as well as hygiene items and school supplies. The boxes are on their way to the Processing Center in Denver, Colo., for distribution around the world. Last year, 10.4 million boxes were sent to children in 120 countries, including some Native American reservations in the United States. It's not too late to participate, and simple instructions for how to contribute or how to make up a shoebox at home are available online at [www.samaritanspurse.org](http://www.samaritanspurse.org).

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Griefshare: Surviving the Holidays will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, at Mesilla Park Community Church, 3100 Oak St. Griefshare: Surviving the Holidays is geared to peo-

ple who have lost a loved one to death and are grieving, adjusting or having a difficult time during the holidays due to a death. This two-hour seminar will teach different methods of getting through the holidays as well as adjusting to life with a new normal. This class is open to the public. The class costs \$5 to cover the cost of the workbook. SonTown provides "Children's Classes" for birth through fifth grade. Please specify in advance if you require these classes as well as the age of your child. Register at [www.getrealchurch.org](http://www.getrealchurch.org), emailing [james.pacheco@fbfs.com](mailto:james.pacheco@fbfs.com), or by calling 496-5150.

### COMMUNITY CAROL CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG

The Las Cruces Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and Peace Lutheran Church present a sing-along at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, at Peace Lu-

theran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. All ages are welcome at this free event. Take a break from the rush of last minute Christmas preparations to come join in the singing of carols and reflect the reason for the season during this hour-long event. Hot cider and biscochitos will be available. For information, call 523-5229.

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moment to moment experiences and seeing without judgment.

Classes are offered on a dana (voluntary donation) basis. For more information, contact Diane at [diane.schneider09@gmail.com](mailto:diane.schneider09@gmail.com).

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Chaitanya, the ongoing series of classes will provide students with a synthesis of New Thought for today's challenges. For more information, call 650-7344.

### MASCULINE SPIRITUALITY

Men are invited to gather from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Sundays at Wellspring Church, 140 Taylor Road, to discuss spiritual issues and the male persona. All are welcome for coffee, camaraderie and topics for guys in search of a path that works. For more information, call 647-2560.



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## NMSU Curry County Extension Office, food bank launch Produce to People program

By **Kristie Garcia**  
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

When Barbara Rodriguez arrives at the free Produce to People farmers market at the Food Bank of Eastern New Mexico in Clovis, she looks forward to the fresh food and knows her grandchildren will eat healthy.

"I come to the farmers market every time it happens, because it's good for the community and it helps out my grandkids," Rodriguez said. "With fresh foods, I know my grandkids will eat healthy. I've also tried different recipes with the produce I've gotten here."

Zandy Bunch, nutrition educator at the New Mexico State University Curry County Cooperative Extension Service Office, provides recipes each month as part of the Produce to People program.

"We help families of all ages by distributing food and by providing healthy recipes, food tasting and nutrition information," Bunch said.

Produce to People began in September and is part of the Ideas for Cooking and Nutri-



NMSU PHOTO BY KRISTIE GARCIA

**Zandy Bunch, nutrition educator at New Mexico State University's Curry County Cooperative Extension Service Office, gives a sample of a healthy vegetable soup to a child at the Food Bank of Eastern New Mexico for the Produce to People farmers market.**

tion, or ICAN, program, which is provided by the NMSU Cooperative Extension Service.

Dianna Hernandez, execu-

tive director of the food bank, said the idea came about at a coalition meeting with Bunch and others.

"We had an open discus-

sion about food and security," Hernandez said. "We receive a lot of produce and needed to figure out how to get it to people and how to get

it to them fast. We came up with the idea of a free farmers market that's also an educational event."

Produce that has been both donated and purchased is distributed to community members on the third Thursday of each month at the food bank.

At the most recent event on Nov. 19, over 6,000 pounds of produce were distributed to approximately 250 families as part of Produce to People.

In addition to food bank and extension office personnel, Curry County Farm and Livestock Bureau board of directors volunteer as well. Board member Keith O'Rear said bureau directors help distribute the produce to attendees each month.

"This is a community service, and many volunteers are needed," O'Rear said. "There are lots of people coming out to receive the produce, including airmen from Cannon Air Force Base. Produce to People is very helpful, because it supplements families' food supply,

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## Now is the time to plant bulbs for spring garden

By **Mike Cook**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Need an inexpensive but thoughtful Christmas or Chanukah gift for that special someone? How about some potting soil, a couple of large pots and some spring bulbs?

Right now is the perfect time to plant bulbs and some trees, shrubs and vines so your garden or patio will be filled with color next spring, said Jeff Anderson, Doña Ana County agriculture agent for agronomy and horticulture for the New Mexico State University Coopera-

tive Extension Service.

"Spring bulbs are really great," said Anderson, who has successfully grown many varieties of flowers from bulbs in his own yard in Las Cruces.

Among his favorites are two varieties of tulips that grow particularly well in the warm climate of southern New Mexico: tulipa clusiana Cynthia and Lady Jane. Lady Jane tulips are red and white; Cynthia tulips are red and yellow, a perfect match if you happen to be flying the New Mexico flag nearby.

You can plant the bulbs in December

and January, and both varieties will bloom brilliantly from mid-March through April. Both are perennials, so they will come back year after year. If you buy the smaller bulbs, Anderson said, you probably won't have to thin them out, and the shorter flowers (they usually grow to 10- to 12 inches tall) they produce are less susceptible to the strong spring winds that sweep the Chihuahuan Desert.

You can plant them just about anywhere in your yard, even under a tree —just be sure there isn't too much root

competition.

When you shop for bulbs, it's always a good idea to buy locally if you can. There are quite a few garden stores and large department stores with gardening sections that may carry bulbs. The internet, of course, offers many varieties. You may find that some of the bulbs you want are sold out, because it's getting late in the season. But keep looking!

Here's another good tip from Anderson: Remember where you plant your

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especially fresh fruits and vegetables.”

Christina Burgin brought her 3-year-old son and 5-year-old daughter to the most recent market for her first time. Her family recently faced financial difficulties, so she was very appreciative of Produce to People.

“We had some bumps in the road financially, a lot of different things happened,” Burgin said. “So when my friend told us about this on Tuesday, I thought, ‘Oh, thank God.’ I will most definitely come back to the market here.

“The vegetables and fruit here were way better than I expected. I expected things that had been put aside, but all of it was very fresh, and it’s comparable to grocery store food. I honestly wouldn’t buy a honeydew at the store, but my kids and my husband love it.”

The recipes are also helpful, according to Bunch. At the Nov. 19 event, she prepared a vegetable soup and provided the recipe and nutrition information as well.

“I made a vegetable soup with zucchini, potatoes, carrots and onions,” Bunch said. “People don’t always think to use zucchini in soup. The recipe also included plain yogurt and chicken broth. But the important thing is that I reiterate that they can use whatever vegetables they have on hand.”

It was obvious Burgin and her two children enjoyed the soup.

“I liked the soup recipe,” Burgin said. “My son inhaled it; my daughter is licking the cup.”

As attendees sampled Bunch’s soup, she reminded them that fruits and vegetables should

take up half of their plate. She also handed out information about hand-washing and food safety.

Bunch said the Produce to People program is beneficial to community members for several reasons.

“They’re getting foods that are out of the realm of what they usually purchase,” Bunch said. “They’re able to try fruits and vegetables that they haven’t tried before. And it’s more enjoyable, because the environment is more of a farmers market setting than just a food give-away event.”

On Nov. 19, honeydew melons were provided. Bunch said it was the perfect opportunity for people to try something other than watermelons or cantaloupes.

The response from the food recipients has been very positive, according to Hernandez.

“They love it,” Hernandez said. “For families on a limited income, fresh produce is usually not at the top of their shopping list, and this program connects them to fresh food.”

Hernandez said she would like for Produce to People to become a permanent event.

“It’s a great opportunity to marry education with a food pantry and market,” she said.

According to *FeedingAmerica.org*, 74 percent of the Curry County population is eligible for federal nutrition assistance based on income level.

The ICAN lessons are offered at no cost to limited-resource adults and children. ICAN is funded by the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.



Clovis residents choose yellow squash at the Produce to People farmers market hosted by New Mexico State University’s Curry County Cooperative Extension Service Office and the Food Bank of Eastern New Mexico.

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# ChileKnights

## 'Tis the season to indulge your tastebuds

Whether you're searching for Sunday Night Football half time nibbles or holiday appetizers, this week's recipes will undoubtedly prove useful. Some are healthy bites; others may require a next-day workout. But 'tis the season to indulge! Included in the lineup is a recipe loaded with peanuts and pepitas sprinkled and underscored with unforgettable flavors. Make a batch or two for a large crowd or wrap a cupful in colorful, seasonal cellophane, tie with a bow, and give as a gift to party hosts and officemates. Bring on the holidays!

### Valley's Best Holiday Pecan Salsa (Yield: About 4 cups)

2 tablespoons olive oil  
2 teaspoons Mexican oregano  
2 teaspoons ground cumin  
2 teaspoons chili powder  
2 cups pecans, coarsely chopped  
1 tablespoon commercially prepared roasted minced garlic  
¼ cup fresh lime juice  
3-4 medium jalapenos, stemmed, seeded and finely chopped  
½ cup fresh cilantro, chopped  
½ cup red onion, diced  
3 medium Roma tomatoes, finely chopped  
2 medium avocados, peeled, seeded and finely chopped  
1 cup crumbled Cotija queso seco

**Sunny Conley**  
*Chile Knights*



cheese (plain feta cheese can be substituted)

Salt and pepper to taste

Heat first four ingredients in a heavy large skillet over medium heat. Add pecans and sauté until golden, about 7 minutes. Transfer to medium bowl. Stir in remaining ingredients, seasoning to taste with salt and pepper. Cover and store in refrigerator until ready to serve. Bring to room temperature before serving. Serve with generously-sized tortilla chips.

### Charlotte's Biscuits and Green Chile Appetizers

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2 cans refrigerated biscuits  
1 pound ground hamburger  
3 cups grated longhorn cheese  
Garlic salt and pepper to taste  
2-3 cups of roasted green chile, stemmed, seeded and chopped

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

In a skillet place the hamburger, garlic salt and pepper and cook until no long pink. Drain off excess grease and set aside. On a lightly floured surface, roll out each biscuit from one can. Place each flattened biscuit side by side in a 9x13-inch baking pan greased with cooking spray.

Note: Make sure each biscuit touches one another by patting them together with your fingers. Spoon cooked hamburger mixture evenly over the biscuits and top with green chile and grated cheese. Take second can of biscuits and roll out. Place each biscuit on top of hamburger mixture. Using your fingers, carefully seal biscuits (tops and bottoms). Bake at 350 degrees F until brown, about 20 minutes. (Check often to prevent burning.) Carefully remove biscuits from pan. Serve warm on a platter. This recipe first appeared in Hot Flash Mamas:

Award Winning and Family Recipes from Hatch, NM, Chile Capitol of the World, 2007)

### Buffalo Chicken Dip

1 (12-ounce) bottle of buffalo hot wings sauce such as Frank's Red Hot Wings Sauce, Buffalo  
1 pound chicken tenders  
2 cups white vinegar  
2 cups mozzarella cheese, shredded  
1 (16-ounce) bottle Ranch dressing  
1 (8-ounce) block cream cheese brought to room temperature

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F.

In a large saucepan with the vinegar, bring chicken to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat and simmer until chicken is fork tender, about 10-15 minutes. Set aside until cool. On a cutting board, shred chicken with a fork.

Pour hot wings sauce into a medium sized bowl. Add shredded chicken and mix well.

Spread cream cheese evenly on bottom of a 2-quart casserole dish. Pour Ranch dressing evenly over cream cheese. Add chicken sauce. Spread evenly. Scatter mozzarella cheese over top. Bake for 20 minutes at 400 degrees F. Serve with tortilla chips or crackers.

### Orange and Chile Carrots

1 can frozen orange juice concentrate  
¼ cup white vinegar  
1 teaspoon Chinese chile garlic sauce  
4-5 cloves garlic, mashed  
5 pounds carrots

In a large pan, combine the juice concentrate, vinegar, chile paste and garlic. Bring to a full rolling boil. Add the carrots and boil one minute. Immediately spoon into a gallon jar and let cool. Refrigerate. Serve cold. Makes a tasty, crispy delicious appetizer. A healthy bite too!

### Peanut and Jalapeño Stuffed Mushrooms (Yield: 12 mushrooms)

12 medium mushrooms  
2/3 cup chopped shallots

2 teaspoons peanut oil  
¼ cup chopped peanuts  
11 jalapeño chiles, seeded and chopped  
1 teaspoon cumin  
1 tablespoon soy sauce

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Remove stems from mushrooms. Reserve tops and chop stems finely. In a medium skillet, over medium-high heat, sauté chopped stems and shallots in oil until shallots are translucent, about 5 minutes. Stir in peanuts, jalapeño, cumin, and soy sauce. Remove from heat.

Spoon mixture into mushroom caps and place each on a nonstick baking sheet.

Bake for 12 to 15 minutes or until caps darken and release juices.

### Peanuts and Pepitas Snack (Yield: About 3 cups)

1 ½ cups Spanish peanuts  
1 ½ cups pepitas (dried pumpkin seeds, hulled)  
1 teaspoon ancho chile powder  
1 teaspoon finely ground sea salt  
1 teaspoon ground mustard  
1 teaspoon ground cumin  
1 teaspoon garlic powder  
½ teaspoon ground Mexican oregano (Mexican oregano delivers a stronger flavor than every day Mediterranean)  
½ teaspoon ground white pepper  
1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil

Preheat oven to 300 degrees F.

Toss the peanuts and pepitas together in a large bowl. Add ancho powder, oregano, coriander, and pepper. Mix well until peanuts and pepitas are well coated. Add oil and mix well again.

Spoon mixture evenly and in one layer on a rimmed baking sheet. Toast for 20 minutes.

Remove from oven and gently toss. Toast for an additional 20 minutes, until mixture is dark gold brown. Remove from oven and set aside to cool slightly.

Serve warm or store in a covered container for up to one week.

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## BULBS FROM PAGE B18

bulbs. Since they are underground, it's easy to disturb them when you are weeding, tilling or mowing. So, plant them near a tree or a bush you'll remember, or stick a small flag in the ground nearby or take photos of what you plant and keep the photos on your computer or in an album for future reference.

And remember, you can plant bulbs and other spring flowers in regular flower beds, in raised beds and/or in pots. Larger pots tend to work better.

Here are some other flowers, vines, shrubs and trees you can plant now for spring blooming:

- Crocus. These actually grow from corms, which are similar to bulbs. If you have Bermuda grass, you can even plant these in your lawn right now. They will bloom in the spring and then die back before your lawn turns green.

- Forsythia. These flowering shrubs produce beautiful yellow flowers in the spring, and are usually grown commercially from cuttings.



- Daffodils, jonquils and narcissus. These flowers are all in the amaryllis family and are usually white or yellow in color.



Lady Jane tulips are beautiful and do well in the southern New Mexico climate.

Flowers from a flowering quince shrub.

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low in color. And speaking of amaryllis, these plants are often received as holiday gifts, and can be planted in

your garden. If you get one, keep the leaves green by placing it near a window and watering it properly. You can plant it in the spring.

- California poppies. These grow from seeds and come in a variety of colors.

- Flowering quince. These shrubs come in brilliant colors like orange and pink, as well as white and red. They produce fruit, but are better known for their blooms.

- Flowering almond. This is another flowering shrub, usually with pink or white flowers.

- Texas mountain laurel. This can be a tree or shrub, with purple, lavender, violet and occasionally white flowers. It's a Texas native, so it does well in southern New Mexico's alkaline soil.

There are many other flowers, shrubs and vines you can plant now that will produce a wide variety of beautifully colored flowers next spring. They include honeysuckle, iris, Spanish bluebell, Peruvian verbena and many others.

For more information, visit <http://do-naanaextension.nmsu.edu/>.

## *Luminarias light up Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park*



PHOTO BY WILL KEENER

The Asombro Institute for Science Education is giving the Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park some holiday cheer by lighting up the desert. From 5 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, stroll along the Desert Discovery Trail while enjoying hundreds of luminarias. Enjoy a campfire, hot chocolate, cookies and holiday spirit, at this family friendly and free event. The Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park is located northeast of Las Cruces. From I-25 in Las Cruces, head east on Highway 70. Take the Mesa Grande Road exit (at Oñate High School). Make a U-turn under the highway to head west and stay in the right lane. Turn right (north) on Jornada Road. Follow Jornada Road for 6.4 miles and turn left at the Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park sign. Follow the entrance road to the parking area and trailhead. The Asombro Institute for Science Education is a nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing scientific literacy by fostering an understanding of the Chihuahuan Desert. The Asombro Institute provides hands-on science education programs for more than 19,000 students throughout southern New Mexico and west Texas each year. Anyone interested in learning more about the Asombro Institute for Science Education, membership, and volunteer opportunities should call the Institute office at 524-3334 or visit at [www.asombro.org](http://www.asombro.org).

# LEGAL NOTICES

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

## Legal Notice

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on May 20, 2013 Mario M. Gonzales, PO Box 2759, Mesilla Park, NM 88047 filed application numbered LRG-5235-POD8, File No. LRG-5235-G, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right by Changing Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of existing well LRG-5235, located at X=1,468,508 ft and Y=495,889.4ft NMSP, NAD83 Central Zone on land owned by Rogelio & Rita Chavez, located within the SE¼ of projected Section 26, Township 22 South, Range 01 East, NMPM, and drilling a new well, LRG-5235 POD8, to a depth of 160 feet with 6 inch casing to be located at or near X=1,469,390.95ft and Y=495,931.53ft NMSP, NAD83 Central Zone, on land owned by applicants, located within the NE¼ SE¼ of said Section 26, for the continued diversion of an amount of water reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 2.54 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within Pt. SE¼ of said Section 26, as described by Subfile No.: LRN-28-008-0111-A of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The site for proposed well is described as being east of the intersection of El Camino Real and Gypsy Roads

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 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 sent within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to

575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA, 1978.

Date: 11/20, 11/27, 12/04, 2015

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on August 17, 2015, The Salopek Foundation c/o: James Salopek, 5090 Snow Road, Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-01243-POD4, OSE File Nos. LRG-01243-1&LRG-09140-1, 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 proposed supplemental well LRG-01243-POD4 to a depth of 400 feet with 16-inch casing, in a location within the SE¼ NE¼ of Section 05, Township 26S, Range 03E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near where X = 1,516,609.04 ft., Y = 391,885.06 ft. NMSP, Central NAD83, on land owned by the applicant, which will supplement existing wells LRG-01243, LRG-01243-POD2, LRG-01243-POD3, LRG-09140-S, LRG-09140-POD4, and LRG-09140-POD5 located on property owned by the applicant within All of Section 05, Township 26S, Range 03E, and the NW¼ of Section 08, Township 26S, Range 03E (NMPM) and more specifically described where:

X = 1,515,005,  
Y = 391,053 ft.

LRG-01243-POD2  
X = 1,514,960,  
Y = 392,235ft.

LRG-01243-POD3  
X = 1,512,096,  
Y = 387,884.9ft.

LRG-09140-S

X = 1,513,418,  
Y = 392,114 ft.

LRG-09140-POD4  
X = 1,512,975,  
Y = 392,968ft.

LRG-09140-POD5  
X = 1,513,397,  
Y = 391,097 ft.

NMSP, Central NAD83 for the continued diversion of an amount of shallow groundwater reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 211.41 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within All of Section 05, Township 26S, Range 03E and the NW¼ of Section 08, Town-

ship 26S, Range 03E (NMPM) as described in Subfile Nos.: LRS-28-012-0029 & LRN-28-012-0030 of the Lower Rio Grande Basin Hydrographic Survey. The site of proposed well LRG-01243-POD4 will be located northwest of Berino, NM and may be found approximately 2,127 feet south of the intersection of W Six Mile Road and Three Saints Road.

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: 11/20, 11/27, 12/04, 2015

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on June 3, 2015, Edward L. Provencio, PO Box 38, Chamberino, NM 88027, filed application numbered LRG-749-POD4, OSE File No. LRG-749-3, 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-749-POD4 to a depth of 50 feet with a 4-inch casing, in a location within the NE¼ NE¼ of projected Section 18, Township 26S, Range 3E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near X = 1,510,531.31 ft., Y = 383,170.92 ft. NMSP Central NAD83 on land owned by the applicant, and discontinue the use of existing well LRG-749, located on land owned by El Consuelo Farms, LLC located within the NE¼ SE¼ of projected Section 7, Township 26S, Range 3E (NMPM) and more specifically described near X = 1,510,166 ft., Y = 384,960.3 ft. NMSP Central NAD83 for the continued diversion of an amount of shallow groundwater reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 1.59 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the NE¼ NE¼ of said projected Section 18 as described in Subfile Order No.: LRS-28-012-0049-A of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-23. The site of proposed well LRG-749-POD4 will be located north of Chamberino, NM and may be found approximately 1,022 feet northeast of the intersection of E Provencio Rd and Kili Rd, Chamberino, NM. Existing well LRG-749 will be retained for other rights.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number 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.

Date: 11/20, 11/27, 12/04, 2015

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on March 19, 2015, W.A. and Josie Nunn, PO Box 496, Hatch, NM 87937 filed application numbered LRG-13764-POD2 for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-13764-POD1, located on land owned by the applicants at X=1,366,283 Y=604,722 ft. NMSP, Central Zone, NAD83, and drilling replacement well LRG-13764-POD2 with an 8 inch casing at a depth of approximately 80 feet to be located at approximately X=1,366,271 Y=604,814 ft. NMSP, Central Zone, NAD83, on land owned by the applicants, for the continued diversion of 61.29 acre-feet per annum or that amount of water determined by May 24, 1999 Order of the Court, combined with surface water from the EBID, for the irrigation of 13.62 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within Pt. NW¼ of Sec 15, T19S, R03W, NMPM as described by Subfile Order No.: LRR-28-008-0125. Proposed replacement well LRG-13764-POD2 is located southeast of Hatch and may be found at the physical address of 1140 E Hall St. The applicants have requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22.

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: 11/20, 11/27, 12/04, 2015

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on November 5, 2015, Robert H. Provencio, 1910 Three Saints Road, Anthony, NM 88021 and Eugene Antonio Provencio, 9719 Wickway, El Paso, TX 79925 filed application numbered LRG-15956-POD1, OSE File No's. LRG-9727-5 and LRG-9727-7, 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 discontinuing the use of well LRG-9727 located at X = 1,517,415 Y = 374,933 ft. NMSP, Central Zone, NAD83, on land owned by Rudy Provencio, LLC and using replacement well LRG-15956-POD1 located at X = 1,517,799.3 Y = 373,314.5 on land owned by Raymond D. and Martha P. Brito for the continued diversion of an amount of water determined by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of NM, combined with surface water from the EBID for irrigation of 4.52 acres of land owned by Robert H. Provencio located within Pt. of the SW¼ of projected Sec 21, T26S, R03E, NMPM, as described by Subfile No.: LRS-28-014-0067 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey and 5.40 acres of land owned by Eugene Antonio Provencio located within Pt. of the SW¼ of said Sec 21, as described by Subfile Order No.: LRS-28-014-0067-B of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. Replacement well LRG-15956-POD1 is located north of Anthony, NM at the physical address of 1650 W OHara Rd. Existing well LRG-9727 will be retained for other rights.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number 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: 11/20, 11/27, 12/04, 2015

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on October 19, 2015, Martin Poel, Agent for Matt Kev Real Estate Trust, 3100 Majestic Ridge, Las Cruces, NM 88011, filed application numbered LRG-14759-POD2, associated with OSE File #LRG-14759 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of existing wells LRG-00472 and LRG-14759-POD1. LRG-00472 is located on land owned by Billy F. & Edna Fay Holbrook, within the NE¼ of Projected Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, (NMPM), at approximately X=1,499,003 ft., Y=440,568 ft., (NMSP, Central NAD 83), LRG-14759-POD 1 is located on land owned by Raul F. & Nellie P. Munoz located within the SE¼ of Projected Section 14, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, (NMPM), at approximately X=1,498,775 ft., Y=442,246 ft., and drilling replacement well LRG-14759-POD2 to an approximate depth of 250 feet with 16" casing to be located within the NE¼ of Projected Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, (NMPM) on land owned by the applicant at approximately X=1,498,531 ft., Y=441,383 ft., for the con-

tinued diversion of groundwater combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, in that amount determined by the Third Judicial District Court, for the irrigation of 8.01 acres of land owned by the applicant located within the NE¼ of said Section 23. The general location of replacement well LRG-14759-POD2 can be found approximately 203 ft. northeast of the intersection of Orgot Rd. and Valles Rd. Well LRG-00472 will be retained for other water rights and LRG-14759-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 88005-6598 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.

Date: 11/20, 11/27, 12/04/15



### PUBLIC AUCTION

The City of Las Cruces (City) uses an online auction service to dispose of obsolete, unusable, or surplus equipment, furnishings, vehicles and supplies.

The public is invited to view and bid on items by accessing PublicSurplus.com through a link on the City's webpage las-cruces.org. All sales are final.

For more information, please contact the City of Las Cruces Property Transfer & Disposal Coordinator at 575-541-2683, 575-541-2590 or auction@las-cruces.org

Dates 1/2-12/25/15

# LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE is hereby given that on October 28, 2015, Milton Donald Shult, Jr, P.O. Box 295, Mesquite, NM 88048, filed application numbered

LRG-16056-POD1 under file no. LRG-16056-1 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County to discontinue use of well LRG-4981 located on land owned by Desert Air Cooling at Easting/Northing X=1,504,285 and Y=422,375 NMS (feet, NAD83) and drill a new well LRG-16056-POD1 located at or near Easting/Northing X = 1,503,749 and Y = 423,351 NMS (feet, NAD83) on land owned by the applicant for the continued diversion of 6.885 acre-feet per annum, or an amount of water reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 1.53 acres of land owned by the applicant, located in the SW¼ of Sec. 18, T25S, R2E (NMPM). The site of proposed well LRG-16056-POD1 will be in Mesquite, NM and may be found approximately 1,380 feet east-southeast of the intersection of NM Hwy 478 and NM 228. Existing well LRG-4981 will be retained for other rights. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill and use a replacement well under NMSA 1978, Section 72-12-23.

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: 12/04, 12/11, 12/18, 2015

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2014-01368

**DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I INC. TRUST 2006-WMC2 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-WMC2, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**LEON ID GAVRILMAN AND MIRA GAVRILMAN, husband and wife and OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Dona Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 812 Bonnie Court, Sunland Park, NM 88063, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 32, BLOCK 3, MASON FARMS SUBDIVISION UNIT 2, 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. 4040 ON 10/26/2004 IN BOOK 21 PAGE (S) 18-21 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **11:45 A.M. on December 17, 2015**, on the front steps of the 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 Judgment granted Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, As Trustee For Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2006-WMC2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-WMC2. Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, As Trustee For Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2006-WMC2

Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-WMC2 was awarded a Judgment on April 30, 2015, in the total amount of \$ 190,758.72, with interest at the rate of 8.4 % per annum from March, 17, 2015 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$12,072.68.

## 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. Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, As Trustee For Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2006-WMC2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-WMC2, 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 on 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.

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**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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1 NM-14-619736-JUD  
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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that the following property shall be sold at public auction or otherwise disposed of in satisfaction of lien in accordance with the New Mexico Self Storage Lien Act To be held at:

**HOLIDAY SELF STORAGE  
2190 Holiday Ave.  
Las Cruces, NM, 88005  
575-525-9056**

**On Saturday, December 19th, 2015 BEGINNING AT 10 A.M. Registration Begins @ 9:30am**

**\$25.00 cleaning deposit per each unit purchased THE ENTIRE CONTENTS OF STORAGE UNITS 23, 56, 60, 75, A09, A34, C11, C29, C33, G32, I08, I37, L40, M07, P02, P16, Q04, Q06, Q13 Tenant addresses are 'last known'**

**Unit # 23  
Victoria M Dunn  
2200 Holiday Ave  
Las Cruces NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
TV, tool box, mattress,  
misc boxes**

**Unit # 56  
Salina E Morales  
2100 Isaacks #22  
Las Cruces NM 88007  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Arcade video games, boiler,  
tools, truck tool box, misc  
boxes**

**Unit # 60  
Steven Peterson  
3009 Hyacinth St  
Las Cruces NM 88007  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Wooden furniture, posters,  
microwave, mattresses, misc  
items**

**Unit # 75  
Mario Manriquez  
2733 Sandhill  
Las Cruces NM 88012  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Washer, dryer, golf clubs,  
tires, mattress, misc house-  
hold items**

**Unit # A09  
Stan Cox  
PO BOX 193  
Las Cruces NM 88052  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Artificial fire place, shelf,  
chair, clothing, misc boxes**

**Unit # A34  
Lorraine Garcia  
5612 Arvilla Ave  
Albuquerque NM 87110  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Wooden chairs, grill, micro-  
wave, lots of boxes, misc.  
boxes**

**Unit # C11  
Angel L Espana  
618 E Thorpe Rd #53  
Las Cruces NM 88007  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Sofa, mattress, misc boxes**

**Unit # C29  
Kristofer Angel Sanchez  
Lucero  
1734 Fairacres Rd  
Las Cruces NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Couch, dining chairs, misc  
contents**

**Unit # C33  
Manuel G Lily  
2215 S Espina BOX # 26  
Las Cruces NM 88001  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Window A/C, rugs, shower  
door, misc items**

**Unit # G32  
Darren J Corbin  
1025 Mc Fie**

Las Cruces NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Clothing, misc boxes and  
household items

**Unit # I08  
Angelica Corpus  
999 Telshor #1301  
Las Cruces NM 88011  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Luggage, end table, clothes,  
misc boxes**

**Unit # I37  
Daniella M Carillo  
1815 E Madrid Ave  
Las Cruces NM 88001  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Grill, kids bike, dresser, kids  
toys, misc boxes**

**Unit # L40  
Jason C Rivera  
2430 E Idaho Apt D  
Las Cruces NM 88001  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
BBQ grill, dining chairs,  
speakers, misc items**

**Unit # M07  
Sasha De La Cruz  
2878 Quasar Dr  
Las Cruces NM 88011  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Fridge, dolly, wooden  
chairs, bikes, lots of misc  
items**

**Unit # P02  
Sulie S Young  
910 Calle De Encanto  
Las Cruces NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Tables, chairs, dresser, hand-  
icapped power chair, misc  
items**

**Unit # P16  
Johnny Benavidez  
4028 San Ysidro Td Spc 24  
Las Cruces NM 88007  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Vacuum cleaner, TV, room  
A/C, microwave, misc.  
household items**

**Unit # Q04  
Rudi Martinez  
2930 S Valley Dr. #32  
Las Cruces NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTS OF:  
Guitar, dolly, bicycles, TV,  
cabinet, love seat, misc  
household items**

**Unit # Q06  
Cindy Gonzales  
1609 Ralph Dr  
Las Cruces NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTS OF:  
Mattress, futon, power chair,  
TV entertainment center**

**Unit # Q13  
Gilbert Diaz  
Las Cruces NM 88001  
UNIT CONSISTS OF:  
Tires, aquarium, stroller,  
misc boxes and items**

**CASH SALES ONLY  
Due Immediately Upon  
Completion of Sale  
A \$25 cleaning deposit will  
be required per unit purchased  
And you must bring your  
own broom and lock.**

Dates: 12/04, 12/11, 2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2014-01475

**WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**DIANE MICHELE PRINDEVILLE, SARAH BOONE, FIRSTLIGHT FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DIANE MICHELE PRINDEVILLE, AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SARAH BOONE, Defendants.**

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 3336 Lunarridge Street, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 4, BLOCK F, SUNSET HILLS SUBDIVISION PLAT NO. 3, IN THE COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY AS PLAT NO. 1169 ON JANUARY 30, 1984 IN BOOK 13, PAGE(S) 225 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **11:00 AM on December 15, 2015**, on the front steps 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 in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted WELLS FARGO BANK, NA. WELLS FARGO BANK, NA was awarded a Judgment on August 13, 2015, in the total amount of \$ 128,488.17 with interest at the rate of 5.875% per annum from April 2, 2015 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$5,315.10.

**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 special assessments and taxes that may be due. WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, its

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

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

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

By: Margaret Lake, Special Master Pro Legal Services, LLC  
201 Eubank NE, Suite A3  
Albuquerque, NM 87123  
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1 NM-14-647551-JUD  
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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

No. D-307-CV-2014-02231

**BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A., Plaintiff,**

vs.

**JOSEPH P. REYERO AKA JOSEPH PAUL REYERO AND JANE DOE REYERO, HUSBAND AND WIFE; MICHELLE R. REYERO AKA MICHELLE ROSE REYERO AND JOHN DOE, WIFE AND HUSBAND; PRESTIGE FINANCIAL SERVICER, INC.; NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF WORK-FORCE SOLUTIONS - BENEFITS PAYMENT CONTROL SECTION; ABC CORPORATIONS I-X, XYZ PARTNERSHIPS I-X, JOHN DOES I-X AND JANE DOES I-X, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVICES OF ANY OF THE ABOVE, IF DECEASED;; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 1817 Missouri Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 13, BLOCK A COLLEGE HEIGHTS, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON MAY 19, 1953, RECORDED IN BOOK 7 AT PAGE 37 OF PLAT RECORDS, DOÑA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

The sale is to begin at 11:45 AM on December 17, 2015, at the main entrance 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 highest bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted BOKF, N.A. A National Banking Association D/B/A Bank of Oklahoma, As Successor In Interest By Merger To Bank of Albuquerque, N.A., was awarded a Judgment on September 10, 2015, in the total amount of \$65,296.75, with interest at the rate of 6.875% per annum from July 1, 2015, through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$2,078.54.

**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 special assessments and taxes that may be due. BOKF, N.A., National Banking Association D/B/A Bank of Oklahoma, As Successor In Interest By Merger To Bank of Albuquerque, 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 con-

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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.**

By: Robert A. Doyle,  
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**STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT**

No.-307-CV-2014-00840

**CALIBER HOME  
LOANS, INC., Plaintiff,**

v.

**JOSE DE JESUS PEREZ  
AND THE STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO TAXA-  
TION AND REVENUE,  
Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF  
FORECLOSURE SALE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 11-2 Leebarry Lane, Las Cruces, NM 88006, and more particularly described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE NORTHEAST OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO IN THE NE¼ OF SECTION 1, T.21S., R. 2E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS AND MORE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACTS HEREIN DESCRIBED, WHENCE THE EAST ¼ CORNER OF SECTION 1, T. 21S., R. 2E., BARS THE TWO FOLLOWING COURSES AND DISTANCES: S. 0 DEG 07'33"W., 160.00 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF A 30.00 FOOT WIDE ROAD AND UTILITY EASEMENT KNOWN AS LEEBARRY LANE; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LEEBARRY

LANE S. 89 DEG 57'17"E. 528.44 FEET TO THE ¼ CORNER, THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING N. 89 DEG 57'17" W., 107.11 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET AT THE EAST LINE OF 25.00 FOOT WIDE PRIVATE ROAD AND UTILITY EASEMENT FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE EAST SIDE OF SAID EASEMENT N. 0 DEG 07'33" E., 120.00 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE S. 0 DEG 07'33" W., 120.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 0.2951 ACRE OF LAND MORE OR LESS. ALTOGETHER WITH THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED ROAD AND UTILITY EASEMENT: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED 0.2951 ACRE TRACT FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS EASEMENT; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING S. 0 DEG 07'33" W., 250.00 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF LEEBARRY LANE; THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LEEBARRY LANE S. 89 DEG 57'17" E., 107.11 FEET; THENCE S. 0 DEG 07'33" W., 30.00 FEET TO A POINT AT THE SOUTH LINE OF LEEBARRY LANE FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS EASEMENT;

The sale is to begin at 11:45 AM on December 17, 2015, at the main entrance to 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 expense of sale, and to satisfy the Judgement granted CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC. CALIBER LOANS, INC., was awarded a Judgement on September 1, 2015, in the total amount of \$46,315.74, with interest at the rate of 6.5% per annum from April 16, 2015, through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$20,020.76. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that

may be due. CALIBER HOME LOAN, INC., 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.

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

No. D-307-CV-2014-01620

**WASHINGTON FEDERAL,  
Successor in Interest to  
Gallup Federal Savings,  
a Division of Washington  
Federal Savings, and  
Successor in Interest to First  
Federal Bank, a Division of  
Washington Federal Sav-  
ings, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**DOMONIC R. SILVA,  
and if married, JANE  
DOE SILVA (true name  
unknown), his spouse; and  
KAMI M. SILVA, and if  
married, JOHN DOE A  
(true name unknown), her  
spouse, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **December 16, 2015, at the hour of 10:00 a.m.**, the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder

for cash. The property to be sold is located at 4047 Demos Avenue, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 2 IN BLOCK A OF PHASE I MISSION ESPADA PHASE 1 AND 2A, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID PHASE I MISSION ESPADA PHASE 1 AND 2A, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON 02/24/2006 IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 534-536.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on November 2, 2015, being an action to foreclose two (2) mortgages on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, Count I, which includes interest and costs, is \$634,633.10 and the same bears interest at 6.250% per annum from October 27, 2015, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff's Judgment, Count II, which includes interest and costs, is \$43,009.03 and the same bears interest at 4% per annum from October 27, 2015. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees 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. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

**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 a one month right of redemption.

Electronically filed

/s/ Pamela A. Carmody  
Pamela A. Carmody,  
Special Master  
PO Drawer 16169  
Las Cruces,  
NM 88004-6169  
(575) 642-5567

Dates: 11/20, 11/27, 12/04,  
12/11, 2015

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

No. PB 2015-101  
Judge Rosner

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF JOHN  
W. COTHRON, Deceased.**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **SUSAN HERRERA** has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned counsel for Personal Representative or filed with the Clerk of the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

MELISSA J. REEVES, P.C.

/s/Melissa J. Reeves Evins  
Melissa J. Reeves-Evins  
200 W. Las Cruces Ave.,  
Ste. A  
Las Cruces, NM 88005  
575-522-5009  
522-5031 FAX  
Attorney for  
Personal Representative

Dates: 11/27, 12/04, 2015

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

NO. CV-2015-2363

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE PETITION OF  
Sonya F. Graczyk  
FOR CHANGE  
OF NAME**

**NOTICE OF PETITION  
TO CHANGE NAME**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Sonya F. Graczyk, 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 3rd district Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from **Sonya F. Graczyk to Sonya Francesca Cipriani Fierro**, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge, on the 15th day of December

2015, at the hour of 8:30 a.m. at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,  
/s/ Sonya F. Graczyk  
Sonya F. Graczyk  
684 Cielo Bonito  
Las Cruces, NM 88005  
575-993-8784

Dates: 12/04, 12/11, 2015

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

No. D-307-PB-2015-00092

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
DEANNA R. JOHNSON,  
Deceased.**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **FLOYD LARRY JOHNSON** has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate of **DEANNA R. JOHNSON**, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the Personal Representative in care of the Attorney for the Personal Representative, R. Glenn Davis of SCOTTHULSE PC, 201 North Church Street, Suite 201, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005. Phone: (575) 522-0765, Fax: (575) 522-0006, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, located at 201 West Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Dated this 3RD day of Nov., 2015.

SCOTTHULSE PC  
201 North Church Street,  
Suite 201  
Las Cruces,  
New Mexico 88001  
(575) 522-0765  
(575) 522-0006  
Facsimile

**By: R. GLENN DAVIS**  
Attorneys for Personal Representative

Dates: 11/27, 12/04, 2015

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

No. D-307-PB-20 15-00080  
Judge: Diggers

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF SUSAN  
L. PHILLIPS, Deceased**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS BY  
PUBLICATION**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to MARLAINA MORSE, 648 E. Tenth Drive, Mesa, AZ 85204 or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana, New Mexico.

DATED: October 20, 2015

/s/Marlaina Morse  
MARLAINA MORSE,  
Personal Representative of  
the Estate of SUSAN L.  
PHILLIPS, Deceased 648 E.  
Tenth Drive Mesa, AZ  
85204

CAMUÑEZ LAW  
FIRM, P.C.

ROSANNE CAMUÑEZ  
Attorney for the Personal  
Representative of the Estate  
of SUSAN L. PHILLIPS,  
Deceased.  
833 N. Alameda Blvd.  
Las Cruces, NM 88005  
(575) 532-8270

Dates: 11/27, 12/04, 2015

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

Cause No.  
D-307-PB-2015-00100  
Judge: Douglas R. Driggers

**In the Matter of the Estate  
of Jackie M. Martin.  
Deceased.**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Jack Wilson Kennedy** and **Kay Lynn Killham** have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Co-Personal Representatives at the address shown in this notice or filed with the Court.

The attorney for the Co-Personal Representatives is William L. Lutz of the law firm of Martin, Lutz, Roggow & Eubanks, P.C., 2110 North Main Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001.

DATED this 16th day of November, 2015.

/s/Jack Wilson Kennedy  
Jack Wilson Kennedy  
Co-Personal Representative

28515 Winterdale Drive  
Canyon Country, CA 91387

/s/Kay Lynn Killham  
Kay Lynn Killham  
Co-Personal Representative  
97 Cloverwood Ave.  
Newbury Park, CA 91320

Dates: 12/04, 12/11, 2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2012-00335

**BAYVIEW LOAN  
SERVICING, LLC,  
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**THE ESTATE OF DONALD EUGENE HATCH, Deceased; DONNA LORRAINE SIEDOW, Individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of Donald Eugene Hatch, Deceased; HARRY JAMES HATCH; DANA MAE WILLIAMS; DAPHNE REBECCA HATCH; DONALD JOHN HATCH; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF DONALD EUGENE HATCH, Deceased; TAXATION and REVENUE DEPARTMENT of the STATE OF NEW MEXICO; COMPASS BANK fka State National Bank; POND-S-SCAPES, LLC, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **December 16, 2015, at the hour of 10:00 a.m.**, the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Dona Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 2734 Ben Boldt Place, Las Cruces, and is situate in Dona Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 7, Block 1, Los Contentos, Phase 1 (A Townhouse Subdivision), in the City of Las Cruces, Dona Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the Plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on February 25, 1997, in Book 18 Pages 639-640 Plat Records.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on November 10, 2015, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which

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includes interest and costs, is \$103,973.38 and the same bears interest at 5.8750% per annum from September 1, 2015, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees 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. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

**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 a one month right of redemption.

Electronically filed  
/s/ Pamela A. Carmody  
Pamela A. Carmody,  
Special Master  
PO Drawer 16169  
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169  
(575) 642-5567

Dates: 11/20, 11/27, 12/04, 12/11, 2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2013-01175

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

v.

**BENJAMIN I ESPINOZA, Defendants**

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed 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 1211 Gunsight Peak Ct, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 27 BLOCK NUMBERED 1 OF SANDHILL CENTER HEIGHTS, PHASE 6, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID SANDHILL CENTER HEIGHTS, PHASE 6, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON OCTOBER 16, 2006 IN PLAT BOOK 22, FOLIO 13-14.

The sale is to begin at **11:45 AM December 17, 2015**, on the front steps 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 in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. was awarded a Judgment on September 12, 2013, in the total amount of \$175,983.87, with interest at the rate of 4.125% per annum from August 15, 2013, through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$16,984.85.

**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. WELLS FARGO BANK, 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 AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.**

By: Robert A. Doyle,

Special Master  
c/o Legal Process Network  
P.O. Box 51526  
Albuquerque, NM 87181  
505-417-4113  
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12/04/2015, 12/11/2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2014-01975

**MGC MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,**

v.

**STEVE PROTEXTOR AND JANE DOE PROTEXTOR, HUSBAND AND WIFE; ABC CORPORATIONS I-X, XYZ PARTNERSHIPS I-X, JOHN DOES I-X AND JANE DOES I-X, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF ANY OF THE ABOVE, IF DECEASED; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2320 Skyway Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 20, BLOCK 3A, DALE BELLAMAH MANOR, SECTION 2, PLAT 1, SKYWAY DRIVE, LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON FEBRUARY 21, 1958, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 8, AT PAGE 12 OF THE PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **11:45 AM on December 17, 2015**, at the main entrance 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 in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted MGC MORTGAGE, INC.. MGC MORTGAGE, INC. was awarded a Judgment on July 24, 2015, in the total amount of \$59,302.07 with interest at the rate of 6.87% per annum from June 1,

2015 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$2,221.20.

**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. MGC MORTGAGE, INC., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

By:  
Robert A. Doyle,  
Special Master  
c/o Legal Process Network  
P.O. Box 51526  
Albuquerque, NM 87181  
505-417-4113

Dates: 11/13, 11/20, 11/27,  
12/04, 2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-01595

**WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**JEROME A. WARNER, if living, if deceased, THE ESTATE OF JEROME A. WARNER, DECEASED; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR LEGATEES OF JEROME A. WARNER, DECEASED; DEANNA M. WARNER, and if married, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DEANNA M. WARNER (true name unknown); MATTHEW ERIC WARNER and DAWN ELIZABETH WARNER, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT**

TO: Defendant(s) The Unknown Heirs, Devisees or Legatees of Jerome A. Warner, Deceased

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 at 1205 Tamony Lane, in the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

LOT 4, BLOCK 2, DEL NORTE COUNTRY ESTATES SUBDIVISION UNIT NO.1, IN DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON APRIL 14, 1978, IN BOOK 12, PAGE(S) 178 OF PLAT RECORDS.

That unless you respond to the Complaint within 30 days of completion of publication of this Notice, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Name, address, and phone number of Plaintiff's attorney: Little, Bradley & Nesbitt, P.A., P.O. Box 3509, Albuquerque, NM 87190-3509, 505-248-2400.

WITNESS the Honorable DOUGLAS DRIGGERS, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 18th day of November, 2015.

(SEAL)

CLAUDE BOWMAN  
NORMAN E. OSBORNE  
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

/s/Joe M Martinez  
By: Deputy -  
Joe M Martinez

Dates: 11/27, 12/04, 12/11,  
2015

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

No. CV-2015-01605  
Judge: Kugler

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS CRUCES, on behalf of the LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,**

vs.

**MICHAEL A. MALONE II, THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL A. MALONE II, ANY HEIRS KNOWN**

**OR UNKNOWN, BUCKEYE TITLE LOANS, AND 2005 HONDA SHADOW, ORANGE; VIN: JH2PC21465M600340; ARIZONA LICENSE PLATE NO. 1MCJ8C, Respondents.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION**

To: Respondent Estate of Michael A. Malone II and any Heirs Known or Unknown:

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 2005 Honda Shadow, Orange; VIN: JH2PC21465M600340; Arizona License Plate No. 1MCJ8C,

2. You are the named Respondents for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY OF LAS CRUCES  
By: Robert A. Cabello  
Robert A. Cabello  
Assistant City Attorney  
P.O. Box 20000  
(575) 541-2128  
(575) 541-2017 Fax  
Attorney for Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable Darren M Kugler, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 28 day of September, 2015.

(Seal)

Claude Bowman  
COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

By: Maria D. Zamora  
Deputy - Maria D. Zamora

Dates: 11/20, 11/27, 12/04,  
2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-01319

**WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**ERNEST M. TRISTE, aka ERNEST TRISTE, and JEANA P. TRISTE, aka JEANA TRISTE, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **December 16, 2015, at the hour of 10:00 a.m.**, the undersigned Special Master will, at the

main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 204 Princeton Drive, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

**DESCRIPTION OF A 0.218 ACRE TRACT**

A tract of land situate in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, being Lot 15 and the North 5 feet of Lot 14, Alameda Terrace, filed January 26, 1955, in Book 7, Page 59, Doña Ana County records and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning a ½" iron rod found on the East line of Princeton Drive for the Northwest of the tract herein described, being identical to the Northwest corner of said Lot 15, Alameda Terrace, filed January 26, 1955, in Book 7, Page 59, Doña Ana County records;

Thence from the point of beginning and leaving the East line of Princeton Drive and along the North line of said Lot 15, N.87°09'30"E., 104.30 feet to a ½" iron rod found for the Northeast corner of this tract being identical to the Northeast corner of said Lot 15;

Thence along the East line of said Lot 15, S.15°35'00"E., 70.00 feet to a concrete monument found for the Southeast corner of this tract being identical to the Southeast corner of said Lot 15;

Thence along the South line of said Lot 15, S.73°24'00"W., 19.60 feet to a ½" iron rod set for a corner of this tract being identical to the Northeast corner of Lot 14, of said Alameda Terrace;

Thence along the East line of said Lot 14, S.11°10'00"E., 5.02 feet to a ½" iron rod set for a corner of this tract;

Thence S.73°24'00"W., 90.01 feet to a chiseled cross found on the East line of Princeton Drive for the Southwest corner of this tract;

Thence along the East line of Princeton Drive the following three courses and distances, N.15°35'00"W., 54.40 feet to a ½" iron rod set at a point of curvature;

Thence around the arc of a curve to the right, having a radius of 109.15 feet an arc length of 39.56 feet with a central angle of 20°46'00" to a ½" iron rod set at a point of

reverse curvature;

Thence around the arc of curve to the left, having a radius of 60.00 feet an arc length of 6.90 feet with a central angle of 06°35'30" to the point of beginning, containing 0.218 acre of land, more or less. Subject to any easements and restrictions set out in filed plat of Alameda Terrace filed January 26, 1955, in Book 7, Page 59, Doña Ana County records.

Information in the preparation of this description derives from Warranty Deed filed May 15, 2002, in Clerks Book 338, Page 222, Doña Ana County records. Field notes by MOY SURVEYING INC., License #5939. Job 09-0965.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on July 28, 2015, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$215,035.08 and the same bears interest at 5.000% per annum from July 11, 2015, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees 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. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

**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 a one month right of redemption.

Electronically filed

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/s/ Pamela A. Carmody  
Pamela A. Carmody,  
Special Master  
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Dates: 11/20, 11/27, 12/04,  
12/11, 2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2014-02146

**UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA, acting  
through RURAL  
HOUSING SERVICE,  
Plaintiff**

vs.

**PATRICIA REYES AKA  
PATRICIA FLORES,  
UNKNOWN SPOUSE  
OF PATRICIA REYES  
AKA PATRICIA  
FLORES, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF SALE  
ON FORECLOSURE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 225 Wilson, Hatch, New Mexico, 87937, and more particularly described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND BEING AND COMPRISING THE SOUTH ONE (1.00) FOOT OF LOT EIGHTEEN (18) AND ALL OF LOTS NINETEEN (19) AND TWENTY (20), IN BLOCK TWO (2) OF THE WELER ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF HATCH, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SAID LOTS ARE SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID ADDITION FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON JUNE 25, 1925, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARS DESCRIBED BY MEETS AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT;

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, A POINT ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF WILSON AVENUE BEING THE IDENTICAL SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 20, AS ABOVE DESCRIBED, THENCE

NORTH 51.00 FEET ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF WILSON AVENUE TO A POINT THEREON BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT

HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE

EAST, 140.00 FEET ALONG A LINE 1.00 FEET NORTH OF AND PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID LOT 18, AS ABOVE DESCRIBED TO A POINT ON THE EAST BOUNDARY OF SAID LOT 18 BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE

SOUTH, 51.00 FEET ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARIES OF SAID LOTS 18, 19 AND 20 TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 20 BEING THE IDENTICAL SOUTHEAST CORNER OF TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE

WEST, 140.00 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID LOT 20 TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER THEREOF AND IDENTICAL SOUTHWEST CORNER TO THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, THE POINT OF BEGINNING, AND CONTAINING 7140 SQUARE FEET OF LAND, MORE OR LESS,

The sale is to begin at **11:45 a.m. on December 11, 2015**, outside the front entrance to the Doña Ana County 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 Judgment granted United States of America, acting through Rural Housing Service.

United States of America, acting through Rural Housing Service, was awarded a Judgment on October 29, 2015, in the principal sum on the First Note is \$68,038.96 and the sum principal on the Second Note of \$4,259.94, plus outstanding interest through August 7, 2015, in the amount of \$3,437.66 and accruing daily thereafter at a rate of 6.500% per annum, plus escrow advances in the amount of \$4,041.50, plus an in rem judgment for an interest subsidy recapture in the sum of \$2,709.48, plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through August 30, 2015, in the sum of \$950.00, and costs through August 30, 2015, in the sum of \$696.40, with interest on the escrow advances, subsidy recapture, attorney's fees and costs of this suit at the rate of 6.500% per annum from date of the entry of this Judgment until paid.

The sale is subject to rights and easements of record, to unpaid property taxes and assessments, and to the one (1) month right of redemp-

tion in favor of the Defendant as specified in the Judgment filed herein.

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

/s/ Faisal Sukhyani  
Faisal Sukhyani,  
Special Master  
c/o Leverick and  
Musselman, L.L.C.  
5120 San Francisco  
Road NE  
Albuquerque,  
New Mexico 87109  
(505) 858-3303

Dates: 11/13, 11/20, 11/27,  
12/04, 2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2014-02024

**NATIONSTAR  
MORTGAGE LLC,  
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**ANDREW J. F. HUFFERD, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF MARY LOUISE FRITZ, DECEASED; ADMIRALS BANK; ABC CORPORATIONS I-X, XYZ PARTNERSHIPS I-X, JOHN DOES I-X AND JANE DOES I-X, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF ANY OF THE ABOVE, IF DECEASED; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY., Defendant.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF ACTION**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendant, Andrew J. F. Hufferd, Individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of Mary Louise Fritz, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 917 Stagecoach Dr, Las Cruces, NM 88011. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

LOT 12, BLOCK 1, SAGECREST SUBDIVISION NUMBER 3B-2, IN THE COUNTY OF DONA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT

THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF SAID COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY AS PLAT NO. 1861 ON 09/22/1988 IN BOOK 15 PAGE(S) 316-17 OF PLAT RECORDS.

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 will be entered against you.

McCARTHY &  
HOLTHUS, LLP  
By: /s/ Umair Malik  
Jeannette M. Whittaker  
Umair Malik  
6501 Eagle Rock  
NE, Suite A-3  
Albuquerque,  
New Mexico 87113  
(855) 809-3977  
Attorneys for Plaintiff

Date:  
11/20, 11/27, 12/04, 2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-01767

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

vs.

**JAMES R. NEELEY AND  
SHIRLEY NEELEY,  
HUSBAND AND WIFE;  
OCCUPANTS OF THE  
PROPERTY; Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF ACTION**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendants, James R. Neeley and Shirley Neeley:

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 300 Taylor Road, Las Cruces, NM 88007-5398. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE ABOUT A MILE SOUTH OF DOÑA ANA, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO IN SECTION 26, T.22S., R.1E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.R.S. SURVEYS TRACT 5-18H3 AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORHT LINE OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY ROAD NO. D-017 (OLD NO. 243W) FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, WHENCE THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 5 - 1 8 B E A R S S.61°43'20"W., A DIS-

TANCE OF 492.03 FEET; THENCE FROM THE PLACE OF BEGINNING LEAVING COUNTY ROAD D - 0 1 7 N.34°25'30"W., 281.71 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE N.58°20'30"E., 154.41 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE S.34°25'30"E., 282.09 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED COUNTY ROAD FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF COUNTY ROAD D-017 S.57°54'55"W., 123.48 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE S.61°43'20"W., 31.03 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 1.0000 ACRE OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

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 will be entered against you.

McCARTHY &  
HOLTHUS, LLP  
By: /s/ Susan Carter  
Jeannette M. Whittaker  
Susan Carter  
6501 Eagle Rock  
NE, Suite A-3  
Albuquerque,  
New Mexico 87113  
(855) 809-3977  
Attorneys for Plaintiff

Date:  
11/20, 11/27, 12/04, 2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2014-00131

**WELLS FARGO BANK  
NA, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**JASON STEEL AND THE  
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF  
JASON STEEL, IF ANY,  
Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF  
FORECLOSURE SALE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property ( the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 1781 Highland Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88005-1621 and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 1 OF NORTH ALAMEDA ACRES REPLAT NO.1, LAS CRUCES, DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID NORTH ALAMEDA ACRES REPLAT NO.1, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON JULY 27, 1984 IN PLAT BOOK 13, FOLIO 292.

The sale is to begin at 11:45 am on December 17, 2015, on the front steps of the 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 Judgment granted WELLS FARGO BANK, N A . WELLS FARGO BANK, N A was awarded a Judgment on September 8, 2015, in the total amount of \$ 125,273.92 with interest at the rate of 4.75% per annum from February 18, 2015 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$4,923.44.

**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 . WELLS FARGO BANK, N A, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any .

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

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

By: Robert A. Doyle,

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

No.: D-307-CV-2015-01773

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

vs.

**RODOLFO B. MALDONADO, IF LIVING; IF DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF RODOLFO B. MALDONADO, DECEASED AND JANE DOE MALDONADO, HUSBAND AND WIFE; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ENRIQUE T. MALDONADO, DECEASED; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF INEZ B. MALDONADO; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; ARTURO P. MALDONADO; RODOLFO MALDONADO; ANNETTE MALDONADO; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF ACTION**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendants, Rodolfo B. MalDonado, If Living; If Deceased, The Unknown Heirs of Rodolfo B. MalDonado, Deceased, Rodolfo MalDonado, The Unknown Heirs of Enrique T. MalDonado, Deceased, and The Unknown Heirs of Inez B. MalDonado:

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 270 MalDonado Rd, La Union , NM 88021. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE IN THE TOWN OF LA UNION, DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, IN SECTIONS 16 AND 21, T.27S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.R.S. SURVEYS, BEING PART OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 30-95A AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT A 1/2" IRON ROD SET ON THE WEST LINE OF THE CENTRAL LATERAL FOR THE

NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT, HEREIN DESCRIBED; WHENCE THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 16, T.27S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.R.S. SURVEYS BEARS S.75°58'43"W., 742.41 FEET; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE CENTRAL LATERAL, S.56°22'11"E., 115.57 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD SET FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE LEAVING THE LATERAL, S.37°48'00"W., 292.82 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD SET; THENCE S.74°59'02"W., 24.69 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD SET; THENCE S.36°57'47"W., 81.01 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD SET FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE N.52°08'40"W., 101.54 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD SET FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE N.37°48'00"E, 385.02 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 1.000 ACRE OF LAND, MORE OR LESS. SUBJECT TO ANY EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD. ALTOGETHER WITH A 15 FOOT WIDE PRIVATE ROAD EASEMENT BEING 7.5 FEET TO EITHER SIDE OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED CENTERLINE: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF WEST SIDE ROAD FOR THE MOST EASTERLY POINT OF THE EASEMENT HEREIN DESCRIBED; WHENCE THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 3 0 - 8 3 A B E A R S N.35°10'28"W., 125.15 FEET; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING, S.89°45'58"W., 706.64 FEET TO A POINT OF A CURVE; THENCE AROUND THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 436.49 FEET, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 12°10'00", WITH AN ARC LENGTH OF 92.69 FEET, AND WHOSE LONG CHORD BEARS S.84°28'55"W., 92.51 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE S.74°59'02"W., 378.54 FEET TO A POINT OF A CURVE; THENCE AROUND THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 147.06 FEET, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 49°47'34", WITH AN ARC LENGTH OF 127.80 FEET, AND WHOSE LONG CHORD BEARS S.51°35'41"W., 123.82 FEET TO THE END OF THIS EASEMENT; INFORMATION IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS DESCRIPTION DERIVES FROM DEED FILED DONA ANA COUNTY RECORDS. A PLAT WAS

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

No.: D-307-CV-2015-01992

**LSF8 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**JOSE ESPARZA AND DELIA V. ESPARZA AKA DELIA V. CHAVEZ, HUSBAND AND WIFE; PATRICIA JONES; STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF LABOR EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION; EQUABLE ASCENT FINANCIAL, LLC; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION**

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendant Patricia Jones:**

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff LSF8 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST 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 1104 Skyway, Las Cruces, NM 88001. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

LOT 13 IN BLOCK 18A OF DALE BELLAMAH MANOR, SECTION 2, PLAT 2, DIANE MAURA DRIVE, LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON JUNE 11, 1958 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 8 AT PAGE 21, PLAT RECORDS.

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 will be entered against you. McCARTHY & HOLTHUS, LLP

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Dates: 11/20, 11/27, 12/04, 2015

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

No.: D-307-CV-2015-01493

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

vs.

**HELEN E. MCCARTHY AKA HELEN E. DAWES, IF LIVING AND JOHN DOE MCCARTHY, WIFE AND HUSBAND; IF DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN E. MCCARTHY AKA HELEN E. DAWES, DECEASED; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION**

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendant, Helen E. McCarthy aka Helen E. Dawes, If Living, If Deceased, The Unknown Heirs of the Estate of Helen E. McCarthy aka Helen E.**

Dawes, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff BANK OF AMERICA, 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 2163 Foxtail Pine Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88012. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 19 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 9 OF THE PINES UNIT SIX, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID THE PINES UNIT SIX, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON OCTOBER 7, 2003 IN PLAT BOOK 20, FOLIO 447-448.

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 will be entered against you.

**McCARTHY & HOLTHUS, LLP**

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## New Mexico study: Working individuals make up largest group who benefit from Medicaid expansion

### Study says 56 percent are working adults in key economic sectors

Washington, D.C. — More than 90,000 New Mexicans benefiting from the state's decision to accept Medicaid expansion work in industries that are the foundation of the state's economy, with jobs ranging from sales and food service to construction and health care, according to estimates in a study released in September by Families USA.

This projected group of working New Mexicans represents an estimated 56 percent of the state's residents who benefit from New Mexico's Medicaid expansion, which went into effect last year.

"These statistics are an important part of the story about Medicaid in New Mexico," said Barbara Webber, Executive Director of Health Action NM, a non-profit health consumer advocacy organization based in Albuquerque, NM. "We are thrilled that Centennial Care, including the very important Medicaid expansion for adults in our state, has contributed to the significant increase in health coverage for hard working families.

"This improved health access will certainly mean better health status for working families and increased productivity for the industries they represent," Webber said. "This proves that Medicaid has been a win win situation for New Mexico."

Without Medicaid expansion, many of these people would have fallen through the cracks in the health care system — making too much for traditional Medicaid, but too little to qualify for subsidies on the insurance exchange, said Ron Pollack, executive director of Families USA.



"This study shows Medicaid expansion is a success story in New Mexico," Pollack said. "The people it helps have tough jobs in industries that traditionally don't provide health insurance. Now after a hard day's work, they can sleep with the peace

of mind that health insurance provides — knowing that a sudden accident or illness won't wipe out their savings and dreams for the future."

According to the study, following is the breakdown of occupations of those more

than 90,000 New Mexicans who can benefit from Medicaid expansion:

- 15,000 in food service, working as fast food workers, waiters and cooks.
- 14,000 in construction jobs, including carpenters, painters and laborers.
- 12,000 in sales, working as retail salespeople, cashiers and clerks.
- 10,000 in cleaning and maintenance, including janitors and landscapers and housekeepers.
- 8,000 in office and administrative support, including bookkeepers, receptionists and stock clerks.
- 6,000 in personal care, including barbers, child care workers, hairdressers and personal care aides.
- 6,000 in transportation as truck drivers, freight laborers and bus drivers.
- 5,000 in production, including team assemblers, machinists and welders.
- 3,000 in health care support, including nursing assistants, orderlies and home health aides.
- An additional 16,000 work in a variety of other jobs.

"Governor Martinez should be congratulated for her initial decision to expand Medicaid," Pollack said.

"The numbers contained in this study show how important this program is for so many of the working people of her state."

Under Medicaid expansion, which went into effect in 2014, states can offer Medicaid coverage to residents with incomes up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level, which is \$27,720 for a family of three. For the first three years, the federal government pays 100 percent of the costs. Starting in 2017, states will begin paying a small portion of the costs, which will be capped at 10 percent in 2020.

This report is based on 2010 to 2012 Census data.

## Good Sam honors those who struggle with Alzheimer's disease

**By Penney C. McClarin for the Las Cruces Bulletin**

The walkways of Good Samaritan – Las Cruces Village were

spectacularly lined with carefully decorated purple bags on what could be noted as a beautiful fall day here in New

Mexico. They had been placed on the walkways in the early afternoon to display the bags as well as heartfelt notes in

honor and in memory of loved ones and friends dealing with Alzheimer's disease. It was also a way to help create an aware-

ness in the ongoing battle to find the cure for this disease which affects so many. We at Good Samaritan – Las

Cruces Village wanted to participate in November's Alzheimer's

## HONOR

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Awareness month and felt that decorating purple paper bags to be used later as luminarias were a respectful and memorable way to bring awareness with a taste of our Southwestern culture.

Looking out through my office window I could see the procession of residents, family members, and staff who walked by the displayed luminarias throughout the afternoon. Each person walking by took the opportunity to stop and honor those who were listed on these bags.

As evening came, staff members went out to light the candles in the bags. Residents enjoying their evening meal in the Social Center Dining Room could see these beautiful luminarias as they peered out the large glass windows. Each candle glowed within a bag illuminating a bright light of hope for a future where a cure will be found for this terrible disease. This is a hope and a wish for a world no longer plagued with the pain and suffering of a loved one being diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease.

# Tresco aims high with new fundraising hire

Tresco, a local organization that "supports people with differing abilities to reach their potential and realize their dreams" is embarking in a new direction to increase community awareness and raise necessary funds with the hiring of Anna Lueras.



LUERAS

According to Tresco CEO and President Deb Batista, "We wanted to promote the services of a 48-year-old organization that has great people dedicated to enhancing the lives of persons with disabilities. Tresco also is experiencing the effects of reduced funding and increased needs of its consumers; fundraising has been identified as a way to continue to support and provide for consumers in spite of reduced funding."

Lueras has taken the position of Fundraising and Marketing Coordinator for the Las Cruces nonprofit which is organized, governed and staffed for the sole purpose of making a positive impact in the lives of children with

developmental delays, and people with disabilities in the community. Lueras formerly was the coordinating advertising director for Desert Exposure Magazine and the Las Cruces Bulletin.

As with most nonprofit organizations, fundraising is critical to the ongoing success of Tresco in its effort to become more productive in the Las Cruces community. Batista explained that hiring Lueras will increase Tresco's "Compassion, creativity, and the ability to recognize that people want to know how their hard earned money is being spent when they choose to donate to an organization; Anna needs to tell our story."

Lueras's connection to the community has been obvious to the business owners who advertise in Desert Exposure, and she will bring those connections to Tresco. "I really believe in Tresco's mission," she said. "They support people with differing abilities to reach their potential and realize their dreams. I want to be a part of that!" But, she added, "I will miss working on the monthly paper, Des-

ert Exposure. I began at its conception at The Las Cruces Bulletin. This publication has been the heart and soul of my position," Lueras explained.

Batista states that new fundraising ideas will now be possible, including corporate level sponsorships and special events for financial support. "But more importantly," she continued, "is raising awareness of how great our consumers and staff are; the giver becomes a receiver when they realize just how much their employment, financial partnership and support means to our folks."

In her new position, Lueras will lead and execute all fundraising events and activities. "I would like to add that my position at The Bulletin has been a blessing and it has lead me to the position that I am now moving into at Tresco, Inc. I have also developed great relationships with everyone here at The Bulletin. I will truly miss all of them."

With Lueras's expertise, Batista sees Tresco becoming, "One of New Mexico's best places to work!"

## Healthy Happenings



### BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT GROUP

Mama's Milk Club Breastfeeding Support Group meets 10 to 11:30 a.m. every Friday at Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., West Annex, Piñon A meeting room. Refreshments are provided. There is no charge for attending.

For more information, call 521-5393.

### GOLDEN MESA EXERCISE CLASSES

Golden Mesa, 151 N. Roadrunner Parkway, offers different levels of exercise. On Mondays, Ball-er-cise, concentrates on resistance exercises using inflatable balls and Mylar strings. On Tuesdays, there are chair exercises and other invigorating exercises. Wednesday class is Tai Chi, a somewhat slower exercise regime, which helps to stretch muscles.

Thursday classes include chair exercises and some standing, more strenuous routines, as well as pool walking, held in

Golden Mesa's heated pool, for those who need to start at a slower pace and work up to a more strenuous exercise program. Friday features water aerobics classes, including polo and volleyball.

All classes are open to the public.

For more information, including class times, call 522-4219 and ask for Cheri.

### SELF-DEFENSE CLASSES

A self-defense training program developed for women of all ages and abilities is offered at the Doña Ana Community College Work Center, 2345 E. Nevada St. The objectives are to enhance one's instincts as a first line of defense and the practice of easy retainable techniques. Ages 15 and up and those with any limited physical capabilities are welcome. The class is taught by Albert Ortiz, a retired federal agent with 27 years of experience. His duties included teaching at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center

located in Brunswick, Ga.

For more information, call 520-307-4631.

### PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

The Parkinson's Disease Support Group of Southern New Mexico meets the third Tuesday of the month at MountainView Senior Circle, 3948 E. Lohman Ave. For more information, call Sarah Stegall at 496-2550.

### SEXUAL COMPULSIVES ANONYMOUS

Sexual compulsives anonymous is a 12-step fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other, that they may solve their common problem and help one another recover from sexual compulsive behaviors and activities. We release our addictions to internet porn, unhealthy addictive relationships and anyone or anything that keeps us from healthy, loving relationships.

The program meets 7 to 8 p.m. Mondays, at Sierra Vista Com-

munity Church, 514 N. Telshor Blvd. (behind the large T-Mobile sign). For more information, call 526-9535 and leave a message.

### ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

If you drink, that's your business. If you want to stop drinking and can't, that's ours. For more information, call 527 1803.

### BRAIN INJURY GROUP

The Brain Injury Group meets 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each Friday at the Mesilla Valley Public Housing Authority, 926 S. San Pedro St. Each meeting features games, movies, artwork, music, books, puzzles, coffee and conversation.

For more information, call Dolores Garcia at 805 1301.

### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETS

The Southern New Mexico Bereaved Parents Support Group meets 2:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month at Mesilla Valley Hospice, 410 Foster Road, in the Grief Center. Parents, grandparents and siblings

are invited.

For more information, call Anna Cook at 527 1193.

### CANCER CARE SUPPORT GROUP

A Cancer Care support group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at University United Methodist Church, 2000 S. Locust St. Cancer survivors, those currently being treated and anyone in the community whose life has been touched by cancer are invited.

For more information, call 524 3994 or 522 3261.

### GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN GROUP

A Grandparents Raising Grandchildren support group is held from 10 a.m. to noon the second Tuesday of the month at the Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Grandparents raising grandchildren on a full-time basis are invited to join.

For more information, call 528-3301.

# Pets and People



## Shepherd/heeler mix named Pet of the Week

Don't you think this face would look so handsome in your family photo this Christmas?! Oso is quite photogenic — although he swears he can't take a good picture to save his life! When he's not busy practicing his selfies, Oso is a very calm and gentle canine who loves reading adventure novels. He's hoping that you will read a little "Huckleberry Finn" to him by the fire this holiday season. Oso has been with us for 11 months; help this awesome guy find his forever home today! Oso is a tan, one-year-old Shepherd/Heeler mix. The Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley is located at 3551 Bataan Memorial West. Hours of Operation: Monday thru Friday: Noon to 6 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday: Noon to 5 p.m. For information, call 382-0018.



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## PET BRIEFS

### Adoption center seeks volunteers

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You can help save a life by fostering a cat in your home while waiting for the next available space at the adoption center. Do you have fundraising and grant writing skills? Do you have a few hours a week to help with cat care?

These are just a few ways your help is needed. The center is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. For more information, call 386-6938 or visit [www.thecatmeowlascruces.com](http://www.thecatmeowlascruces.com).

### APA seeks old sleeping bags

ACTion Programs for Animals is seeking comforters or old sleeping bags to help offset the cooler evening temperatures. If

you have any to donate, drop them off from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, at 800 W. Picacho Ave. The donations will be used as dog beds at the facility and quarantine foster homes. For more information, call 571-4654.

### Pet adoptions held at Petco

Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley is facilitating dog and cat adoptions from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays at Petco, 3050 E. Lohman Ave. Transport drivers are needed Saturdays. For more information, call 639-3036.

### Shelter seeks dog walkers

Large-breed and small-breed dog walkers are needed at Animal Services Center of Mesilla Valley. Applications for volunteers may be picked up daily at 3551 Bataan Memorial West, or online at [www.las-cruces.org](http://www.las-cruces.org). For more information, contact Jan Wright at 382-0018 or [jwright@las-cruces.org](mailto:jwright@las-cruces.org).

### Seniors for Seniors cat adoptions

Senior citizens are special at the Cat's Meow Adoption Center, 2211 N. Mesquite St., the only shelter in southern New Mexico devoted just to felines.

The center is a no-kill facility, and all companions have been vaccinated, sprayed or neutered. The center is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Sunday. Volunteers and donations from the community are also always welcomed.

For more information, call 386-6938 or visit [www.thecatmeowlascruces.com](http://www.thecatmeowlascruces.com).

### Shelter asks for donations

Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley is in need of dog crates and treats as well as collars, leashes, towels and igloos. Donations can be dropped off from noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and noon to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

For more information, call 382-0018.

# Final Dress the Child shopping date is Dec. 6

## Volunteers needed for program

The 2015 Las Cruces Dress the Child program has its final shopping date for participating children at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6 at Kohl's, 2500 N. Triviz Drive. During the event, volunteers will help the children pick out new clothes and shoes – for many, it will be the first new clothing they have ever received.

Volunteers are needed to help the children shop for clothes during the event. Anyone interested should arrive at Kohl's by 5:30 p.m. to be checked in, said Dress the Child Co-Coordinator Doug Boberg.

Boberg and program co-chair Matt Holt hope this year to provide new clothing and shoes for up to 500 children selected by Las Cruces Public Schools and the Gadsden Independent School District. One hundred dollars is budgeted for each participating child, but through the generosity of participating

merchants, children usually receive \$130 to \$140 in new clothes, Boberg said.

The late Doug Rains of Las Cruces started Dress the Child in the 1980s, providing clothes and shoes for 25 children the first year. The program, now in its 29th year, is sponsored by the Rio Grande Rotary Club of Las Cruces.

You can still make a cash donation to this year's program. Send contributions to Las Cruces Rio Grande Rotary Foundation, Dress the Child, P.O. Box 550, Las Cruces, NM 88004, attention: Brad Beasley.

For more information, or if you want to volunteer to escort a child to the Dec. 6 shopping event, call Dress the Child Co-Chairs Doug Boberg at 644-9469 or Matt Holt at 993-2331; or send an email to [doug-boberg@comcast.net](mailto:doug-boberg@comcast.net); visit <http://dressthechild.weebly.com/how-you-can-help.html>.

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### LUNCHTIME YOGA

Beginners and experienced alike are invited to a 45-minute yoga class, followed by lunch from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays at Downtown Desert Yoga, 303 S. Alameda Blvd.

For more information, call 647-9642.

### NEEDLE EXCHANGE

The Families & Youth Inc. Needle Exchange Program, 1190 Foster Road, seeks to reduce HIV and hepatitis C by decreasing the circulation of unclean syringes and provides free information on services.

The office is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. The service is confidential and no appointments are needed.

For more information, call 556-1622.

### CROSSROAD ACUPUNCTURE CLASSES

Crossroads Community Supported Healthcare, 130 S. Main St., announces new classes: Gentle Chair Yoga from 6 to 7 p.m. Mondays, and Yoga En Español (bilingual English and Spanish) from 6 to 7 p.m. Wednesdays.

For more information, call 312-6569.

### OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Overeaters Anonymous is a fellowship of those individuals who, through shared experience, strength and hope, are recovering from a compulsive relationship with food.

Meetings take place at the following times and locations: noon Wednesdays in the library of St. James Episcopal Church, 1102 St. James Ave.; and 9:30 a.m. Saturdays at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave.

For more information, call 571-7864.

### MINDFULNESS-BASED STRESS REDUCTION CLASS

Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction (MBSR) class will be held in the spring of 2016 at Mesilla Valley Hospice, 299 Montana Ave. The eight-week

course includes seven two-hour evening classes and one all-day Saturday workshop. The course will be taught by nurse Gerri January. \$21 fee is for materials only. For information or to sign up, contact Gerri January at [gerrijanuary@gmail.com](mailto:gerrijanuary@gmail.com).

### FREE WELL BEING WORKSHOPS

Well Being Wednesday will be held at 10:15 a.m. the first Wednesday of each month in the Well Being Room at the Good Samaritan Social Center Building, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Each free workshop lasts about an hour. Topics of discussion will focus on the six areas of the Well Being Wheel, which include: physical; emotional; social; occupational; intellectual; and spiritual health.

For more information, contact 556-2179 or [prodgers@good-sam.com](mailto:prodgers@good-sam.com).

### SUICIDE SURVIVORS GROUP MEETS

Suicide Survivors, a free, peer-led group, is open to any adult survivor of suicide. Facilitated by the Southern New Mexico Suicide Prevention and Survivor Support Coalition, the group meets from 4:30 to 6 p.m. the first and third Monday of the month at the Center for Grief Services, 209 E. Montana Ave.

For more information, call 635-6265 or email [margaret.short@lpnt.net](mailto:margaret.short@lpnt.net).

### BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Breast Cancer Support Group of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico meets from 10 to 11:30 a.m. every fourth Saturday of the month at Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., West Annex Building.

Monthly programs vary, with information related to breast cancer and the pursuit of wellness.

No registration is required. Meetings are free and are open to all who have been touched by breast cancer.

For more information, call 524-4373.

### LOW VISION SUPPORT GROUP

The Low Vision Support Group meets 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month at the Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

For more information, call 528-3000.

# Alzheimer's Association hosts 'Conversations about Dementia'

"Conversations about Dementia" is the title of a free presentation offered by The Alzheimer's Association, New Mexico Chapter from noon to 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, at the Alzheimer's Association's Southwestern NM Regional Office, 125 N. Main St. To register or for more information, contact Maia Sideris-Dorame, 647-3868, [msiderisdorame@alz.org](mailto:msiderisdorame@alz.org).

This presentation is designed primarily as general forum for non-professional or family caregivers who are seeking a basic knowledge of Alzheimer's disease and an overview of support resources that are available in their area;

so that they might better understand how to care for their loved-one or care-recipient. It provides valuable information on the disease process and different stages of Alzheimer's. It helps caregivers and family members differentiate dementia from normal age-related memory changes by introducing the warning signs and known risk factors.

The class will also give the caregiver information about the core programs provided by the New Mexico chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, descriptions of the other educational classes that it provides statewide, all free of charge.

Alzheimer's disease is the sixth-leading cause of death in the U.S., and the fifth-leading cause of death for those ages 65 and older. In New Mexico, more than 339 will die with Alzheimer's in 2016. For more information contact Maia Sideris-Dorame at 647-3868 or [msiderisdorame@alz.org](mailto:msiderisdorame@alz.org).

The need for education, information and supportive services for families living with Alzheimer's and other dementias in diverse communities is paramount. The Alzheimer's Association, New Mexico Chapter has an expansive portfolio of tools, information and culturally and linguistically appropriate

resources in Spanish and English for families affected by Alzheimer's and other dementias at every stage of the disease.

The Alzheimer's Association is the world's leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research. Its mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research, to provide and enhance care and support for all affected and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health. Its vision is a world without Alzheimer's. Visit [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org) or call 800-272-3900.

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