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Kirtland airman was killed by fellow squadron members

Officials say airman was armed at the time of the chase but would not say if weapon was fired

BY MATTHEW REISEN  
JOURNAL STAFF WRITER

The military says a Kirtland airman was armed when he was chased off base and fatally shot by members of his own squadron in a burst of gunfire that also left one of his pursuers shot in the hand.

The airman, Brion Teel-Scott, a member of the 377th Security Forces Squadron, was pronounced dead at the scene. His body lay on the road across from the Truman Gate, between a Taco Bell and an apartment complex.

Robert Smith, Kirtland Air Force Base chief of media relations, said Teel-Scott had a gun in his possession but would not

say if he fired it. Smith said Teel-Scott recently requested a discharge under "other than honorable" conditions over a court-martial on domestic dispute charges, and was set to be sent home to Bordentown, New Jersey, on Feb. 24 — two days after he died.

"He was killed an hour and a half after his 28th birthday. You turn 28 at midnight; you don't think your life is going to end at freaking 1:30 a.m.," Shawn Scott, Teel-Scott's father, told the Journal. "That was his unit. Truman was his gate. ... Those are people that he's worked with."

Scott said he was looking forward to

seeing his son, who has a 9-month-old daughter named Autumn. Now Scott, a Marine veteran, wants to know why his son was killed and said he has gotten condolences but no answers from the military.

KAFB officials had declined to answer questions from the Journal since its Office of Special Investigations took over the investigation from the Albuquerque Police Department, which first responded to the shooting. However, late Saturday, Smith responded with the most detailed play-by-play of the shooting

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Shawn Scott stands at the site where his son, Kirtland Air Force Base airman Brion Teel-Scott, of New Jersey, was killed on Feb. 22.

'Anora' wins big



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Rural libraries seek \$29.5M boost from Legislature, which would double grant funding for over 50 such sites



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Trinity Ortiz, left, and Lhotse Johnson, both 11, work on math homework at the Embudo Valley Library in Dixon on Feb. 18. On some days, more than 30 kids spend time at the library after school.

BY GILLIAN BARKHURST  
JOURNAL STAFF WRITER

DIXON — Nestled between the scrub brush-topped hills of the Embudo Valley is Dixon, population 1,551. In the late afternoon, the town is mostly sleepy, save for the rush of school kids eagerly crossing the street headed to the public library.

Libraries like the one in this northern New Mexico community are the lifeblood of small towns, many of which are seeing other communal spaces, such as bars and restaurants, close, said Shel Neymark, director of the Rural Libraries Initiative and co-founder of the Embudo Valley Library in Dixon. But these libraries often have next-to-no tax revenue to fund themselves, Neymark said, and rely on state grant funding and volunteers to keep the lights on.

That's why the Rural Library Initiative is asking for \$29.5 million from the Legislature to help fund libraries in small towns, villages and pueblos, just like the one in Dixon.

Sen. Pete Campos, D-Las Vegas, in January introduced Senate Bill 209, a proposal that would nearly double the size of the Rural Libraries Endowment fund and ensure these little libraries have a steady funding



The Embudo Valley Library and Community Center in Dixon, and other rural libraries around the state, could benefit from SB209, the Rural Libraries Endowment Fund.

flow for the foreseeable future. The bill made it out of the Indian, Rural and Culture Affairs Committee with a "do pass" recommendation and is one of many bills sitting in the Senate Finance Committee, sidelined as the committee members focus on the annual budget, the largest and often most laborious piece of legislation.

Campos expects the legislation to pass, saying the bill has "a lot of support" from legislators.

Former Sen. Gerald Ortiz y

Pino introduced the original bill, Senate Bill 264, in 2019, which was passed with unanimous support in the House and was endorsed by all but six members of the Senate. It was signed into law by Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham, establishing the Rural Libraries Endowment. When Ortiz y Pino retired last year, he turned the page to Campos. "I gladly said yes," the longtime senator said.

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LEGISLATURE 2025

Service animal bill heads to Senate

Bill requiring first responders to look for service animals during emergencies advances

BY GREGORY R.C. HASMAN  
JOURNAL STAFF WRITER

A bill that would require first responders to make a "reasonable effort" to search for a qualified service animal during an emergency has made it to the Senate.

House Bill 111 passed in a 59-8 vote with two excused and one absent Thursday afternoon in Santa Fe.

If a first responder is made aware that the qualified service animal is missing, the bill states, "the first responder, to the extent practicable and while prioritizing human safety and security, shall make a reasonable effort to search for the qualified service animal."

Rep. Marian Matthews, D-Albuquerque, sponsored HB111 after learning about Albuquerque resident Rose Romero, a 70-year-old visually impaired woman, losing her service dog — almost 14-year-old black Lab, Ivy — due to asphyxiation following a waterline break that took place outside her Northeast Albuquerque home that caused a gas leak.

Romero said it took 11 days before Ivy was found.

Because of Ivy's death, Romero and other residents set up petitions to enact what they hope to call Ivy's Law, which would ensure animals get the same rescue efforts humans would during an emergency.

"There's no reason that should have taken 11 days," Matthews said.

Rep. Martin Zamora, R-Clovis, said before the vote he was worried about whether looking for a service animal would take away from other first responder duties during an emergency.

"I look forward to supporting the bill," he said, "but I just wanted to express my concerns that we don't tie the first responders to something that could be taken care of in a different manner."

Matthews said first responders would still focus first on human safety.

"This bill would require emergency responders to make a reasonable effort to locate service animals when they know a qualified service dog is missing

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# Republicans once maligned Medicaid; some now see a program too big to touch

*Hesitation is surfacing among congressional Republicans about potential cuts to Medicaid*

BY AMANDA SEITZ  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Every time a baby is born in Louisiana, where Republican House Speaker Mike Johnson handily won reelection last year, there's more than a 60% chance taxpayers will finance the birth through Medicaid. In Republican Rep. David Valadao's central California district, 6 out of 10 people use Medicaid to pay for doctor visits and emergency room trips. And one-third of the population is covered by Medicaid in GOP Sen. Lisa Murkowski's Alaska, one of the nation's costliest corners for health care.

Each of these Republicans — and some of their conservative colleagues — lined up last week to defend Medicaid, in a departure from long-held GOP policies. Republicans, who already have ruled out massive cuts to Social Security and Medicare, are turning their attention to siphoning as much as \$880 billion from Medicaid over the next decade to help finance \$4.5 trillion in tax cuts.

But as a deadline to avoid a partial government shutdown nears, hesitation is surfacing among Washington's Republican lawmakers — once reliable critics of lofty government social welfare programs such as Medicaid — who say that deep cuts to the health care program could prove too untenable for people back home.

"I've heard from countless constituents who tell me the only way they can afford health care is through programs like Medicaid," Valadao said on the House floor. "And I will not support a final reconciliation bill that risks



JOSE LUIS MAGANA/ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Speaker of the House Mike Johnson, R-La., speaks at the Conservative Political Action Conference, CPAC, at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center on Feb. 20 in Oxon Hill, Maryland.**

leaving them behind."

And on Wednesday, President Donald Trump, too, made his position on Medicaid clear: "We're not going to touch it."

States and the federal government jointly pay for Medicaid, which offers nearly-free health care coverage for roughly 80 million poor and disabled Americans, including millions of children. It cost \$880 billion to operate in 2023.

Johnson has ruled out two of the biggest potential cuts: paying fixed, shrunken rates to states for care and changing the calculation for the share of federal dollars that each state receives for Medicaid. Just a few years ago, Johnson spearheaded a report that lobbied for some of those changes during the first Trump administration.

Johnson insisted in a CNN interview that the focus will instead be ferreting out "fraud, waste and abuse" in Medicaid, although it's unlikely to deliver the savings Republicans seek.

GOP pressure over Medicaid is mounting, with some state party leaders joining the calls to preserve the program. States are already struggling with the growing cost of sicker patients and could be left to cover more if the federal

government pulls back. In some states, the federal government picks up over 80%.

More than a dozen Minnesota GOP lawmakers wrote the president recently warning that "too deep of a cut is unmanageable in any instance." Gov. Joe Lombardo, R-Nev., told Congress in a letter that "proposed reductions would put lives at risk." In Alaska, state Senate Majority Leader Cathy Giesel, a Republican and nurse, cited "huge concerns" during a floor speech.

Nationally, 55% of Americans said the government spends too little on Medicaid, according to a January poll from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research.

"It's now a very popular program that touches a very broad cross-section of American society," said Drew Altman, president of the health care research firm KFF. "Roughly half of the American people say that they or a family member have at one time been served by the program."

Significant changes to Medicaid are still on the table. They have to be for Republicans get the savings they need to pay for tax cuts.

Work requirements, which could save as much as \$109

billion over the next decade, seem to have solid support among GOP members, with some individual Republican-led states already moving to implement them.

Republicans also could consider cuts in benefits or coverage, as well as eliminating a provider tax that states use to finance Medicaid, Altman added.

Democrats warn that reductions are inevitable and could be dire.

Starting Monday, TV ads will caution people across 20 congressional districts that hospitals are at risk of closing and millions of people could lose coverage if Republicans cut Medicaid "to fund massive tax cuts for Elon Musk and billionaires." The Democratic super political action committee House Majority Forward has launched the seven-figure campaign.

Trump and Republicans have for years called for lowering government spending on health care, but they have struggled to formulate a serious plan that gains traction. Trump, for example, has spent nearly a decade arguing for an overhaul of the Affordable Care Act. His efforts to repeal the Obama-era national health care law failed during his first term, and in his most recent presidential campaign he offered only "concepts of a plan" to adapt the program.

Michael Cannon, a director of health studies at libertarian Cato Institute, believes Medicaid needs an overhaul because it is a significant part of the federal budget and a contributor to the nation's growing debt.

But Republicans, he said, are not looking at serious ways to drive down the cost of health care.

"The only reason for the cuts right now is to pay for the tax cuts," Cannon said. "None of them are talking about the need to do better health reform."

## The Rio Carnival street party where dogs are on parade

BY MARIO LOBÃO  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

RIO DE JANEIRO — As Rio de Janeiro's Carnival celebrations kicked off on Saturday, dozens of dogs dressed as superheroes, clowns and cartoon characters paraded alongside their owners in one of the city's most beloved canine street parties.

About 100 dogs wagged their tails to samba music and socialized at the so-called Blocao street party, where about 300 people and their pets gathered in the neighborhood of Barra da Tijuca, on Rio's west side.

"I think this is just wonderful, I've come for many years," said nurse Priscila dos Santos Silva, 42, who took Sol, her Chihuahua, dressed as a doll to the party. "It is great to see this interaction between pets and families. It is a lot of joy



SILVIA IZQUIERDO/AP

**A dog named Julia, wearing a tiara and wings, attends the "Blocao" dog carnival parade in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, on Saturday.**

and it is good for everyone. It is a different kind of Carnival."

Antonio Marinho, 71, said this year's

Blocao was even more respectful for dogs being paraded under Rio's 86-degree heat on Saturday morning. A hydration station was opened and the usual parade through the streets was relocated to prevent the pets' gentle paws from getting scorched.

"We won't come out on the pavement because it's hot. Out of respect for the pets, we will stay still under this wonderful shade," Marinho said. "Here we have kids, the elderly, and many dogs."

The name Blocao is a mixture of "bloco," which means Carnival street party, and "cao," or dog in Portuguese. It is one of the few events that challenged a city ban on street parties during the COVID-19 pandemic, in which Brazil was one of the hardest-hit countries.

The street party has taken place for more than 20 years.

### IN BRIEF

#### UK's Starmer says Europe is at 'crossroads in history'

LONDON — British Prime Minister Keir Starmer has rallied his European counterparts to shore up their borders and throw their full weight behind Ukraine as he announced outlines of a plan to end Russia's war. "Every nation must contribute to that in the best way that it can, bringing different capabilities and support to the table, but all taking responsibility to act, all stepping up their own share of the burden," he said. Starmer's exhortation to 18 fellow leaders that they need to do the heavy lifting for their own security comes two days after U.S. backing of Ukraine appeared in jeopardy when President Donald Trump lashed out at Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy.

#### Outrage as Israel cuts off Gaza aid to pressure Hamas

TEL AVIV, Israel — Israel faces sharp criticism after barring the entry of all food and other supplies into Gaza. It says there will be "additional consequences" if Hamas doesn't accept what it calls a U.S. proposal for a ceasefire extension. Hamas calls the decision to cut off aid "a war crime and a blatant attack" on a ceasefire whose first phase expired Saturday. That phase featured a surge in humanitarian assistance to Gaza's over 2 million people. The two sides have yet to negotiate the second phase, which would include Hamas' release of dozens of remaining hostages in return for Israel's pullout and a lasting ceasefire.

#### Francis off mechanical ventilation entirely

ROME — The Vatican says Pope Francis has remained in stable condition and didn't need any mechanical ventilation. It was a sign that his respiratory function was improving as he continues his recovery from double pneumonia and a respiratory crisis. The 88-year-old pope did continue to receive high flow supplemental oxygen on Sunday after Friday's coughing episode, which sparked fears of a new infection. Doctors again said his prognosis remained guarded, meaning he wasn't out of danger. Francis, who earlier Sunday had a visit from the Vatican No. 2 and No. 3 official, also attended Mass, rested and prayed, the Vatican said in its evening bulletin.

#### Crews battle wildfires in North and South Carolina

Crews are battling wildfires in North and South Carolina amid dry conditions and gusty winds and evacuations have been ordered in some areas. The National Weather Service warned of increased fire danger in the region due to a combination of critically dry fuels and very low relative humidity. In South Carolina, Gov. Henry McMaster declared a state of emergency on Sunday to support the response effort and a statewide burning ban remained in effect. In North Carolina, the town of Tryon urged some residents to evacuate Saturday as a fire spread rapidly there. Those evacuations remained in effect Sunday.



NASA/FIREFLY AEROSPACE

**Private lunar lander Blue Ghost's shadow is seen on the moon's surface after touching down with a special delivery for NASA on Sunday.**

#### Private lunar lander Blue Ghost aces moon touchdown

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — A private lunar lander has touched down on the moon, delivering a drill and other experiments for NASA. Firefly Aerospace's Blue Ghost lander descended from lunar orbit Sunday, aiming for an impact basin on the moon's near side. Confirmation of touchdown came from Firefly's Mission Control in Texas. Named for a rare species of fireflies, Blue Ghost blasted off from Florida in January. Two other companies' landers are hot on its heels, with the next one targeting a landing later this week. The flurry comes as NASA strives to ignite a lunar economy and send astronauts back.

#### Tributes pour in for R&B singer Angie Stone after her death

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Fans are remembering R&B singer Angie Stone after her death at 63 in a weekend crash on a highway in Alabama while returning from a performance. The Grammy-nominated singer was a member of the all-female hip-hop trio The Sequence and known for the hit song "Wish I Didn't Miss You." The Alabama Highway Patrol said the van Stone was traveling in had overturned early Saturday on an interstate near Montgomery before being hit by a truck. The tributes to Stone on social media include one from rap artist MC Hammer, who posted a video featuring Stone's song "Brotha." Meanwhile, singer Jennifer Hudson posted on social media that Stone was "gone too soon."

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### TODAY IN HISTORY

**Today is Monday, March 3,** the 62nd day of 2025. There are 303 days left in the year.

#### Today in history:

**On March 3, 1991,** motorist Rodney King was severely beaten by Los Angeles police officers after a high-speed chase. Amateur video that captured the scene aired on local news that evening, sparking public outrage.

#### Also on this date:

**In 1849,** Congress established the U.S. Department of the Interior.

**In 1863,** President Abraham Lincoln signed the act creating the National Academy of Sciences.

**In 1931,** President Herbert Hoover signed a bill making "The Star-Spangled Banner" the national anthem of the United States.

**In 1943,** in London's East End, 173 people died in a crush of bodies at the Bethnal Green Tube station, which was being used as a wartime air raid shelter.

**In 1945,** Allied troops fully secured the Philippine capital of Manila from

Japanese forces during World War II after a monthlong battle that destroyed much of the city.

**In 1969,** Apollo 9 blasted off from Cape Kennedy on a mission to test NASA's lunar module.

**In 2022,** OxyContin maker Purdue Pharma reached a nationwide settlement over its role in the opioid crisis, with the Sackler family members who own the company boosting their cash contribution to as much as \$6 billion in a deal intended to staunch a flood of lawsuits.

**Today's birthdays:** Filmmaker George Miller is 80. Singer Jennifer Warnes is 78. Author Ron Chernow is 76. Football Hall of Famer Randy Gradishar is 73. Musician Robyn Hitchcock is 72. Actor Miranda Richardson is 67. Radio personality Ira Glass is 66. Olympic track and field gold medalist Jackie Joyner-Kersey is 63. Rapper-actor Tone Loc is 59. Hockey Hall of Famer Brian Leetch is 57. Actor Julie Bowen is 55. Actor David Faustino is 51. Actor Jessica Biel is 43. Singer Camila Cabello is 28. NBA forward Jayson Tatum is 27.

### LOTTERY

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#### Flying the colors

The flag is to be flown at full staff Monday.



## Pecos watershed advocates worried after meeting postponed

BY CATHY COOK  
JOURNAL STAFF WRITER

PECOS — Advocates are worried about a federal proposal to protect the Upper Pecos Watershed from mining for the next 20 years after the Bureau of Land Management postponed a public meeting meant to collect feedback on the proposal.

More than 50 people gathered in the Pecos Village Hall on Wednesday night. They were supposed to attend a meeting hosted by the Bureau of Land Management about potentially withdrawing mineral rights from 164,000 National Forest lands and 1,330 acres of BLM-managed lands near the Pecos River headwaters. When the BLM meeting was postponed, advocacy group New Mexico Wild held a community meeting instead to gather letters in support of the mineral withdrawal.

"We want our future generations to continue to thrive here. Pecos is very special, not just for us, but for Jemez Pueblo, Tesuque



EDDIE MOORE/JOURNAL

Rusty barrels and scrap metal are scattered along the Pecos River near where the Tererro Mine once operated.

Pueblo, who have been doing their own work behind the scenes to say that this place is special to them as well," said Ralph Vigil, a northern organizer for NM Wild and a Pecos farmer.

BLM postponed the meeting a week before it was set to take

place and has not set a new date yet. The agency is still encouraging the public to submit comments on the proposal until March 17. The two-year process for deciding if mining should not be allowed on the land was started by former Interior Secretary Deb Haaland

and former President Joe Biden in December.

The people in Pecos Village know how a mine can leave a legacy of contamination long after closing. The Tererro Mine operated from 1926 to 1939, mining lead and zinc north of Pecos Village. After the mine closed, mine and mill waste was used to fill campgrounds, trailheads and at the Lisboa Springs Fish Hatchery. The mine waste led to water contamination, which in 1991 killed off more than 90,000 trout at the hatchery.

A different mining company, Comexico LLC, applied for exploratory drilling permits in 2019 to look for gold, copper, zinc, lead and silver, and has acquired mining claims throughout the Pecos headwaters.

Pecos Mayor Ted Benavidez said he is concerned about the long-term health and economic impacts of mining near the Pecos River. Camping and fishing near the river are significant economic drivers for the village.

"I believe that we all need to work together to keep the Pecos River," he said. "It's one of the best fishing areas around. People love it."

Representatives from both of the state's U.S. senators and Rep. Teresa Leger Fernández attended the community meeting. The three sponsored legislation in the last session of Congress, the Pecos Watershed Protection Act, to grant permanent protection for the watershed. The entire delegation advocated for the mineral withdrawal.

"New Mexicans who have been united for years in calling for protections for this cherished watershed deserve to have their voices heard. The withdrawal process would protect clean water and safeguard this region from harmful mining pollution," Sen. Martin Heinrich, D-N.M., said in a statement.

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## TIRE FIRE



JESSICA BACA/JOURNAL

Firefighters Matthew Martinez, left, and Mitch Herig try to extinguish a fire at an equipment yard near Bridge and Coors on Sunday.

## No injuries reported in blaze off Bridge near Coors

A tire fire in Southwest Albuquerque sent up billows of smoke that could be seen across the city Sunday morning.

At about 11:30 a.m., Albuquerque Fire Rescue responded to a call of a large outside fire in the 3200 block of Bridge SW, near Coors, agency spokesperson Lt. Jason Fejer said.

Arriving firefighters found a tire fire at an equipment yard with vehicles and pieces of equipment. There was damage to the equipment, but no injuries were reported, he said.

The cause of the fire is undetermined, Fejer said.



MATT NARVAIZ/JOURNAL

A large tire fire along Bridge SW, near Coors, sends smoke into the air Sunday morning. No injuries were reported in the incident.



JESSICA BACA/JOURNAL

Firefighters investigate a fire at an equipment yard near Bridge and Coors on Sunday.

## UNM announces search for director of substance use disorders research

*University has requested \$4.2 M in state funds to start the new office*

BY KEVIN OPSAHL  
JOURNAL STAFF WRITER

The University of New Mexico is wasting no time planning for an office for substance use disorder initiatives and a director to oversee it, despite not having the millions in state funding needed to start.

A position description for the director is being drafted as UNM waits to see if it receives \$4.2 million to start the office, according to UNM President Garnett Stokes, who spoke to the UNM Board of Regents Committee of the Whole on Feb. 5.

"We know that to really have an impact, we've just got to continue moving forward," Stokes said.

A search for a director will begin "in the coming months," she said in her annual State of the University address on Feb. 21.

The gear-up for the search comes as New Mexico continues to deal with its historical trend of having the highest alcohol-related deaths in the nation, Stokes said in her address. The state also ranked eighth in the nation for drug overdose deaths in 2022, according to Stokes and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

If UNM receives its requested funding, the Office for Substance Use Disorder Initiatives would hire two new faculty members and ask 10 existing faculty members to support training of additional medical personnel in substance use disorders, according to a President's Report Stokes delivered to the UNM Board of Regents last year. The office would also be responsible for overseeing existing university entities responsible for substance use disorder research and come up with new ways to further the initiative, including applying for \$8.5 million in federal grants, the report said.

During the Feb. 5 committee meeting, Stokes said the university has "worked in silos," and an office dedicated to substance use disorders can help break that. Entities dedicated to substance use disorders research include the Substance Use Research & Education Center; The Center on Alcohol, Substance Use, And Addictions, or CASAA; the UNM Addiction and Substance Abuse Program; and the Interdisciplinary Substance Use and Brain Injury Center.

"Everyone wants to underestimate the value of coordination, but the truth is, we need the coordination," Stokes told the committee.

Work on substance use disorders is something that UNM has folded into its strategic plan, known as UNM 2040, she said, and it was one of the university's original three "Grand Challenges," research initiatives.

During the Feb. 5 committee meeting, Stokes said Katie Witkiewitz leads the "Grand Challenge" involving substance use disorders. Witkiewitz is a researcher, a distinguished professor of psychology and the director for CASAA.

She said in an interview on Friday that a new office and a director overseeing substance use disorders would benefit patients in New Mexico. It would also free up her time working multiple jobs at UNM.

"Wouldn't it be great if I could speak to students in the School of Nursing and help them learn how to talk to patients with substance use disorder? I'd love to do that, but I've got these other three jobs I'm busy with," Witkiewitz said. "So, I think this office is a really great idea to have someone with their job — their sole job — to help bring us together and support collaboration."

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## APS board members to host town hall meetings

BY KEVIN OPSAHL  
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Two Albuquerque Public Schools Board of Education members are scheduled to host town hall meetings on Monday.

Crystal Tapia-Romero's town hall is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. in the West Mesa High School library, and Heather Benavidez's town

hall is scheduled for 6 p.m. in either the Highland High School library or cafeteria, according to an APS news release issued Friday.

Tapia-Romero, who took office in 2022, represents District 5, the city's West Side. Benavidez assumed office in 2024 to represent District 4, the city's Northeast Heights.



97TH ACADEMY AWARDS

Strip club Cinderella story – ‘Anora’ wins big

BY JAKE COYLE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — “Anora,” a strip club Cinderella story without the fairy tale ending, was crowned best picture at the 97th Academy Awards on Sunday, handing Sean Baker’s gritty, Brooklyn-set screwball farce Hollywood’s top prize.

In a stubbornly fluctuating Oscar season, “Anora,” the Palme d’Or-winner at the Cannes Film Festival, emerged as the unlikely frontrunner. Baker’s tale of an erotic dancer who elopes with the son of a Russian oligarch — unusually explicit for a best-picture winner — was made for just \$6 million.

But Oscar voters, eschewing blockbuster contenders like “Wicked” and “Dune: Part Two,” instead added “Anora” to a string of recent indie best picture winners, including “Everything Everywhere All at Once,” “CODA” and “Nomadland.”

For a film industry that’s been transformed by streaming and humbled by economic turmoil, Baker and “Anora” epitomized a kind of cinematic purity. On the campaign trail, Baker called for the return to the 90-day exclusive theatrical release.

“Where did we fall in love with the movies? At the movie theater,” Baker said Sunday. “Filmmakers, keep making films for the big screen.”

In personally winning four Oscars on Sunday, Baker tied the mark held by Walt Disney, who won for four different films in 1954. That Baker and Disney share the record is ironic; his “The Florida Project” took place in a Florida low-budget motel in the shadow of Disneyland.

“Long live independent film!” shouted Baker from the Dolby Theatre stage.

Twenty-two years after winning best actor for “The Pianist,” Adrien Brody won the same Oscar again for his performance as another Holocaust survivor in Brady Corbet’s “The Brutalist.”

Brody’s win came over Timothée Chalamet (“A Complete Unknown”), who had the chance of becoming the youngest best actor ever, a record owned by Brody — just short of 30 when he won for “The Pianist.”

“I’m here once again to represent the lingering traumas and the repercussions of war and systematic oppression and of antisemitism and racism and othering,” said Brody. “I pray for a healthier and happier and more inclusive world. If the past can teach us anything it’s to not let hate go unchecked.”

Mikey Madison won best actress for her breakthrough performance in “Anora,” a victory that came over the category favorite, Demi Moore (“The Substance”).

Sean Baker, the filmmaker of “Anora,” won best director, best original screenplay and best editing. Baker used his acceptance speech for best director to preach passionately for the theatrical experience.

“I want to thank the sex worker community,” said Baker, echoing comments he made when “Anora” won the Palme d’Or at the Cannes Film Festival. “They have shared



Mikey Madison accepts the award for best performance by an actress in a leading role for “Anora” during the 97th Academy Awards on Sunday at the Dolby Theatre in Los Angeles.

their stories. They have shared life experiences with me over the years. My deepest respect. Thank you. I share this with you.”

The Oscars otherwise spread the love around, dishing out awards to “Anora,” “Conclave,” “Wicked” and “The Substance.” Eight of the 10 movies nominated for best picture came away with at least one award at the Dolby Theatre on Sunday. That included the beleaguered Netflix contender “Emilia Pérez,” which, despite a backlash to old offensive tweets by star Karla Sofia Gascón, won best supporting actress for Zoe Saldaña.

“I am a proud child of immigrant parents with dreams and dignity and hard-working hands,” said Saldaña. “I am the first American of Dominican origin to accept an Academy Award, and I know I will not be the last.”

An expected win and an upset

The night’s first award, presented by Robert Downey Jr., went to Kieran Culkin for best supporting actor. Culkin has cruised through the season, picking up award after award, for his performance alongside Jesse Eisenberg in “A Real Pain.”

“I have no idea how I got here,” said Culkin. “I’ve just been acting my whole life.”

Culkin spent most of his speech recalling an earlier, hypothetical promise from his wife Jazz Charton, that they could have a fourth child if he won an Oscar. Culkin used the opportunity to take Charton — “love of my life, ye of little faith” — up on the offer.

The biggest upset early on came in the best animated feature category. “Flow,” the wordless Latvian film upset DreamWorks Animations’ “The Wild Robot.” The win for “Flow,” an ecological parable about a cat in a flooded world, was the first Oscar ever for a Latvian film.

“Thank you to my cats and dogs,” director Gints Zilbalodis accepting the award.



Cynthia Erivo, left, and Ariana Grande perform “Defying Gravity” during the Oscars on Sunday.

‘Wicked’ wins two

“Wicked” stars Ariana Grande and Cynthia Erivo kicked off the ceremony with a tribute to Los Angeles following the wildfires that devastated the Southern California metropolis earlier this year. Grande sang “Somewhere Over the Rainbow” and Erivo performed Diana Ross’ “Home” before the “Wicked” stars joined together for “Defying Gravity” from their blockbuster big-screen musical.

Later, “Wicked,” the biggest box-office hit among the best-picture nominees, won awards for production design and costume design.

“I’m the first Black man to receive the costume design award,” said costume designer Paul Tazewell, who couldn’t finish that sentence before the crowd began to rise in a standing ovation. “I’m so proud of this.”

Best makeup and hairstyling went to “The Substance” for its gory creations of beauty and body horror. “Dune: Part Two” won for both visual effects and sound, and its sandworm — arguably the star of the night — figured into multiple gags throughout the evening.

Brady Corbet’s sprawling post-war epic “The Brutalist,” shot in VistaVision, won for its cinematography, by Lol Crawley, and its score, by Daniel Blumberg.

Politics go unmentioned, at first

Though the Oscars featured the first time an actor was nominated for portraying a sitting U.S. president (Sebastian Stan as a young Donald Trump in “The Apprentice”), politics went largely unmentioned in the first half of the ceremony.

Host Conan O’Brien avoided the topic completely in his opening monologue. The first exception was nearly two hours in, when presenter Daryl Hannah announced simply: “Slava Ukraini” (“Glory to Ukraine!”)

“No Other Land,” a documentary about Israeli occupation of the West Bank made by a collation of Palestinian and Israeli filmmakers, won best documentary. After failing to find a U.S. distributor, the filmmakers opted to self-distribute “No Other Land.” It grossed more than any other documentary nominee.

“There is a different path, a political solution, without ethnic supremacy, with national rights

for both our people,” said Yuval Abraham, an Israeli, speaking beside co-director Basel Adra, a Palestinian. “And I have to say, as I am here, the foreign policy in this country is helping to block this path. Why? Can’t you see that we are intertwined, that my people can’t be truly safe if Basel’s people aren’t truly free?”

Walter Salles’ “I’m Still Here,” a portrait of resistance under the Brazilian military dictatorship, won best international film. At one point, that award seemed a lock for “Emilia Pérez,” the lead nominee with 13 nods and backed by a robust campaign by Netflix.

But while “Emilia Pérez” collapsed, “I’m Still Here” rode a wave of passionate support in Brazil and political timeliness elsewhere.

O’Brien scores in opening

O’Brien, introduced as “four-time Oscar viewer,” opened the ceremony with genial ribbing of the nominees and the former talk-show host’s trademark self-deprecation.

“‘A Complete Unknown.’ ‘A Real Pain.’ ‘Nosferatu.’ These are just some of the names I was called on the red carpet,” said O’Brien.

O’Brien, hosting for the first time, avoided any political commentary in his opening remarks, but the monologue was a smash hit. O’Brien lent on the disappointed face of John Lithgow, a full-throated “Chalamet!” from Adam Sandler and a gag of Amazon founder Jeff Bezos being delivered to the red carpet in a cardboard box.

O’Brien’s most sincere comments were reserved for Los Angeles, itself, in speaking about the enduring “magic and grandeur” of film in wake of the wildfires. O’Brien, whose house in the Pacific Palisades was spared by the fires, then segued into a musical routine, singing: “I won’t waste time.”

An unpredictable Oscar year

This year’s Oscars, among the most unpredictable in years, unspooled after a turbulent year for the film industry. Ticket sales were down 3% from the previous year and more significantly from pre-pandemic times. The strikes of 2023 played havoc with release schedules in 2024. Many studios pulled back on production, leaving many out of work. The fires, in January, only added to the pain.

Last year’s telecast, propelled by the twin blockbusters of “Oppenheimer” and “Barbie,” led the Oscars to a four-year viewership high, with 19.5 million viewers. This year, with smaller independent films favored in the most prominent awards, the academy will be tested to draw as large of an audience.

The ceremony took place days following the death of Gene Hackman. The 95-year-old two-time Oscar winner and his wife, Betsy Arakawa, were found dead Wednesday at their New Mexico home. Morgan Freeman, his co-star in “Unforgiven” and “Under Suspicion,” honored him.

“This week, our community lost a giant,” said Freeman, “and I lost a dear friend.”

Obituaries

Juan Javier “Jay” Carrizales



Jay Carrizales passed away on January 7, 2025 at age 71. He decided to become a pilot during his first airplane ride at age 5. Graduating from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1975, he flew the P-3 Orion in anti-submarine warfare operations throughout the world. After his 1996 Navy retirement, he became a commercial airline pilot. He retired a second time in 2018 as a JetBlue captain on an Airbus 320. Jay is survived by his wife Deborah and daughter Sarah. Memorial services will be held on March 8, 2025 at First Congregational United Church of Christ, 2801 Lomas Blvd NE at 1 p.m.

Mary Atencio



(1935-2025)  
Mary Atencio, beloved Mother, Grandmother, Great-Grandmother, Sister, Aunt & Friend, passed away February 17, 2025 at the age of 89, with her daughter Sharol Gabbert and her grandson Ken Cornell at her side. She is survived by her brother John Corriea, wife Inez, granddaughter Kim VandeVoorde and her two sons Robert and David, several other grandchildren and great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. She was born in Healdsburg, CA. In Lieu of flowers donations can be made to Bernco Animal Care <https://newmexicofoundation.givevictuous.org/donate/bernco-animal-care> A Celebration of Life will be held on March 8th, 2025 at 2:00 pm, at Sharol Gabbert’s, 7716 Redwood Dr NW 87120.

A Time to Remember

Antonio Chacon Pedraza

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released to date.

Teel-Scott's vehicle was stopped by his co-airmen at the Truman Gate off Gibson SE, just west of San Mateo, where he had worked as a member of the security forces. Sometime after midnight and "during a subsequent search of his vehicle, drugs were found," according to Smith, who did not say why Teel-Scott was stopped or why his vehicle was searched.

"Teel-Scott disobeyed the commands of Security Forces and fled the scene, prompting a pursuit by Security Forces," Smith said. This chase led off base and crossed Gibson SE, according to previous news releases, before security members shot and killed Teel-Scott, and one security force member was injured.

Smith would not say how many bullets were fired or how many security force members shot at Teel-Scott, but "all have been assigned to administrative work details until the completion of the investigation."

"As standard practice and policy following an incident, the Air Force will conduct a separate Use



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**Shawn Scott holds his phone with a photograph of his son, Kirtland Air Force Base airman basic Brion Teel-Scott holding his daughter, Autumn. Teel-Scott of Bordentown, New Jersey, was killed on Feb. 22 after being chased off base by security forces.**

of Force Review Board to look at the circumstances surrounding the event," he said. "This is independent of the incident investigation by the Office of Special

Investigation."

### 'Nothing's concrete'

Shawn Scott said he had pieced things together secondhand from other air-

men, his son's friends. He said he heard Teel-Scott was stopped for an expired registration and guards smelled cannabis from the vehicle.

Beyond that, he said, "nothing's concrete." Scott said he can't imagine his son firing a gun at anyone, much less his own squadron members.

"A lieutenant colonel of the squadron reached out to me today to pass off his condolences," Scott told the Journal Thursday. "But once again, no concrete information or anything about what happened."

He acknowledged that his son had been demoted for failing drug tests and doing cocaine with other airmen, and had been charged in a spat with a woman whom Scott said was the aggressor.

Smith, the KAFB spokesperson, said Teel-Scott had two "nonjudicial punishments under the Uniform Code of Military Justice — one for cocaine use and one for using marijuana on multiple occasions."

"Teel-Scott was pending trial by court-martial for charges of domestic violence and dereliction of duty," Smith said. "He requested a discharge under other than honorable conditions in lieu of court-martial."

Scott said his son wasn't a criminal but just wasn't made for the military.

In the months leading up to the discharge, Teel-Scott complained to family about being put on undesirable details and denied leave requests to go to his grandmother's funeral, according to Scott, who said his son had filed a complaint against a sergeant in late 2024.

Smith, the base spokesperson, said the leave was denied due to Teel-Scott not fulfilling mandatory "out processing" requirements. He added, "At this time, we have found no complaint filed by AB Teel-Scott."

His father said Teel-Scott loved to joke and in recent years had pursued a passion for rapping on the side. After his discharge, Scott thought his son might join him in a business venture to start an energy drink company.

"He was a loved kid. The town that he's from, Bordentown, New Jersey, that place is rife right now with sadness," Scott said. "My son had a million-dollar smile."

Scott said he wanted his son to sign a four-year deal with the military, but Teel-Scott signed on for six years. Scott "implored" his son to not join security forces, but that's what he chose.

"What hurt me the most was that I talked him into going in the Air Force, because the Air Force use their brain, whereas the Marines, they use their brawn," he said. "I wanted him to be safer. ... Me being in the Marines, in combat, I didn't want that for my son."

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## LIBRARIES >>

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### Money matters

The endowment stands at \$33.5 million, according to the State Investment Council, which manages the fund. Each year, recipients get a small percentage of the fund's total earnings. In 2024, 58 libraries received \$15,363 each in grant funding for upkeep, according to State Librarian Eli Guinee. A quarter of those libraries are in pueblos or reservations across the state. Five towns also got money to build their own libraries, according to grant documents. These towns, villages, or tribal communities had fewer than 3,000 residents and no preexisting public library.

According to estimates from the State Investment Council, in one year the additional appropriations from SB209 could up the annual disbursement by more than \$1 million, meaning libraries could expect to receive twice as much funding. With that money, rural libraries, some of which are volunteer-only, could hire full-time staff and pay them a living wage, Neymark said.

"They could get more money flipping burgers (right now)," Neymark said.

At Embudo Valley Library, there are more than 30 children in its after-school program and two staff members to corral them all.

"Luckily, they've never shown up all at once," said Sage Vogel as he herded the children across the street, a stop sign held high.

Vogel is the after-school program coordinator, although he wears many hats — crossing guard, tutor, physical education teacher and snack distributor. He has one assistant who helps him keep the rambunctious bunch



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**Dixon artist Shel Neymark, was a founder of the Embudo Valley Library and leads the New Mexico Rural Library Initiative. Behind him is a ceramic map of the Embudo Valley he made with help from local students.**

entertained and moving after a day of learning.

### A place to gather

"The thing about rural libraries is they provide some of the only services in their towns," Neymark said.

During natural disasters, people go to the library for shelter and information, he said. In Dixon, people regularly fill up water tanks at the spigot outside, but the most coveted resource of all is the internet service.

Many of these small towns are cellular dead zones, where internet and phone service is costly. Tommy Valdes visits almost every day to use the library computer because he said paying for service at home costs "just too much, que no?"

People come to Embudo Valley Library from nearby communities, including Trampas, Velarde, Pilar and Peñasco, to check out books, use

the internet and meet people.

Libraries also are often the only early childhood care, tutoring and enrichment opportunity for kids in rural communities, Neymark said.

Neymark attributes Dixon Elementary's high test scores to the library's after-school program. Dixon Elementary has the highest language proficiency test scores in the Española school district at 45%, according to Public Education Department 2024 data. That's more than seven percentage points higher than the state average.

Ellie Lucero, 9, hair tinsel twinkling as she leaned over her homework — is one of those students.

Without the library, she said, "I'd be so bored."

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## Earthweek: Diary of a Changing World

Week ending Friday, February 28, 2025

### Seismic 'Ears'

U.S. scientists are working to emulate mosquitoes' sensitive antennae to improve the detection of natural disasters such as earthquakes and tsunamis.

"Taking inspiration from nature and using it to advance scientific research has been a core feature of engineering since the very beginning," said Pablo Zavattieri of Purdue University.

He explained that, despite lacking traditional ears, mosquitoes use their antennae to detect important sounds amid the background noise of their own wingbeats.

Zavattieri proposes creating bio-inspired sensors, similar to "big ears," capable of discerning distant sounds.

### Earthquakes

A quake beneath the northern Bay of Bengal jolted parts of India around Kolkata and Odisha.

- Tremors were also felt in eastern Papua New Guinea, Indonesia's North Sulawesi province, India's Assam state, Croatia, Iceland, the eastern Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico, southwestern British Columbia and the Monterey Bay region.

### Roadkill Evolution

Black squirrels, a color variation of the eastern gray squirrel, may be thriving in urban areas because they are more visible to drivers and less likely to be hit by cars, according to a new study.

Researchers at Hobart and William Smith Colleges in Geneva, New York, surveying roadkill in Syracuse, found that black squirrels were 30% underrepresented among squirrels killed by motorists, suggesting natural selection may be favoring them in cities.

Previous research shows that people detect black squirrels faster than gray ones, giving drivers more time to react and avoid collisions.

In contrast, black squirrels are more vulnerable in rural areas, where predators can spot them more easily.

### Congo Mystery

A mysterious illness has killed at least 53 people and infected more than 400 in northwestern Congo, with nearly half of the deaths occurring within 48 hours, according to the World Health Organization.

The outbreak began in January and has been tentatively linked to three children who ate a bat and quickly died, with symptoms of fever, joint pain, vomiting, diarrhea and sweating.

Samples taken from victims have tested negative for Ebola and Marburg, but more than half had malaria, raising concerns that a severe outbreak of that disease may be responsible.

### Methane Surge

An Ethiopian volcano has been spewing a "substantial" amount of the powerful greenhouse gas methane so far this year.

Satellites detected Mount Fentale was emitting the gas at a rate of 1,540 tons per day on Jan. 31, roughly equivalent to emissions from burning 45 million pounds of coal.

Emissions tapered off during February. Scientists believe they are from an underground gas deposit that was disrupted by magma moving beneath the surface.



Scientists warn that increasing glacial loss will soon reduce fresh water supplies and contribute significantly to rising sea levels. Photo: NOAA

By Steve Newman

### Glacial Losses

Glaciers worldwide are melting at an accelerating rate, with ice loss more than doubling since the early 2000s, according to a study published in *Nature*.

Researchers found that global glaciers lost an average of 346 billion tons of ice per year over the past decade, peaking at a record loss of 604 billion tons in 2023.

Glaciers in Europe's Alps and Pyrenees have shrunk by 39% since 2000, the highest percentage loss of any region in the world, while Alaska's glaciers have lost the most total volume.

### Tropical Cyclones

Three cyclones spun up over the South Pacific as the Southern Hemisphere's cyclone season reached its peak.

Cyclone Rae caused some crop damage in Fiji, while Alfred threatened to drench Australia's Queensland coast. Seru skirted Vanuatu.

- Cyclone Bianca formed off northwestern Australia.
- Cyclone Garance neared Réunion as Cyclone Honde threatened to strike far southern Madagascar.

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# Communities that border Canada worry US tariffs will come at a personal cost

The 25% tariff on most imported Canadian goods, which Trump plans to impose Tuesday, has touched off a range of emotions along border

BY DEE-ANN DURBIN AND SALLY HO  
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DETROIT — At the U.S. Embassy in Ottawa, a quote from former President Ronald Reagan is engraved on one wall. “Let the 5,000-mile border between Canada and the United States stand as a symbol for the future,” Reagan said upon signing a 1988 free trade pact with America’s northern neighbor. “Let it forever be not a point of division but a meeting place between our great and true friends.”

But a point of division is here. On Tuesday, President Donald Trump plans to impose a 25% tariff on most imported Canadian goods and a 10% tariff on Canadian oil and gas. Mexico is also facing a 25% tariff.

Canada has said it will retaliate with a 25% import tax on a multitude of American products, including wine, cigarettes and shotguns.

The tariffs have touched off a range of emotions along the world’s longest international border, where residents and industries are closely intertwined. Ranchers in Canada rely on American companies for farm equipment, and export cattle and hogs to U.S. meat processors. U.S. consumers enjoy thousands of gallons of Canadian maple syrup each year. Canadian dogs and cats dine on U.S.-made pet food.

The trade dispute will have far-reaching spillover effects, from price increases and paperwork backlogs to longer wait times at the U.S.-Canada border for both people and products, said Laurie Trautman, director of the Border Policy Research Institute at Western Washington University.

“These industries on both sides are built up out of a cross-border relationship, and disruptions will play out on both sides,” Trautman said.

Even the threat of tariffs may have already caused irreparable harm, she said. Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau has urged Canadians to buy Canadian products and vacation at home.



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Washington State Park workers put up a new Canadian flag in front of an American flag about to be replaced during scheduled maintenance atop the Peace Arch in Peace Arch Historical State Park on Nov. 8, 2021, in Blaine, Washington.

## Skagway, Alaska-Whitehorse, Yukon

People flocked from the boomtown of Skagway, Alaska, to Canada’s Yukon in search of riches during the Klondike gold rush of the late 1890s, following routes that Indigenous tribes long used for trade.

Today, Skagway trades on its past, drawing more than 1 million cruise ship passengers a year to a historic downtown that features Klondike-themed museums. But the municipality with a population of about 1,100 still holds deep ties to the Yukon.

Skagway residents frequently travel to Whitehorse, the territory’s capital, for a wider selection of groceries and shopping, dental care, veterinary services and swimming lessons. The Alaskan city’s port, meanwhile, still supports Yukon mining and is a critical hub for fuel and other essentials both communities need.

“It’s a special connection,” Orion Hanson, a contractor and Skagway Assembly member, said of Whitehorse, which sits 110 miles north and has 30,000 people. “It’s really our most accessible neighbor.”

Hanson is concerned about what tariffs might mean for the price of building supplies, such as lumber, concrete and steel. The cost of living in small, remote places already is high. People in Whitehorse and Skagway worry about the

potential impact on community relations as well as prices.

Norman Holler, who lives in Whitehorse, said the months the tariffs have loomed created “an uncomfortable feeling and resentment.” If the threat becomes reality, Holler said he would probably still visit Alaska border towns but not other parts of the United States.

“Is it rational? I don’t know, but it satisfies an emotional need not to go,” he said.

## Billings, Montana-Alberta

The 545-mile stretch of land that separates Montana from Canada includes some of the sleepest checkpoints on the binational border. Several of the state’s border posts had fewer than 50 crossings a day on average last year.

But unseen, in underground pipelines that cut through vast fields of barley, flows about \$5 billion annually worth of Canadian crude oil and natural gas, most of it from Alberta. The lines traverse a continental pivot point — Montana is the only state with rivers that drain into the Pacific Ocean, Gulf of Mexico and Canada’s Hudson Bay — and deliver to refineries around Billings.

“Canada is one of our major supply sources for oil across the United States,” said Dallas Scholes, the government affairs director of Houston-based refinery company Par Pacific, which runs a processing facility along the Yellowstone River. “If tariffs are imposed on the oil and gas industry, ... it’s not going to be good for consumers.”

People in Montana drive long distances given its sprawling size and burn lots of natural gas through harsh winters, making its residents the highest energy consumers per capita in the U.S., according to federal data.

That means a 10% tax on Canadian energy resources would be felt broadly. The state’s farmers would be among those hit more severely, given the large volumes of gasoline needed to run tractors and other equipment, according to Jeffrey Michael, director of the University of Montana’s Bureau of Business and Economic Research.

“It will be painful, but there are larger concerns if I were an agricultural producer in Montana,” Michael said. “I’d be worried about the trade war escalating to where my products start to get hit with reciprocal tariffs.”



COURTESY OF ROSE ROMERO

Rose Romero stands outside her Northeast Albuquerque home with Ivy, her late black Lab and service dog, in an undated photo. A bill passed the House on Thursday that would require first responders to make a “reasonable effort” to search for a qualified service animal during an emergency.

## SERVICE >>

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in these situations, which means checking the surrounding area to the extent practical, while still prioritizing human safety,” Matthews said.

“In Ivy’s case, she was found in her owner’s garage and could have quickly been located with a reasonable effort by a first responder, which would have saved her owner more than a week of uncertainty.”

Rep. Harlan Vincent, R-Ruidoso Downs, was one of the eight representatives to vote against the measure.

“As a former first responder, I’m just wondering why we have to have legislation for this because I can’t imagine,” he said. “... that a first responder would have a problem trying to find a service animal, anyways.”

The bill is about bringing awareness to people that “this should never have happened the way it happened,” Romero said.

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TUESDAY

60/28

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Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 58°, humidity of 14%. Southwest wind 6 to 28 mph. The record high temperature for today is 77° set in 1972. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with a slight chance of snow showers, overnight low of 33°. West wind 18 to 22 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 23°. The record low for tonight is 13° set in 1971.

THURSDAY

71/34

Mostly Cloudy

FRIDAY

56/30

Partly Cloudy

SATURDAY

59/34

Mostly Sunny

Wind: SW 10-30 MPH

### Weather Fact

On March 3, 1988, a small but intense low pressure system roared across west central Mississippi at 90 mph. A tornado in southern Mississippi picked up an automobile, carried it 150 feet, and tossed it through the brick wall of an unoccupied retirement home.

### Sky Watch

At 6:45 p.m., just above a due W-ern horizon, elusive Mercury shines well below brilliant Venus. Catch Mercury now, since it's easily visible for only 2 more weeks: inferior conjunction is Mar. 24. Mercury rules Gemini and Virgo.

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## ALMANAC

### Solar/UV

Low 0 High 5 Extreme 10 15

### Humidity

Yesterday

6 am Noon 6 pm

58% 31% 18%

### Air Quality

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Good Moderate High

Coarse Particulates

29

Fine Particulates

23

Carbon monoxide

2

Ground-level ozone

47

### Precipitation

Yesterday

Month to date

Normal MTD

Year to date

Normal YTD

Temperatures

Sunday's high

Sunday's low

Normal high

Normal low

Record high

76° in 1904

Record low

6° in 1922

### Pollen

https://www.cabq.gov/airquality

Today

Tuesday

Wednesday

Predominant Pollens:

Juniper

### Sun/Moon

Mar. 6 Mar. 14 Mar. 22 Mar. 29

Today

Sunrise

Sunset

Moonrise

Moonset

Weather Key: s-sunny, cl-cloudy, fg-fog, hz-haze, mc-mostly cloudy, pc-partly cloudy, ra-rain, rs-rain & snow, sh-showers, sm-smoke, sn-snow, ss-snow showers, t-thunderstorm

## NEW MEXICO



## REGION

Today	Hi	Lo	W	Today	Hi	Lo	W	Today	Hi	Lo	W
Alamosa	47	21	pc	Denver	60	34	sh	Grand Junct.	52	31	sh
Amarillo	74	37	pc	Dodge City	64	37	mc	Houston	76	67	mc
Austin	78	62	cl	Durango	43	21	ss	Lubbock	79	41	pc
Boulder	56	32	mc	El Paso	74	44	sa	Midland	82	44	pc
Colo. Springs	56	29	pc	Flagstaff	35	20	sn	Okla. City	71	52	cl
Dallas	73	59	cl	Fort Collins	59	33	sh	Phoenix	65	44	s

## NATION



Extremes in the 48 contiguous states

High: 95 in Rio Grande Village, Texas Low: -20 in Forest Center, Minn.

## WORLD

Today	Hi	Lo	W	Today	Hi	Lo	W	Today	Hi	Lo	W
Acapulco	80	70	s	Calgary	35	30	sn	Islamabad	60	51	ra
Amsterdam	49	32	s	Caracas	82	63	pc	Istanbul	45	41	ra
Athens	56	51	ra	Casablanca	66	54	pc	Jakarta	88	77	ra
Auckland	76	61	ra	Copenhagen	45	38	cl	Jerusalem	63	49	cl
Baghdad	65	43	pc	Dakar	68	66	pc	Johannesburg	71	60	ra
Bangkok	93	81	ra	Dublin	52	40	mc	Kabul	57	49	rs
Beijing	46	23	cl	Edmonton	34	29	cl	Kingston	85	71	ra
Berlin	49	36	mc	Frankfurt	52	33	s	Kinshasa	89	74	ra
Bermuda	65	58	ra	Freetown	83	75	cl	Kyiv	38	31	cl
Bogota	65	54	ra	Guadalajara	90	56	s	Lima	79	74	mc
Brussels	51	32	s	Guaymas	88	75	ra	Lisbon	57	47	ra
Budapest	50	36	s	Havana	78	68	s	London	51	34	s
Buenos Aires	73	71	ra	Helsinki	37	31	ra	Madrid	49	40	ra
Cairo	73	55	pc	Hong Kong	75	69	mc	Manila	91	78	pc



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Portland, ME	34	27	sn	Stockholm	46	38	mc	Taipei	65	51	pc
Nassau	73	72	pc	Tel Aviv	66	52	mc	Tokyo	57	36	rs
New Delhi	85	56	s	Vienna	49	34	s	Toronto	31	11	mc
Raleigh	54	33	s	Warsaw	48	35	pc	Vancouver	45	41	cl
Rapid City	59	28	pc	Winnipeg	24	16	pc	Washington, DC	44	31	mc
Reno	52	27	pc	Yuma	69	44	s	Seattle	50	41	sh
Richmond	17	8	sn					Shreveport	69	59	sh
Sacramento	61	44	s					Sioux Falls	57	42	mc
Salem, OR	53	39	sh					Spokane	50	35	mc
San Diego	60	49	sh					St. Louis	59	51	pc
San Francisco	59	49	pc					St. Peterburg	77	60	s
San Jose	60	41	mc					Syracuse	31	24	mc
San Juan, PR	80	71	pc					Tampa	77	59	rs
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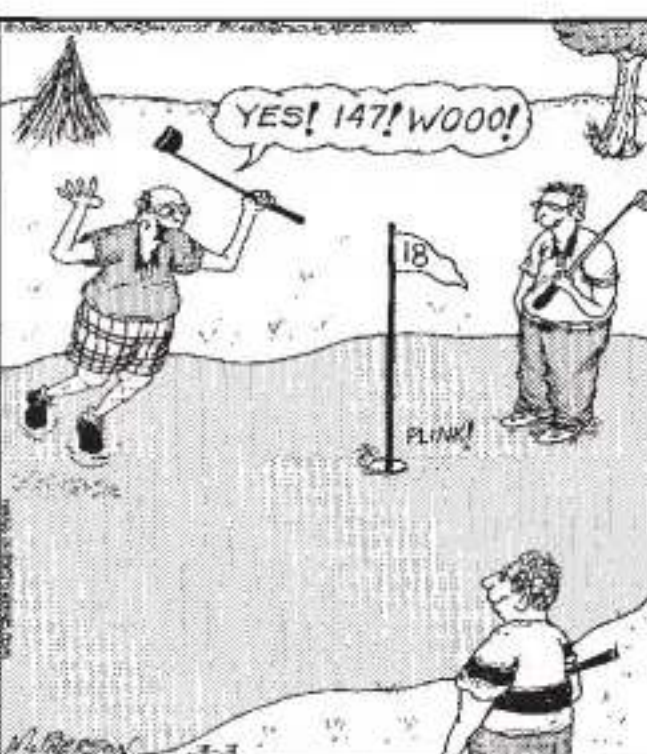
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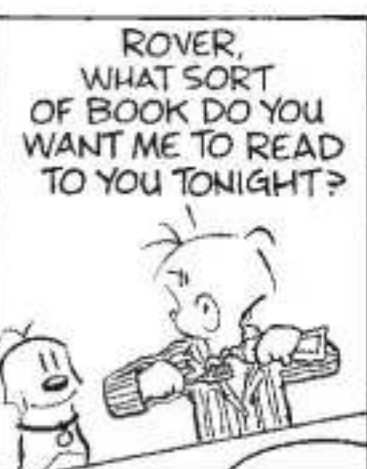
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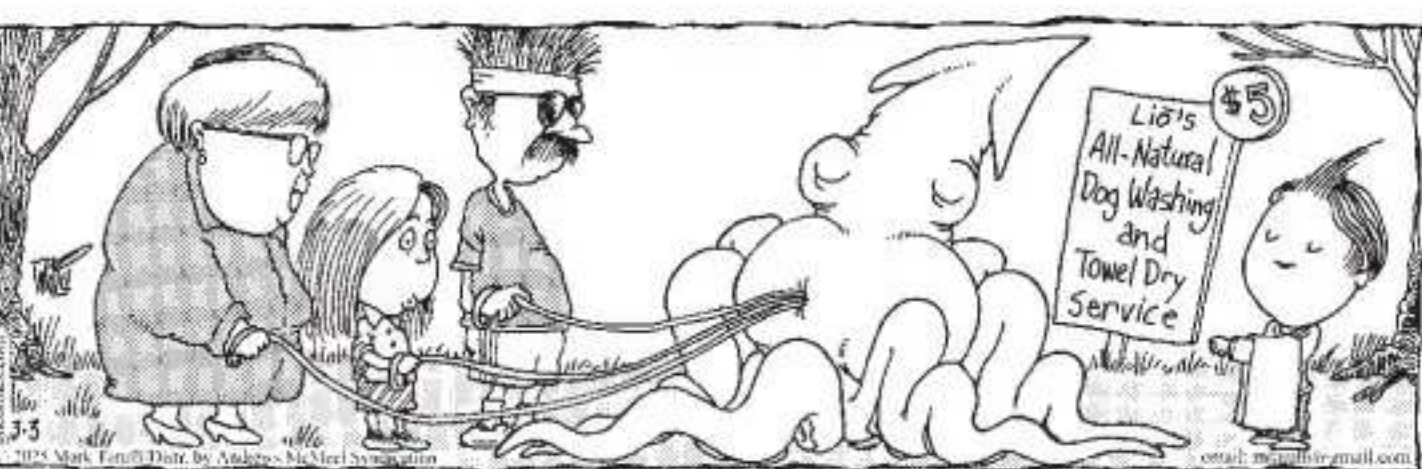
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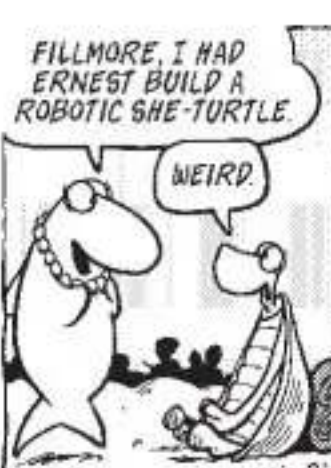
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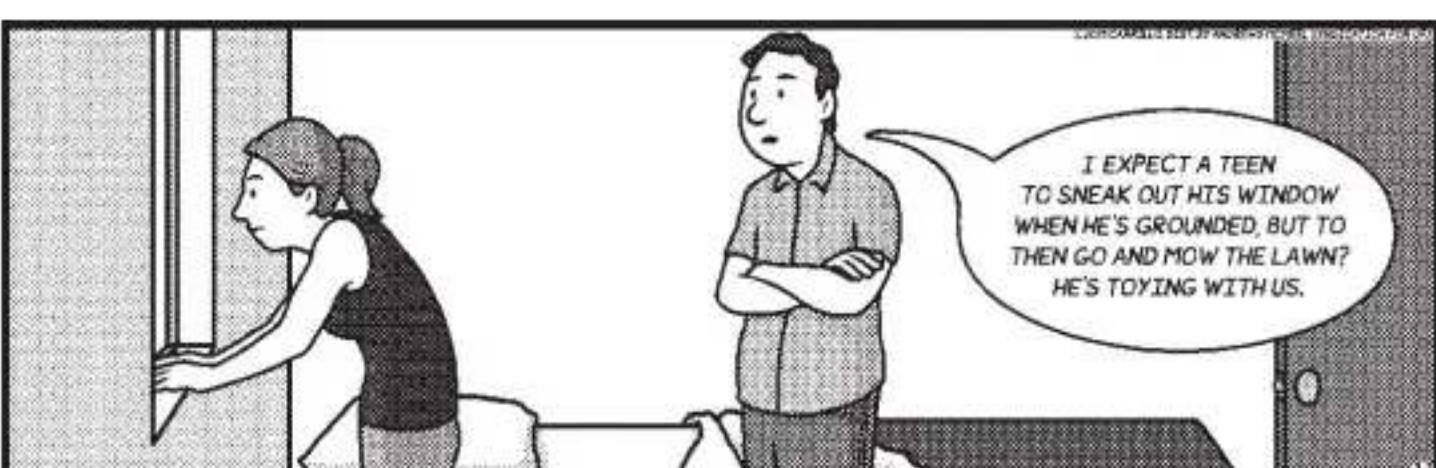
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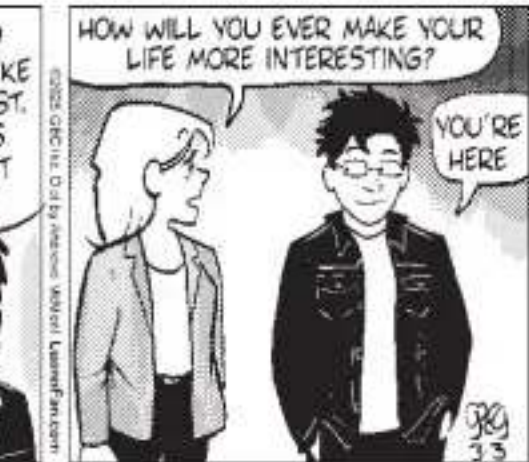
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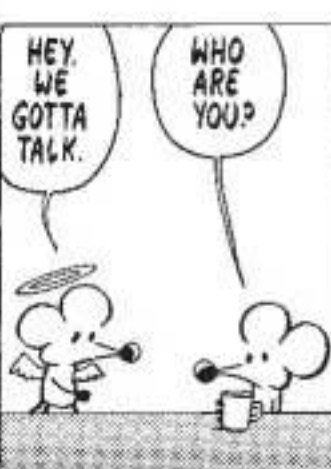
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# Anti-DOGE protests at Tesla stores target Musk’s bottom line

**BY RODRIQUE NGOWI AND JONATHAN J. COOPER**  
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BOSTON — Demonstrators gathered outside Tesla stores across the U.S. Saturday to protest the automaker’s billionaire CEO, Elon Musk, and his push to slash government spending on behalf of President Donald Trump.

The demonstrations are part of a growing backlash in North America and Europe to Musk’s disruptive role in Washington.

Critics of Trump and Musk hope to discourage and stigmatize purchases of Tesla, the electric car company that is the world’s most valuable automaker. Liberal groups for weeks have organized anti-Tesla protests in hopes of galvanizing opposition to Musk’s Department of Government Efficiency and energizing Democrats still demoralized by Trump’s November victory.

“We can get back at Elon,” said Nathan Phillips, a 58-year-old ecologist from Newton, Massachusetts, who was protesting in Boston on Saturday. “We can impose direct economic damage on Tesla by showing up at showrooms everywhere and boycott-



Demonstrators are arrested by NYPD officers during a protest against Elon Musk and Tesla outside of a Tesla showroom Saturday in New York.

ing Tesla and telling everyone else to get out, sell your stocks, sell your Teslas.”

Musk is taking direction from Trump to slash federal spending and sharply reduce the workforce, arguing that Trump’s victory gave the president and him a mandate to restructure the U.S. government. DOGE officials have swiftly gained access to sensitive databases, directed thousands

of federal job cuts, canceled contracts and shut down sections of the government, including the U.S. Agency for International Development.

Musk’s critics say his actions defy Congress’s power to control the U.S. budget and present a host of ways for him to enrich himself. Musk leads several other companies, notably SpaceX, which conducts launches for NASA and the

intelligence community, and the social media platform X.

“Protests will not deter President Trump and Elon Musk from delivering on the promise to establish DOGE and make our federal government more efficient and more accountable to the hard-working American taxpayers across the country,” said White House spokesperson Harrison Fields.

Tesla did not respond to an emailed request for comment.

More than 50 demonstrations were listed Saturday on the website Tesla Takedown, with more planned later in March from coast to coast in the United States along with England, Spain and Portugal. News reports showed demonstrations in recent days in U.S. cities including Tucson, Arizona; St. Louis; New York City; Dayton, Ohio; Charlotte; and Palo Alto, California.

Some Tesla owners have also reported their vehicles vandalized with spray painted swastikas amid what Jewish groups and observers fear is a rise in antisemitism.

Federal prosecutors charged a woman in connection with a

string of vandalism against a Colorado Tesla dealership, which included Molotov cocktails being thrown at vehicles and the words “Nazi cars” spray painted on the building.

Saturday’s demonstration in Boston had a festive atmosphere, with a brass band playing music as protesters carried signs and chanted. Several of the signs mocked Musk and DOGE, with one reading: “Stop Elon and his despicable Muskrats.”

“This government led by Trump and Musk, it’s gone completely off the rails and we are here to stop that,” said Carina Campobasso, a retired federal worker. “And I hope they listen.”

About 300 demonstrators protested at a Tesla dealership in New York City on Saturday. Police said nine people were taken into custody but did not elaborate on the charges they faced.

Tesla’s share price has fallen by nearly a third since Trump took office, though it’s still higher than it was a year ago. Musk’s current net worth is an estimated \$359 billion, according to Forbes, which calculated his 2024 net worth as \$195 billion.

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Trump administration may exclude government spending from GDP

Such a move could obscure the impact of DOGE cuts

**BY JOSH BOAK**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick said Sunday that government spending could be separated from gross domestic product reports in response to questions about whether the spending cuts pushed by Elon Musk’s Department of Government Efficiency could possibly cause an economic downturn.

“You know, that governments historically have messed with GDP,” Lutnick said on Fox News Channel’s “Sunday Morning Futures.” “They count government spending as part of GDP. So I’m going to separate those two and make it transparent.”

Doing so could potentially complicate or distort a fundamental measure of the U.S. economy’s health. Government spending is traditionally included in the GDP because changes in taxes, spending, deficits and regulations by the government can impact the path of overall growth. GDP reports already include extensive details on government spending, offering a level of transparency for

economists.

Musk’s efforts to downsize federal agencies could result in the layoffs of tens of thousands of federal workers, whose lost income could potentially reduce their spending, affecting businesses and the economy at large.

The commerce secretary’s remarks echoed Musk’s arguments made Friday on X that government spending doesn’t create value for the economy.

“A more accurate measure of GDP would exclude government spending,” Musk wrote on his social media platform. “Otherwise, you can scale GDP artificially high by spending money on things that don’t make people’s lives better.”

The argument as articulated so far by Trump administration officials appears to play down the economic benefits created by Social Security payments, infrastructure spending, scientific research and other forms of government spending that can shape an economy’s trajectory.

“If the government buys a tank, that’s GDP,” Lutnick said Sunday. “But paying 1,000 people to think about buying a tank is not GDP. That is wasted inefficiency, wasted money. And cutting that, while it shows in GDP, we’re going to get rid of

that.”

The Commerce Department’s Bureau of Economic Analysis published its most recent GDP report on Thursday, showing that the economy grew at an annual rate of 2.3% in the final three months of last year.

The report makes it possible to measure the forces driving the economy, showing that the gains at the end of last year were largely driven by greater consumer spending and an upward revision to federal government spending related to defense. Still, the federal government’s component of the GDP report for all of 2024 increased at 2.6%, slightly lower than overall economic growth last year of 2.8%.

In the GDP report, government spending accounts for almost one-fifth of people’s personal income, which totaled more than \$24.6 trillion last year. This includes Social Security payments, benefits for military veterans, Medicare and Medicaid and other programs. But the report also measures the amount of people’s personal incomes that are paid in taxes to the government.

The government is not always a contributor to GDP and can subtract from it, which is what happened in 2022 as pandemic-related aid expired.

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Madison Chock and Evan Bates perform Sunday in Washington at the Legacy on Ice event, a figure skating tribute to support the families and loved ones affected by the Jan. 29 aviation incident.

Tears flow during benefit for families of Jan. 29 crash victims

BY STEPHEN WHYNO  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Maxim Naumov wept on his knees at the end of his performance honoring his parents, wiped away tears as he skated off the ice and held an electric candle in the air as applause rained down. Amber Glenn broke down when she finished skating, and so did 13-year-old Isabella Aparicio, who was performing in memory of her brother, Franco, and their father Luciano.

"There was not a dry eye to be found anywhere," pairs skater Madison Chock said.

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A low murmur of crying pierced a lengthy moment of silence as fans lit the arena with their cellphones, riding waves of emotion through a poignant figure skating show Sunday in the nation's capital to remember and raise money for the victims of the midair collision outside Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport.

The Legacy on Ice benefit event featured a star-studded group of some of the best U.S. figure skaters of the past and present taking part to pay tribute to the 67 people who

died when an Army helicopter collided with an American Airlines flight and crashed into the Potomac River on Jan. 29. That included 28 members of the figure skating community, some of whom lived and trained in the Washington area.

"Everyone grieves in their own way, and the last month has been really challenging for a lot of us to just grapple with the magnitude of this loss," said Evan Bates, who with Chock won Olympic gold in Beijing in 2022. "I think coming together

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Time to dissect those brackets

As always, the state tournament offers some intriguing matchups

JAMES YODICE



Of the Journal

Let's not waste time. The state tournament brackets are out, and time to dive in. The 40 first-round girls games are Friday night. The boys follow on Saturday.

**BOYS:** Hobbs, Sandia, Albuquerque High, Cleveland. These were the four most immediate winners in the Class 5A bracket.

et. Those are the teams seeded 2, 3, 6 and 7. Of course, they "win" because they are on the opposite (bottom) side of the bracket, away from Volcano Vista, and the truth of it is, any team with aspirations of winning a state championship is going to have to go through Volcano in one round or another. Better to have that chance in the state final.

The Hawks are attempting to do what no team since Hobbs (1999-2002) has done, and that is win four straight titles in the largest class. They open against No. 16 West Mesa.

Rio Rancho is a possibly intriguing 14 seed; the Rams have 12 losses, but more than half of them are by seven or fewer points, as they prepare to face Sandia in the first round. Atrisco Heritage looms as an extremely dangerous 10 seed, and the Jaguars, now fully healthy, certainly have the potential to win multiple games in this postseason. Atrisco faces Cleveland in the first round, and what a tremendous guard matchup there with Remy Albrecht of the Storm and Latavious Morris of the Jags. Both those dudes could go for 40-plus.

The 8-9 is an attractive matchup between La Cueva and Cibola; the Cougars won a 58-55 decision in the regular season and had the school's best boys basketball season in nearly a decade. (They won 19 games in the 2016-17 season). The Bears have made enormous strides since November.

"They've improved more than any team in the state from start to finish, and they're a handful because they're physical," Sandia coach Danny Brown said of La Cueva.

Roswell and Organ Mountain (the Knights were in the championship game 12 months ago) are in the top half of the draw with Volcano Vista.

St. Pius earned the top seed in 4A, and it's fair to wonder if Artesia's out-of-the-blue loss to Portales last week caused a flip-flop between these two. The Bulldogs are seeded second.

No secret that the 4A boys bracket could be a free-for-all. Think about 8 seed Highland, the defending champion that just took St. Pius to overtime the other night, and those two are seeded to meet in the quarterfinals.

Think about Valley, the 7 seed on the bottom half, where it could face Artesia — a team the Vikings already beat, just before Christmas — in the quarters. Think about a big Albuquerque Academy squad that has great upside. Think about Española Valley, the 3 seed, and let's hope they get to the Pit and bring their thousands of fans with them. The Pit is always better when the EV boys are on the guest list.

Robertson's two recent wins over St. Michael's add a ton of suspense to the 3A bracket, which has the Horsemen at No. 1 and the Cardinals at No. 2. Robertson's path to the title game could include a matchup with No. 3 Tohatchi, while St. Mike's might see defending champion Navajo Prep in the quarters, and the Eagles are a dangerous 8 seed.

Albuquerque's Bosque School is seeded fifth. There will be a new champion in 2A, since the Academy for Technology and the Classics out of Santa Fe moved up to 3A this season, where ATC didn't make the playoff field. Texico has the top seed here, and neither of the teams that beat the 25-2 Wolverines (Portales, Logan) are in this bracket. Santa Rosa is seeded two; oddly enough, if the seeds hold throughout, we'd have a Texico-Santa Rosa final, and those are the same two schools who met for a 2A football championship in November.

Albuquerque is strongly represented in the 2A field, with Legacy Academy (up from 1A last year) at a 6, Oak Grove Classical Academy at 13 and Menaul, a possibly interesting floater seeded 14th.

Logan, the top seed in 1A, went a combined 5-1 against the teams seeded second and third, those being Melrose and Fort Sumner/House. But Melrose beat Logan about three weeks ago, adding

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Lobos hit hard with fast break

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following are excerpts from the Emptying the Notebook column that first publishes online the morning after every regular-season UNM Lobo men's basketball game.

GEOFF GRAMMER



Of the Journal

After the Lobos' first two-game losing streak, albeit road losses against tough opponents, they made it a point on Saturday against out-manned Air

Force to focus on getting back to what made them so dynamic all season: Running, running and running.

"That is our game," UNM coach Richard Pitino said. "That's what we're pretty good at."

It's exactly what San Diego State coach Brian Dutcher earlier in the week said was the No. 1 priority against the Lobos: Don't let them get out and run.

The Aztecs succeeded, holding UNM to two fast break points. Saturday, in UNM's 92-71 win, the Lobos had 28 fast break points against the Falcons. It was no coincidence they also had 28 points off 20 Air Force turnovers.

Defense has set up UNM's transition offense all season, and Saturday



MIKE SANDOVAL/FOR THE JOURNAL

UNM's Tru Washington, right attempts to steal the ball from Air Force's Ethan Taylor during Saturday's game in the Pit.

was all about getting back to that.

Most of Saturday's running came directly off UNM's 12 steals, setting up live-ball turnover situations that often led to fast break buckets at the other end — "pick-6's" as the Lobos (and many other teams) call them.

And it was coming from all over the court with steals leading to coast-to-coast fast break buckets by Tru Washington, Nelly Junior Joseph, C.J. Noland and Mustapha Amzil.

The Lobos are now 7-0 vs. Division I teams when scoring 25 or more fast break points. The average margin of victory when UNM gets to at least 25 fast break points has been 15.9 points.

Simply put, the Lobos are at their best when they're racking up the fast break points (though it's worth noting they had zero in the Feb. 1 road blowout at Utah State).

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Jaden Agassi will pitch for Germany in this week's World Baseball Classic qualifiers.

Son of tennis legends opted to play baseball instead

BY DAVID BRANDT  
AP BASEBALL WRITER

TUCSON, Ariz. — It's not the least bit surprising that Jaden Agassi — son of tennis legends Andre Agassi and Steffi Graf — had a racket in his hand from the time he could walk.

The little boy loved to run. He loved to hit the ball. The problem was accuracy wasn't his thing.

"It was hard for me to keep the ball in the lines," Agassi said, laughing. "I just

wanted to hit it as far as I could."

So his parents signed him up for baseball. About 20 years later, he's trying to make his own mark in the sports world.

The 23-year-old Agassi is a pitcher for Team Germany in this week's World Baseball Classic qualifiers in Tucson, Arizona. The right-hander grew up in Las Vegas with his famous American dad and German mother before playing college baseball at USC. He holds dual citizenship and speaks a little German.

The popularity of baseball has grown in Germany over the past few decades, but manager Jendrick Speer was still searching for a few additions to the roster for the WBC qualifiers when he stumbled across Agassi on social media and realized his connections to the country.

"I found him because he's a good baseball player," Speer said. "With all the technology out there, we found him while

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Lobos sweep DH vs. Rhode Island

The New Mexico Lobos swept a double-header from Rhode Island in college baseball on Sunday at Santa Ana Star Field.

In the first game, Will Asby, Josh McAlister and Jordy Oriach went a combined 6-for10 with four RBIs and four runs scored as the Lobos downed the Rams 8-4.

In the nightcap, Luke Bannister's third-inning grand slam helped UNM build an early 7-1 lead. Rhode Island came back to tie the score at 7 in the top of the seventh, but the Lobos went back ahead for good with two runs in the bottom half en route to a 10-9 victory.

The Lobos (8-5) took three of four from the Rams in the series, concluded on Sunday.

**UNMSOFTBALL:** In Starkville, Miss., McKenna Guest blanked Alabama State on two hits as New Mexico beat the Hornets 6-0 on Sunday in college softball. It was the fourth win by shut-out of the season for the Lobos (10-11).

Jessica DeLeon led the Lobos at the plate, going 2-for-2 with a double and two RBIs.

**NMSBASEBALL:** In Las Cruces, Oakland drubbed the Aggies 16-3 in a game shortened to seven innings due to the lopsided score.

The Aggies (7-4) had won five straight at home.

**NMSUSOFTBALL:** In Austin, Texas, Faith Aragon went 3-for-4 with two runs scored, Desirae Spearman and Kristiana Watson homered and Taryn Bennett went nine innings in earning the win as New Mexico State (12-10) defeated Alabama A&M (8-7) in extra innings.

**NMSUSWIMMING/DIV-ING:** In Houston, New Mexico State finished second behind Northern Arizona at the Western Athletic Conference championships.

The Aggies got a first-place finish from Kodi Winman in the 200 breaststroke.

Bell wins again, holds off Byron

AUSTIN, Texas — Christopher Bell is making the most of his late-race chances to seize victories.

Bell passed Kyle Busch with five laps to go, then held off Daytona 500 winner William Byron to win NASCAR's first road course race of the season Sunday at the Circuit of the Americas.

Pair of 64s wins for Highsmith

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. — Joe Highsmith closed with a 6-under 64 to rally from a four-shot deficit and win the Cognizant Classic on Sunday with the lowest score since the tournament moved to PGA National in 2007.

Highsmith, who had to make a nervy par putt on Friday just to make the cut, is the second first-time winner on the PGA Tour in as many weeks. The two-shot victory sends him to the Masters and puts him in the remaining five signature events this year.

His 64-64 weekend was the lowest weekend score at PGA National.

**LPGA TOUR:** In Singapore, Lydia Ko made three straight birdies to start pulling away and closed with a 3-under 69 to win the HSBC Women's World Championship for the first time in her 11th try in Asia's biggest LPGA event.

Ko, who qualified for the LPGA Hall of Fame last year by winning the Olympic gold medal, captured her 23rd LPGA title.

BASKETBALL

<b>NBA STANDINGS</b>				
<b>EASTERN CONFERENCE</b>				
<b>Atlantic</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Boston	43	18	.705	—
New York	40	20	.667	2½
Brooklyn	21	38	.356	21
Brooklyn	21	39	.350	21½
Toronto	19	42	.311	24
<b>Southwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Miami	28	31	.475	—
Orlando	29	33	.468	½
Atlanta	27	33	.450	1½
Charlotte	14	45	.237	14
Washington	11	48	.186	17
<b>Central</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Cleveland	50	10	.833	—
Milwaukee	34	25	.576	15½
Indiana	34	25	.576	15½
Detroit	34	27	.557	16½
Chicago	24	37	.393	26½
<b>WESTERN CONFERENCE</b>				
<b>Southwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Memphis	38	22	.633	—
Houston	37	23	.617	1
Dallas	32	29	.525	6½
San Antonio	25	34	.424	12½
New Orleans	17	44	.279	21½
<b>Northwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Oklahoma City	49	11	.817	—
Denver	39	22	.639	10½
Minnesota	33	29	.532	17
Portland	27	34	.443	22½
Utah	15	45	.250	34
<b>Pacific</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
L.A. Lakers	38	21	.644	—
L.A. Clippers	32	28	.533	6½
Golden State	32	28	.533	6½
Sacramento	31	28	.525	7
Phoenix	28	33	.459	11

**Saturday's Games**  
Washington 113, Charlotte 100  
Detroit 115, Brooklyn 94  
Sacramento 113, Houston 103  
San Antonio 130, Memphis 128  
Milwaukee 132, Dallas 117  
Philadelphia 126, Golden State 119

**Sunday's Games**  
Boston 110, Denver 103  
Cleveland 133, Portland 129, OT  
Indiana 127, Chicago 112  
New York 116, Miami 112, OT  
Toronto 104, Orlando 102  
Oklahoma City 146, San Antonio 132  
New Orleans 128, Utah 121  
L.A. Lakers 108, L.A. Clippers 102  
Minnesota 116, Phoenix 98

**Monday's Games**  
Golden State at Charlotte, 5 p.m.  
Portland at Phila., 5 p.m.  
Washington at Miami, 5:30 p.m.  
Atlanta at Memphis, 6 p.m.  
Houston at Oklahoma City, 6 p.m.  
Sacramento at Dallas, 6:30 p.m.  
Detroit at Utah, 7 p.m.

**Tuesday's Games**  
Houston at Indiana, 5 p.m.  
Toronto at Orlando, 5 p.m.  
Golden State at New York, 5:30 p.m.  
Milwaukee at Atlanta, 5:30 p.m.  
Cleveland at Chicago, 6 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Minnesota, 6 p.m.  
Brooklyn at San Antonio, 6:30 p.m.  
L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 8 p.m.  
New Orleans at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**  
Miami at Cleveland, 5 p.m.  
Minnesota at Charlotte, 5 p.m.  
Portland at Boston, 5 p.m.  
Utah at Washington, 5 p.m.  
Dallas at Milwaukee, 6 p.m.  
Sacramento at Denver, 7 p.m.  
Oklahoma City at Memphis, 7:30 p.m.  
Detroit at L.A. Clippers, 8:30 p.m.

**CELTICS 110, NUGGETS 103 DENVER (103)**  
Braun 10-22 2-2 24, Porter Jr. 3-9 2-4 10, Jokic 9-15 0-12 20, Murray 11-20 2-2 26, Westbrook 6-13 0-1 12, Nnaji 11 0-0 3, Jordan 0-1 1-2 1, Pickett 1-1 0-0 3, Strawther 1-4 2-2 4. Totals 41-86 9-13 103.

**BOSTON (110)**  
Hoford 7-12 4-4 19, Tatum 4-15 7-8 16, Kornet 3-5 2-4 8, Brown 6-15 8-22 22, White 6-13 0-0 17, Craig 0-2 1-2 1, Hauser 3-4 0-0 8, Queta 4-5 0-0 8, Pritchard 4-7 0-0 11. Totals 37-78 22-27 110.  
**Denver 20 28 29 26 — 103 Boston 32 29 22 27 — 110**  
3-Point Goals—Denver 12-22 (Jokic 2-2, Porter Jr. 2-6, Murray 2-7, Braun 2-8, Westbrook 2-8, Nnaji 1-1, Pickett 1-1, Strawther 0-1), Boston 14-34 (White 5-11, Pritchard 3-5, Hauser 2-3, Brown 2-4, Hoford 1-3, Tatum 1-7, Craig 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Denver 38 (Jokic 14), Boston 45 (Tatum 11). Assists—Denver 27 (Jokic 9), Boston 26 (Brown 8). Total Fouls—Denver 18, Boston 18. A—19,156 (18,624)

**CAVALIERS 133, BLAZERS 129 (OT) PORTLAND (129)**  
Avdija 8-13 13-13 30, Camara 7-11 2-2 19, Clingan 1-2 2-4 8, Sharpe 7-20 3-3 18, Simons 8-23 7-7 27, Barton 3-6 0-0 7, Murray 0-3 0-0 0, Walker 1-2 0-0 2, Reath 2-5 2-2 7, Henderson 5-12 2-4 15. Totals 42-96 31-35 129.

**CLEVELAND (133)**  
Hunter 8-15 11-12 32, Mobley 6-14 7-10 20, Allen 5-7 2-2 12, Garland 4-16 3-4 13, Strus 5-15 0-0 14, Wade 2-3 0-0 5, Jerome 8-17 7-7 25, Okoro 1-3 0-0 3, Merrill 3-7 0-0 9, Porter Jr. 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-97 30-35 133.  
**Portland 27 27 35 30 — 129 Cleveland 24 16 37 40 — 133**  
3-Point Goals—Portland 14-40 (Simons 4-12, Camara 3-5, Henderson 3-5, Avdija 1-3, Barton 1-3, Reath 1-4, Sharpe 1-6, Murray 0-1, Walker 0-1), Cleveland 19-46 (Hunter 5-9, Strus 4-11, Merrill 3-7, Jerome 2-4, Garland 2-7, Wade 1-2, Mobley 1-3, Okoro 1-3). Fouled Out—Portland 1 (Clingan), Cleveland 1 (Mobley). Rebounds—Portland 46 (Avdija 12), Cleveland 47 (Allen 10). Assists—Portland 25 (Avdija 10), Cleveland 27 (Garland 7). Total Fouls—Portland 26, Cleveland 27. A—19,432 (19,432)

**PACERS 127, BULLS 112 CHICAGO (112)**  
Buzelis 8-16 0-0 18, Terry 15-0-0 2, Collins 6-9 2-16 26, Giddey 5-15 8-11 18, White 10-18 2-2 26, Phillips 1-3 1-2 3, Smith 4-7 0-0 10, Carter 1-3 0-0 2, Horton-Tucker 3-6 0-0 6, Jones 5-6 1-1 11. Totals 44-88 14-28 112.  
**Indiana (127)**  
Nesmith 9-16 3-4 27, Siakam 8-14 3-7 20, Turner 6-14 2-2 16, Halliburton 7-12 1-1 17, Nemharrd 4-5 1-1 11, Johnson 0-0 0-0 0, Toppin 3-5 0-0 6, Walker 1-3 0-0 3, Bradley 0-0 0-0 0, Bryant 3-7 0-0 7, Furphy 0-0 0-0 0, McConnell 4-5 2-3 11, Sheppard 3-6 0-0 9. Totals 48-87 12-18 127.

**Chicago 31 36 25 30 — 112 Indiana 32 34 29 32 — 127**  
3-Point Goals—Chicago 10-33 (White 4-9, Smith 2-3, Collins 2-5, Buzelis 2-6, Carter 0-1, Horton-Tucker 0-1, Phillips 0-2, Terry 0-2, Giddey 0-4), Indiana 19-44 (Nesmith 6-11, Sheppard 3-6, Nemharrd 2-3, Halliburton 2-4, Turner 2-7, McConnell 1-1, Bryant 1-3, Walker 1-3, Siakam 1-5, Toppin 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Chicago 42 (Giddey 9), Indiana 36 (Siakam, Turner 6). Assists—Chicago 24 (Giddey 7), Indiana 34 (Halliburton 12). Total Fouls—Chicago 17, Indiana 16. A—17,028 (20,000)

**KNICKS 116, HEAT 112 (OT) NEW YORK (116)**  
Anunoby 9-18 1-2 23, Hart 7-12 0-0 14, Towns 6-11 6-7 19, Bridges 2-11 0-0 5, Brunson 13-25 2-4 31, M. Robinson 1-1 0-0 2, McBride 4-10 1-2 12, Payne 2-3 0-0 5, Shamet 2-4 0-0 5. Totals 46-95 10-15 116.

**MIAMI (112)**  
Adebayo 12-26 6-8 30, Burks 4-5 0-0 12, Ware 6-7 0-0 12, Herro 8-24 4-4 22, Mitchell 5-9 0-2 11, D. Robinson 4-10 0-0 10, Highsmith 3-5 0-0 8, Anderson 1-2 0-0 2, Rozier 2-6 1-2 5. Totals 45-84 11-16 112.  
**New York 22 23 36 24 11 — 116 Miami 27 35 25 18 7 — 112**  
3-Point Goals—New York 14-44 (Anunoby 4-9, McBride 3-7, Brunson 3-11, Payne 1-2, Shamet 1-3, Towns 1-4, Bridges 1-6, Hart 0-2), Miami 11-35 (Burks 4-5, Highsmith 2-4, D. Robinson 2-6, Herro 2-11, Mitchell 1-4, Ware 0-1, Adebayo 0-2, Rozier 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New York 46 (Towns 16),

Miami 34 (Ware 8). Assists—New York 27 (Bridges 8), Miami 29 (Herro 7). Total Fouls—New York 16, Miami 16. A—19,725 (19,600)

**RAPTORS 104, MAGIC 102 TORONTO (104)**  
Barnes 5-12 0-0 10, Barrett 7-13 6-10 22, Poeltl 6-10 4-5 16, Dick 1-4 0-0 2, Quickley 8-19 6-6 24, Mogbo 2-4 1-2 5, Robinson 2-4 2-6 8, Lawson 0-2 0-0 0, Shead 4-8 2-12, Walter 2-4 2-2 7. Totals 37-80 23-30 104.

**ORLANDO (102)**  
Banchero 5-9 12-15 23, F.Wagner 9-17 6-6 25, Carter Jr. 3-6 7-8 14, Anthony 3-11 0-0 7, Caldwell-Pope 5-7 1-1 12, Isaac 0-1 1-2 1, da Silva 1-1 0-0 2, Bitadze 0-4 1-2 1, Black 1-6 5-6 7, Howard 2-4 0-0 5, Joseph 1-1 2-2 5. Totals 30-67 35-42 102.

**Toronto 27 21 33 23 — 104 Orlando 19 28 25 30 — 102**  
3-Point Goals—Toronto 7-22 (Barrett 2-5, Shead 2-5, Quickley 2-7, Walter 1-2, Dick 0-1, Mogbo 0-1, Robinson 0-1), Orlando 7-21 (Caldwell-Pope 3-2, Anthony 1-3, Banchero 1-3, Carter Jr. 1-3, Howard 1-3, F.Wagner 1-4, Bitadze 0-2). Fouled Out—Toronto 1 (Robinson), Orlando None. Rebounds—Toronto 40 (Poeltl 11), Orlando 35 (Carter Jr. 9). Assists—Toronto 22 (Barrett 5), Orlando 17 (Banchero, Carter Jr. 5). Total Fouls—Toronto 33, Orlando 26. A—19,015 (18,846)

**THUNDER 146, SPURS 132 OKLAHOMA CITY (146)**  
Dort 4-9 0-0 9, Jai Williams 15-24 7-7 41, Hartenstein 5-8 0-0 10, Gilgeous-Alexander 10-19 8-9 31, Wallace 7-14 1-1 19, Dero 3-5 0-0 7, Jay Williams 1-3 0-0 2, Caruso 0-0 0-0 0, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Jones 4-7 1-1 10, Ducas 0-0 0-0 0, Wiggins 6-12 0-2 17. Totals 55-101 17-20 146.

**SAN ANTONIO (132)**  
Barnes 5-9 1-2 14, Vassell 7-16 0-0 15, Biyombo 1-2 0-0 2, Fox 8-18 2-2 20, Paul 2-2 0-0 6, Branham 1-2 0-0 3, Champagnie 3-4 0-0 8, Sochan 7-9 2-2 17, Mamukelashvili 1-2 2-5 2, Johnson 3-5 0-0 7, Castle 12-21 4-7 32, Duke Jr. 0-0 0-0 0, McLaughlin 1-1 1-1 3, Wesley 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 51-91 12-16 132.

**Oklahoma City 41 31 35 38 — 146 San Antonio 38 39 23 32 — 132**  
3-Point Goals—Oklahoma City 19-44 (Wiggins 5-8, Jai Williams 4-8, Wallace 4-8, Gilgeous-Alexander 3-5, Dieng 1-3, Caruso 1-4, Dort 1-6, Jay Williams 0-2), San Antonio 18-43 (Castle 4-10, Barnes 3-5, Paul 2-2, Champagnie 2-3, Fox 2-8, Branham 1-2, Johnson 1-2, Mamukelashvili 1-2, Sochan 1-2, Vassell 1-7). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Oklahoma City 45 (Hartenstein 11), San Antonio 35 (Castle 8). Assists—Oklahoma City 34 (Gilgeous-Alexander 8), San Antonio 36 (Paul 6). Total Fouls—Oklahoma City 16, San Antonio 17. A—17,745 (18,581)

**PELICANS 128, JAZZ 121 NEW ORLEANS (128)**  
Olynyk 10-14 3-5 26, Williamson 11-18 2-3 24, Missi 4-6 0-0 8, McCollum 10-18 0-0 25, Murphy III 8-20 1-1 20, Matkovic 3-5 0-2 6, Brown 3-6 1-2 8, Alvarado 1-7 0-0 3, Hawkins 3-8 0-0 8. Totals 53-102 7-13 128.

**UTAH (121)**  
Juzang 3-9 1-1 8, Martin 2-4 0-0 5, Filipowski 9-12 0-1 12, Collar 3-8 5-5 11, Sensabaugh 9-16 0-0 21, Williams 2-2 0-0 5, Tshiebwe 8-9 0-0 16, Porter 3-7 0-0 8, George 9-21 5-6 28, Springer 2-4 2-4 7. Totals 46-96 13-17 121.

**New Orleans 30 36 25 37 — 128 Utah 26 31 34 30 — 121**  
3-Point Goals—New Orleans 15-44 (McCollum 5-12, Olynyk 3-4, Murphy III 3-13, Hawkins 2-6, Brown 1-2, Alvarado 1-5, Matkovic 0-1, Williamson 0-1), Utah 1-6-4 (George 5-11, Sensabaugh 3-9, Filipowski 2-4, Potter 2-6, Williams 1-1, Martin 1-2, Springer 1-2, Juzang 1-7, Collier 1-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Orleans 48 (Olynyk 9), Utah 41 (Tshiebwe 13). Assists—New Orleans 35 (Williamson 9), Utah 35 (Collier 8). Total Fouls—New Orleans 15, Utah 14. A—18,175 (18,206)

**LAKERS 108, CLIPPERS 102 L.A. CLIPPERS (102)**  
Leonard 13-23 4-5 33, Powell 15-2-2 4, Zubac 5-9 2-2 12, Dunn 7-12 0-0 15, Harden 4-14 3-4 13, Brown 0-1 0-0 0, Eubanks 2-4 0-0 4, Batum 2-3 0-0 6, Coffey 0-0 3-4 3, Bogdanovic 4-16 0-0 12, Miller 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-88 14-17 102.

**L.A. LAKERS (108)**  
Finney-Smith 4-9 1-2 11, L.James 6-17 4-4 17, Hayes 2-2 3-6 10, Dornic 9-17 6-9 29, Vincent 3-10 0-0 9, Knecht 7-10 0-0 19, Vanderbilt 4-7 0-0 8, Jemison III 1-2 1-2 3, Milton 2-3 0-0 6. Totals 38-77 14-20 108.

**L.A. Clippers 28 15 34 25 — 102 L.A. Lakers 34 22 33 19 — 108**  
3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 12-39 (Bogdanovic 4-11, Leonard 3-7, Batum 2-3, Harden 2-9, Dunn 1-5, Miller 0-1, Powell 0-3), L.A. Lakers 18-42 (Knecht 5-8, Dornic 5-12, Vincent 3-6, Milton 2-2, Finney-Smith 2-2, L.James 1-6, Vanderbilt 0-3). Fouled Out—L.A. Clippers 1 (Zubac), L.A. Lakers None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 40 (Leonard, Zubac 10), L.A. Lakers 41 (Vanderbilt 9). Assists—L.A. Clippers 24 (Harden 8), L.A. Lakers 21 (Doncic, L.James 9). Total Fouls—L.A. Clippers 22, L.A. Lakers 16. A—18,997 (18,997)

**TIMBERWOLVES 116, SUNS 96 MINNESOTA (116)**  
McDaniels 5-9 1-1 13, Randle 8-14 2-2 20, Reid 3-15 0-2 10, A.Edwards 12-22 14-14 44, Conley 1-3 0-0 3, Miller 1-1 0-0 2, Minott 0-1 0-0 0, Shannon Jr. 0-3 0-0 0, Garza 0-1 0-0 0, J.Edwards 0-0 0-0 0, Alexander-Walker 0-6 0-0 0, Clark 1-3 0-0 3, DiVincenzo 8-14 0-0 24, Dillingham 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-92 17-21 116.

**PHOENIX (98)**  
Bol 4-9 0-0 9, Durant 10-23 3-7 26, Richards 0-0 4-4 4, Beal 8-15 0-0 16, Booker 5-12 4-17, Dunn 2-6 0-0 5, Ighodaro 0-0 0-0 0, O'Neale 0-0 0-0 0, Plumlee 1-2 2-2 4, Lee 0-1 0-0 0, Allen 1-4 2-2 5, Gillespie 0-1 0-0 0, Jones 4-4 0-0 10, Micic 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 35-80 15-19 96.

**Minnesota 28 21 34 33 — 116 Phoenix 34 17 21 26 — 98**  
3-Point Goals—Minnesota 21-52 (Divincenzo 8-13, A.Edwards 6-14, McDaniels 2-4, Randle 2-5, Clark 1-2, Conley 1-2, Reid 1-8, Minott 0-1, Alexander-Walker 0-3), Phoenix 13-42 (Booker 3-7, Durant 3-9, Jones 2-2, Beal 2-5, Allen 1-4, Bol 1-5, Dunn 1-5, Gillespie 0-1, Lee 0-1, O'Neale 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Minnesota 35 (Reid 10), Phoenix 57 (Bol 11). Assists—Minnesota 28 (A.Edwards 7), Phoenix 24 (Booker 5). Total Fouls—Minnesota 17, Phoenix 16. A—17,071 (18,422)

**SUNDAY'S MEN'S COLLEGE SCORES**  
Cornell 102, Princeton 70  
Iona 82, Canisius 52  
Manhattan 85, Niagara 70  
Merrimack 73, Quinnipiac 63  
Mount St. Mary's 85, Siena 79  
Sacred Heart 83, Fairfield 62  
St. Peter's 57, Marist 52

**SOUTH**  
Austin Peay 90, North Florida 69  
Belmont 70, Murray St. 60  
Cent. Arkansas 77, Stetson 72  
East Carolina 78, Charlotte 76  
FAU 69, South Florida 63  
Kennesaw 85, Liberty 80  
Memphis 88, UAB 81

**MIDWEST**  
Bradley 73, N. Iowa 55  
Drake 68, Missouri St. 60, OT  
Ill.-Chicago 77, Valparaiso 73  
Illinois 93, Michigan 73  
Illinois St. 62, Evansville 53  
Indiana St. 95, S. Illinois 77  
Kansas St. 65, Colorado 56  
Michigan St. 71, Wisconsin 62

**SOUTHWEST**  
UTSA 84, Rice 56

**FAR WEST**  
Hawaii 78, UC Davis 70

**SUNDAY'S WOMEN'S COLLEGE SCORES**  
East  
Campbell 56, Drexel 52

SCOREBOARD

Maryland 93, Ohio St. 90, OT  
 Northmouth (NJ) 63, Stony Brook 56  
 Rutgers 75, Penn St. 70  
 Syracuse 82, Boston College 57  
 UConn 92, Marquette 57  
**SOUTH**  
 Coll. of Charleston 99, UNC-Wilmington 63  
 Duke 71, Florida St. 57  
 Elon 70, NC A&T 69  
 Georgia 72, Tennessee 69  
 Hampton 68, The Northwestern 66  
 Hofstra 54, Maryland 34  
 Mississippi 85, LSU 77  
 Mississippi St. 73, Auburn 66  
 Pittsburgh 79, Wake Forest 63  
 South Carolina 78, Kentucky 66  
 Virginia 78, North Carolina 75  
 Virginia Tech 78, Clemson 76  
**MIDWEST**  
 Creighton 70, Villanova 55  
 DePaul 65, St. John's 64, OT  
 Indiana 77, Purdue 56  
 Iowa 81, Wisconsin 66  
 Iowa St. 85, Kansas St. 63  
 Michigan 78, Illinois 69  
 Nebraska 98, Northwestern 77  
 Notre Dame 72, Louisville 59  
 Oklahoma St. 57, Kansas 51  
 Seton Hall 59, Xavier 57  
 Vanderbilt 100, Missouri 59  
**SOUTHWEST**  
 Arkansas 80, Texas A&M 71  
 NC State 69, SMU 45  
 Oklahoma 91, Alabama 84  
 OU 51, Baylor 66  
 Texas 72, Florida 61  
 UCF 73, Houston 61  
**FAR WEST**  
 California 82, Miami 63  
 Stanford 87, Georgia Tech 82  
 Washington 64, Oregon 56



COLLEGE BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

# Kansas player subjected to racial taunts

*Spartans beat Badgers in battle of ranked teams*

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LAWRENCE, Kan. — Kansas guard Zeke Mayo showed screenshots of racist, hateful messages he received following his performance in a loss to No. 10 Texas Tech.

Mayo shared the screenshots Saturday. His account on X appeared to be deactivated Sunday morning.

“I 100% deserve all the criticism in the world,” he wrote. “My performance was beyond pitiful today, and has been for a while now. ... I can’t be perfect all the time. I’m sorry to our fans and my teammates, I will continue to get better.”

Mayo airballed a potential tying 3-pointer in the final seconds and scored five points on 1-of-7 shooting in a rare Kansas loss at Allen Fieldhouse.

Coach Bill Self and athletic director Travis Goff condemned the posts and wrote their own messages in support of Mayo.

“These aren’t Jayhawks. They’re not ours,” Goff wrote. “Driven by gambling and hate. They’ve never competed a day in their life. To Zeke and all our guys — the Jayhawk family loves you and will always ride with you through thick and thin.”

Self wrote, “any criticism about the team should be directed at me. I’m the head coach.”

Sunday’s Games

**No. 8 MICHIGAN STATE 71, No. 11 WISCONSIN 62:** In East Lansing, Mich., Jaden Akins scored 19 points and Jaxon Kohler had 10 pounds and a career-high 16 rebounds to lead the Spartans to a win over the Badgers.

The Spartans (24-5, 15-3 Big Ten) have won five straight, putting them in position to contend for the conference championship



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**Kansas guard Zeke Mayo (5) drives to the basket against Utah forward Caleb Lohner during a game against Utah on Feb. 15 in Salt Lake City.**

with a week left in the regular season.

The Badgers (22-7, 12-6) had won six of seven.

**ILLINOIS 93, No. 15 MICHIGAN 73:** In Ann Arbor, Mich. Tre White had 19 points and 11 rebounds to lead the Fighting Illini to a rout of the Wolverines.

Kylan Boswell and Kasparas Jakucionis each scored 17 points for the Illini (19-11, 11-8 Big Ten), who have beaten Michigan (22-7, 14-4) nine straight times.

The Illini struggled to make shots throughout, but 19 offensive rebounds led to 30 second-chance points.

**No. 18 MEMPHIS 88, UAB 81:** In Birmingham, Ala., PJ Haggerty scored 17 of his 25 points in the final 12 minutes to help the Tigers rally from an 11-point deficit to beat the Blazers and inch closer to the American Athletic Conference regular-season title.

Colby Rogers hit five 3-point-

ers and finished with 21 points for Memphis (24-5, 14-2) and Dain Dainja had 16 points and a career-high 17 rebounds. Tyrese Hunter added 13 points.

Women’s Top 10

**No. 6 SOUTH CAROLINA 78, No. 15 KENTUCKY 66:** In Columbia, S.S., Tessa Johnson scored 16 points, and the Gamecocks claimed at least a share of the Southeastern Conference regular-season championship with a victory over the Wildcats.

**No. 1 TEXAS 72, FLORIDA 46:** In Austin, Texas, Kyla Oldacre scored 18 points and the Longhorns beat the Gators to earn a share of the Southeastern Conference regular season championship with South Carolina.

The Longhorns, who are in their first season in the conference, have now won 13 consecutive games.

Texas (29-2, 15-1 SEC) celebrated

coach Vic Schaefer’s 64th birthday by extending its home winning streak to 22 games, including 15 this season.

**No. 3 NOTRE DAME 72, No. 25 LOUISVILLE 59:** In South Bend, Ind., Hannah Hidalgo scored 20 points and the Fighting Irish bounced back from consecutive losses to clinch a share of the Atlantic Coast Conference regular-season women’s basketball title with a victory against the Cardinals.

Notre Dame (25-4 overall, 16-2 ACC) has won or shared the ACC title eight times since joining the league in the 2013-2014 season. The Fighting Irish shared the title with N.C. State, a 69-45 winner over SMU on Sunday.

**No. 5 UCONN 92, MARQUETTE 57:** In Storrs, Conn., Paige Bueckers had 19 points, seven assists and three steals in her final regular-season game to lead the Huskies to a win over the Golden Eagles.

Sarah Strong had 17 points, five rebounds, four assists, three steals and two blocked shots for UConn (28-3, 18-0 in the Big East). Azzi Fudd added 12 points while Aubrey Griffin finished with 11 points and four rebounds as UConn won its 38th straight regular-season Big East game.

UConn had already clinched the top seed for the Big East tournament. The Huskies wrapped up a perfect run through the Big East for the 11th time. The Huskies also accomplished the feat in each of their seven seasons in the American Athletic Conference.

**MISSISSIPPI 85, No. 7 LSU 77:** In Baton Rouge, La., Tameiya Sadler scored 19 points, including five 3-pointers, and Ole Miss rallied from a 15-point deficit in the third quarter to stun the Tigers.

Starr Jacobs had 17, Kirsten Dean scored 15 of her 16 points in the second half, including three 3-pointers, and Christie Iwuuala 11 for the Rebels (19-9, 10-5 SEC).

LSU played without first team All-SEC guard FlauJae Johnson because of inflammation in her shin.

**VIRGINIA 78, No. 8 NORTH CAROLINA 75:** In Chapel Hill, N.C., Paris Clark and Kymora Johnson each hit two late foul shots to help the Cavaliers beat the Tar Heels.

Latasha Lattimore had 23 points for Virginia (16-14, 8-10 ACC) in its third consecutive win. Clark scored 17 points, and Johnson had 15 points, 11 assists and nine rebounds.

Virginia trailed by as many as 18 points before rallying. It outscored North Carolina 22-15 in the fourth quarter.

Maria Gakdeng led the short-handed Tar Heels (25-6, 13-5) with a career-high 25 points. She also had nine rebounds and five assists. Donarski added 18 points, and Nivar scored 12.

**No. 9 N.C. STATE 69, SMU 45:** In Dallas, Aziaha James had 19 points and nine rebounds while Zoe Brooks also scored 19 as the Wolfpack beat the Mustangs to claim the top seed in the ACC Tournament.

Madison Hayes had 18 points and 11 rebounds for the Wolfpack (24-5, 16-2), who shared the regular-season conference title with No. 3 Notre Dame. They closed the regular season winning four straight and 20 of the last 22.

**No. 10 TCU 51, No. 17 BAYLOR 48:** In Waco, Texas, Sedona Prince had 16 points and 19 rebounds as the Horned Frogs won theirs first Big 12 regular-season title, holding on to beat the Bears in the conference’s first winner-take-all on the final day in its 29-season history.

Hailey Van Lith added 14 points as the Horned Frogs (28-3, 16-2 Big 12), under second-year coach Mark Campbell, wrapped up their best regular season ever. They were a combined 7-47 in Big 12 games in the three seasons before the coach’s arrival.

## SKATING >>

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today and doing something tangible like a show will give people, hopefully, a little glimmer of hope and a little light for that next step forward.”

American icons of the sport Kristi Yamaguchi and Brian Boitano emceed the show, which included performances by the likes of Glenn, Johnny Weir and reigning men’s world champion Ilia Malinin, along with poignant tributes to the victims.

“We are not powerless,” Boitano said in opening the show. “As skaters, we learned to be resilient and to always find a path forward that is positive.”

Ted Leonsis, head of Monumental Sports & Entertainment, which staged the event along with U.S. Figure Skating, DC Fire & EMS Foundation and the Greater Washington Community Foundation, hopes doing this at Capital One Arena helps families in the healing process the way concerts and sports at Madison Square Garden did in New York in 2001 after 9/11.

“Sports can play this convening and healing role,” Leonsis said. “Our goal is to allow the community to heal, kind of a collective hug for these communities, but then we want to raise a lot of money.”

The dasher boards had 67 stars, one for each of the victims, and skaters put flowers on a rinkside table of candles before beginning their routines.

“We’re all here to support one another, whether it was our

friends that were on that plane, family members, coaches, teammates, loved ones,” said 2014 Olympic team bronze medalist Jason Brown, who skated to “The Impossible Dream” by Josh Groban. “We all travel for this sport. We get to do what we love. And travel is such a huge part of what we do, so it all hit us really hard because this is just such an integral part of what we do, as well as those are people that we’re closest to.”

Glenn kicked things off by performing to Andra Day’s “Rise Up” and broke down in tears at center ice when she finished. Weir, whose family moved to Newark, Delaware, when he was 12 for him to pursue his skating career, dedicated his performance to the members of the University of Delaware Figure Skating Club who were on American Flight 5342 from Wichita, Kansas, following a national development camp there coinciding with the U.S. Figure Skating Championships.

“It was a very traumatic experience for me and really just devastating for me to hear when all that happened, and I really wanted to have something that everyone could remember as a family, as a whole community that we remember them,” Malinin said. “All of our daily lives, every time we step on the ice, we’ll always think of them. Every time we’re competing, they’ll always be in our hearts.”

Peggy Fleming, 1968 Olympic champion, said she hopes the event “will heal and give strength to our skaters in the future.” Alysa Liu wants to try to honor the memory of those lost so she “can keep

going.”

“It’s still a struggle and was a struggle,” said Liu, who performed to “Hero” by Mariah Carey. “Coming together and seeing everyone again has definitely been the most reassuring feeling. And it’s just because everyone knows exactly how everyone feels.”

Forty-one years after winning gold at the Olympics, Scott Hamilton skated onto the ice and led a prayer. “Imagine” blared from arena speakers during one ensemble performance, Malinin dazzled the crowd with his jump-filled routine and Lady Gaga’s “Hold My Hand” was the soundtrack of the grand finale of the emotional two-plus-hour show.

“It was just an amazing show,” U.S. Figure Skating interim CEO Sam Auxier said. “You could see even with Ilia the passion and the feelings about what happened coming through in their skating.”

Among the sellout crowd of over 15,000 were hundreds of first responders and their family members. Some came from as far away as Baltimore to be part of the rescue and recovery efforts.

“This was an incredibly challenging scene for those first responders,” DC Fire and EMS Foundation executive director Amy Mauro said. “The things that they witnessed are very difficult and will stay with them for a long time. This is part of their grieving and healing process, as well.”

In addition to being a gathering place for figure skaters, first responders and all the families affected by the crash, the intent was to raise money for all of them.

## AGASSI >>

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researching and discovered that he had played in college and had citizenship. It worked out great and he’s a great guy.”

Growing up in the Las Vegas area, Agassi was right in the middle of a baseball hotbed. The metro has produced recent MLB standouts like Bryce Harper, Kris Bryant, Bryson Stott, Paul Sewald, Joey Gallo and Tyler Anderson.

Agassi said his parents never pushed him into tennis, baseball or any other sport because they didn’t want to repeat their childhood and teenage years, which were totally consumed by tennis. Instead, he had a relatively normal upbringing and naturally gravitated toward the baseball diamond.

The lanky 6-foot-3 Agassi has had his share of setbacks during his baseball career. He needed Tommy John elbow surgery after his first game in 2019, which caused him to miss his junior season in high school. Then in 2020, his team played just a handful of games before COVID-19 shut down sports for the year.

“It almost worked as a blessing in disguise,” Agassi said. “I got almost two years to rehab my Tommy John, came back strong and then started my college career at USC.”

His three seasons with the Trojans were a little up-and-down. He had a solid year as

a sophomore with a 3-2 record and a 4.34 ERA, but after a coaching change, he regressed as a junior with a 9.70 ERA.

He found his footing again in MLB’s draft league last summer with a 2.96 ERA and 28 strikeouts over 27 1/3 innings. Now he’s hoping to latch on to an MLB organization once the WBC qualifiers are over. His stint with Team Germany — which will likely include a bullpen role — is another chance for him to showcase his mid-90s fastball.

“It felt good to find some things that work for me,” Agassi said. “Stick on a plan and get 1% better every day.”

Agassi doesn’t mind that people often ask about his parents or why he doesn’t play tennis. His mom won 22 Grand Slam titles while his dad won eight Grand Slams and one of the younger Agassi’s first childhood memories is hugging his dad on the court after he got a big win late in his career.

While neither parent may be a baseball expert, he said they’re both supportive of his baseball career and will be in the crowd this week as he pitches for mom’s home country with Team Deutschland across his chest.

“As a kid, you’re kind of oblivious to the world,” Agassi said. “It felt completely normal to me. I got a lot of knowledge and lessons learned from them. Picked up a lot of things and it’s been a blessing.”

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**LOBOS WITH 25 FAST BREAK POINTS:**

- 35 — UNM 103, Fresno State 89 (Dec. 31, Fresno)
- 29 — UNM 99, Texas Southern 68 (Nov. 24, the Pit)
- 29 — UNM 84, Boise State 65 (Jan. 17, the Pit)
- 28 — UNM 92, Air Force 71 (Saturday, the Pit)
- 27 — UNM 91, Nicholls 84 (Nov. 4, the Pit)
- 26 — UNM 95, Fresno State 67 (Jan. 20, the Pit)
- 25 — UNM 100, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi 81 (Nov. 12, the Pit)

NOTE: UNM also had 38 fast break points vs. Western New Mexico. The above list is only considering Division I opponents.

**15 Mountain West wins**

Saturday’s win matches for the Lobos the most Mountain West wins in program history,

tying the 2013-14 team that also won 15 games.

Both teams reached 15 wins in 18 games. This season features a 20-game conference schedule; the 2013-14 team played an 18-game league schedule.

**UNM’S MOST MOUNTAIN WEST WINS IN A SEASON:**

- 15-3 — 2024-25 (18 of 20 games played)
- 15-3 — 2013-14
- 14-2 — 2009-10
- 13-3 — 2012-13
- 12-6 — 2017-18
- 12-4 — 2008-09

**Nelly’s big game...**

Richard Pitino says after getting back from Tuesday’s game against San Diego State, he asked his team how many of them felt they had a bad game.

Among those who raised their hand was Nelly Junior Joseph, who had six points and 16 rebounds while drawing five fouls in the loss.

“Nelly raised his hand. I said, they had a lot to do with that,” Pitino said, referring to SDSU’s

effective defensive game plan to double- and sometimes triple-team Junior Joseph in the post.

The defensive pressure made the Lobo center appear at times to be gun shy even when he did get the ball down low, although the reality was the guards rarely got him the ball in a good post position.

“(Saturday), our guys found Nelly,” Pitino said. “So, it was a good bounce-back game for him.”

Nelly had a double-double by halftime — 10 points, 10 rebounds, a block and a steal. He finished with 14 points on 7-of-8 shooting, 13 rebounds (two offensive), two steals, three blocked shots and drawing four fouls.

**MOUNTAIN WEST DOUBLE-DOUBLE LEADERS (OVERALL):**

- 14 — Junior Joseph, UNM
- 13 — Nique Clifford, Colorado State
- 8 — Elijah Price, Fresno State
- 7 — Jordan Nesbitt, Wyoming
- 5 — Tyson Degenhart, Boise State

**MOUNTAIN WEST DOUBLE-DOUBLE LEADERS (MW GAMES):**

- 10 — Junior Joseph, UNM
- 8 — Clifford, CSU
- 5 — Price, Fresno State
- 3 — Degenhart, Boise State
- 3 — Magoon Gwath, SDSU

**Stealing the show**

UNM’s 12 steals on Saturday gave the team 12 double-digit steal games this season, tied for the most in program history.

**UNM’S MOST DOUBLE-DIGIT STEALS GAMES:**

- 12 — 2024-25 season (two regular season games to go)
- 12 — 2023-24 season
- 12 — 2019-20 season
- 12 — 2004-05 season
- 11 — 1977-78 season

**Roster updates**

■ Pitino said forward Ibrahima Sacko played over Atiki Ally Atiki on Saturday not because of anything Atiki did or didn’t do, but because Sacko has just been performing so well in practice lately.

No injury. No discipline. Just

Sacko earning some minutes.

■ Mustapha Amzil scored 15 points and played 25:07, his most for both since Feb. 1 when he scored 16 points and played 28 minutes in the blowout win at Utah State. He had missed three of the previous four games nursing the plantar fasciitis in his foot, something that’s been limiting him in practice for more than a month.

“I still don’t think he’s moving like he was moving (before the injury),” Pitino said. “I was going to maybe sit him out (Saturday) as we built the lead, but the more I thought about it, I thought maybe it’s good to get him back in rhythm a little bit.”

■ Dylan Chavez, the local walk-on, was not on the Lobos bench on Saturday due to a disciplinary matter. He should be back on the team’s bench for the next home game.

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BRACKETS >>

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some spice to things.

**GIRLS:** Can anyone get in the way of a Hobbs-Sandia final? That's really the overriding question for the rest of the field over the next couple of weeks. The Eagles are at the top of the bracket, the defending state champion Matadors at the bottom. Those two opened the season against one another and are overwhelmingly favored to close against one another.

Good to see Albuquerque High be rewarded with a 5 seed after another stellar regular season;

the Bulldogs, if they survive Carlsbad on Friday, could pair up with traditional power Farmington in the quarters.

For me, the most interesting first-rounder is No. 10 Rio Rancho at No. 7 Los Lunas. The young Rams (I feel like this team is one really good scoring forward away from being a state championship contender as early as next year) had a terrific run through the District 1-5A tournament.

Mayfield was seeded third, and the Trojans could see La Cueva in the quarters.

I'll say it for the record: Gallup beating Kirtland Central on Saturday night in the district tour-

nament championship game was the best thing that could have happened to the 4A bracket.

Why? Easy. Because if these two meet up again on March 14 in the Pit, the energy level, which already was going to be off the charts, ramps up another two or three notches now that Gallup is on the board.

Can anyone interfere with a Gallup-KC final? No, not really. Valencia, the 4 seed, played Kirtland Central within eight points in the regular season; those two are seeded to meet in the semifinals. There is that. On Gallup's bottom half, there's nobody equipped to handle the Bengals, that I can see.

Navajo Prep won state a year ago and is the No. 1 seed this month in 3A. The team the Eagles beat in the final last year, Tohatchi, is also in the top half of the draw. West Las Vegas anchors the bottom half as a 2 seed. Navajo Prep and West Las Vegas split two games in the regular season.

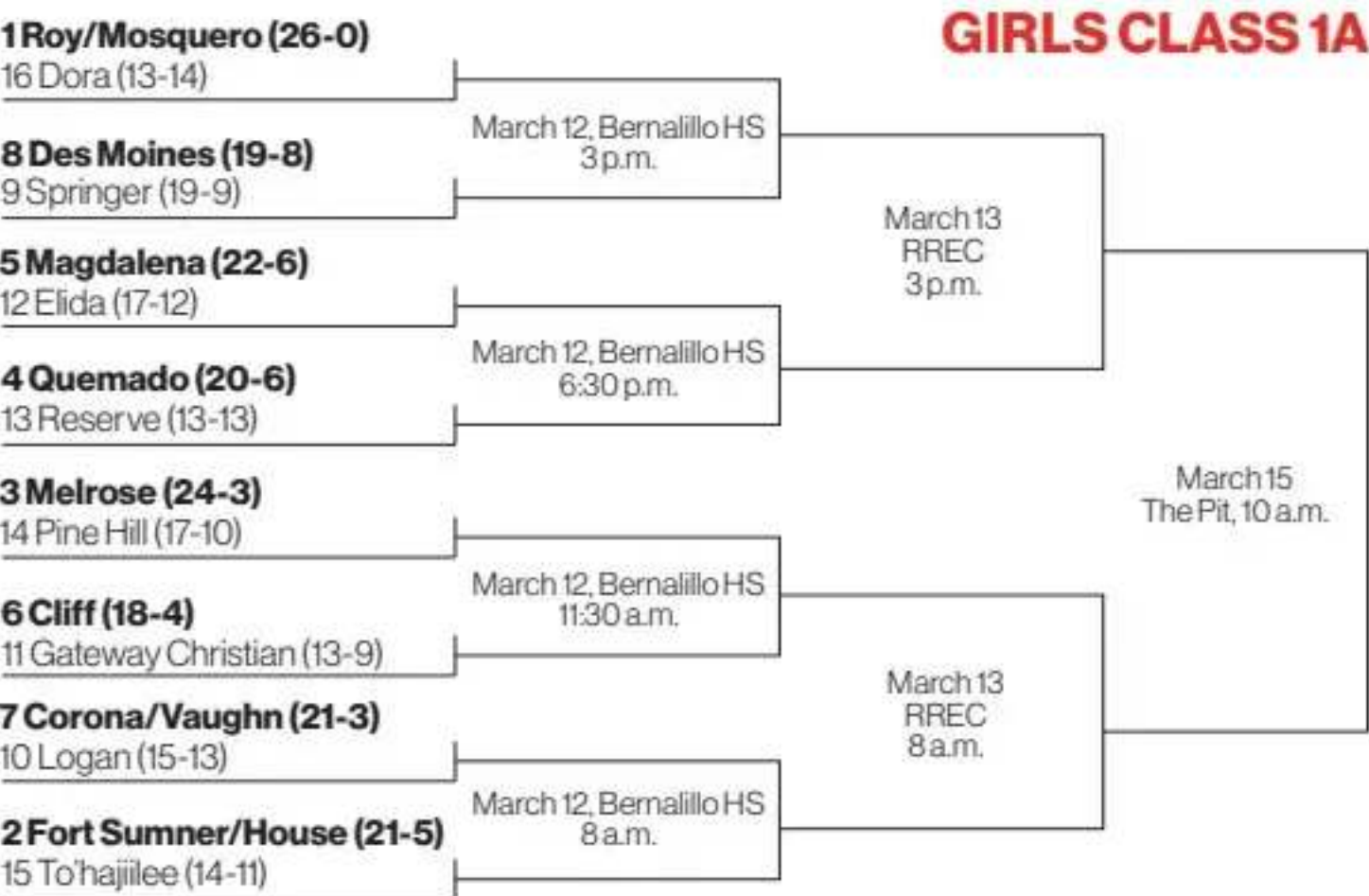
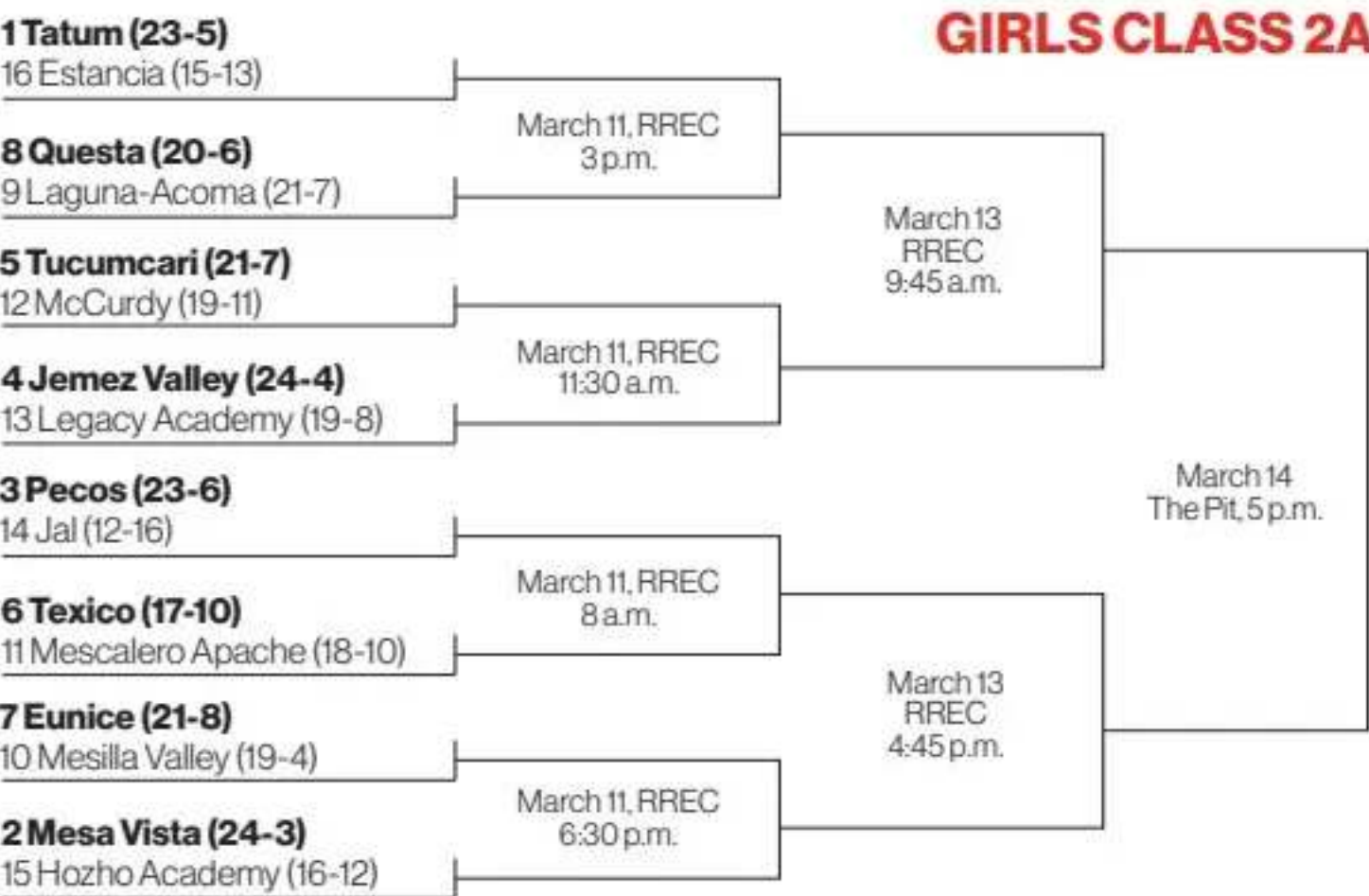
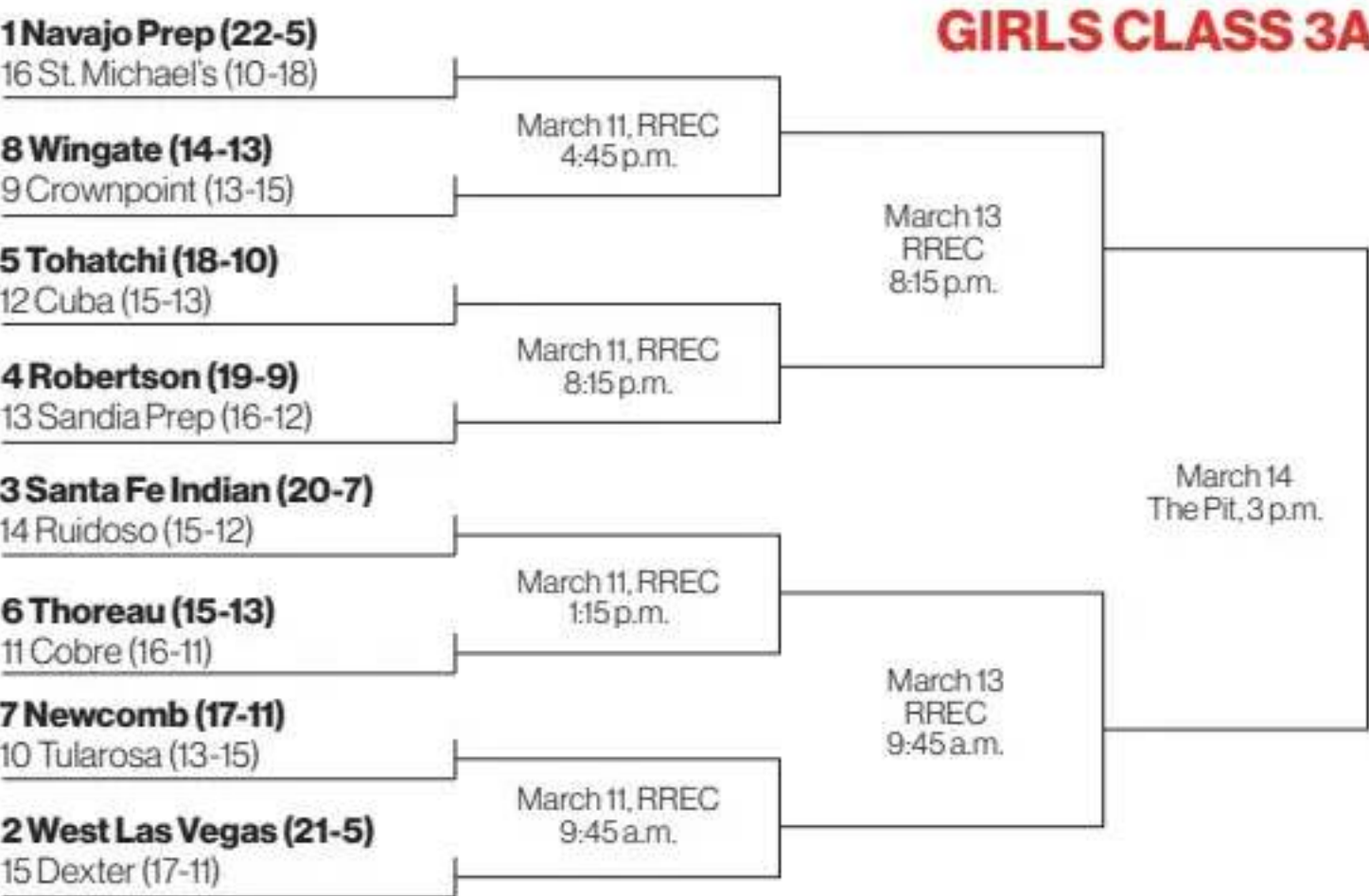
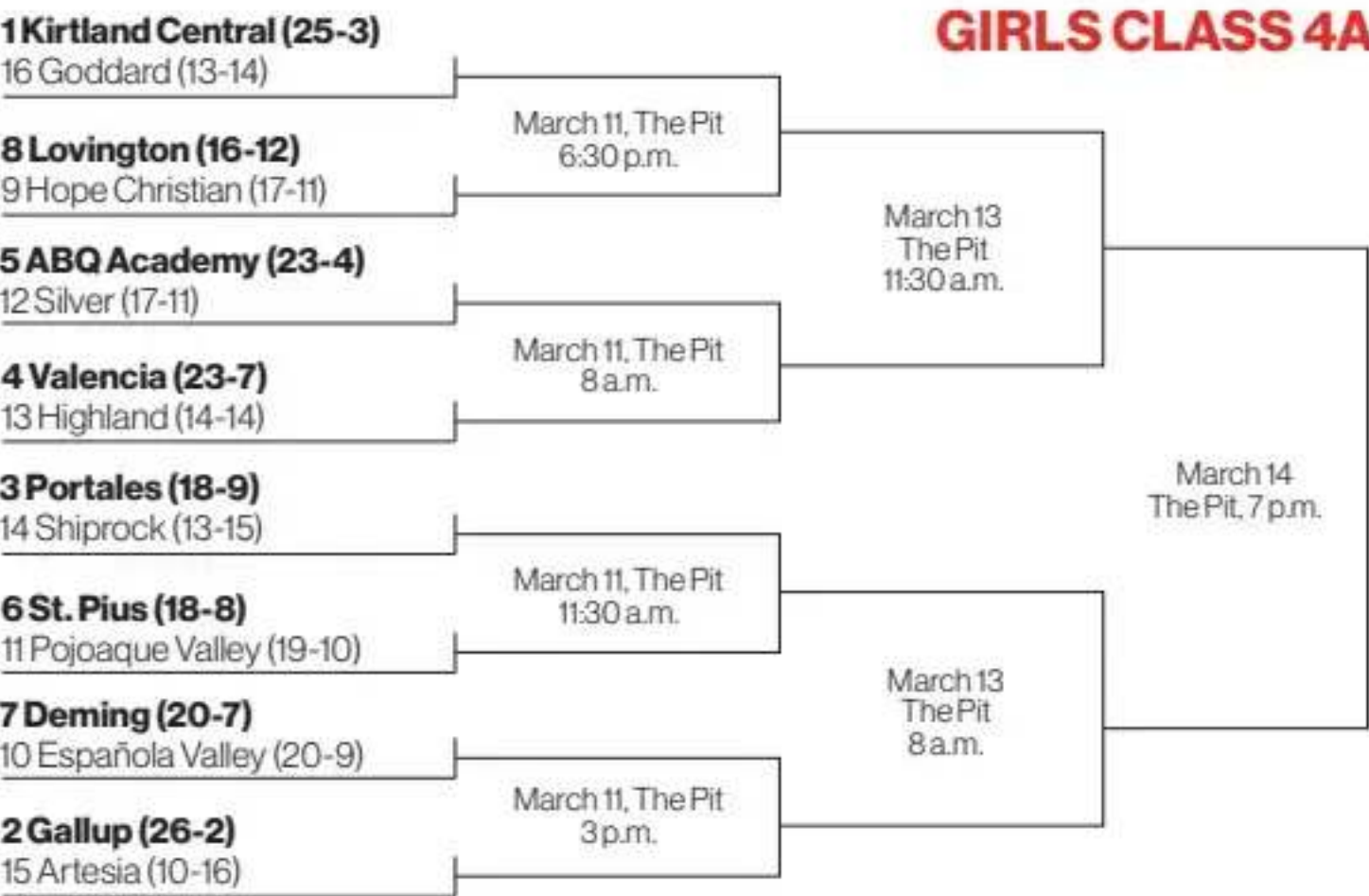
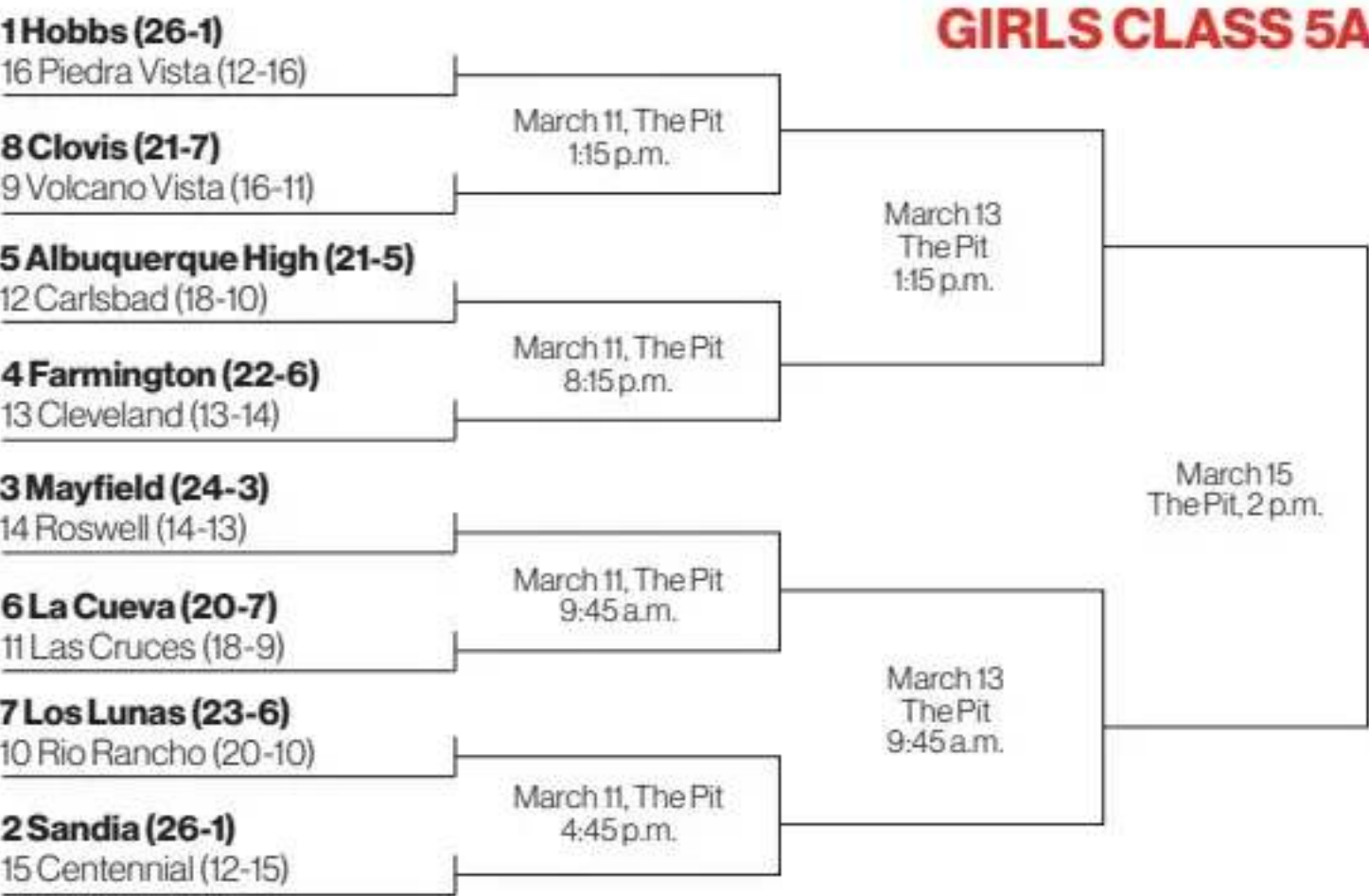
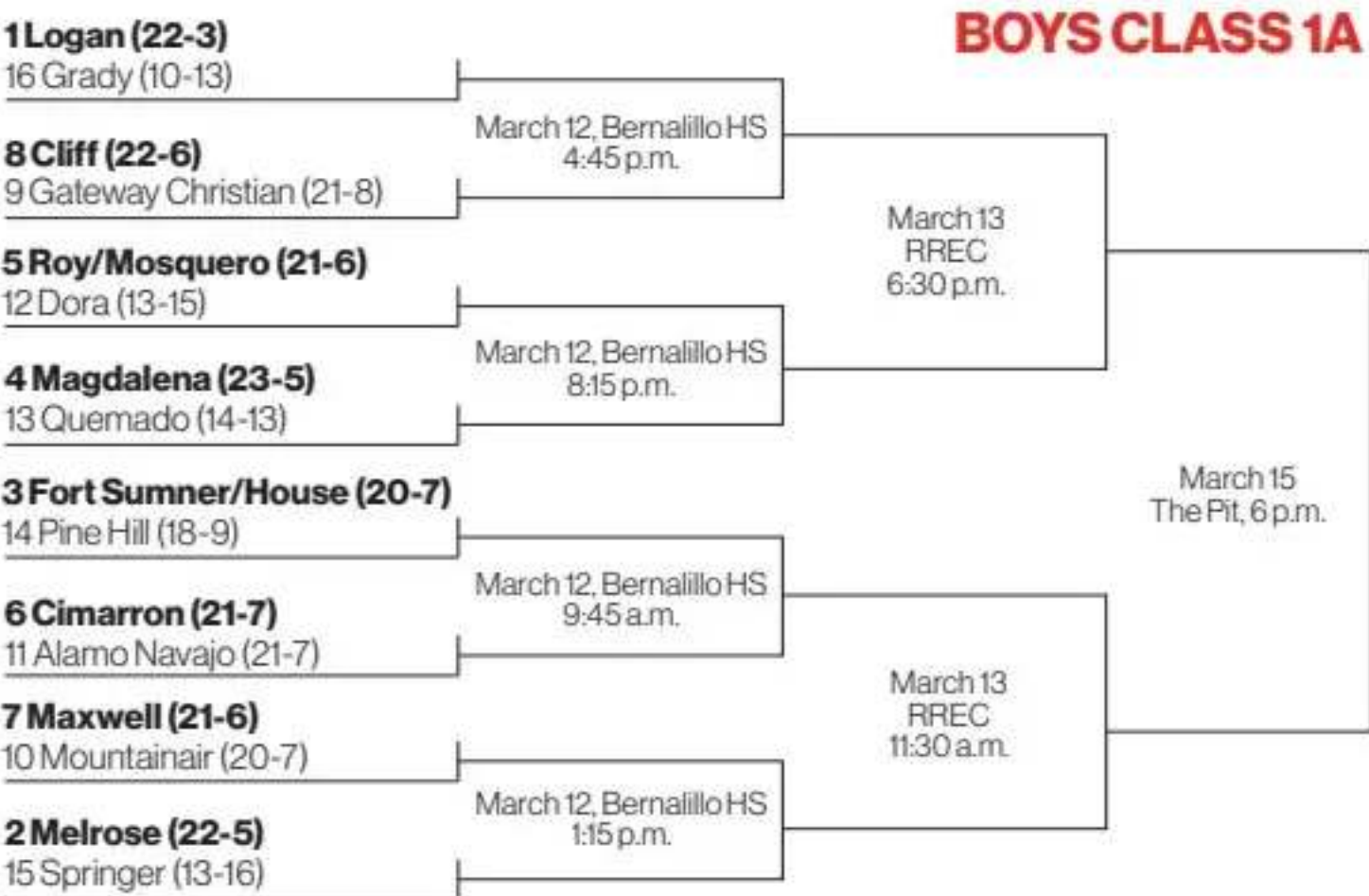
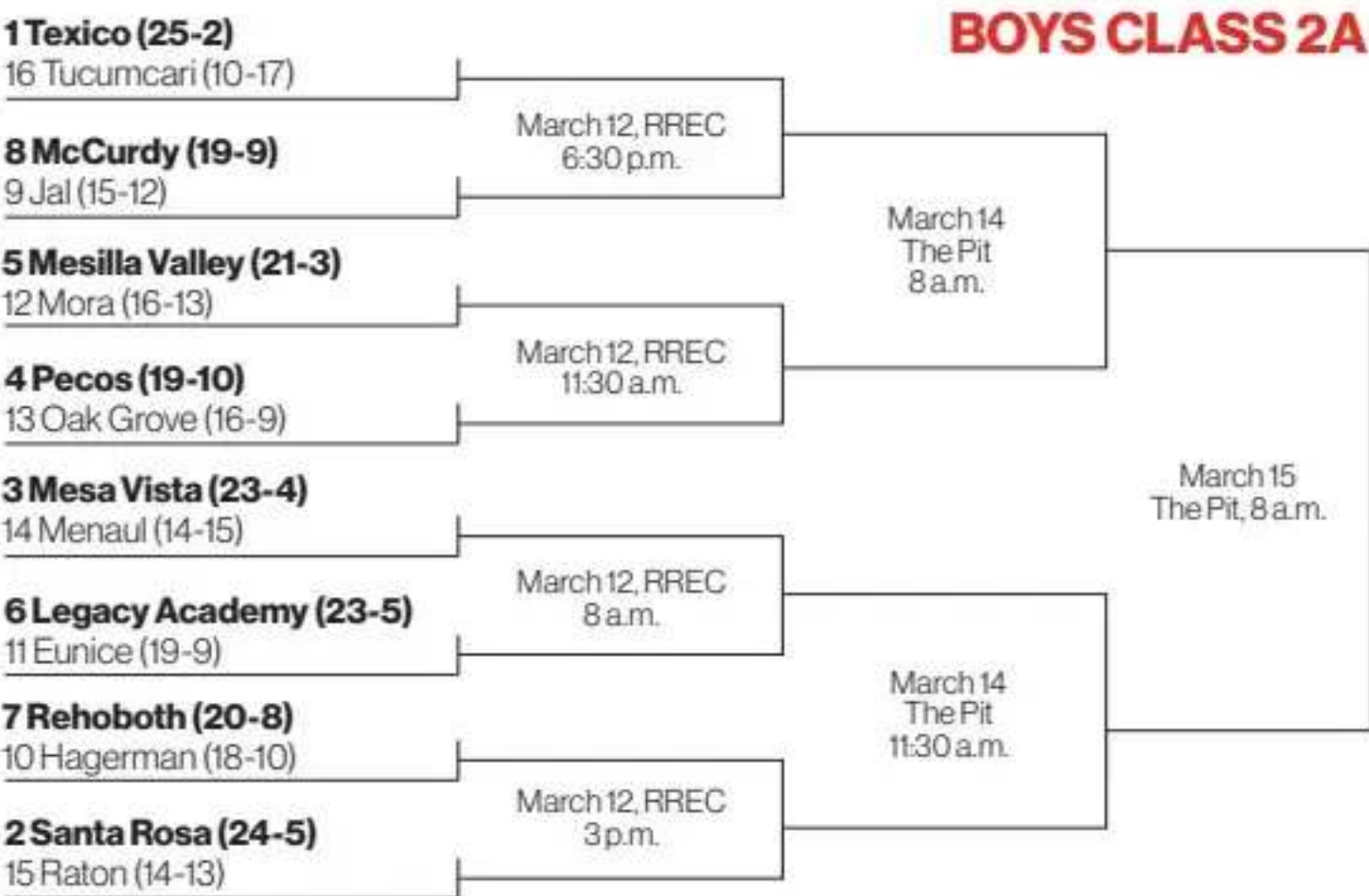
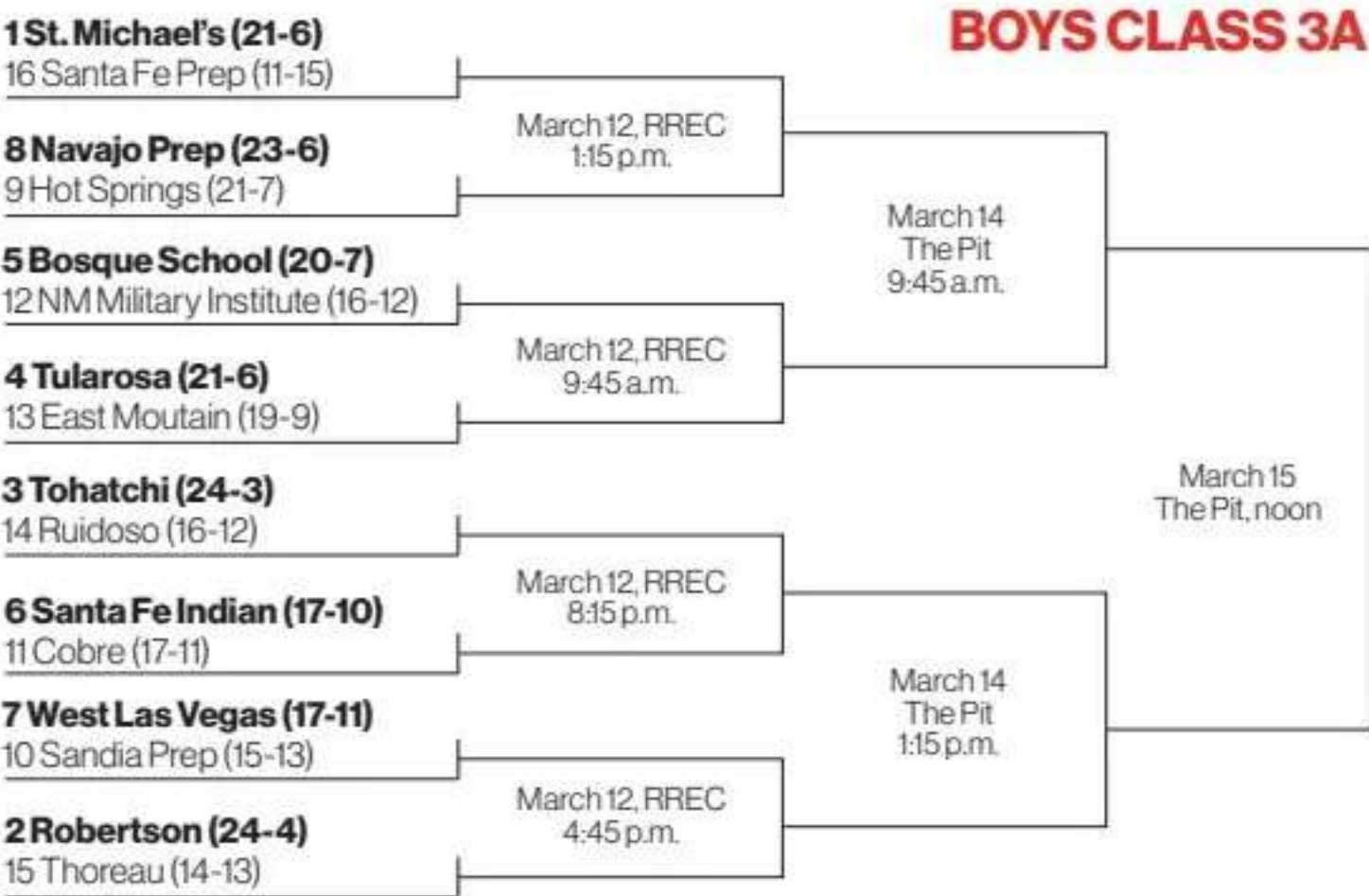
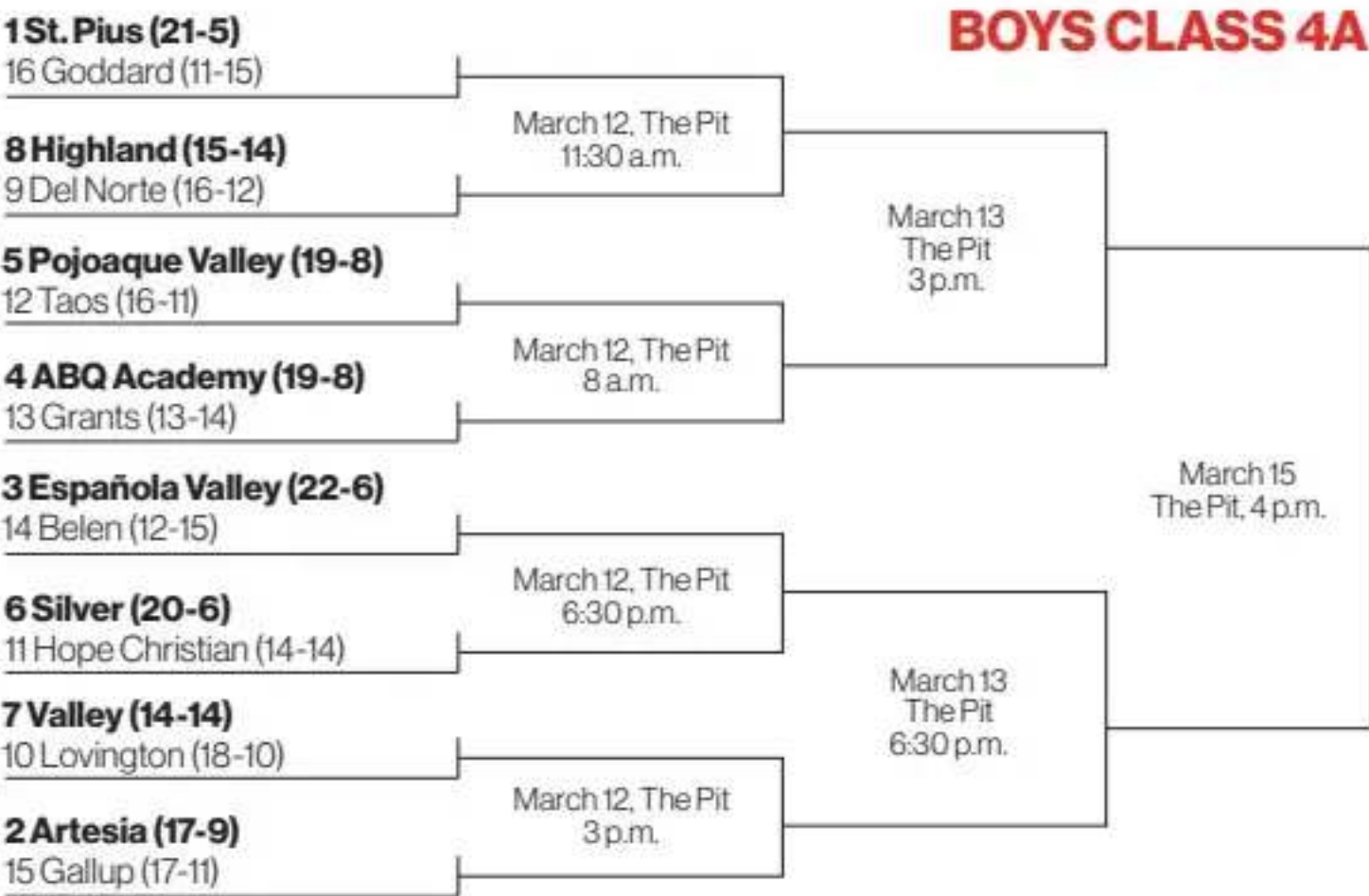
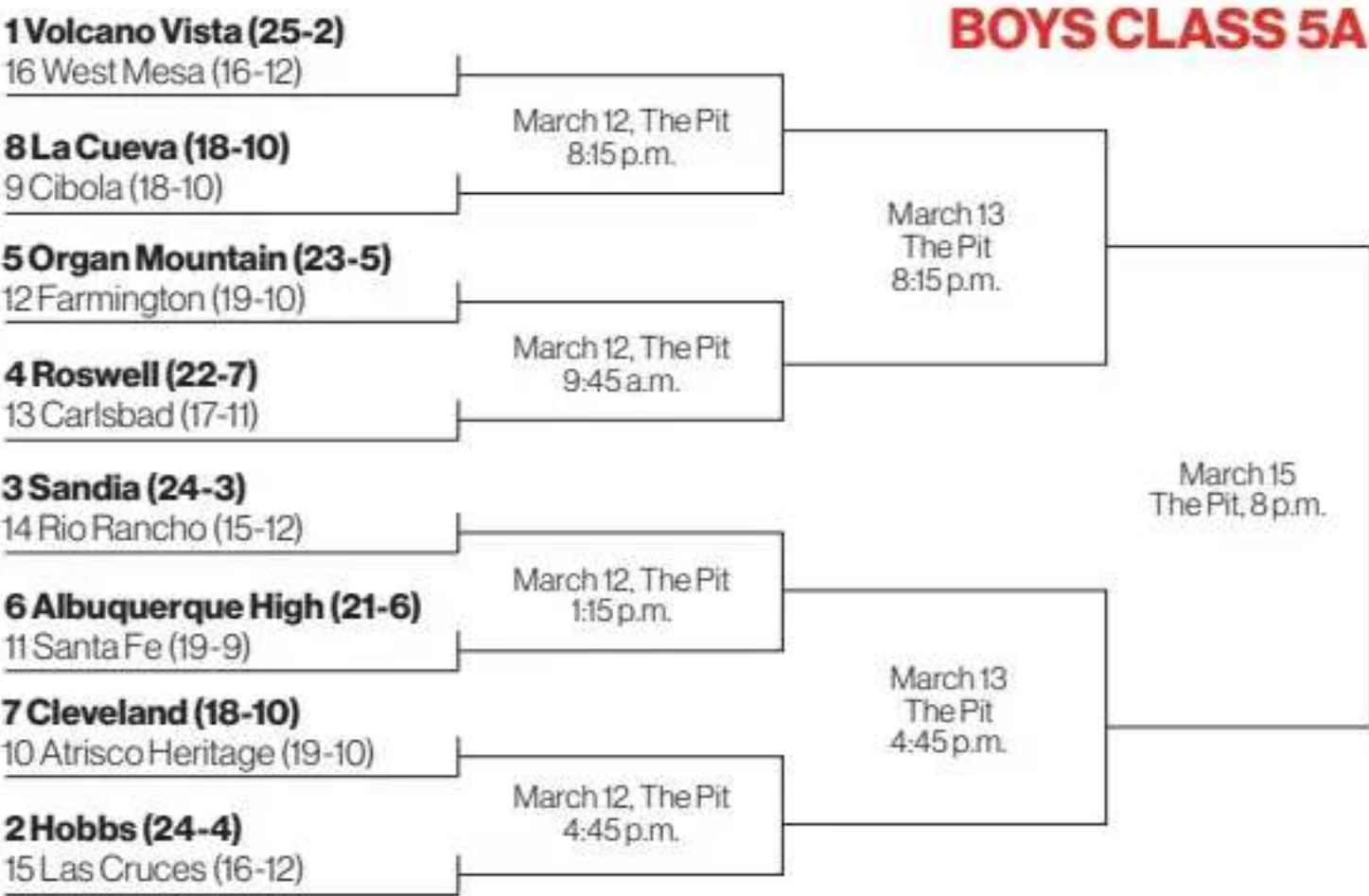
Two schools located very far away from each other, Tatum and Mesa Vista, are the top two seeds in 2A. The only undefeated team in New Mexico, in either gender, is the Class 1A co-op between Roy and Mosquero. The Blue are 26-0. Another co-op, Fort Sumner/House, is seeded second, and that group lost 58-49

to Roy/Mosquero in a tournament final on Dec. 21.

If you're looking for the state's second-highest profile recruit (after Sandia's Sydney Benally), Harper Dunn and the Corona/Vaughn co-op are a 7 seed and could run into Fort Sumner/House in the quarters. This is notable because FS/H needed overtime to beat the Corona/Vaughn team early in December. Dunn recently broke New Mexico's career blocked shots record, and the 6-foot-6 Dunn is still only a sophomore.

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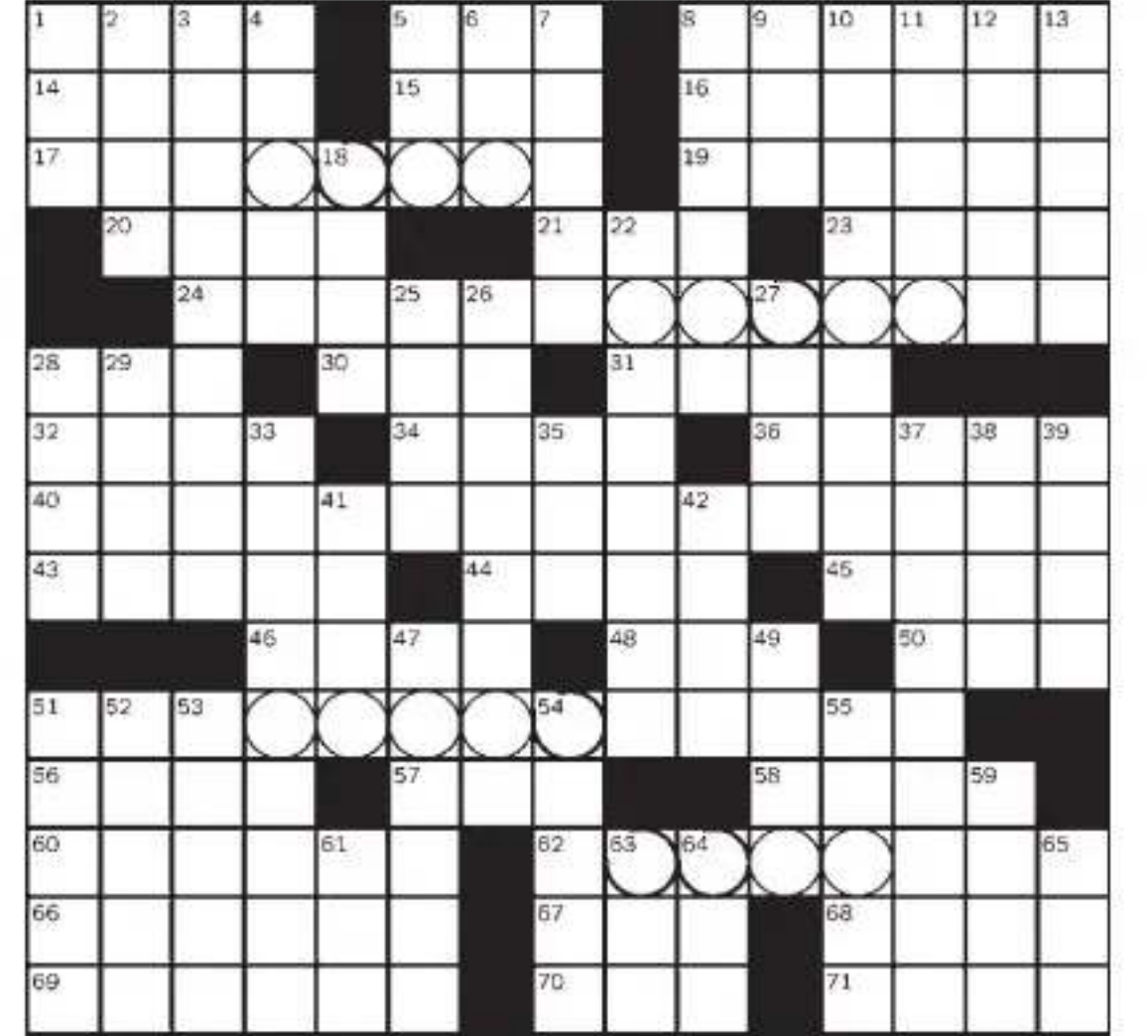
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**Across**

- 1 \*
- 5 Section of a circle
- 8 Accompany, as to a dance
- 14 Manufactured
- 15 "Well, \_\_\_-di-dah!"
- 16 Suitemate, e.g.
- 17 Commonly visited part of a website
- 19 Series of professional calls, as by doctors
- 20 Emphatic yes, in Spanish
- 21 Bay Area airport code
- 23 Illegally fixes
- 24 Study abroad program on a ship
- 28 Krypton or argon
- 30 "I see!"
- 31 Kids' game that may be played on a road trip
- 32 x or y, on a graph
- 34 They're no pros
- 36 One of the Obamas
- 40 Ignore suspicious behavior ... or a hint to the circled letters in 17-, 24-, 51- and 62-Across
- 43 Musical based on a comic strip
- 44 Soft French cheese
- 45 Extremely serious
- 46 Actor Malek who played Freddie Mercury in "Bohemian Rhapsody"
- 48 Period of time
- 50 Way of sending textspeak
- 51 Funding sources for many labs
- 56 Currier and \_\_\_
- 57 \_\_\_-mo
- 58 Purple-flecked root vegetable
- 60 Secure again, as a door
- 62 Stance for a yoga beginner
- 66 Main dish
- 67 It comes with a charge
- 68 Foe's opposite
- 69 Explicitly said



Puzzle by Alexander Liebeskind

- 70 TV coach Lasso
- 71 Purple fruit used for flavoring

**Down**

- 1 "Tsk, tsk," in textspeak
- 2 New Mexico art locale
- 3 What applicants may be seeking
- 4 Actress Witherspoon
- 5 Pie \_\_\_ mode
- 6 Aid in washing a car
- 7 Treasure holder
- 8 They may be forced or unforced
- 9 Phillipa of "Hamilton"
- 10 Central area of many a palace
- 11 Some upscale hotels
- 12 Mountain crest
- 13 Actress Thompson of the "Creed" movies
- 18 Cotton variety
- 22 More spunky
- 25 A pop
- 26 Bird named for its beak's shape
- 27 Quiet place in a church
- 28 Fancy party
- 29 Part of a brain connection
- 33 Snowy getaway

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- 35 Neither's partner
- 37 Sweet, swirly dessert item
- 38 Damage
- 39 Yes votes that are an anagram of other yes votes
- 41 Rip
- 42 Greek marriage goddess
- 47 Dressed like many superheroes
- 49 Poker buy-in
- 51 Dumps from the payroll
- 52 Listing in an engagement calendar
- 53 Land at a river's mouth
- 54 "I see!"
- 55 Small Spanish dishes
- 59 Norway's biggest city
- 61 2.0
- 63 \_\_\_ v. Wade
- 64 Conclusion
- 65 It's full of cones and rods

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Journal: March 3, 2025

**EMPLOYMENT CLASSIFIEDS**

**CALL**

**505.823.4444**

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CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE  
TRANSIT DEPARTMENT  
(ABO RIDE) LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the City of Albuquerque, ABO RIDE has developed a Program of Projects (POP) for federal assistance from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) of the U. S. Department of Transportation for 49 U.S.C. Section 5307 funding in the total amount of \$6,011,071 for the following projects:

Transit Enhancement/ Associated Transit Improvements (TA00381) Construct bus shelters, landscaping, bike/ped access, signage, public art, and other

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enhancements. Federal Funds: \$110,000 (80%), Local Funds: \$27,500 (20%), Total Funds: \$137,500;

Transit Planning (TA00114) Facilities & Operations Planning. Includes short, medium and long range planning activities. Federal Funds: \$2,288,857 (80%), Local Funds: \$572,214 (20%), Total Funds: \$2,861,071;

Transit Security Equipment (TA00123) Acquisition & installation of security related equipment. Federal Funds: \$110,000 (80%), Local Funds: \$27,500 (20%), Total Funds: \$137,500;

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Transit Technology Upgrade (TA00139) Rehabilitate, upgrade and expand transit technologies. Federal Funds: \$800,000 (80%), Local Funds: \$200,000 (20%), Total Funds: \$1,000,000;

Park & Ride Facility Development (TA00386) Develop park & ride facilities at various locations. Includes environmental documentation, ROW acquisition, design, and construction. Federal Funds: \$1,000,000 (80%), Local Funds: \$250,000 (20%). Total Funds: \$1,250,000;

Uptown Transit Center Redevelopment (TA00387) Planning, environmental



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documentation, utilities, ROW, design, construction and other appurtenances as necessary to redevelop the Uptown Transit Center to incorporate transit-oriented development at the transit center. Federal Funds: \$500,000 (80%), Local Funds: \$125,000 (20%), Total Funds: \$625,000;

Interested persons and/or agencies hereby are provided an opportunity to comment with respect to the social and economic impacts of the POP. Evidence and recommendations regarding the POP may be submitted orally or in writing; they can be mailed to the City of Albuquerque, ABQ RIDE, P.O. Box 1293, Albuquerque, NM 87103, emailed to Andrew de Garmo (ADeGarmo@cabq.gov), made by phone by calling (505) 724-3109, or hand-delivered to the Alvarado Transportation Center, 100 First Street SW, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Comments must be received by March 5,2025. If requested, ABQ RIDE will hold a public hearing to gather comments; notice of the time and location of such hearing will be published in a manner similar to this notice.

This proposed Program of Projects for 49 U.S.C. Section 5307 funding for the City of Albuquerque - ABQ RIDE will be the final program unless amended. This public notice of public involvement activities and opportunities for public review satisfies FTA Program of Projects requirements.

Journal: March 3, 2025

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #2025-003 VEREDA DEL RIO SAN JUAN RIVERWALK

The City of Bloomfield, NM is soliciting sealed proposals to establish a contract through competitive negotiations for the procurement of consulting services to develop investigation, planning, design, and solicitation services to enhance trails and infrastructure along the San Juan River located in Bloomfield, NM. The contract awarded will be available for use by the City of Bloomfield, NM. Proposals will be received at Bloomfield MOC, 1152 S Church St, Bloomfield, NM 87413 until Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 1:00 PM. RFP documents may be obtained online by accessing the City's purchasing webpage through https://www.bloomfieldnm.gov/finance/page/https. Additional information can be obtained by contacting CPO, Melanie Lovato at (505) 632-8448 or mlovato@bloomfieldnm.gov.

Journal: February 20, 22, 23, 26, 28, and March 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 2025.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Submittals will only be received through UNM's Supplier Portal and sourcing site found at the links below.

Demolition of Structure -1801 Las Lomas Rd. NE The University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico

RFP 2547-23

Due date is Wednesday, March 19, 2025, no later than 2:00 PM (MDT)

Additional information may be obtained at the Purchasing Department. For further information, please contact: Sr. Contracts Specialist, Adam Gonzales at (505) 277-1733 or agonzales44@unm.edu.

This request For Proposal (RFP) can be found on the UNM Public Sourcing page at the web site: https://bids.sciquest.com/apps/Router/PublicEvent?CustomerOrg=UNM

Offerors should register on the Supplier Portal in order to respond and receive amendment notices. https://bids.sciquest.com/apps/Router/PublicEvent?CustomerOrg=UNM

Journal: March 3, 2025.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Submittals will only be received through UNM's Supplier Portal and sourcing site found at the links below.

Construct New Asphalt Parking Lot -1801 Las Lomas Rd. NE The University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico

RFP 2548-23

Due date is Wednesday, March 19, 2025, no later than 2:00 PM (MDT)

Additional information may be obtained at the Purchasing Department. For further information, please contact: Sr. Contracts Specialist, Adam Gonzales at (505) 277-1733 or agonzales44@unm.edu.

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Journal: March 3, 2025.



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority will conduct its March, 2025 Board meeting on Wednesday, March 5, 2025 at 5:00 PM in the Vincent E. Griego Chambers of the Albuquerque Government Center, Basement Level, One Civic Plaza NW.

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The meeting can also be viewed by tuning into GovTV on Comcast Channel 16. Members of the public will have the ability to join for public comment in person or via video conference by following the instructions for public comment sign up on the posted agenda. Agendas will be posted on the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority official portal at https://abcwua.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx or can be picked up at the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority Office, One Civic Plaza NW, 5th Floor, Room 5027. NOTICE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If you have a disability and require special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Water Authority Office, Suite 5027, Albuquerque Government Center, phone 505-289-3100 or by the TTY 1-800-659-8331, as soon as possible prior to the meeting date. Public documents, including the agendas and minutes, can be provided in various accessible formats. Please contact the Executive Director of the Water Authority at the Water Authority Office if a summary or other type of accessible format is needed. Journal: February 28; March 1, 2, 3, 4, 2025



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT on February 25, 2025, the Bernalillo County Board of Commissioners voted in favor of the following Nuisance Abatement Resolutions based on the recommendation from the hearing officer. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES: Property Nuisance Abatement - Administrative Resolution (AR 2025-24) approving the entering of property, board and secure dilapidated structures, removing all nuisances from property, and filing and foreclosure of a lien on property legally described as Lot 18, John Hobson Subdivision, located at 541 Sunset Rd SW, zoned R-1, and containing approximately 0.24 acres. Property Nuisance Abatement - Administrative Resolution (AR 2025-25) approving the entering of property, board and secure dilapidated structures, removing all nuisances from property, and filing and foreclosure of a lien on property legally described as an unplatted Tract of Land within Sec 5, T10N, R6E, UPC #103206015201430106, located at 6 Sedillo Rd, zoned A-2 and containing approximately 1.57 acres. Anyone who wishes to appeal this resolution must file a written objection with the county clerk within 10 days of this published advertisement. Full Resolutions can be found here: https://www.bernco.gov/government/talk-to-us/ordinances/

Journal: March 3, 2025.



NOTICE OF WORKSTUDY MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Board of Central New Mexico Community College will hold a Work Study session at 5 p.m. on March 5, 2025, at TM Building, Room 209 at the Main Campus, 525 Buena Vista SE, Albuquerque, New Mexico. At the end of the work-study session, the Board will hold a closed session to discuss real property. The real property matter is closed pursuant to 10-15-1 (H)(8) and 10-15-1 (I)(2). Prior to the closed meeting, the Board will convene in an open session to discuss strategic plan work and any other matters of interest to Board members. A copy of the agenda can be obtained by contacting the Governing Board Clerk via e-mail at pbre@cnm.edu. No official action is taken at a Work Study Session by the Governing Board; however, Board members may provide direction to staff, discuss and express opinions, express a consensus or identify matters they wish to take action on at a future regular or special Governing Board meeting. Individuals requiring special accommodations should contact the Marketing and Communications Office, 224-4670, at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

Journal: March 3, 2025.

-NOTICE-

Request for Proposal Number: 25-690-3000-33690

TITLE: Title II Grants Program

PURPOSE: The New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department proposes to continue implementing the Title II Formula Grants Program. The purpose is to fund local providers to provide services to youth at risk of involvement or further involvement in the Juvenile Justice System, including substance abuse and mental health services, school-based programs, after-school middle school programs, Native American tribe programs, and community-based programs and services. Project activities include providing funding for local units of government, non-profits nongovernmental organizations, New Mexico school districts, and Federally Recognized Indian Tribes in New Mexico. Funds from the Title II Grant program have been set aside for federally recognized tribal governments that serve tribal youth, which will be awarded through this Request for Proposal (RFP) process. This grant will also target the reduction of the overrepresentation of youth of color in contact with the juvenile justice system. GENERAL INFORMATION: All questions about the contents of the RFP document shall be directed to:

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Procurement Manager: Michelle Taylor, Procurement Manager Telephone: (505) 372-8300 Email: asd.cdu@cyfd.nm.gov

ISSUANCE: The Request for Proposals will be issued on Friday, February 13, 2025. Organizations interested in obtaining a copy may access and download the document from the Internet on Thursday, February 13, 2024 at the following address: https://cyfd.bonfirehub.com/

PROPOSAL DUE DATE AND TIME: Proposals must be received by the Procurement Manager no later than 3:00 PM MST ON Thursday, March 13, 2025. Proposals received after this deadline will not be accepted.

Please be advised that the document Title II Grant Program RFP#25-690-3000-33690 located at https://cyfd.bonfirehub.com/ is the overriding document. All dates and information should be confirmed in this master document. Journal: March 3, 4, 5, 2025

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Harding County is now accepting Request for Proposals for Legal Services until March 31, 2025, at 3:00pm for the following: RFP 2025-1 - Legal Services Notice of Intent to Propose deadline March 17, 2025 at 2:00pm

Any Proposals received after the above closing time will be returned. Copies of the RFP's specifications, required forms, and contract documents may be obtained at

www.hardingcounty.org  
www.publicpurchase.com

and the Harding County Manager's Office at 35 Pine Street or PO Box 1002, Mosquero, NM 87733 or by contacting Victoria Villarreal at 575-673-2927 V.villarreal@hardingcounty.org As per NMSA 1978, Sections 13-1-131 and 13-1-132, Harding County reserves the right to cancel this procurement or reject any/all proposals if it is in the best interest of the County to do so, and to waive all technical irregularities not involving price, time or changes in work. Journal: March 3-17, 2025



PUBLIC HEARING ZONING HEARING EXAMINER CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Hearing Examiner, Robert Lucero, Esq., City of Albuquerque, will hold a public hearing via https://www.zoom.us/ on Tuesday, March 18th, 2025 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Join Zoom Meeting  
https://cabq.zoom.us/j/9756087372  
Meeting ID: 975 608 7372  
Attend by Phone  
+1 (719) 359-4580  
Meeting ID: 975 608 7372

Find your local number: https://cabq.zoom.us/u/kenSZgLoX

Please contact City Planning staff via the information below for any of the following:  
To request details about the cases below.  
At least 72 hours prior to the hearing:  
o For individuals with disabilities to request special assistance to participate at the public hearing.  
o To request interpretation into other languages at the hearing.

Contact Information  
Email: PlanningZHE@cabq.gov  
Phone: 505-924-3860, option for Boards and Commissions, or TTY 711

To submit written comments on any of the cases below, please submit by 5 PM on Wednesday, March 12, 2025.  
Mail: Robert Lucero, Esq., Zoning Hearing Examiner, c/o ZHE Administrative Assistant, Planning Department, P.O. Box 1293, Albuquerque, NM, 87103  
Email: PlanningZHE@cabq.gov  
Online: Visit https://cabq.gov/zhe-public-comment to submit a comment about a case online.

The following items will be considered:

1. CU-2025-00001

Constantine Pavlakos (Agent, Paul Tomicek) requests a CONDITIONAL USE to allow light vehicle sales in an MX-L zone, for Lot A3, San Marcos Plaza, located at 3702 Eubank Blvd NE, zoned MX-L [Section 14-16 -4-2 Table 4-2-1]

2. CU-2025-00002  
PR-2024-011291

PV TRAILS ALBUQUERQUE LLC (Agent, Connor O'Malley) requests a Conditional Use to allow for self-storage in an MX-L zone for Lot 3, The Trails unit 3A, located at 99999 Woodmont Ave NW, zoned MX-L (Section 14-16-4-3(D)(29), Table 4-2-1)

3. CU-2025-00003  
PR-2025-020008

Fred Atencio (Agent, Cody Whittier) requests a Conditional Use to allow wholesaling in MX-M zone for Lot 7, Block 12, Clayton Heights, located at 2027 Yale Blvd SE, zoned MX-M [Section 14-16-4-3(E)(20) & Table 4-2-1]

4. CU-2025-00004  
PR-2025-020008

Fred Atencio (Agent, Cody Whittier) requests a Conditional Use to allow wholesaling in MX-M zone for Lot 13, Block 12, Clayton Heights, located at 2027 Yale Blvd SE, zoned MX-M [Section 14-16-4-3(E)(20) & Table 4-2-1]

5. CU-2025-00005  
PR-2025-020008

Fred Atencio (Agent, Cody Whittier) requests a Conditional Use to allow wholesaling in MX-M zone for Lot 12, Block 12, Clayton Heights, located at 2027 Yale Blvd SE, zoned MX-M [Section 14-16-4-3(E)(20) & Table 4-2-1]

6. CU-2025-00006  
PR-2025-020008

Fred Atencio (Agent, Cody Whittier) requests a Conditional Use to allow wholesaling in MX-M zone for Lot 8, Block 12, Clayton Heights, located at 2027 Yale Blvd SE, zoned MX-M [Section 14-16-4-3(E)(20) & Table 4-2-1]

7. VA-2025-00001  
PR-2025-020021

John Seaver requests a Variance of 5ft to the allowed 3ft height on front and street side yards for Lot 12, Block 22, THOMAS ADDN, located at 9140 MONTGOMERY BLVD NE, zoned MX-M (Section 14-16-5-7(D)(1) Table 5-7-1)

8. VA-2025-00002  
PR-2025-020021

John Seaver requests a Variance of 5ft to the allowed 3ft height on front and street side yards for Lot 11, Block 22, THOMAS ADDN, located at 9140 MONTGOMERY BLVD NE, zoned MX-M (Section 14-16-5-7(D)(1) Table 5-7-1)

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR SAFETY FOOTWEAR

The Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD) a Political Subdivision of the State of New Mexico will be accepting Sealed Proposals until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday March 26, 2025, for Safety Footwear.

Bid information can be obtained at the office of the district 1931 Second Street SW, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102 or on the MRGCD Website //www.mrgcd.com.

Journal: March 3, 5, 2025.

The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) is issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for national partners to centralize the planning and management of statewide webinars, conferences and workshops to support the Court Education Services Division. The AOC must receive responses no later than Tuesday, April 11, 2025 at 5:00 PM MST. To receive the RFP packet, contact Paula Couselo-Findikoglu at the Administrative Office of the Courts at courteducation@nmcourts.gov or check the NM Courts website at https://nmcourts.gov/court-administration/request-for-proposals/. RFP packets will not be faxed. The Procurement Code, Sections 13-1-1 to 13-1-199 (NMSA 1978), imposes civil and criminal penalties for its violation. In addition, the New Mexico criminal statutes impose felony penalties for illegal bribes, gratuities, and kickbacks. Journal: March 3, 4, 5, 2025



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The Northwest New Mexico Regional Solid Waste Authority (NWNMRWSA) is accepting sealed bids for the removal of scrap metal/white goods from Red Rock Landfill in Thoreau, NM. Bids must be submitted by 2:00 pm March 28, 2025. Bids may be submitted by mail to: NWNMRWSA Attn: Executive Director / Sealed Bid PO Box 1330 Thoreau, NM 87323

Or delivered to: NWNMRWSA Office Attn: Executive Director / Sealed Bid 101 Red Mesa Bluffs Drive Thoreau, NM 87323

Bids submitted by e-mail will not be accepted. Bids received after 2:00 pm March 28, 2025, will not be accepted. Bids will be opened at this time. Bids must be clearly marked: Sealed bid for Scrap Metal

Please submit questions concerning the removal of scrap metal / white goods no later than 5:00 pm March 20, 2025, in written format by mail or by e-mail to: garry.moore@co.mckinley.nm.us

The winning contractor will be responsible for the removal of all CFCs. Documentation must be provided regarding the removal of all CFCs. NWNMRWSA requires all CFC containing items to be removed first. Contactor is solely responsible for removal of white goods / scrap metal. All trucks removing scrap metal from Red Rock Landfill must weigh in and out on NWNMRWSA scales. Weigh tickets will be provided to drivers and to the contractor. Payment is due within 30 days upon removal of all scrap metal / white goods. Contractors must provide proof of insurance and adhere to all NWNMRWSA safety procedures and policies.

Journal: March 1-9, 2025.

VILLAGE OF LOS LUNAS, NEW MEXICO NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the title and of a general summary of the subject matter of an ordinance, duly adopted and approved by the Village Council of the Village of Los Lunas, New Mexico (the "Village") on February 27, 2025.

Ordinance No. 482

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS FOR THE BENEFIT OF ESVOLTA DEVELOPMENT, LLC TOGETHER WITH ITS SUCCESSORS, AFFILIATES, SUBSIDIARIES AND ASSIGNS, THE "COMPANY" TO BE ENTITLED VILLAGE OF LOS LUNAS, NEW MEXICO TAXABLE INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS (NIGHTRAIN PROJECT) SERIES 2025 (THE "BONDS"), IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIX HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS (\$600,000,000); PROVIDING THAT THE BONDS WILL BE ISSUED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INDUCING THE COMPANY TO DESIGN, CONSTRUCT, ACQUIRE, EQUIP AND OPERATE AN UP TO 500 MW/2,000 MWh BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE FACILITY TO BE BUILD WEST OF META'S EXISTING DATA CENTER AND ADJACENT TO PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW MEXICO'S ("PNM") HIDDEN MOUNTAIN SWITCHING STATION WITHIN THE VILLAGE LIMITS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS FROM LEASE PAYMENTS TO BE PAID BY THE COMPANY TO THE VILLAGE; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN INDENTURE, A LEASE AGREEMENT AND A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT.

The title sets forth a general summary of the subject matter contained in the Ordinance.

COMPLETE COPIES OF THE ORDINANCE ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE CLERK, 660 MAIN STREET NW, LOS LUNAS, NEW MEXICO, 87031, AND ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION OR PURCHASE DURING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS. THIS NOTICE ALSO CONSTITUTES COMPLIANCE WITH SECTIONS 6-14-4 THROUGH 6-14-7, NMSA 1978.

WITNESS my hand this 3rd day of March, 2025.

/s/ Village Clerk

Journal: March 3, 2025

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EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF UNION COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

No. D-818-CV-2025-00008

BARBARA GAYLE FRENCH, Successor Trustee of THE JACK and BEATRICE BOGGS FAMILY TRUST DATED OCTOBER 27, 1995, Plaintiff,

vs.

1) IRENE COOK;

2) UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE FOLLOWING NAMED DECEASED PERSONS:

T.J. SEROGIN; PETE L. CARMICHEL; A.L. HABERER,

and

3) UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE THE PLAINTIFF, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

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To the following named defendants against whom constructive service is sought to be obtained, to-wit:

1) UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE FOLLOWING NAMED DECEASED PERSONS:

T.J. SEROGIN; PETE L. CARMICHEL; A.L. HABERER,

and

2) UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE THE PLAINTIFF

You, the above-named defendants and each of you, are notified that BARBARA GAYLE FRENCH, Successor Trustee of THE JACK and BEATRICE BOGGS FAMILY TRUST DATED OCTOBER 27, 1995, Plaintiff, has commenced suit against you, and each of you, as defendants in Cause No. D-818-CV-2025-00008, now pending in the District Court of the Eighth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, sitting within and for the County of Union, by filing therein its Amended Complaint to Quiet Title; that the general object of said suit is to determine and quiet the fee simple title of the plaintiff against you, the defendants, and each of you, in and to the following described property, to-wit:

West Hall (W1/2) of Section Five (5), Township Twenty-two (22) North, Range Thirty-six (36) East, N.M.P.M., Union County, New Mexico.

Together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof; that unless you, the said defendants and each of you file a responsive pleading or motion on or before the 14th day of April, 2025, judgment as prayed for in the plaintiff's Complaint will be rendered in said cause by default against you and each of you so failing to appear. The attorney for the plaintiff is Steven L. McConnell, Esq., MCCONNELL LAW OFFICE, LLC, P.O. Box 1148, Raton, New Mexico 87740.

Dated at Clayton, Union County, New Mexico this 20th day of February, 2025.

LAUREN M. FELTS-LAZARAR CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

SEAL AFFIXED

By: /s/ Adelynn Baxley Deputy Clerk

Journal: February 24, March 3, 10, 2025

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 4801 San Mateo Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109 Wednesday, March 26th, 2025 @ 10:30am

Eliza Hernandez 6801 Calle Santiago Ne, Albuquerque, NM 87113 Furniture, totes, toys, bags, books

Kelvin Ruffin 6100 Harper Dr Ne Apt 36, Albuquerque, NM 87109 Weights, totes, car tools, car parts, luggage

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storageexpress.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. Journal: March 3, 10, 2025

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 4909 Juan Tabo Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87111 on March 26, 2025 at 10:30am

Destyne Rivera, 18137 Sand Dunes Ct, Fountain Vly, CA 92708-Household furniture, lamp, mirror, clothing, bedding David Nguyen, 5900 Tierra St Ne E, Albuquerque, NM 87111-boxes, ladder, furniture, fake plants, toys, crib

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storageexpress.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. Journal: March 3, 10, 2025.

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 201 Eubank Blvd SE, Albuquerque, NM 87123 on March 26 , 2025 @10:30AM

Sasha Sedillo 2912 Maxine St NE Albuquerque, NM 87112, Couches, tv, gaming chair, clothing, bins, cat house

Ken Schwab 316 Jefferson St Fort Collins, CO 80524, dresser, boxes, auto parts, mattress

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storageexpress.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. Journal: March 3, 10, 2025.

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any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

Journal: March 3, 10, 2025

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 11820 Lomas Blvd NE Albuquerque, NM 87112, 03/26/25 @ 10:30am Jessica Rhiger, 1025 Luthy Cir Ne, Albuquerque, NM 87112, Screen Door, Metal Siding, Records, Toys, Misc. Bags, Totes, Furniture, Clothes, and Items.

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storageexpress.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. Journal: March 3, 10, 2025.

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 1901 8th St NW Albuquerque NM, 87102 on 3/26/25 at 10:30 AM

Mikela Andrade 3021 Cypress Dr Sw Albuquerque, NM 87105: Furniture, Bedding, Clothing, Appliances, Electronics, Shelves Brandon Earls 2431 Calle Conlessa Santa Fe, NM 87505: Appliances, Furniture, Boxes, Bikes, Tools

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storageexpress.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. Journal: March 3, 10, 2025

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 11830 Central Ave SE, Alb. NM 87123 on March 19, 2025 at 10:30am

Rudy Garcia, 12720 Cental Ave SE, Albuquerque, NM 87123, Clothing and shoes, couch, loveseat, tire, bag

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storageexpress.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. Journal: February 24 and March 3, 2025.



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Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 9221 Eagle Ranch Rd NW Albuquerque New Mexico 87114 03/25/2025 at 10:30am

Aaron Valierra - 4808 Berton Ave NW Albuquerque, NM 87114 - wash/dryer, household items

The auction will be listed and advertised on [www. storage treasures.com](http://www.storage treasures.com). Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property

Journal: March 3, 10, 2025

Notice is hereby given that Extra Space Storage will sell at public auction at the storage facility listed below, to satisfy the lien of the owner, personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at location indicate

4715 McLeod Rd NE , Albuquerque, NM 87109 on 03/19/2025 at 10:30am

Jacob Norton 20209 13th Dr Se Bothell, WA 98012 fishing rod, tent, totes, sleeping bag-

Ryan Long 3901 Lafayette Dr Ne Apt 12102 Albuquerque, NM 87107 clothes, computer monitor, shoes, boxes

Charles Bonecutter 75 Hotel Cir NE Apt 253 Albuquerque, NM 87123 tables, weights, sewing machine, surf board dressers, stereo, luggage.

The auction will be listed and advertised on [www. storage treasures.com](http://www. storage treasures.com). Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

Journal: February 24, and March 3, 2025.

Notice is hereby given that Extra Space Storage will sell at public auction at the storage facility listed below, to satisfy the lien of the owner, personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at location indicated:

6917 Montigomery Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109 on 3/19/2025 at 10:30am

James Suchoil, 7303 Montgomery Blvd Ne Albuquerque, NM 87109, Boxes, 2 bed-room apartment

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4715 McLeod Rd NE , Albuquerque, NM 87109 on 03/26/2025 at 10:30am

Alfredo Cazares800 Harper Dr NE APT 111 Albuquerque, NM 87109 walker, boxes, totes.

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4100 Yale Blvd NE , Albuquerque, NM 87107 on 03/26/2025 at 10:30am

Sara Dahm 321 61st street Sw, Albuquerque, NM 87121 TV's, Car, Luggage, Cloths, Shoes, Table, Totes and Boxes

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10101 Snow Heights Blvd NE Albuquerque, NM 87112, 3/26/2025 @ 10:30am Gus Chapman 424 Mountain View Dr Las Vegas, NM 87701. TV, Dresser, toilet paper, blankets, clothes.

Stephanie Hock 7129 Emily St Ne Albuquerque, NM 87109. Bedframe, guitar, electronics, shoes, tool box, kid's toys, totes, fish tank, stool, home decor.

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6917 Montgomery Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109 on 3/26/2025 at 10:30am Briana Dixon, 13110 Constitution Ave Ne Apt 5100 Albuquerque, NM 87112. Furniture and Household. Robert Lozano, 8400 Vista Serena Ln Sw Albuquerque, NM 87121. Couches, beds, and boxes.

The auction will be listed and advertised on [www. storage treasures.com](http://www. storage treasures.com). Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF CURRY NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff, vs. Case No.: D-905-CV-2023-00021 LUKE MCSWEENEY, Defendant. 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 Curry County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2604 Gidding St, Clovis, NM 88101, and more particularly described as follows: LOT NINETEEN (19) AND THE NORTH FIFTEEN FEET (N15&#39;) OF LOT EIGHTEEN (18) ALL IN TRACT FIVE (5) OF THE HIGHLAND TERRACE ADDITION, TO THE CITY OF CLOVIS, CURRY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE OFFICIAL RECORDED PLAT THEREOF. Including any mobile home, and any and all improvements, fixtures, and attachments. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 3:00 PM on May 5, 2025, outside the front entrance of the Curry County Courthouse, 700 North Main, City of Clovis, County of Curry, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on February 5, 2025, in the total amount of \$209,133.10, with interest at the rate of 2.375% per annum from December 29, 2024 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Freedom Mortgage Corporation, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING. By: Margaret Lake 201 Eubank NE Suite #A1 Albuquerque, NM 87123 1 NM-22-947284-JUD IDSPub #0237027 3/3/2025 3/10/2025 3/17/2025 3/24/2025

Journal: February 17, 24, and March 3, 2025

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF BERNALILLO SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT Case No.: D-202-CV-2024-08168 IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, vs. MIA E SWAGER; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY; TOWNE PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; Defendants - NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendants, Mia E Swager, to be published on: You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff Idaho Housing and Finance Association has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 321 Rock Creek Park Ave NE, Albuquerque, NM 87123. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows: LOT NUMBERED SEVENTY-THREE (73) IN BLOCK NUMBERED ONE (1), OF TOWNE PARK SUBDIVISION. (HEREIN "THE UNIT") ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF. FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON AUGUST 29, 1983, AND REFILED JANUARY 11, 1984, IN PLAT BOOK C22, FOLIO 199. TOGETHER WITH A DOMINANT SIDE-LOT EASEMENT EXTENDING THREE AND ONE-HALF FEET (3 1/2) INTO LOT 74, BLOCK 1, TOWNE PARK SUBDIVISION (HEREIN "THE SERVIENT TENEMENT") AND RUNNING PARALLEL TO AND MEASURING PERPENDICULAR TO THE ENTIRE SOUTHEASTERLY BOUNDARY OF THE SERVIENT TENEMENT, WHICH SAID EASEMENT IS MORE PARTICULARLY SHOWN ON THE PLAT AND THE EASEMENT RIGHTS OF THE GRANTEE ARE MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THE DECLARATION. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the Complaint in said cause on or before thirty (30) days after the last publication date, judgment by default may be entered against you. McCARTHY & HOLTHUS, LLP By: Jason Bousliman Marin Kowal Attorneys for Plaintiff 6501 Eagle Rock NE, Suite A-3 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87113 Telephone No.: (505) 219-4900 mka@mcCarthyholthus.com IDSPub #0236921 2/24/2025 3/3/2025 3/10/2025

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES RFP #2025-6

The New Mexico Self- Insurers' Fund (NMSIF) hereby gives notice of an RFP that will be issued Tuesday, February 25, 2025.

This RFP contemplates to establish a Contract through competitive negotiations for the procurement of Pharmacy Benefit Management (PBM) services from qualified providers for a worker's compensation self-insured pool of New Mexico municipalities. The NMSIF seeks to partner with a qualified PBM providers to manage the spend on prescription drugs through various means of cost containment. Offeror's interested in obtaining a copy of the RFP may access and download the document once issued on the internet at <https://nmml.org/222/New-Mexico-Self-Insurers-Fund-Requests-4> or may contact the Procurement Manager, Fran Dunaway, CPO via email; ProcurementManager@nmsif.org.

Though there will be no pre-proposal conference for this procurement, please note that all proposal submissions must be received by 4:00 PM MDT/ MST on Tuesday, April 29, 2025. Any submissions received after that time/date will not be accepted. For questions, please direct them to the Procurement Manager at the email address provided above.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF BERNALILLO SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-202-PB-2025-00106

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GRACE ELIZABETH PLEUS, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this Estate. All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to Samantha Finlayson Day, Attorney for the Estate of Grace Elizabeth Pleus, at NEW MEXICO LEGAL GROUP, P.C., 2701 Arizona Street NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110, or filed with the Second Judicial District Court, Bernalillo County Courthouse, Post Office Box 488, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103. Dated: February 13, 2025

/s/ Karen Elizabeth Vernay Karen Elizabeth Vernay Personal Representative

NEW MEXICO LEGAL GROUP, P.C.

By: /s/ Samantha Finlayson Day Samantha Finlayson Day Attorneys for the Personal Representative of the Estate of Grace Elizabeth Pleus, Deceased

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF BERNALILLO SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-202-PB-2025-00127

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANDRIANA WETHINGTON, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Raymond Herrera and HEDRICH LAW, P.A. (Laurie A. Hedrich) have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Andriana Wethington, deceased. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the Co-Personal Representatives c/o Laurie A. Hedrich, Hedrich Law, P.A., 3500 Comanche Road NE, Bldg. D, Albuquerque, NM 87107 (505) 880-1115 or filed with the Second District Court of Bernalillo County, 400 Lomas Blvd. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87102.

DATED: 02/19/2025

/s/ signed Raymond Herrera Raymond Herrera

/s/ signed Laurie A. Hedrich Laurie A. Hedrich

HEDRICH LAW, P.A.

/s/signed Laurie A. Hedrich Laurie A. Hedrich 3500 Comanche Road NE, Bldg. D Albuquerque, NM 87107 (505) 880-1115

Journal: February 24 and March 3, 10, 2025.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF BERNALILLO SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT Probate No. D-202-PB-2025-00164

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JUDITH ANN MARTIN, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this Estate. All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to Samantha Finlayson Day, Attorney for the Estate of Judith Ann Martin, at NEW MEXICO LEGAL GROUP, P.C., 2701 Arizona Street NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110, or filed with the Second Judicial District Court, Bernalillo County Courthouse, Post Office Box 488, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103. Dated: February 20, 2025 /s/ Kathryn Williamson Kathryn Williamson Personal Representative NEW MEXICO LEGAL GROUP, P.C.

By: /s/ Samantha Finlayson Day Samantha Finlayson Day Attorneys for the Personal Representative of the Estate of Judith Ann Martin, Deceased

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Couple are afraid of armed husband



DEAR ABBY: My girlfriend, whom I have known for many years, remarried her ex-husband a few years ago. I didn't know her when she was married to him the first time.

My husband and I don't like him. The last time we met for lunch, her husband showed my husband a gun he was carrying in his pocket! Abby, he's an elderly man with a tremor in his hands. She keeps emailing me about the four of us meeting again, and we are both scared to meet them since he's armed and has that tremor. We are afraid it could accidentally go off and shoot one of us. I don't know what to tell her. — FRIGHTENED IN TEXAS

DEAR FRIGHTENED: Keep in mind that carrying a gun is legal in Texas. Also, many guns have safety devices so they don't fire accidentally. There is a difference between not liking someone and being afraid of socializing with an armed person. You don't have to sacrifice your long friendship with this woman. If you don't want to see them as a couple, get together with her separately.

DEAR ABBY: My son and his wife have quit speaking to my husband and me because I gave them COVID. At their invitation, we took a trip with them to Hawaii. I began feeling ill on the plane and tested positive the next day. A couple days later, my son got sick, and then a few days later, his

wife got it. I told them repeatedly how sorry I was that I'd infected them and spoiled their vacation.

We always had a close relationship, but for the last six weeks, nothing. He told his brother he was furious because I tried to "kill" them. I'm at a loss about what to do, if anything. What would Dear Abby do? — GUILTY IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR GUILTY: What Dear Abby would do is give your son some time to cool off and then reach out and apologize again. He needs to grow up. You didn't make anyone sick on purpose, and it just as easily could have been your son or daughter-in-law infecting you.

DEAR ABBY: I have been in love with a man for more than 30 years. We never married, but he calls me his wife. I'm aware of his infidelity and accept him as-is. I am also involved with my youngest child's father, who I have also been around for 15 years. I'm caught between the two and can't find the way out. My child's father provides financially, but emotionally the man of 30 years is who I want. My problem is, he won't commit. Please help. — TORN IN WASHINGTON

DEAR TORN: If either of these two men wanted marriage, it would have happened years ago. If you really want someone to build a stable future with, look for someone who can give you more stability than these two "prizes." Find a man who is available and willing. Right now, you are just treading water, which will get you no further than you are today.

Contact Dear Abby at DearAbby.com or P.O. BOX 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 3).** This is the year your vitality surges, fueling bold moves and exhilarating adventures. More highlights: A stroke of good fortune transforms a relationship into something deeper and more rewarding. A creative pursuit brings unexpected acclaim, and you'll revel in the joy of being truly seen. Leo and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 12, 29, 38 and 44.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** The best things in life aren't free; they're earned through dedication, loyalty, passion and respect. Meaningful connections and opportunities will be bartered using these emotional currencies today in exchanges that deepen your sense of purpose.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** You've a talent for connection. You'll keep things light and skim the surface of topics until you find the one that rings. That's when you'll go deeper, but only slightly... just enough to get the rapport that starts a relationship rolling.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** There's a bit of a tangle today: ambition, responsibilities, reconciling certain aspects of a relationship with your self-image — it's all a lot, but that's the thing about Taurus. One snip of the scissors can free up the whole thing.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** You'll strike an excellent balance in relationships, helping but not imposing or enabling. Your presence, care and effort matter, but true connection isn't about carrying the full weight; it's about walking alongside each other.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Check your assumptions. The willingness to change one's mind is a sign of intellectual humility, showing openness to growth and to learning from others, our experiences and our mistakes.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** Being wrong isn't fun, but it's definitely inevitable,

as no one is right 100% of the time. People who know they are flawed are less flawed than the ones who believe they are beyond reproach.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Some memories are like insects caught in amber, perfectly preserved — untouched by time, unchanged by retelling. You'll revisit such a moment, and your recollection is accurate, but the facts will mean something different to you now.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** It's always nice when the kind words and the true words are one in the same. You'll also stumble across truths that have the potential to land badly, and in that case, you'll apply your famous finesse and save the day.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Life has shaped a certain kind of longing, and that longing latched onto something that seemed to promise excitement and tenderness. Now comes the big question. If you close in on this, will the reality be as beautiful as the dream?

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Expand your vision beyond what just one source can provide. For instance, instead of waiting for one person to be the answer, put the question out wider. There are many who will want to show up for you.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** While one part of you craves intellectual growth, physical excellence and spiritual enlightenment, another just wants to binge a good streaming series. The good news? These desires don't have to compete.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** It is kind to test the light of awareness. You're dancing around a truth today and not sure how much of it to bring into the light. James Thurber said, "There are two kinds of light — the glow that illuminates, and the glare that obscures."\*

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WORD PUZZLES BY WOOD TOM

1. PRECIOUS STONES

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Today's Answers:

1. Semiprecious stones

2. Female intuition

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Saturday's unlisted clue: COFFEE

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Monday's unlisted clue hint: 2nd Largest California City

Chicago	Hidalgo	Lubango	Sebago
Durango	Hugo	Oswego	Winnebago
Fargo	Key Largo	Otsego	Yonago
Flamingo	Letongo	Santiago	

### JUMBLE

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Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

LTETI

RSYOR

OHCOES

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After the show, what do you say we all go bowling?

Yeah! I feel some strikes coming on!

First, let's get ready to bring this place down!

I've got my ball in my car.

THE BAND PLANNED TO GO BOWLING AFTER THEIR GIG BECAUSE THEY WANTED TO ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: CHAOS LUCKY FASTEN EASILY  
Answer: The police officer was being methodical, but the thief wanted to — CUT TO THE CHASE

### CRYPTOQUIP

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CQDDR GL COX RGXW YBJY  
LDDI QOXBY JY BGHD BJVXOVX  
GFY OV WHJII DVZIGWFQDW:  
YBD ZQJYD RJVD.

Saturday's Cryptoquip: BECAUSE THIS TOWN IS NOT ELEVATED ENOUGH TO HAVE SNOW-PACKED SLOPES, IS IT BELOW SKI LEVEL?  
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: X equals G

### Crossword

ACROSS	36 Slander	DOWN	20 Works the soil
1 Heavy weight	38 Use a shovel	1 —	21 Monet works
4 Audacious	40 Not 'neath	2 Lennon's partner	22 Edge
9 Brady Bunch girl	41 Carpet type	3 Refusals	23 "A Death in the Family" author
12 Year in Spain	43 Runway sights	4 Scald briefly in water, as veggies	27 Auction signal
13 "Bleeding Love" singer	45 Major shock	5 Akin	29 "Understood" co.
14 Lyric poem	47 Scale member	6 "You've got mail"	30 Round Table titles
15 Quarterback for the Buffalo Bills	48 Joke	7 Furtive one	32 Pearl Harbor site
17 Present location?	49 Almost	8 Cranky due to skipping lunch, say	34 With-it person
18 Chef	54 Rink surface	9 Mini-strike	37 Powerful engine
19 Shocked	55 Everglades wader	10 Big fusses	39 Is a bad winner
21 Thing	56 Expert	11 On deck	42 Evaluate
24 Ray of McDonald's	57 Service charge	16 Hasten	44 Cleric's garment
25 Lyricist	58 Eye drops		45 End-of-week letters
26 Chick's mom	59 Bit of advice		46 Indy event
28 Bigfoot's relatives			50 Mrs. in Mexico
31 Long ride?			51 Select, with "for"
33 Homer's cry			52 Swiss canton
35 Spanish ayes			53 Surpass

Solution time: 21 mins.

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Saturday's answer 3-3

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