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MIMBRES MESSENGER

Why Are Some Fence Posts Painted Purple?

If you come across one of them, beware!

In many remote and rural areas across America, you might find yourself running into a curious sight: a fence post painted purple. Though this may seem strange, but is probably not cause for concern in the minds of most passersby, even though it should be...

These purple fences are far from an aesthetic choice. People paint the tips of their fences and metal posts for a good reason-- because it serves as a warning to people who are unfamiliar with the property they've come across.

of land. This important warning is much easier than posting a series of "no trespassing" signs all over their property, both in terms of expense and not having to have the signs made and installed.

Strangest of all, while this practice and warning may seem new to you, it is not new by any means. In fact, the law has been in effect for upward of 30 years! That's

Since you are viewing this picture in black and white, you will just have to imagine the fence post is painted purple at the top. If you go to our on-line version of the *Messenger* at www.Blackrange3.org, you don't have to imagine anything, you can see it in purple as well as see the rest of the *Messenger* in color!



It turns out that property owners paint their fences purple when they want to tell people that there is "no trespassing" on a specific property---and it is the law in some states. This little-known law is being enforced by many state legislatures. It is done for convenience and cost effectiveness for those people who own large plots

why it is extremely important to pay attention to your surroundings if you find yourself in an unknown area. If you cross those lines, you're actually breaking the law and can be prosecuted the same as if were a No Trespassing sign.

If you're wondering why the color purple was chosen, the answer is pretty simple. According to Ashley Pellerin, an agent at the Prairie View A&M, she believes it was chosen, because there are a lot of people who are color blind, but most can see the color purple.

States with purple paint laws: Maine, Texas, Illinois, Missouri, North Carolina, Florida, Idaho, Arkansas, Montana, Arizona, and Kansas. So if you are out hunting or exploring a new area in one of these states, Beware of the Purple Post!

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

50 YEARS AGO

Recently a post on Facebook announced that “30 years ago it was 1990, and I thought 30 years ago was 1970”. While the math was a little shaky, it brought to mind some “as time goes by” thoughts. In 1989, I wrote a 50-years birthday card for a friend who was born in 1939. He turned 80 this year – yikes.

All that brought to mind what was happening 50 years ago – that was when? – 1969. Because history is always fascinating, I thought I would look back 50 years.

HEADLINES - James Earl Ray Pleads Guilty to Murder of Martin Luther King, Jr and is Sentenced to 99 Years. De Gaulle Resigns After Election Defeat. Nixon Appoints Warren Burger Chief Justice, Supreme Court. Astronaut Neil Armstrong is the First Man to Walk on the Moon. Sirhan Sirhan is Convicted of Murder of Robert Kennedy. Lieutenant William Calley to Be Tried for My Lai Massacre. First Draft Lottery is Held.

TELEVISION PREMIERES – The David Frost Show; The Brady Bunch; Hee Haw (Buck Owens, Roy Clark); This is Tom Jones; Marcus Welby MD (Robert Young, James Brolin).

NEILSEN'S TOP TEN – Rowan and Martin Laugh In; Gunsmoke; Bonanza; Mayberry R.F.D.; Family Affair; Here's Lucy; The Red Skelton Hour; Marcus Welby, MD; Walt Disney's Wonderful World of Color; and The Doris Day Show.

OF NOTE – CBS's Morning News is the first hour-long daily news show. 95% of all homes have TV sets, 40% are color TV's. The first-year lineup for PBS includes “The Forsyte Saga” and “Sesame Street”.

By Anna Willhite



MOVIES *Midnight Cowboy* – Dustin Hoffman, Jon Voight; *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid* – Paul Newman, Robert Redford; *Hello, Dolly* – Barbara Streisand, Walter Matthau; *Alice's Restaurant* – Arlo Guthrie; *The Sterile Cuckoo* - Liza Minelli; *Easy Rider* – Peter Fonda, Jack Nicholson, Dennis Hopper; *Goodbye Columbus* – Richard Benjamin, Ali McGraw; *True Grit* - John Wayne, Glen Campbell.

ACADEMY AWARDS – Best Picture – *Midnight Cowboy*, Best Director – John Schlesinger *Midnight Cowboy*, Best Actress – Maggie Smith, *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie*, Best Actor – John Wayne, *True Grit*.

TOP BOX OFFICE STARS – Paul Newman, John Wayne, Steve McQueen, Dustin Hoffman, Clint Eastwood, Sidney Poitier, Lee Marvin, Jack Lemmon, Katharine Hepburn, Barbara Streisand.

BOOKS: BEST SELLERS – *Portnoy's Complaint*, Philip Roth; *The Godfather*, Mario Puzo; *The Andromeda Strain*, Michael Crichton; **NONFICTION** – *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, Mya Angelo; *The Establishment is Alive and Well in Washington*, Art Buchwald; *The Making of the President, 1968*, Theodore H. White.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - Apollo XI, manned by Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins, is the first lunar landing mission. Armstrong walked on the moon on July 20, he and Aldrin collect 9 pounds, 12 ounces of rock and soil. They remain on the moon 21 hours, 31 minutes.

Rubella (German measles) vaccine is made available. DDT usage in residential areas is banned. The first commercial 747 goes into service. The Concorde makes its first trans-U.S. flight, from Seattle to New York.

DEATHS IN 1969: Dwight D. Eisenhower, Walter Gropius, Sonja Henie, Boris Karloff, Jack Kerouac, John L. Lewis, Drew Pearson, Thelma Ritter.



FOREST SERVICE NEWS



8th Annual Aldo Leopold Kids' Fishing Derby

Summer is getting near and so is the 8th Annual Aldo Leopold Kids' Fishing Derby on Saturday, June 1st at Lake Roberts, north of Silver City, NM. The derby will coincide with New Mexico's Free Fishing Day, so bring the whole family for FREE fishing fun. There will be display booths, demonstrations, prizes and tons of interactive fun for the kids. The event will run from 7am to noon, with an awards ceremony to follow.

Mora National Fish Hatchery is planning on stocking retired Gila trout for the event. This may be the year for a world record Gila trout on the end of your line!! Certified scales will be on site to officially weigh your trophy.

The event is sponsored by the Wilderness District of the Gila National Forest, in cooperation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Mora National Fish Hatchery, and New Mexico Department of Game and Fish. Co-sponsors of the event include Trout Unlimited, New Mexico Wildlife Federation, Mesilla Valley Fly Fishers, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers, New Mexico Wilderness Alliance, Morningstar Sports, 1st New Mexico Bank, Chavez Construction, National Wild Turkey Federation, and other local businesses.

Let's go fishing!!!

Temporary Closures Ordered for Public Safety

Due to recent rainfall and rapid snow melt, the **Head of Ditch Campground** has experienced flooding and road damage and is temporary closed.

As of the printing of this publication, the temporary closure order for the **Catwalk National Recreation Area** remains in effect. The Whitewater Creek currently does not have a streamflow monitor, but the USGS Current Conditions for Streamflow is indicating that stream flow discharge rate is 30-40 cubic feet/second (CF/S) and the flow is normally below 5 CF/S. The water in this area is coming from the western slopes of the Mogollon range which has received quite a bit of snow this winter. In addition, the last crossing into the Catwalk's parking lot is in a streamflow channel, and the water brings down a lot of sand, gravel, and other forms of large debris.

Per the National Weather Service's NOAA website, "Each year, more deaths occur due to flooding than from any other thunderstorm related hazard. The Centers for Dis-

ease Control and Prevention report that over half of all flood-related drownings occur when a vehicle is driven into hazardous flood water. The next highest percentage of flood-related deaths is due to walking into or near flood waters.

People underestimate the force and power of water. Many of the deaths occur in automobiles as they are swept downstream. Of these drownings, many are preventable, but too many people continue to drive around the barriers that warn you the road is flooded. A mere **6 inches** of fast-moving flood water can knock over an adult. It takes just **12 inches** of rushing water to carry away a small car, while **2 feet** of rushing water can carry away most vehicles.

It is NEVER safe to drive or walk into flood waters." Please **"Turn Around Don't Drown!"**

Volunteer Camp Hosts Needed on Wilderness Ranger District

The Gila National Forest, Wilderness Ranger District is looking for volunteer camp hosts.

The host would be stationed at the Mesa Campground near the Lake Roberts Recreation area. Amenities provided include a pull-through campsite, water, electricity, a Forest Service Radio, sewer and propane. Time commitment would be to arrive as soon as possible and stay through Labor Day and possibly through October 31.

If you are interested in this position, please contact Robert Gallardo at 575-536-2250 or email at rob-ert.gallardo@usda.gov or Jim Apodaca at 575-894-6677 or email at james.apodaca@usda.gov.

Quemado Lake Recreation Area opening May 10

Historically, the Quemado Lake Recreation Area, located on the Gila National Forest, has opened the campgrounds every year on May 1. The District Ranger has decided to push back the seasonal opening of the Juniper and Piñon campgrounds to the weekend of Mother's Day. Those campgrounds will be open the Friday before Mother's Day, which will be May 10 this year, to allow forest visitors time to find a campsite and enjoy their weekend. The El Caso campgrounds in the Quemado Lake Recreation Area are open year-round for your camping pleasure.

Mark Your Calendars Now

UPPER MIMBRES VOLUNTEER FIRE AND RESCUE

Annual Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale



Come for the pancakes and stay for the conversation at the annual Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale on Saturday, May 11, hosted by Upper Mimbres Volunteer Fire and Rescue. Breakfast is \$5 per plate and will be served from 8 to 11 a.m. at the department's Main Station, located near Mile 5, Highway 35. The meal includes scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage, hot chocolate, coffee, and juice. Cookies, pies, cakes, bread, and other goods will be available for sale as well. As always, the volunteer firefighters appreciate the support from Mimbres Valley residents and visitors. For more information, contact umvfr@gilanet.com or call 575-536-3683.

Mimbres Farms Greenhouse

Is Closed to the Public, but
Plants will be available

Wednesday, May 1st

Silver City Farmers' Market
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Saturday, May 4th

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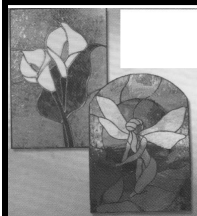


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Spring Time in the Mimbres!

Valle Mimbres Market will be celebrating its 10th birthday, the second week of April. The store first started in the annex room of La Tienda, with a limited amount of essential organic items, and carried on for a few years before the building changed ownership. Then the market moved a few miles up Highway 35 to another rented place, offering more fresh produce and dry goods. At that time, ground was broken for a new building in front of the Casas Adobes subdivision. Five years ago, the Market opened at its current location: 2739 Highway 35. A wide assortment of dry goods, fresh produce, teas and coffee, breads, dairy, frozen meat and fish, spices, bulk items, pet foods and much more can be found at the market three days a week: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 11:00 am until 6:00 pm.

The mission of Valle Mimbres Market is to bring good food to the valley, while following its three principles: 1] Quality, 2] Integrity and 3] Community.

1] The products offered must be of the best grade available both locally or from responsible wholesalers. All the food, fresh, refrigerated, frozen or packaged is free of GMO [Genetically Modified Organisms], and most of it is organic.

2] The market follows strong moral principles, never buying from companies who do not respect their employees or our planet, do not support organic standards, and/or have misrepresented their products.

3] The market also follows many of the cooperative principles. Open to anyone, Attentive to all its customers, offering information, Co-operating with co-ops local and distant, Independent, and Concerned for the Community. Adjacent to the store is a room reserved for Therapeutic Healing Treatment where two massage therapists' practice three days a week. The market carries local produce and other goods.

Join us on April 9, 11 and 13 to celebrate our 10th anniversary. There will be many sales, baked goods, and great giveaways.

In addition, on May 4th, starting at 10:00 am, there will be a Spring Plant Sale offering locally grown vegetable starts, fruit trees, native plants, bamboo, herbs and more.

To your health, Shelley, RJ, Rick and Frankie at Valle Mimbres Market

For information on any of the events listed below, contact the Grant County Extension Office at 575-388-1559

AGRICULTURAL LISTENING SESSION

Participate in this engaging face-to-face conversation with our state agricultural leaders. Ask questions, voice concerns and discuss the future of agriculture in New Mexico.

On **Tuesday, April 2, from 6 PM to 8 PM** at the Grant County Business and Conference Center, 3031 US-180, Silver City, join Dr. Rolando A. Flores, Dean, College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, New Mexico State University, as well as Jeff Witte, New Mexico Secretary of Agriculture.

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Dr. Stephanie Walker, NMSU Vegetable Specialist will speak on **April 1st from 5:30 to 6:30 PM**. Her topics will be Vegetable Gardening; Small Plot/Container Gardening; and Soil Information.

On **April 8 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM**, there will be two guest speakers. Dr. Carol Sutherland, Extension Entomologist and Dr. Leslie Beck, Extension Weed Specialist. Their topics will be: Common Garden Insect Identification, Insect Control and Treatment; Common Garden Weed Identification; and Weed Control and Treatment.



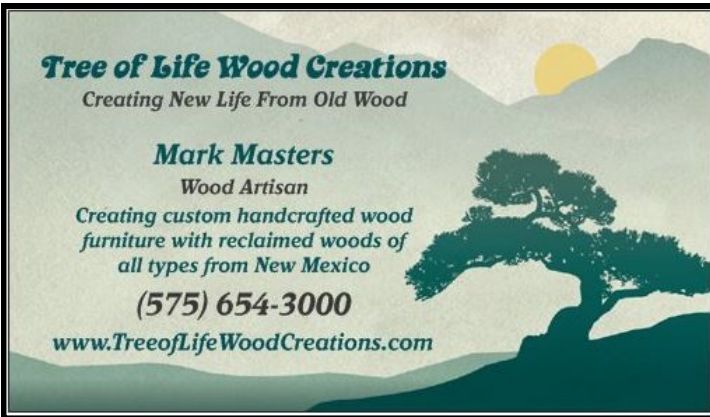
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Raising Gila Trout at San Lorenzo Elementary

By Marilyn Markel

Stop by San Lorenzo Elementary School and take a look at the



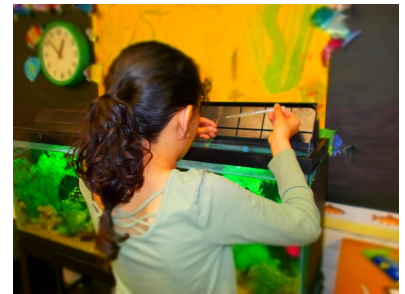
Gila Trout the students and staff are raising. **What beautiful fish!** For the third year in a row, the kids are learning about the habitat of the trout and

how to take care of them. The plan is to watch the fish grow, until May, then release the fish in Sapillo Creek.


The trout arrived at the school a few weeks ago. This project, *Native Fish in the Classroom*, is a cooperative effort between the school, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, and the Gila National Forest to provide hands-on educational opportunities for the students and teachers. Raising a species "threatened" in the wild is a great way to learn the science of ecosystems and habitat. The teachers are incorporating the fish-raising experience into the school curriculum and the students learn about data collection and record keeping. Students also learn all kinds of information about fish and other wildlife while practicing writing and math skills and expanding their vocabulary.

Students observe the trout, write about their observations, test the water and record data about the water temperature and chemical balance. Gila National Forest Fish Biologist Justin Myers teaches the kids about weighing the fish and how to determine how much food to feed them.


"The hard part this year", says Mr. Koury, was seeing the disappointment on the faces of the little kids, the 3-4 year olds and kindergarteners, as they walked by the fish tank each morning and asked, "When is our fish coming?" The tank was set up, Ms. Carpenter, the librarian, had created a background border using colorful Mimbres fish painted by the kids; the bulletin board was filled with info about the trout. All was ready. But where were the fish? The government shutdown caused a delay in getting the fish delivered from the hatchery in Mora. And only five fish finally arrived. One of those jumped out of the tank one night and, sadly, expired. The four remaining fish are growing, fed and cared for daily, and, in May, the students will watch as the trout find a home in the wild.



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ROUNDUP LODGE NOTES

You may have noticed that the old Roundup Lodge is slowly looking better all the time. Much of the work has been going on behind the scenes, but some of it is readily visible. Over the past few months, thanks largely to member, Barry Gray, we have a new, sealed roof, a new handicapped ramp, and most of the inside and outside cracks have been filled.

Other, less readily visible upgrades and repairs include the needed upgrade to the septic system – which is still in progress.

Many planned improvements must be prepared for before they can be accomplished. The Boosters have been allocating as much money as possible from fundraising activities over the past 7 or 8 years and are finally ready to accomplish some of the previously unaffordable upgrades.

The most badly-needed up-grade is the electrical system. That is a major project, involving replacement of the current 70 amp (inadequate) service going into the building. This is a complete upgrade, involving a new utility pole, transformer and installation. This project is already in the works, but like most such similar undertakings, it has been fraught with details – usually something that has to be changed or redesigned. But we are gaining on it and look forward to the day we can tell PNM to go full steam ahead. We are ready.

After that, upgraded electrical wiring inside the building will be required. Part of the new electrical plan concerns heating and air conditioning.

It is well known that winter meetings and gatherings at the Lodge suffer from noisy and ineffectual heating. In summer, air conditioning simply does not exist. Plans are in the works for the best heat and air conditioning systems we can find for a building such as the Lodge. Once

the electrical work is done, it will be heat and air conditioning. We hope there will be money left for a new hot water system, too!

For the past few years, the Lodge has been used more often than ever before. That is a positive thing, but it also means that operating costs (such as heat and electricity) have risen, along with more work for the Boosters keeping the place clean. The volunteers are consistently there when needed to keep things moving smoothly. Nothing would happen without them.

The community is fortunate to have a facility such as the Lodge for gatherings, meetings, and other events. The community is generous in supporting the Lodge. We are grateful for the support of the community and those who enjoy the use of the Lodge. It is just going to keep getting better!

On March 23rd, the Dave Morgan Band from Buckhorn provided music for an evening of fun and dancing at the Roundup Lodge. Booster club members are planning more live music and dances—just like the good old days, but with a modern flare! Watch for future dances at the Lodge.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR & HAPPENINGS

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ALZHEIMER CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP - For more information call Sharon McGrath 536-3950.

CASAS ADOBES WATER ASSOCIATION - April 18 - (usually the third Thursday in even numbered months) 6:30 p.m. Roundup Lodge, Acklin Hill Road.

COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION - April 17- (third Wednesday of every month) - 12 NOON to 2:00 pm - Roundup Lodge Please bring a suitable box. Volunteers to help pack boxes are always needed.

DESERT WEST AUCTION - THE BIG RED BARN - 3870 Hwy 35, Mimbres. **Third Sunday of every month** Off Line and On Line Auction email: desertwest@desertwestauction.com web: www.desertwestauction.com phone: [575-536-9353](tel:575-536-9353) On Line at www.liveauctioneers.com

HMS MIMBRES CLINIC - Clinic Hours and Days have been **changed - NEW TEMPORARY HOURS Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 am to 5 pm**. 575-536-3990 (Closed between 12 noon and 1 pm for lunch)

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MIMBRES CULTURE HERITAGE SITE - 12 Sage Drive (on Highway 35), New Summer Hours -Open daily from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Special group tours can be arranged by calling 575-536-9337 or 575-536-3333 at least a week in advance.

MIMBRES FARM BUREAU - Thursday, April 11 Monthly meetings usually are the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. Roundup Lodge. Pot-luck supper followed by a business meeting. Everyone welcome.

MIMBRES VALLEY HEALTH ACTION LEAGUE (MVHAL) - Wednesday, April 10 - 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm (usually the 2nd Wednesday of the month) Roundup Lodge - Acklin Hill Road

MIMBRES VALLEY ROUNDUP LODGE BOOSTER CLUB Acklin Hill Road - Calendar of events.

BOOSTER CLUB MONTHLY MEETING. April 4 - 5:30 pm (First Thursday of the month) Everyone welcome. Light dinner served.

BINGO - Sunday, April 14 - 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm - Second Sunday of each month. Roundup Lodge - \$5 a card or 3 for \$10.00. Grand Prize of \$50

MIMBRES VALLEY SENIOR CENTER - LUNCH DAILY - Monday - Friday NEW HOURS—LUNCH IS NOW AT 12 NOON Reservations are requested one day in advance. See Page 14 for daily menu.

ACTIVITIES CALENDAR - See Page 14.

EXERCISE FOR SENIORS -Every Tuesday and Thursday - 10:30 am Stretching and light weight lifting. For information call Thelma Melvin 536-2899

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APRIL 20TH



COUNTY CALENDAR

ALBERTSONS - Wednesday, April 3 - First Wednesday of the month. Seniors 55+ get 10% off. All day.

AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP - Every Wednesday - 6 pm to 7 pm - Arenas Valley Church of Christ, 5 Race Track Road, Arenas Valley. Open meeting for family and friends of alcoholics. For information, call 575-313-7094 or 575-654-1643

AMERICAN LEGION POST 18 of Silver City - meets every **Wednesday from 8:30 am to 10:30 am** for coffee and doughnuts for all veterans. 409 West College Avenue, Silver City. For more information contact Ray Davis 575-956-5153

AMERICAN LEGION POST 18 and THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY - meet the second Saturday of every month at the American Legion Post - Breakfast at 9 am followed by a meeting at 10 am

BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN - Wednesday, April 10 - 2nd WEDNESDAYS - 6:00 pm Everyone, members and interested parties are invited. Meetings frequently include information on upcoming events, trail cleanings and conditions, educational presentations and demonstrations. **WNMU Watt's Hall Room #224 in Silver City Opposite CVS Pharmacy - NW corner of Hwy 180 and Swan - parking on Cactus** enter at NW door.

BAYARD PUBLIC LIBRARY - NEW HOURS - Monday - noon to 6 pm, Tuesday through Friday - 9 am to 6 pm - CLOSED on Saturday and Sunday.

BOOKMOBILE WEST SCHEDULE -Thursday, April 18

Mimbres - Living Harvest Bakery 9:45 am - 10:45 am

Lake Roberts - Sapillo Creek Fire Station 11:45 am - 12:45 pm

Doc Campbell's Post (near Gila Cliff Dwellings) 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

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FORT BAYARD WALKING TOURS - Private tours for family and friends visiting the area. Call 575-388-9123 or 575-574-8779

GRANT COUNTY ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY - - Wednesday, April 17 - (3rd Weds of the month) - 6:00 PM Meetings will be held from October through April in Silver City. No pot-luck this month. Guest speaker is archaeologist, Chris Turnbow who will present The Seventh Parrot Project. Call Marilyn Markel 536-9337 for more information.

GRANT COUNTY ROLLING STONES GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY - Thursday, April 9 - (2nd Thursday), 6:00 pm - Meeting and potluck followed by a rock draw. Bring your own service ware and dish to share. **NEW MEETING PLACE and CONTACT INFO:** 2045 Memory Lane, Silver City and the new contact phone number is 575-654-4424
rollingstonesgms.blogspot.com

Field trip Saturday, April 21 - the 3rd Saturday of the month at 8:30 am. For more information contact Ansel Walters at 575-388-2010

MS SUPPORT GROUP - First Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am for lunch in Silver City. Meetings are held in various City area restaurants. New members with Multiple Sclerosis are welcome. Email huseworld@yahoo.com for the location.

NEW HOPE AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP - EVERY MONDAY - 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm - First Presbyterian Church at 20th and Swan, Silver City. Open meeting for family and friends of alcoholics. For information, call Jerry 575-534-4866 or Diana 575-574-2311.

PUPPY DOG RANCH RESCUE AND SANCTUARY - Has moved to Deming.

SILVER CITY MUSEUM - Tuesday - Friday 9 am to 4:30 pm. Saturday and Sunday - 10 am to 4 pm, 312 West Broadway. Museum Admission is free; \$5 suggested donation.

SILVER CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LUNCHEON MEETING - Thursday, April 4 - (Usually 1st Thursday of the month)- As of this printing, the guest speaker has not been announced. **WNMU Student Cafeteria**, Sunset Room, Student Memorial Building, 100 College Avenue. **Reminder that you should register online.** Cost is \$15 for full lunch. See silvercity.org for detailed information or email info@silvercity.org or call GCCC at 575-538-3785.

SILVER CITY FOOD CO-OP - Calendar of Events contact the Food Co-op at 575-388-2343 or www.silvercityfoodcoop.coop for information about any event.

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POPCORN FRIDAYS! Enjoy Free Organic Popcorn and Food Samples at the Silver City Food Co-op 520 North Bullard Street

SILVER CITY PHOTO CLUB - No time or date available, Call 860-670-4543 for information - Unitarian Universalist Meeting House, 3845 North Swan Street in Silver City. Meetings are free, but donations to help out our host venue are appreciated.

WALGREENS - Tuesday, April 2 - (1st Tuesday of each month) - SENIOR DISCOUNT - 10% off of items not on sale.

WIDOWED AND SINGLE PERSONS OF GRANT COUNTY -Monday, April 8 - Sign in at 10:30 am - (second Monday of each month) Cross Point Assembly of God church . Guest speaker is Karen Beckenbach, President of the Community Concert with updates for the season. Cost of lunch is \$12. All singles are welcome. For information call 575-388-1584 M-Th-9:00-12:00

WOMEN'S AL-ANON MEETING: WOMEN EMBRACING RECOVERY - Every Friday - 5:30 pm to 6:30pm - La Clinica Health and Birth Center, 3201 Ridge Loop, Silver City. Closed meeting for women who are family and friends of alcoholics. For information call 575-313-7094 or 575-313-1032

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HMS Senior Centers April 2019 Menu					MILK IS SERVED DAILY
MONDAY 1	TUESDAY 2	WEDNESDAY 3	THURSDAY 4	FRIDAY 5	
Taco Salad...505 Spanish Rice Squash Crackers Lettuce/Tomato Medium Apple	Chicken Adovada ..146 Pinto Beans Squash Flour Tortilla Banana Pudding	Sloppy Joe...192 Green Beans French Fries Salad Applesauce	Chicken Tenders...119 Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Italian Vegetables Bread Oatmeal cookie	Tuna Salad Sandwich..414 Chips Carrot Sticks & Celery Sticks with Dressing Medium Orange	
8	9	10	11	12	
Green Chile Meat Burrito ..SL9 Spanish Rice Pinto Beans Mandarin Oranges	BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich...505 Hamburger Bun Peas & Carrots Salad w/Dressing Pineapple	BBQ Chicken...220 Baked Beans Potato Salad Bread Grapes	Chile Relleno...527 w/shredded cheese Pinto Beans Salad Flour Tortilla Fruit Cocktail	Bean Burrito ... 501 Toss Salad w/dressing Spanish Rice Medium Orange	
15	16	17	18	19	
Chicken Sandwich...144 w/cheese on HB Bun Lettuce/Tomato/Onion Green Beans Pineapple	Grilled Cheese Sandwich...Ds11 Veggie Soup Garden Salad w/Dressing Medium Apple	Beef Enchiladas Red..503 Calabasitas w/ Mexicorn Medium Banana Ice Cream	Baked Chicken Breast..205 Egg Noodles w/Alfredo Sauce Squash/Zucchini Roll Grapes	Dill Fish...404 Mexicorn Breadstick 1 Medium Pear Yogurt	
22	23	24	25	26	
Hot Dog ...516 Baked Beans Sauerkraut Salad w/Dressing Ice Cream	Chicken Tacos...506 lettuce/tomato Calabasitas w/ Green Chile Pinto Beans Medium Orange	Pizza...DS13 Italian Blend Veggie Garden Salad w/Dressing Fresh Pear	Green Chile Cheeseburger ..103 lettuce/tomato/pickle/onion Peas&Carrots Applesauce Birthday Cake	Egg Salad Sandwich..402 Potato chips Carrot/Celery Sticks Peanut Butter cookie	
29	30				
Ham & Cheese Sandwich..4 Lettuce & Tomato Vegetable Beef Soup Peaches Vanilla Wafers	Green Chile Stew ...512 Mexicorn Tossed Salad w/dressing Cornbread Applesauce		<i>HMS Senior Centers</i> Ena Mitchell 542-9414 Silver City 388-2545 Santa Clara 537-5254 Gila 535-2888 Mimbres 536-9990		

Please call your Senior Center before 10am or make reservations the day before the meal. Suggested donations for seniors 60 years of age or older is \$2.00. All donations of any amount are accepted and appreciated.

SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

There is no charge for any of the listed activities

LUNCH IS SERVED DAILY (Monday through Friday) 12:00 NOON

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The San Lorenzo Dream Team and What's Next

By Chris DeBolt

If you read the Messenger last month, you know what an amazing school we have in the Valley. Since Michael Koury has become principal, the school has flourished. So, what makes San Lorenzo Elementary School so special? Mr. Koury says the credit goes to what he calls his "Dream Team". Around the Valley, you may spot t-shirts, aprons and jackets that proudly display "Dream Team". This not only includes everyone who works at the school, but individuals who help with programs that wouldn't happen without their volunteer work. When asked why they were so successful, this is what the teachers of the Dream Team had to say.

- A mindset that all students can succeed;
- Teachers form relationships with their students who know their teachers care and won't quit;
- Staff are trusted as professionals to make the best choices for their students;
- Faith and Love;
- Good managements and effective leadership. This sets the stage for the other things; and
- A strong, positive school culture for education that extends to the whole community.

There are hundreds of schools and thousands of classrooms in our state's public education system. We all recognize how hard everyone works in all of them and how much more they need. Obviously, San Lorenzo has done one of the best jobs in the state. With straight "A" ratings four years in a row as well as being named one of the top ten schools in New Mexico, what's next?

The new administration in Albuquerque has said that education will take a front row seat giving the teachers

and students more of what they truly need. Hopefully, they will take note and learn from the best. Whether you are aware or not, or whether you are a fan or not of "school grades" they have been discontinued, so there may not be a fifth "A". And there may not be another Secretary's Top 10 Honor Roll. Does this mean that the principal, teachers, students and staff will not be working as hard next year?

No way!

Change is a constant to be dealt with. Principal Michael Koury and the Dream Team suggest that the new Secretary of Education and her department consider the following when making changes:

- Recognize the importance of accountability, for staff and kids, which encourages students to aim higher.
- Administer smaller tests throughout the year thus reducing stress.
- Use these tests to guide instruction that is based on students' needs.
- Rather than the custom "year-end review" (aka "the autopsy), engage in "healthcare" review that is performed throughout the year.
- Keep the force on all students regardless of the "designation" or "label".

We hope that that the San Lorenzo "Dream Team" will influence the Education Department to do what is best for the kids of New Mexico. What better example and role model could they have than San Lorenzo Elementary School!

The community is so thankful and proud to have a principal like Mr. Koury, the dedicated teachers and the wonderful staff. Thanks to everyone associated with the school.

Happy Easter



Conejo Mimbrenño Visits Petroglyph National Monument

The third in our series highlighting New Mexico National Parks and Monuments

Story and photos by Marilyn Markel



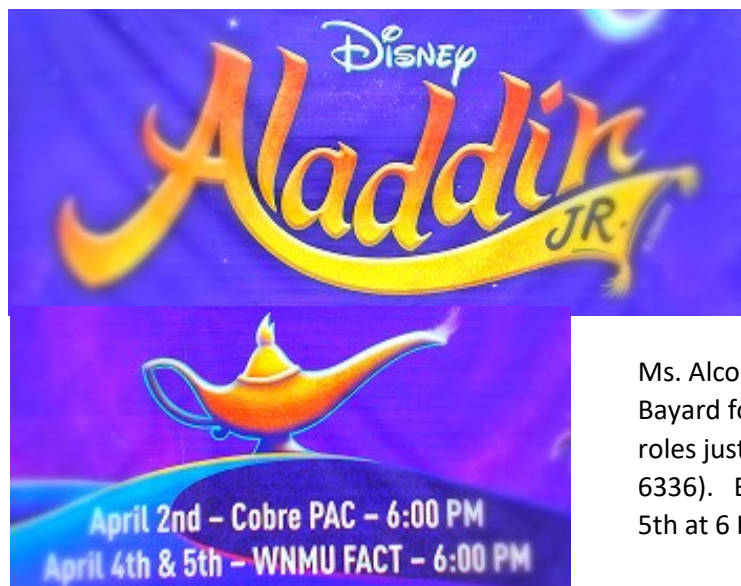
Created in June 1990, Petroglyph National Monument, known for its cultural and natural resources, preserves over

seventeen square miles along Albuquerque's West Mesa for the benefit and enjoyment of present and future generations.

The monument includes five volcanic cones and 24,000 images carved by Ancestral Puebloan Indians and early Spanish settlers. The petroglyphs were made over a span of thousands of years first



by hunters and gatherers, and later by Pueblo people. Some historic petroglyphs are thought to have been made by Spanish sheep herders. Present-day Pueblo Indians still use the area for religious purposes.



Aladdin; A Play by Cobre Kids

April 2nd, in a special dress rehearsal performance, students from San Lorenzo Elementary will get to watch fellow students perform the play *Aladdin, Jr.* at Cobre High in preparation for Opening Night at WNMU, FACT on April 4th, 6:00 PM.

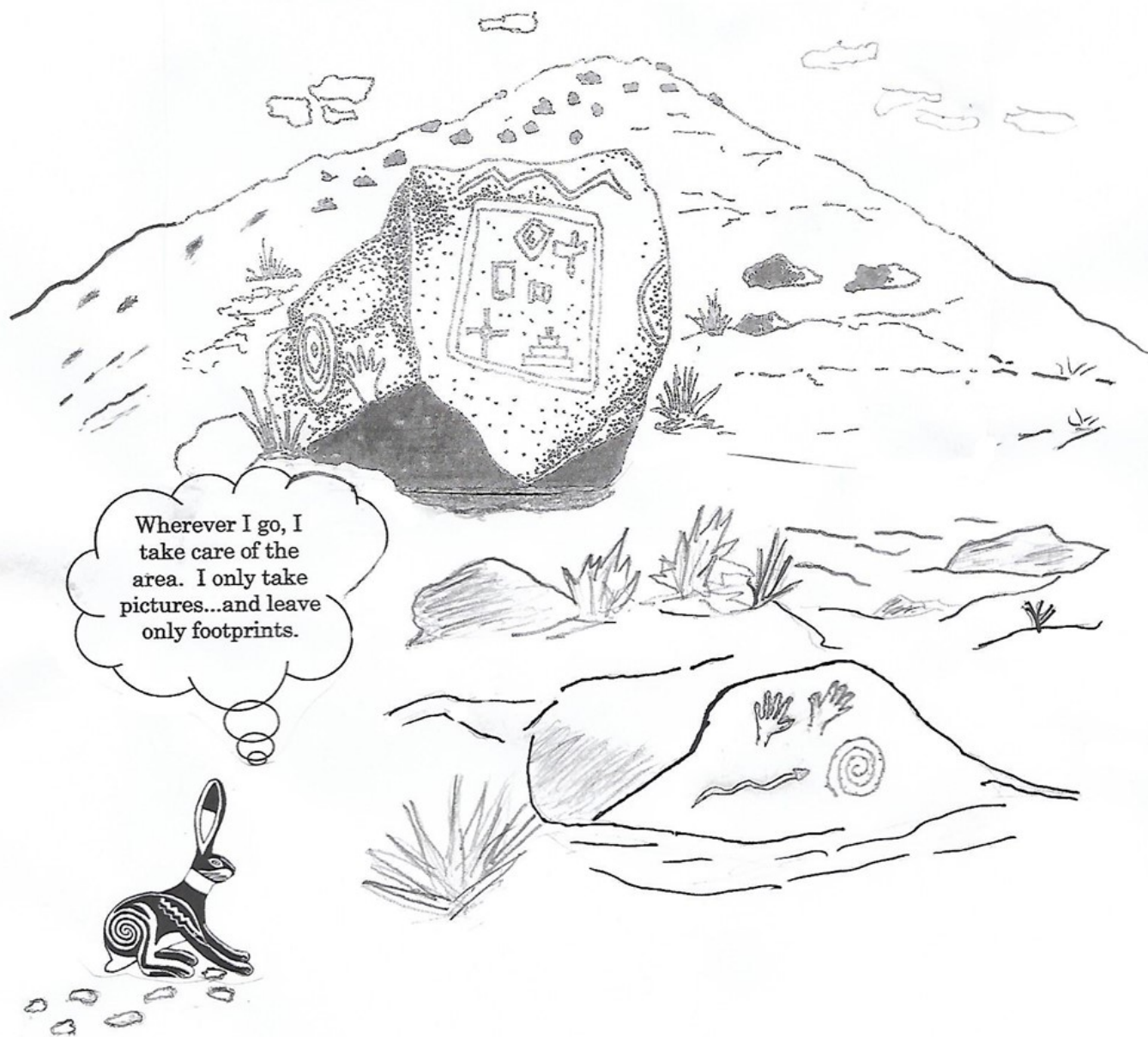
Ms. Alcorta, San Lorenzo teacher, drives the young actors to Bayard for practice, and everyone is working hard to get their roles just right. For more info call the school or WNMU (538-6336). Be sure to attend one of the performances on April 4th or 5th at 6 PM.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The **Mimbres Local Chapter of the Farm Bureau** is offering two \$500 scholarships to high school seniors who plan to pursue a degree in the agricultural field and will be attending an agricultural school in the fall; or any college student who is already enrolled in an agricultural program; or any student who is enrolling in a 2 year technical school in a related field. (Any agricultural field qualifies: farming of any type, ranching, wildlife, forestry, viniculture, veterinary medicine, animal husbandry, etc. Two year associates degree can be in related field such as welding or vet technician, etc. If in doubt, just call.

To apply for a scholarship, contact either George Trip at 575-536-3683 or Mary Willhite at 575-536-9323. It is a simple application and it is free to apply for the scholarship. **The deadline for applications is April 30!** The winners will be announced in May

Petroglyph National Monument



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I can't help it. I can't help but smile when I see you. It's not possible for me to hold it back. With one look, you whisk me away to wonderland with hopes of no return.

I can't help it. I can't help but spill my guts when we talk. You just bring it out of me. But what's secret stays secret. No spilling the tea, we drink it.

I can't help it. I can't help but dance when you grab my hand. We could prance all night long til



dusk turns to dawn, shaking off our rust and down floats the dust. Nothing can stop us.

I can't help it. I can't help but fall in love with them. Yes, them.... plural. They, my beautiful friends, for whom my love grows deeper for everyday. No need for a Prince Charming when the damsel refuses to be in distress. We are far from that stress.

So I can't help but express my love. A love like no other. A love that deserves a stereotypical love poem.



TERRIFIC KID AWARDS

The Kiwanis Club of Silver City celebrated students honored as Terrific Kids for December and January at San Lorenzo Elementary School. The program honors elementary school students for demonstrating a positive attitude, good character, and responsible citizenship. The club has formed a partnership with 10 elementary schools to recognize Terrific Kids every month of the scholastic year. Besides getting a certificate, each child is given a packet of terrific kids gear for them and their parents.



Those honored are: back, Jayda Lopez, Max Sanchez, Elijah Gavaldon, Yalaxi Valdez, and Mila Datta. Front, Jhericho Gutierrez, Esparanza Alcora, and Ethan Rico. Not present was Armando Mendez.



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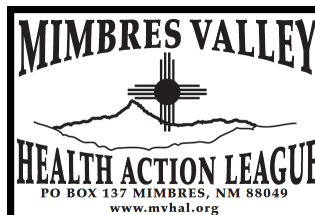
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The San Lorenzo Children's Garden

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 10—5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. MVHAL. Board Meeting. Roundup Lodge, Acklin Hill Road.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17 - Noon to 2 pm

Commodities Pickup - Roundup Lodge - Volunteers needed to pack food. Please bring suitable boxes.

The Mimbres Valley Health Action League was founded for the purposes of improving the health, well-being, and quality of life for the people of the Mimbres region. Some of the ways targeted to do that are by improving communication and social networks, providing preventive health education, improving access to health and social services, increasing financial and economic stability, increasing recreation opportunities, increasing education opportunities, and promoting a safe and healthy environment.

HEADS UP!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!



**MIMBRES
CULTURE
HERITAGE SITE**

By Kathy Hill

New Summer Hours

Beginning April 1, the Mimbres Culture Heritage Site will be open every day from 11 AM until 3 PM. We encourage everyone to stop by and see what we have to offer. Bring the family, the relatives and your friends. For group tours, please call us at 575.536.3333 or 575.536.9337 at least a week in advance to schedule.

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WHO: Mimbres Valley Health Action League

WHAT: Dinner, Short Business Meeting, Socializing and Sharing Ideas

WHEN: Wednesday, May 8, 2019 ~ 5:30 pm

WHERE: Mimbres Roundup Lodge

WHY: Membership Drive and Informational Meeting

MVHAL is an all-volunteer non-profit that provides seed money and support to:

Annual Harvest Festival

Mimbres Farmers Market

Monthly Commodities (food) Distribution at the Roundup Lodge

The Greenhouse and Garden at the San Lorenzo Elementary School and

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If you use or enjoy any of these services, then you should mark your calendars now to be sure and attend this meeting. Make your ideas heard—come join us. We would love to see everyone in the Valley.