

Economic importance of ranching seen

\$27 million generated by Lincoln County activity

By DORIS CHERRY

Although retail trade brings the most money into the Lincoln County economy, ranching generated about \$27 million of the total local economic activity in 1990.

Lincoln County Commissioners learned the total economic activity related to the cattle and sheep industry in the county was about

\$27,599,400, after related factors such as utilities, construction, trade, finance and insurance, services and household industries, which account for the multiplier effect, were added. The ranching industry generated approximately \$20,022,640 in direct gross output in 1990. Of that figure, \$9,915,500 a year can be attributed to livestock pro-

duction on public lands, with 90 local jobs and \$2.5 million in personal income within Lincoln County.

Commissioners received the information about the county's economic status at their meeting Tuesday. Howard Shanks, Soil Conservation Service, gave commissioners preliminary copies of a study titled "Economic Impacts of Public and Private

Land Ranching in Lincoln County." The study was prepared by South Central Mountain Resource Conservation and Development Council, with assistance from the U.S. Forest Service, Smokey Bear Ranger District in Ruidoso and the Albuquerque Regional Office; Bureau of Land Management Roswell district; U.S. Soil Conservation Service in

Carrizozo and Albuquerque; New Mexico State Land Office in Roswell; Lincoln County assessor and treasurer's offices; and New Mexico Economic Development Dept. in Santa Fe.

One reason for the study was commissioners wanted to know what would happen to the county economy if grazing or other uses are no longer allowed on public

lands. Their question was answered with the figures in the study. Gary O'Neill, agricultural economist with the Soil Conservation Service in Albuquerque, commended commissioners for their request for the study of the economic impact of grazing within Lincoln County in light of current national issue which threatens to either stop grazing on public lands, or

increase grazing fees. Commissioners also are concerned about the federal government's attempts to acquire additional lands in Lincoln County which could also affect the economy of the county.

The study included a brief history of the county's agriculture development;

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Wild West times for Lincoln County

Wild West fans, pull on your boots and grab your hats, it's the first weekend in August in Lincoln County.

The first weekend in August offers plenty of Wild West action in Lincoln County. Old Lincoln Days kicks off at 8:30 p.m. Friday night with the performance of the folk pageant "Last Escape of Billy the Kid," in old Lincoln town, 10 miles east of Capitan on Highway 380. Old Lincoln Days continue through Sunday.

Saturday, the Lincoln County Pony Express Race begins at 8 a.m. for a tough 37-mile race over rough

backroads through the Capitan Mountains. Riders and horses will start at the beginning of the Capitan Gap Road east of Capitan off Highway 380. A good place to see riders change horses is at Encinoso School, 13 miles north of Capitan on State Road 246, which begins in Capitan. Be there by 8:30 a.m. at the latest.

Riders are required to carry specially marked mail over the course to White Oaks, where they will fall across the line any time between 9 and 10:30 a.m. In White Oaks at 9 a.m., the Pony Express Auction begins

in the old Brown Store building featuring handcrafts and flea market items, with proceeds to benefit the race. A brunch will be served from 9 a.m. to noon, prepared by the Historical Society. School house tours will be given all day. Hoyle House tours from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Carrizozo Little Theater presents "The Villain of Rose Gulch" at noon and again at 7 p.m. A parade down main street will open the rodeo which begins at 1:30 p.m. at Crenshaw Arena. Barbecue will be sold from 5-7 p.m. The day's

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AREA PROPERTY owners (from left) Ralph Dunlap, Rosalie Dunlap, LaMoyné Peters and Phoebe Taylor listen to a Bureau of Land Management Official explain the proposed exchange of about 1,500 acres of Rio Bonito lands in the Lincoln Valley for private lands near Las Cruces and land around Los Lunas at an open house conducted by BLM in Capitan Wednesday, July 24. Citizens have until August 16 to mail written comments about the proposed resource management practices in the Roswell District to the BLM office in Roswell.

Carrizozo gets \$5,000 shot from commissioners

The Town of Carrizozo got an economic development shot in the arm Tuesday.

Lincoln County Commissioners approved a request by Carrizozo Town Mayor Cecilia Kuhnel for \$5,000 to upgrade town-owned facilities which will be leased to a small manufacturing company.

Through the effects of Economic Development Corporation of Lincoln County (EDCLC), Lincoln Laminated Logs, Inc. (LLL, Inc.) has approached the town to lease the old power plant brick building.

The building is structurally sound, said Kuhnel, but has had damage to glass and interiors during its vacancy. Kuhnel sought the \$5,000 to improve the facility by installing new glass, upgrading electrical and interior ceilings.

Kuhnel said Scott Shafer, a board member of EDCLC, brought her a proposal for LLL, Inc., which was interested in coming to Carrizozo because it perceived the town as a major distribution center of the area, with two main highways and a railroad.

The proposal caused a lot of excitement among the Carrizozo trustees as it was a long-hoped for industry coming to the town. But trustees also knew they did not have enough funds to upgrade the facility.

"We need help," Kuhnel told commissioners.

LLL, Inc., proposes to hire up to seven people once it is operational, about six months from now, said partner Gary Christensen. LLL, Inc. will sign a three year lease with the town at \$1 a year, after the three years, the lease amount will be renegotiated. The other partners are Doug Gould of Ruidoso and Robert Walker Jr., consultant to Bureau of Indian Affairs at Mescalero.

Christensen explained his manufacturing process of taking milled lumber and turning it into a "log" used to build log cabins. Since the availability of whole logs is declining and could stop completely after October, due to the endangered status of the spotted owl closing off logging in certain areas, Christensen foresees his product to become in demand. Already, six houses have been sold in the Ruidoso area.

"We'll be the first in the Southwest," he said of his company.

He also assured commissioners he and his partners are in contact with the Mescalero Apaches to purchase lumber.

"By next year, Indian lands will be the only source of timber," Christensen added.

Kuhnel thanked county manager Nick Pappas for sending some of the county's participants in the summer youth program to clean and repair the exterior area of the building.

"It looks absolutely fabul-

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Old photo allegedly shows last of 'the Kid'

A photograph that supposedly shows the famed outlaw Billy the Kid in the custody of Lincoln County Sheriff Pat Garrett a century ago sold recently in Connecticut for \$18,150.

A copy of the photo was mailed to the Lincoln County News by Edward Duer of Albany, N.Y.

The authenticity of the original photo has not been confirmed. Thus far, only one photo of Billy the Kids exists that has been declared authentic. It is a tintype owned by the Lincoln County Heritage Trust in Lincoln.

The photograph in Connecticut was purchased by an East Coast buyer whose identity was not released. David Rearick, office manager at Riba Auctions Inc., in South Glastonbury, Conn., said bidding on the photograph lasted two minutes.

The copy Duer sent to

the News was accompanied by the following letter:

"Found in a house in Columbia County, New York, and then sold to an antiques dealer in Albany, this exceedingly important photograph of the capture of Billy the Kid, by sheriff Pat Garrett, will be (was) sold at auction on July 13th.

The photo, sold by Riba Auctions in Connecticut, is expected to create a great deal of excitement among collectors of western memorabilia. Said to be the most important western photo to come to auction this century, it pictures from left to right, Pat Garrett in a derby hat, Bob Olinger, who soon after this photo was taken, was killed by Billy, James East and two unidentified posse men, one of which is holding a gun to the head of Billy, who is pictured on the end.

"The story goes that Garrett and his posse,



THIS COPY OF A photograph allegedly shows, left to right, Pat Garrett, Bob Olinger, James East and two unidentified posse riders (one of which is holding a gun to the head of the man on the right.) The man at right is allegedly Billy "The Kid" Bonney. The photo sold at auction recently for \$18,150. (Copy courtesy of Edward Duer).

tracking Billy and his band of outlaws, followed their tracks in the snow to an abandoned rock house in Stinking Springs, New Mexico. Arriving late at night, they laid in the snow, bundled in their heavy coats till morning. When outlaw Charlie Bowdre

ventured outside to feed the horses, one of the posse fired and shot Bowdre, who stumbled back inside where Billy slapped a pistol into his hand saying, "They've killed you anyway, Charlie, now go take that long legged S.O.B. Pat Gar-

rett with you." With that, he shoved him out the door, where Bowdre fell dead without firing a shot. Billy and his men could not escape, so soon surrendered and were taken to Fort Sumner on Christmas Eve 1880, where this photo was taken.

In early 1881, Billy killed his two jailors, one of which was Bob Olinger and escaped, only to be tracked down again by Garrett and killed.

Until now, only one photograph of Billy existed, which makes this an incredible find."

Pony Express day holds thrills for all

Pony Express day in White Oaks includes not only the race on Saturday. There are numerous other activities.

The auction starts at 9 a.m. at the old brown building in the heart of White Oaks. The variety of items donated for this auction may well include just the treasure you've been seeking.

When you're hungry, Bessie and Beverly Leslie of the White Oaks Historical Society happily offer a hearty brunch of burritos and tamales. Their site, from 9 a.m. until noon, stands near the old brown building where the auction unfolds.

Zia Grill from Capitan and Prudencio from Hondo sell other gustatory delights

in their concession stands. In fact, these two concessionaires plan to hang around until midnight to offer food and coffee to late revelers.

The School House Museum opens at 9 a.m. for tours and remains open until 5 p.m. for those who want to examine some of the old mining equipment, utensils, photographs, etc., that have

been collected from the period when White Oaks was a booming gold rush town in the 1880s. The building itself is too old to bring back memories for most of us but it's fun to see what a classroom of that era looked like, and the kitchen still contains some of its old equipment.

Another place to tour is the Hoyle House. Starting at

11 a.m. and ending at 5 p.m., you can have a look inside this residence completed in 1893. The house is now owned and occupied by Larue (Mrs. C. L.) Wetzel, who is a former teacher in the Carrizozo schools.

The old school house is also the site for attending the Carrizozo Little Theater group's production of "The

Villain of Rose Gulch Hollow," a zany melodrama that keeps you laughing for the better part of an hour. "The Villain" plays at noon and again at 7 p.m. for those who are busy eating at noon or had so much fun they want to see it a second time.

Comes afternoon and the

Year's budget approved by Carrizozo trustees

By RUTH HAMMOND

Carrizozo Trustees approved the municipal budget for the 1991-92 fiscal year.

Budget totals include an unaudited beginning cash balance of \$462,099, estimated revenues of \$698,028, budgeted expenditures of \$835,376, which will leave an estimated ending cash balance of \$324,751 on June 30, 1992.

The general fund began the year with an unaudited beginning cash balance of \$126,222, estimated revenues of \$195,027, net transfer in of \$8,000 from the fire fund, budgeted expenditures of \$202,532, leaving an estimated ending cash balance of \$126,717 on June 30, 1992.

General fund revenues: property tax \$5,424, franchise tax \$3,039 and gross receipts \$48,406 for a subtotal of \$56,869 revenues from taxes; liquor licenses \$800, dog licenses and pound fees \$545, business registrations \$1,600 and livestock on pre-

mises registrations \$240 for subtotal \$3,185 revenues from licenses; gasoline tax \$26,351, 40 percent distribution auto license \$740, 60 percent auto license distribution \$350, cigarette tax of two cents \$3,344, the 1.35 gross receipts tax \$66,594 for subtotal \$97,379 revenues from state shared taxes; motor vehicle administration fees \$621, drivers license distribution \$380, title, registration and I.D. fees \$2,696 for subtotal \$3,697 revenues from charges for services; court fines \$3,265 and parking fines \$100 for subtotal \$3,365 revenues from fines and forfeits; rents and royalties \$2 and crime and laboratory fees \$35 for subtotal \$37 revenues from miscellaneous fund; and small cities assistance grant \$30,000 for a grand total \$194,532 revenues for the general fund.

Total general fund expenditures will be \$202,532. Total general fund expenditures for each department in the general fund:

Executive/legislative department \$1,200. This includes the \$10 per meeting, not to exceed \$20 per month, the trustees and major receive.

Judicial department (salaries, FICA, WCA, unemployment comp., supplies/expenses, travel/training, dues and registrations), personal services \$2,614 and operating expenses \$1,400 for total \$4,014 department expenditures.

Financial administration department (salaries, FICA, WCA, unemployment comp., group insurance, supplies and expenses, legal fees, legal publications, workmen's comp., insurance and official bonds, 1 percent reappraisal fee, contract/maintenance & supplies/computer), personal services \$26,774, operating expense \$39,668 and tort liability insurance \$19,937 for department total expenditures of \$86,379.

Public safety department (salaries, FICA, WCA, unemployment comp., group insurance), personal services \$63,056 and operating expense for animal control \$600 for department total expenditures of \$63,656.

Other government department (audit fees, telephone and utilities, dues and registrations, travel and training) operating expense \$29,750.

Airport department (supplies/expenses, telephone and utilities, insurance, travel and training), \$12,388 for operating expense.

Special recreation department \$1,200 for operating expense for repairs and maintenance.

Election operation department (supplies, publications, technicians fee and poll workers), \$1,500 operating expense.

Parks/recreation department, supplies and expenses \$900 and fuel \$1,545 for total \$2,445 operating expense.

Other budgeted line items:

Fire protection fund unaudited beginning cash balance of minus \$2,932, estimated revenues of \$32,658 from the state fire allotment and \$563 from

state forestry for total \$33,221 revenues, transfer out \$8,000 to general fund to repay town for loan made to pay for electrical, plumbing, etc. for new building, and budgeted expenses of \$7,335 for operating expense, insurance \$900 and lease purchase payment on fire truck \$14,034 for total expenditures of \$22,289 which will leave an estimated ending cash balance of zero.

Recreation fund, unaudited beginning cash balance of \$582, estimated revenues of \$3,000 swimming pool receipts and \$1,672 from one cent cigarette tax and \$3,500 from Lincoln County for total \$8,172 revenues, and expenditures of \$7,172 for personal services and \$1,000 for operating expense for total expenditure of \$8,172 which will leave an estimated ending cash balance of \$582.

E.M.S. fund unaudited beginning cash balance of \$3,850 and budgeted expenditures of \$3,850 for emergency equipment for fire department leaving an estimated ending cash balance of zero. This money came from the E.M.S. Fund Act, primary care and health bureau in Santa Fe to be used to purchase emergency medical equipment to be used by fire department.

Cemetery fund unaudited beginning cash balance of \$4,022, estimated revenues of \$300 for burial permits and \$300 for lot sales for grand total \$600 revenues, and budgeted expenditures of \$4,000 for operating expense, leaving an estimated ending cash balance of \$622.

Sanitation fund unaudited beginning cash balance \$4,707, estimated revenues \$75,989 for refuse removal charges and \$2,400 for environmental gross receipt tax for total \$78,389 revenues, budgeted expenditures of \$2,400 for Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority and \$75,989 for operating expenses for total expenditures of \$78,389, leaving an estimated ending cash balance of \$4,707.

Airport fund unaudited beginning cash balance of \$1,704, estimated revenues of \$3,208 for sale of fuel and \$350 for hangar lot rentals for total \$3,558 revenues. Expenditures of \$5,262 for operating expense will leave an estimated ending cash balance of zero.

Local government correction fund unaudited beginning cash balance \$1,843, estimated revenues of \$570 from the \$10 local correction fee, budgeted expenditures of \$2,050 for operating expense, leaving an estimated ending cash balance of \$363.

Law enforcement protection fund unaudited beginning cash balance of \$1,341, estimated revenues of \$17,600 from state law enforcement protection grant, expenditures of \$18,941 for operating expense leaving an estimated ending cash balance of zero.

Lodger's tax fund unaudited beginning cash balance \$405, estimated revenues \$6,362 from 3 percent lodger's tax, transfer \$3,181 to lodger's tax promotional, and operating expense of \$3,181 leaving an estimated ending cash balance of \$105.

Lodger's tax promotional fund unaudited beginning cash balance \$24,684, transfer in \$3,181 from lodger's tax fund and no expenditures leaving an estimated ending cash balance of \$27,865.

General obligation bond, repayment on 1987 general obligation bond for water improvements such as refurbishing water storage tank, etc., unaudited beginning cash balance \$17,120, estimated revenues of \$17,849 from property taxes, budgeted expenditures of \$9,134 for interest coupons

due this fiscal year, \$10,000 principal bonds due this fiscal year and \$150 paying agent fees for total expenditures of \$19,284 leaving an estimated ending cash balance of \$15,485.

Gasoline fund (road) unaudited beginning cash balance of \$31,180, estimated revenues of \$17,011 from one cent gasoline tax, transfer out of \$5,000 for CDBG street improvement, budgeted expenditures of \$39,314 for operating expense on streets, leaving an estimated ending cash balance of \$3,877.

Special municipal gross receipts tax unaudited beginning cash balance \$62,918, estimated revenues of \$10,800 from infrastructure gross receipts tax, transfer out \$25,000 to CDBG street improvement fund, budgeted expenditures of \$44,463 for operating expense leaving an estimated ending cash balance of \$4,255.

Project acquisition fund (for water improvement project) unaudited beginning cash balance of \$30,312, estimated expenditures of \$30,312 for operating expense leaving an estimated ending cash balance of zero.

CDBG street improvement fund unaudited beginning cash balance zero, estimated revenues of \$113,540 from state of New Mexico CDBG Grant, \$45,000 from New Mexico Highway Coop. for total \$158,540 revenues, \$25,000 transfer in from special municipal gross receipts tax (infrastructure) and transfer in \$5,000 from road fund for total cash transfer of \$30,000, estimated expenditures of \$188,540 for operating expenses of street paving project leaving an estimated ending cash balance of zero.

Utility, water-sewer department unaudited beginning cash balance \$137,770, estimated revenues of \$100,027 for sales and service, \$320 for connection charges, \$500 penalty charges, \$6,064 gross receipts tax, \$600 water taps, \$34,118 sewer charges and \$450 for sewer taps for total \$142,079 revenues. Budgeted expenditures \$111,564 for personal services, \$27,742 operating expense and \$15,935 for fuel and power for total \$155,241 expenditures leaving an ending cash balance of \$124,608. Expenses for utility-water-sewer department include salaries, FICA, workmen's comp., unemployment comp., group insurance, fuel, plant production and operating, equipment operating and repairs, meters, line expansion and replacement, uniforms, chemicals and treatment, purchase of water, gross receipt tax, travel and training, audit fees, supplies and expenses, dues and registrations, telephone, and EID testings.

Outdoor recreation fund unaudited beginning cash balance of \$5,924, estimated revenues of \$8,000 for sale of potable water and \$450 for tax on water for total revenues of \$8,450, budgeted expenditures of \$8,450 leaving an estimated ending cash balance of \$5,924.

Highway improvements fund for median improvements unaudited beginning cash balance \$1,106, budgeted expenditures \$1,106 for operating expense, leaving an estimated ending cash balance of zero.

Meter deposit fund, unaudited beginning cash balance of \$9,841 no revenues, no expenditures, leaving an estimated ending cash balance of \$9,841.

Carrizozo has 10 full time employees and three part time employees. The 1991-92 budget is for the 80th fiscal year. Valuation of residential property is \$2,627,921 with an operating tax rate of .001145 which produces \$3,009 for residential property. Non residential property is valued at \$1,790,507 and at an operating tax rate of .001625 produces \$2,910. Total production of residential and non residential property is \$5,919.

Pony Express day

focus is on rodeo. Starting with a grand entry parade at 1:30, the roping and riding events go on all afternoon under the direction of Tim Webb. Tim brings his "TW BULLS" all the way from Texas for this event, and you'll get to see some mighty fine riding here along with some pretty funny antics, both by design and by accident. The rodeo takes place in the Crenshaw Rodeo Arena to the left of White Oaks Avenue a short distance past the White Oaks Saloon.

The lucky winner of the handtooled rifle scabbard is announced in the rodeo arena around 2 p.m. If you've forgotten to buy your raffle tickets at \$1 each on this beautiful piece of Harlan Webb crafting, they're available for purchase until noon.

Awards for the race are also presented in the rodeo arena. The top winner receives a Harlan Webb crafted saddle plus half of the \$2,500 purse divided among the three teams with the shortest race times.

About the time your stomach begins to growl with hunger again, barbecue goes on sale from 5-7 p.m. That presents a perfect opportunity to enjoy "The Villain of Rose Gulch Hollow" until your dinner has a chance to settle because next comes...

The Dance, with music by Lone Star Express. You're going to need good energy for snaking around the dance floor of the White Oaks Ballroom (behind the saloon).

Pony Express day offers a great opportunity to take pictures, nose around finding old building foundations, wonderful wildflowers, gazing at the fabulous mountains, having a look at the old cemetery, and generally enjoying the blue skies and

laid-back company in White Oaks.

It gets cool up here at night and you'll probably be grateful for that sweater or jacket thrown in the car.

Don't miss a stop at Ruth Birdsong's Crafty Cage, where you can find a nice selection of craft items plus booklets and calendars dealing with the history of White Oaks and Lincoln County.

Ruth, herself, is not only the driving force behind this event but also stars in the melodrama and coordinates all the activities connected with the Pony Express race.

A Lincoln County ambulance and members of the Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse are on hand to solve any unexpected problems, and volunteers in yellow T-shirts can answer questions and give directions to those in need.



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Paving grant application ok'd by board

By CLEVE POWELL

Carrizozo trustees Tuesday evening unanimously adopted a resolution to apply for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for additional street paving.

Town attorney Robert Beauvais advised trustees to apply for the maximum amount (\$600,000) and discussion followed on which streets should be included in the application.

Trustee Harold Garcia said, "Top priority should be given to streets not included in the last grant." He said he has "two streets in mind."

The board decided to obtain a list of needy streets from the engineer as soon as possible and formulate a final list.

Mayor Cecilia Kuhnel proposed the resolution and it was approved.

In other business, trustees conducted a final review and comment session on city personnel policies. Beauvais conducted the item-by-item review which is mainly standard but revised by input from trustees.

Most of the discussion centered around employee hiring, probation, termination, leave, discipline, holidays, pay, overtime pay, compensatory time, raises and such matters.

During discussion on overtime pay, Town Clerk Carol Schlarb mentioned a recent case in which an employee had more than 100 hours in a single pay period.

Trustees decided that department heads would be advised immediately that is not acceptable practice. Compensatory time in that pay period is an alternative, but Beauvais noted that sometimes is almost impossible. He cited several towns and villages which are experiencing difficulties in that area.

Garcia had a question about termination policy wording. He feels the policy should give a probationary employee (in first six months of employment) more "security."

The policy, Beauvais

said, will be worded to state, generally, that an employee may be terminated or fired after a recommendation of a department head with concurrence of the mayor and the board of trustees or by the trustees acting alone.

Beauvais said he will get the entire policy package, as amended, to the board as soon as possible.

Wild West

events conclude with a dance, also in White Oaks.

Meanwhile, back in old Lincoln, among the many attractions and activities during Old Lincoln Days are performances of the Albuquerque Ballet Folklorico Saturday afternoon and about 9 a.m. Sunday at the Wortly Hotel; the Roswell square dancers Saturday before the pageant performance; Laura Amastose dancing "Los Abejones" Friday and Saturday evenings; the Mountain Men and their 1850s encampment and the Texas 4th Cavalry of Lubbock, Texas, will be featured during the pageant performances.

The parade will begin at 11 a.m. Sunday. Grand marshals are Jill Blanks and Ron Andrews, color bearers from the Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse. All parade participants need to be at the grounds east of Lincoln by 10 a.m.

Also expected to participate during the weekend are the Charros los Caporales of Roswell.

Other activities during Old Lincoln Days include; —Boyd Barrett's presentation at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

—Mescalero Apache Indian Dancers at 3 p.m. Saturday.

—Carol Keys and Victorian toys, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

—Lincoln slide presentation all weekend.

—Fiddlers Contest at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Lincoln Park.

Ranching

current land status and uses; economic profiles; impacts of agriculture on county government and schools; impacts of public and private land resource investment and economic impacts of public land grazing in the county.

The majority of lands, 1,720,939 acres, in Lincoln County are private. The federal government owns through BLM, U.S. Forest Service and White Sands Missile Range, 1,087,517 acres and the state owns 301,304 acres. Most of the land in Lincoln County, about 2,500,000 acres, is suitable for range. Other uses require less than 200,000 acres, wilderness areas, recreation and water use areas comprise another 200,000 acres. Urban areas occupy less than 100,000 acres.

Retail trades and services, however, bring in the most money in Lincoln County. Retail is estimated at nearly \$100 million and services bring in about \$30 million a year. Transportation and utilities are just slightly below services in value. Construction is just slightly above the \$20 million mark, with agriculture related industry right at \$20 million. Other sectors which contribute to the total economic scene in Lincoln County are financial institutions and real estate (FIRE), wholesale trade and manufacturing.

Employment figures show most employment is also in retail, with more than 1,300 in that field. Government employs 1,200, services about 1,100, construction about 300, Ag about 250, FIRE 200 and utilities 180.

Shanks said an employment figures are often misleading, because the department of labor does not include family members who work on the ranch, or seasonal laborers.

He also noted all the sectors are important, but pointed out agriculture is a base industry, which is very important, especially to small communities and schools.

Cattle production provided \$15.2 million to the county's economy in 1988 (the year from which much of the dollar figures for the IMPLAN computer models was taken). Sheep/wool represented \$4.9 million. Hay and apples represented only \$500,000 that year, but can fluctuate depending on the yearly crop, Shanks said.

Ages and taxes brought in \$448,533 for county government and schools with tax on sheep and cattle, resident property tax and agriculture property tax and grazing fees.

Federal agencies—BLM, U. S. Forest Service, Soil Conservation and ASCS—spend \$149,410,000 in resource improvements in 1990, and Shanks estimated at least that much was spent in private dollars.

The study included the methods used to determine all statistics, basin number of livestock to animal units and related revenues and taxes. Shanks and O'Neill said computer models are not perfect, and all statistics were based on labor and other figures provided by the involved agencies.

Shanks said the final report will come as soon as he can touch base with the federal agencies listed and get their response to the study.

Commissioners were pleased with the report, and followed county manager Nick Pappas' recommendation to formally accept the report as a Phase I Economic Plan for Lincoln County.

"It gives us something to build on," said Commissioner Monroy Montes.

Following flash floods in July

County declared disaster area

By DORIS CHERRY

Lincoln County was formally designated as a disaster area because of flash floods during the week of July 17.

County commission chairman Stirling Spencer had signed a disaster declaration July 19, following flash floods that wiped out six roads in the Arabella area July 14-17. But at the county meeting Tuesday, county road manager Bill Cupit was negative about the paperwork involved with getting a limited amount of money—just to put the roads back the way they were.

He contended the roads needed improved to the point they would not be washed out during heavy rains. In two days, the county road department upgraded the roads beyond their original condition, he said.

Making the disaster declaration allows the county to apply for funds from the state. Yet, Cupit said, those funds can only be spent to return the roads to their original condition, and do not cover all the costs incurred by the road department. However, Cupit said it would be a good learning experience to deal with the state on the disaster relief project.

Cupit was scheduled to meet with Santa Fe officials Wednesday, to tour the area affected.

During discussion, Cupit suggested changing the county's request to the New Mexico State Highway Department (NMSHD) for co-op funds to improve the roads in the Arabella area. The county was to request the state provide \$58,547 as its share to upgrade, cattle-guards and replace various drainage structures on the Cora Dutton Road, which connects Highway 37 and 48, a bridge near Tully's arena on Bailor's Loop in the San Patricio area and an old wooden bridge north of Capitán. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$97,580.

Cupit wanted to kill the original co-op request and change it to include the Arabella roads and the O-Bar-O crossing. He talked with NMSHD director Tony Lara concerning the change, but was given no definite direction whether the department would accept the change.

Commissioner Bill Elliott was concerned the Cora Dutton road would again be shelved until a later time. "Cora Dutton road has been a stepchild of Lincoln County for years, it's been put off and off," he said.

Finally, Elliott agreed to the co-op project change, provided the Cora Dutton road be given first priority next year.

The 100 percent state funded school bus project for Reynolds Drive, located off Highway 70, east of Ruidoso Downs, which was approved by NMSHD, was okayed by commissioners. An estimated \$21,933 will be spent to upgrade the road with culverts and gravel.

Capitan Gap road will be improved with the NMSHD county arterial program agreement. The state will pay 75 percent, or \$144,287, of the \$204,102 project to upgrade 3.8 miles of the road.

Old Lincoln will get a flashing warning sign at the west of town on Highway 380. Commissioners agreed to pay the electric bill for the light, NMSHD will provide and erect the sign. Lincoln hopes the sign will alert motorists to slow down through the tourist town, which has thousands of visitors in the summer months.

In other business, commissioners: • Agreed to request Community Development Block Grant funds of up to

\$400,000 for housing rehabilitation in Lincoln County. The application will be prepared by Tierra Del Sol out of Las Cruces, which specializes in such projects.

• Approved a cooperative agreement between the Town of Carrizozo and Lincoln County for the housing and care of prisoners, at a rate of \$50 per day. The rate increase from \$37.50 to \$50 a day was approved by commissioners June 18. Sheriff James McSwane also told of a letter he mailed to the town and village of Capitan asking for \$8,000 to purchase dispatch equipment. Currently, the sheriff's office provides dispatch services to both municipalities after regular working hours.

• Created two part time positions at minimum wage with required deductions such as PERA and FICA for transport officers, with a limit of \$10,000.

• Formally accepted the Employee Classification Chart drafted last year.

• Refused a recommen-

dation by EMS coordinator Maggi Bohks to adjust EMTs per hour wages, which have never been adjusted since the program began in 1974.

• Okayed a contract with Eastern New Mexico Area Agency on Aging, Inc., for cash in lieu of commodities for the Zia Senior Citizens Centers.

• Gave the green light for Zia director Barbara Ward to apply for \$350,000 in Capital Outlay funds from the state to construct a center in Corona, add-on to the Capitan Center and renovate the Carrizozo Center and replace all center vehicles.

• Adopted the final budget for the 80th fiscal year, with minor changes from the budget sent to Santa Fe for approval. Outgoing county financial director Mignon Sims was very comfortable with the budget and thanked all for help in its preparation. Earlier in the meeting, Spencer thanked Sims for her "excellent job in keeping the county's finances straight."

• Awarded the bid for culverts to Crntech Construction Products, Inc. at \$66 a foot.

• Approved the bid for fuel from LaMay Distributing Co. Inc. for unleaded gas at \$1.11.5 a gallon and \$79.5 a gallon for diesel.

• Accepted the low bid from Rust Tractor of El Paso, Texas, of \$2,100 a month for lease of a smooth drum vibratory compactor (for the road department).

• Agreed to accept Raven Ridge Subdivision roads after a culvert, requested by the road manager, is installed.

County clerk Martha Proctor encouraged all to attend the redistricting public hearing at 7 p.m., Aug. 8, at Rohovec Fine Arts Center on the NMSU-A Alamogordo Campus, at 2400 North Scenic Drive. Proctor has been asked to speak at the hearing regarding problems of dividing into districts without splitting precincts.

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News Views

by Cleve Powell

● Taxpayers, get ready to dole out some more bucks as a result of the pay hike senators voted themselves on July 17. For some senators, voting for the pay raise meant they were voting themselves a lifetime pension of more than \$100,000 a year. In some cases, pensions will be more than their current salaries. For example, Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., would be entitled to a yearly pension of approximately \$111,600 if he retired at the end of his current term in 1995. His salary is \$101,900, the same as other rank-and-file members; in October, it will rise to \$125,100. Others whose pensions would exceed their current salaries include Claiborne Pell, D-R.I.; Ted Stevens, R-Alaska and Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., each of whom would get \$108,285; John Warner, \$108,187, and Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., \$104,477. Appropriations Committee Chairman Robert Byrd, D-W. Va., the chief architect of the pay hike, whose salary is \$113,400 as president pro tempore of the Senate, would receive a pension of about \$11,800. David Keating of the National Taxpayers Union called the pay raise and resulting boost in pensions "a golden parachute for senators. The average taxpayer retires on a fixed income; our lawmakers retire in luxury." Unlike most people who retire, senators are eligible to collect their full pensions as early as age 50, and they get an automatic annual cost of living increase based on inflation.

● Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., has expressed his disappointment that the Secretary of Commerce will not adjust the 1990 census figures to allow for an estimated 5 million person undercount. "By their own admission, New Mexico was the most undercounted state in the nation," Bingaman said. "The decision Secretary Moshbacher announced is certainly a disappointment and one which will adversely affect New Mexicans for the next decade." By the Census Bureau's own estimate, the census count of 248.7 million is too low by 5.3 million people. Many of those not counted in 1990 were blacks, hispanics and native Americans living in large rural areas. New Mexico's undercount was estimated at 4.5 percent — the highest of any state in the nation and second only to the District of Columbia. "New Mexico's poor population will be hit hardest by the undercount," Bingaman said. "While cities rely on federal programs such as community development block grants to operate, many residents rely on federal programs to feed and educate their children — funding for those programs is based on population. Clearly, our state will be getting less than its fair share of funding for programs ranging from Food Stamps to Head Start." It would take a two-thirds vote of both the Senate and House to overturn Moshbacher's decision, something Bingaman said would be "highly unlikely." A similar undercount after the 1980 census prompted several larger cities to file suit against the government.

● Thirty states are facing significant budget deficits in 1991 and 38 states (with 90 percent of the U.S.'s population) are projected to be in the red in 1992. The deficits (the result of the U.S. recession) will be offset by tax increases in many of these states.

● A survey of American behavior finds some healthy trends on the road — more seat-belt use and less drinking and driving — but less good news at home. We're still about as fat and lazy as we were. The national Centers for Disease Control reported its latest annual survey of the unhealthy things Americans do, the "behavior-risk-factor" survey of 39 states plus Washington, D.C. The state-by-state results, compiled from monthly random phone interviews conducted in 1989, don't add up to a national sample. But they do show some states adopting healthier habits and others with more than a little room for improvement. Twenty-eight states showed a decrease in the percentage of people ignoring their seat belts, compared to the previous year's study. And residents of 21 states reported less drinking and driving. But just 13 states reported improvements in exercise habits.

● The House of Representatives voted 254-165 on July 23 to pass a substantial hike in grazing fees for ranchers who run stock on public lands. The measure was passed to the Senate. Westerners and conservative Republicans attacked the fee hike as an unfair burden to ranchers who must also provide improvements such as fencing and water for livestock. "I knew that someday somebody would say, 'What a ripoff,'" said Rep. Joe Skeen, R-N.M., a sheep rancher. "But in 40 years of ranching, it's been a marginal profit at best." Skeen, along with Reps. Bill Richardson, D-N.M., and Steve Schiff, R-N.M., voted against the increase. A bit of good news has been forthcoming from the Senate. "Terminating 'good news' for New Mexico, Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., announced on July 24 that the Senate Appropriations Committee has endorsed the current grazing fee formula by deciding not to act on the proposal to hike the fees. Domenici said, however, "The battle is not finished. We may have to fight efforts to increase the grazing fees when this bill is considered on the floor of the Senate." The grazing fee debate is important to New Mexico, where cattle receipts totalled \$749 million in 1989, accounting for 53 percent of cash receipts for all farm commodities in the state.

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Inside The Capitol

by Jay Miller

SANTA FE—Has the last congressional roadblock to WIPP's opening been cleared?

Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan says when Congress begins a recess Friday, Aug. 2, its chance to open the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant near Carlsbad according to its rules has run out.

The administration and Congress have been battling for a decade about who is going to decide whether WIPP is safe to conduct the nuclear burial tests for which it was designed. The administration has claimed for 10 years that it has the power to open WIPP without congressional action. But it has always felt it prudent to let Congress make the rules.

Lujan now says Congress has fooled around long enough. Since taking over at Interior, the secretary has methodically moved WIPP opening preparations to the point he says everything is in place to begin accepting initial shipments later this month.

Many congressional leaders are furious. Rep. George Miller, chairman of the House Interior Committee, says Lujan's proposed action would be "very disruptive to the process."

Disruptive? This sacred "process" has been going on for 10 years. One House committee finally gave a favorable nod to a WIPP bill last month. That bill has two more committees to clear in the House and then must make it through the Senate and a conference committee. Even on a fast-track congressional timetable, the bill would never be passed this year.

Lujan's actions thus far have served to speed up the process considerably. There had been an assumption in Congress that no administration would ever have the guts to move forward on

its own. But they misjudged Manuel.

Miller's House committee succeeded last spring in blocking Lujan's efforts to open WIPP then, Lujan notified the committee that he disagreed with its legal position but would give Congress until Aug. 2 to pass its own legislation.

Miller says he will block Lujan again in the same way. New Mexico's Rep. Bill Richardson has warned Lujan he has found a rarely used statute he will ask Miller's committee to invoke.

The battle lines have been drawn. Lujan says he will likely treat the House committee's action as not being binding on him. Richardson says if Lujan ignores Congress, he will move to cut off all WIPP funds and assure it never opens.

New Mexico Rep. Steve Schiff says he will also try to block the administrative opening of WIPP but says he is not a pit surprised about Lujan's action. Our state's third representative, Joe Skeen, in whose district WIPP is located, is cheering Lujan's success at finally getting things moving.

Things have not moved at all in the U.S. Senate. New Mexico's Pete Domenici and Jeff Bingaman have been jostled into deciding they had better start getting involved in the process. They are now working on a Senate bill but say they're a couple weeks away from being able to introduce it.

Lujan and WIPP officials in Carlsbad say they will be ready to open the plant by mid-August. They are proceeding with their timetable. The safety reviews were scheduled to be completed by the end of July. Energy Secretary James Watkins will be briefed sometime next week on WIPP's readiness and on the required transfer of land



at the WIPP site from the Interior Department to the Energy Department.

Lujan says the wheels for WIPP's opening have been put in motion to the extent that the land transfer from his department cannot be stopped now even if he wanted.

After a decade of delay, the opening of WIPP in only two weeks is difficult to imagine. The jockeying will likely continue, but at a much faster pace. And, if Lujan is correct about WIPP now being out of his hands, Congress' battle will move to the Energy Department and Secretary Watkins.

That may not speak well for WIPP's chances for a quick opening. Lujan and his department carry a lot more credibility with Congress than Watkins and the DOE.

Free water testing for fair-goers

The Upper Hondo Soil and Water Conservation District, with the help of the Environmental Improvement Division, is offering free water testing at the Lincoln County Fair.

Individuals may bring a sample to be tested on Thursday, Aug. 8, from noon until 6 p.m. and on Friday, Aug. 9, from 8:30 a.m. until noon.

For accurate testing, you will need to let the water run cold for five minutes, and then put the sample in a clean quart container, completely full.

Bring to the Upper Hondo District booth, at the County Fair, in Capitan. If you need more information, call the district office, 354-2220, or Craig Shapard, EID, 624-6046.

By the Way

by P. E. Chavez

HIG BIRD RANCHING

If McDonalds is really serious about health, they would serve "McOstrich Burgers." So says an article in a state newspaper. Herding large birds and incubating eggs may not sound like ranching, but there are more than 20 ostrich ranches in New Mexico, Africa, Israel, Egypt and New Zealand already commercially raise ostriches.

Ostrich meat is a delicacy, so I learned. Meat is lean, red, low in cholesterol and high in protein. Ostrich meat sells for \$10 a pound in Houston; over \$20 a pound in Europe and Japan. Other ostrich little-known facts: Five pairs of boots can be made from one ostrich hide; feathers, the finest and most expensive, are used for costumes and for dusting electrical circuitry (ostrich feathers do not hold an electro-static charge); ostrich toes contain a substance used to block nerves in surgical operations; ostrich corneas are used in human eye transplants; and would you believe that an ostrich beak contains a rare chemical that is used as an adhesive base for make-up manufacture?

To be profitable, an ostrich processing plant for hide, meat and other products would need about 80,000 birds annually. An ideal climate and terrain for ostriches can be found in southern New Mexico and west Texas. Ostriches live for 70 years and are productive for about 40 years.

Everything but the squeal is useful in pig-raising, but I have yet to find out what sounds an ostrich makes and what to feed it. I considered raising a couple of birds in my backyard for fun and profit until I learned that a pair of new-born ostrich birds are worth about \$6,000. Guess I could raise rabbits, then tell the kids it's chicken when the meat winds up on the dinner table. By Christmas we would all have furry bunny slippers. Anyone have an easy home method for tanning rabbit hide?

IN YEARS PAST

According to the 1975 bicentennial issue in the Lincoln County News it was in 1940 that the first "Billy the Kid Lives Again" pageant was presented in a platform on the main street of old Lincoln town. The star of the production 51 years ago was Peter Hurd, artist, and longtime San Patricio resident.

Other events marked the first "Kid" celebration, a tradition which has been followed each year except some of the war years and just after. The first pageant featured a traditional Mexican wedding at San Juan Catholic Church. Leo Pena and Mary Gonzales were the groom and bride. Father Sal-

vatore of Carrizozo officiated at the mass ceremony. San Patricio choral singers participated as well as the Carrizozo Sisters of Mercy. Arrangements were made by the Carrizozo Women's Club. "Oh, Fair New Mexico" was sung by the composer Elizabeth Garrett, daughter of sheriff Pat Garrett. Branding and bronc-riding were part of the first event. An opera in English and Spanish was presented by 100 Camp Capitan Girls. There was an old-timers' parade and horse races.

Bert Pfingsten of Bonito Valley was general chairman of the Lincoln Days event. The Lincoln Fiesta Committee planned the program. On the committee were A. T. Pfingsten, chairman; Mrs. T. Laramie, secretary; Mrs. Ruth Penfield, treasurer; Ofelia Salas, stage manager; Edward Penfield, program; Edna Purcell, advertising; Lucy Lepper Shaw, opera and Spanish dances; Roman Maas, folk dancing; E. H. Miranda and T. O. Romero, concessions; E. H. Ramey, bronc riding, buggies and teams; Bert Bonnell, ox teams; Blanding Sloan, producer-author; Fred W. Pfingsten, cowboys; Mildred Taylor, Frank and Lucille Bellew, publicity.

Advertisers in the pageant program included Capitan's Titsworth Co., City Garage; El Cibola Hotel, Carrizozo; Lincoln's La Paloma Bar, William Bonney Bar and Penfield Store (established in 1877 by Tunstall McSween.)

REMEMBER THEM?

Pageant actors in 1940 were Peter Hurd (Billy), Fred Pfingsten (Pat Garrett), Pinkney Miller (William Brady), Buck Nosker (Alexander McSween), Louise Fritz Ferguson (Susan McSween), Felix Ramey (John Chisum), Edna Pfingsten Purcell (Sally Chisum), Ray Bishop (Bob Olinger), Juanita Gomez (Deluvina Maxwell), D. Kusianovich, (Col. Dudley), Buck Nosker ("Buckshot" Roberts), Felix Ramey (Gov. Lew Wallace). The Horrell Brothers were played by T. J. Youngblood, Ray Garcia, Paul Zamora and Fletcher Hall.

Sen. Louise Coe of Lincoln County was chairman of the Lincoln County Fiesta of Cuarto Centennial. Clinton P. Anderson was listed as manager-director.

WORTH REPEATING

"The Rolls-Royce is no longer the world's most expensive vehicle, the grocery cart is." —Voice in the Wilderness.

Futurity tops Downs action

The Rio Grande Futurity tops the weekend's action at Ruidoso Downs Race track.

Sunday, Aug. 4, two-year-old New Mexican thoroughbreds will line up for a six-furlong shot at winning the Rio Grande Futurity, with an estimated \$50,000 purse.

Racing action starts Thursday, Aug. 1. Friday, Aug. 2, eight thoroughbreds will run the mile in the featured race with a purse of \$4,100.

Saturday, Aug. 3, three-year-old and older Quarter Horses and thoroughbreds will make a 1,000-yard run for the Great Southwest Speed Challenge. The race carries an estimated \$10,000 purse.

Racing continues through Monday. Post time each day is 1 p.m.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Community challenged

EDITOR—There have been times when I have stopped and asked myself, "Why am I doing all these things for no salary and little thanks from the town?" Well, the answer always is satisfaction in the completion of a project to the best of my ability. I moved here and took the responsibility of running your airport and I intend to make it a profitable operation with or without community support. I have had many people tell me that I am doing great things at the facility, and I sincerely thank them for those good thoughts. However, words are cheap and easy to use; action is the operative word and I challenge you to do what needs to be done to bring prosperity to this town. Don't let Carrizozo fall by the wayside like so many other small towns. Look around and start to take pride in what you have. Everything is here to bring good things, the door to opportunity is open; all you have to do is walk through and prosper. The only thing holding us back is the complacency and apathy of a few who don't want anything to happen. Again, I chal-

lenge you to become the thriving community you know you can be. Due to the fallacies of human nature, you can rest assured that those who bellow the loudest at this letter will generally be those who are doing the least.

HAL MARK,
Carrizozo.

Letters Policy

Letters to the editor of the Lincoln County News are encouraged. Each letter must be signed and must include the writer's telephone number and address. The phone number and mailing address will not be printed, but the writer's town or village will be included with his or her name. Letters will be edited for grammar and spelling. Letters may be shortened without changing their meaning.

The editor has the right to reject any letter.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

Ruidoso Instructional Center director Dr. James Miller will conduct an informal informational session at 7 p.m. at Hondo Schools. All persons interested in college-level classes to be given in Ruidoso this fall are invited.

Ruidoso Friends of Music and the Arts present a Benefit Pops Concert in the Wendell Chino Ballroom at Inn of the Mountain Gods in Mesalero. Curtain time is 8 p.m. and tickets are available at California Colors Art Gallery and The Music Shoppes, (both in Ruidoso,) or at the door. For more information call 257-9518.

FRIDAY—SUNDAY, AUGUST 2-4

Old Lincoln Days, featuring the 42nd continuous performance of the folk pageant "Last Escape of Billy the Kid," a parade, tours of museums, living history exhibits, crafts, concessions, all in the historic community of Lincoln, 10 miles east of Capitan, on Highway 380. The pageant performances are at 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 3:30 p.m. Sunday. On Saturday, the fiddlers' contest begins at 1:30 p.m. in Lincoln Park in the middle of town. Sunday, the parade will start at 11 a.m. Mass will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday in the Catholic Church and at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, services will be held in the Episcopal Church.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

Lincoln County Pony Express Race begins at 8 a.m. at Capitan Gap, where teams will start the 37-mile long race. Riders must carry a bag of mail and change horses at three different places. Riders will fall across the finish line in White Oaks anytime between 9 and 10:30 a.m. At 9 a.m., the Pony Express Auction begins in the old Brown Store building featuring handcrafts and flea market items, with proceeds to benefit the race. Donated items will be accepted until the time of the auction. A brunch will be served from 9 a.m. to noon, prepared by the Historical Society. School House tours will be given all day. Hoyle House tours from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Carrizozo Little Theater presents "The Villain of Rose Gulch" at noon and again at 7 p.m. A parade down main street will open the rodeo which begins at 1:30 p.m. at Crenshaw Arena. Barbecue will be sold from 5-7 p.m. The day's events conclude with a dance, also in White Oaks.

MONDAY, AUGUST 5

Capitan Chamber of Commerce meets at 11:30 a.m. at Smokey Bear Restaurant in Capitan.

Republican Party of Lincoln County will have its "First Monday" meeting at 6 p.m. at K-Bob's Restaurant in Ruidoso. Patricia Serna, county assessor, will present the program. The public is invited.

An EMT Basic Training class organizational meeting will be held at 6 p.m. in the Otero Electric Building in Carrizozo. The class will be conducted under the direction of the University of New Mexico EMS Academy. Kathy Williams, NEMEMT-I, IC, will instruct the 120-hour course. Classes will meet from 6-9:30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays. The course fee is \$45 and a new textbook costs \$28. The book used will be the 4th edition of EMERGENCY CARE AND TRANSPORTATION OF THE SICK AND INJURED by American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons. Lincoln County is in need of additional EMTs and all interested persons are urged to attend. For more information call Maggi Bohks at 648-2385.

AUGUST 6-10

Lincoln County Fair. Registration begins Tuesday afternoon and continues Wednesday morning at the exhibit hall on the fairgrounds in Capitan. A carnival is also scheduled to be on the grounds during the fair.

AUGUST 10

Corona Summer Festival, featuring arts and crafts, food booths, parade at 10:30 a.m. beginning at the south end of the village; lunch at the school cafeteria at 11:30 a.m. a Summer Festival Jam Session from 1-5 p.m. and a western dance at 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. with music by Lone Star Express. For more information call Dorothy Lightfoot at 849-7466.

AUGUST 15

A community summer luncheon will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by the Trinity Women at Trinity Methodist Church at 1000 D. Avenue in Carrizozo. There is no charge, but donations will be accepted.

Little League action nears finale locally

It's baseball action at Carrizozo Little League Park and everyone is invited. Games are at 7 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 2, the Reds and Crushers will slug it out. Then on Monday, Aug. 5, the Reds and the Cubs will play. Wednesday, Aug. 7, the Crushers and the Cubs play. Friday, Aug. 9, Reds and Crushers play again. Aug. 13, Crushers versus Cubs; Aug. 14, Reds versus Cubs

and Aug. 15, Reds will slug it out with the Cubs for the final regular season game. The tournament will begin at 9 a.m. Aug. 17.

All Little League play is at the field located next to Carrizozo Municipal golf course, east of town. Hot dogs, soft drinks, popcorn, cookies and coffee are sold at the field to raise funds for the teams.

Sheehan in Star game

Kevin Sheehan will represent Carrizozo High School in the "A" All Star Football game Friday, Aug. 2, in Albuquerque. The game will be at Lobo Field at 7:30 p.m.

Sheehan was the state player picked from the only in an "A" school to play in the All Star game. Kevin was picked for his love of football and his leadership when he played with the Grizzlies. He will be attending NMSU in the fall. His hopes are to gain a position with the Aggies.

Kevin is the son of Bea and Frank Sheehan of Carrizozo.

Carrizozo Schools principal hired, other slots filled

Carrizozo Board of Education hired a new principal and teachers at a special meeting Thursday.

Board members followed the recommendations made by Superintendent Jimmy Banks to hire Joe Price as Carrizozo principal. Price was principal at Logan Schools last year.

Earlene Price was hired

as counselor, high school English teacher and student council sponsor.

Jackie Alastudy, will begin her teaching career in the 2nd grade. She also will be the junior high cheerleader sponsor. She recently graduated from Tarleton State University, Stephenville, Texas.

Cheri Goad will teach 6th

grade and Christetta Butts will be varsity cheerleader sponsor.

Members and guests toured the Ag farm during the work session portion of the meeting.

The board is planning an open house for new teachers before school starts; details will be available later.



NEW STAFF AT Carrizozo Schools include Joe Price, principal, and his wife Earlene. Mrs. Price is the school counselor, high school English teacher and Student Council sponsor.

Grazing acreage offered by bid

The Roswell District of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) plans to offer by sealed bid, four units for livestock grazing on the Ft. Stanton area near Capitan.

This area is presently under the jurisdiction of the BLM and consists of approximately 24,125 acres. The land is located 15 miles northeast of the village of Ruidoso and 70 miles west of the city of Roswell.

The area was previously

used by New Mexico State University to conduct Range and Wildlife research until 1990. The area is primarily piñon/juniper country with blue grass understory.

An experimental grazing management system will be used for this area until the completion of the Roswell Resource Area's Resource Management Plan (RMP). Under this grazing management system, grazing will be allowed on a bid basis on the

four separate grazing units, used primarily for winter grazing.

For additional information or to request a bid invitation for this acreage, please contact Sandy Allen or Clark Taylor by no later than Aug. 16, 1991, at Bureau of Land Management, Roswell Resource Area, P.O. Drawer 1857, 6th & Richardson Ave., Roswell, N.M. 88202; Telephone (505) 624-1790.

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Ruidoso councillor allowed sign after hassle

By DORIS CHERRY

He got his sign. Ruidoso Village Councillor Ron Andrews, who owns Westwinds Condos, changed hats Tuesday night at the regular village meeting when he acted as a private citizen with a request. Andrews had filed a permit to erect an "off-premises" sign directing traffic to his Condos and to Cree Meadows Country Club, which are located several blocks away, on the corner of Sudderth

and Eagle Drives. Originally the sign was placed on village property next to the mall. But village crews took the sign down in 1988 for construction purposes. Andrews then made arrangements with the owner of Four Seasons Mall to attach it to the side of the building. All was fine until the mall had a change of ownership. Then a conflict began when the new owner wanted \$100 a month rent to hang the sign on the wall. Andrews said he sought a permit to replace

the sign in its original location on village property. The permit application was revised by the village planning and zoning commission which recommended the sign be allowed, provided the sign be about 16 feet off the ground.

However, the mall owner Craig Rawlins filed an appeal because the new sign would block the existing sign on the corner, and the sign to the corner of the Mall, which detracts from the building. Rawlins contended there was no proof the sign existed on village property before the sign ordinance went into effect in 1988. Rawlins also contended the ordinance has no grandfather clause and specifically states no sign shall be erected on or over public property. He stated the sign violated two sections of the ordinance regarding off-premises signs between 200 feet away from other off-premises signs, and duplication of the same sign within one mile.

Rawlins said he had been willing to negotiate a rental price with Andrews and Cree Meadows, but was never contacted by the two parties. Instead, the avenue Andrews took to erect his sign made him feel like someone was trying to get around his company for a free ride.

Andrews brought a newspaper clipping from 1986 which showed a picture of the mall and the sign erected on village property, to prove his point.

After a break to allow village attorney David Thomsen to research the sign ordinance, councillors heard Thomsen conclude the ordinance will allow the same sign to be erected in the same location, at the village's privilege.

Finally, councillors unanimously approved a motion to concur with the P&Z recommendation to allow the sign.

Councillors also directed staff to get in touch with Senator Jeff Bingaman to intercede with FDIC regarding the Grindstone properties. The village does not have legal access to the Grindstone Dam at this time, since the property is in foreclosure with FDIC. Talks between FDIC and the village have met a stalemate.

Other village business considered by councillors included:

* heard the mayor proclaim Rafael (Rife) Salas, from the Parks and Rec. Department, as employee of the month. Salas received a \$75 savings bond and a plaque.

* approved an ordinance setting an additional \$75 fee on all DWI convictions, plus a \$10 correction fee and two \$3 charges for court and traffic safety fees. The DWI fee will be paid to the state for comprehensive community programs for prevention of DWI.

* okayed an ordinance increasing the Lodgers' (occupancy) tax from three to four percent until the state authorizes, and Ruidoso implements, a hospitality tax to be defined by the state legislature.

* heard from MainStreet director Mary Maul that she is negotiating with three engineering firms—Leadhill Herkenhoff, Bohanan—Huston and Carter and Burgess—to design the Ruidoso MainStreet streetscape project.

* signed a Cooperative

* requested Barbara Westbrook of the Ruidoso Arts and Film Commission take her proposal for an "adopt a dumpster" program to the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, which will soon purchase all village dumpsters. The commission proposes to conduct a contest which will have artists and/or students, to paint dumpsters with landscapes and other scene in order to eradicate a "very ugly eyesore."

'Al' Junge gets key to city, officially in retirement

A man who breathed and ate Ruidoso village business said goodbye Tuesday night.

J. A. "Al" Junge received the key to the village as he officially retired as Ruidoso village councillor. Mayor Victor Alonso presented the key, mounted on a plaque. He said Junge had been truly, 100 percent of the time a village councillor, during his 5 1/2 years serving on the council in the last 15 years.

Alonso credited Junge for his years of interest in village government and his challenging of former councils.

Kudos also went to Junge for his trust in people by giving financial help to struggling businesses in Ruidoso. Alonso said Junge's honesty and untiring energy made him one of those "unforgettable people, regardless if you love or hate him."

No one ever had to wonder what side of an issue Junge would take. He was always honest, never politicizing his way through issues, Alonso added.

Junge voiced his enjoyment of the number of positive calls he has received recently. Far different from the "get out of town" calls he received only 2-3 years ago.

From a prepared statement, Junge read that he had attended \$20 of the 325 meeting held during his 15 years of interest in village government.

"Real civic interest cannot be turned off and on at will," Junge said about those who attend meeting only when they have an axe to grind for special interest.

He listed the accomplishments during his tenure, including the building of a civic center and solid waste compactor/transfer system. The civic center idea was discussed many years, but finally was launched during the Lloyd David Council of 1988-89. Junge, who served on that council and who was ever aware of economics, mentioned a Ft. Worth, Texas, company with a prefab construction technique, which could save the village money on the center construction. But rumors began to imply Junge had "connections" with the company.

As a result, no interest was shown in the technique, the civic center is 20 percent smaller now than the 40,000 square feet first proposed and at a cost of 30 percent more than allowed by the old sale of \$1.5 million.

Never knowing if the center could have been constructed more cheaply with the prefab was an extreme

* signed a five-year, with two five-year renewable options, lease with Shiloh Aviation Center, Inc. of Belen, to provide contract service for mechanic work on aircraft at Sierra Blanca Regional Airport.

* set a public hearing for an ordinance re-establishing the cemetery board for the regular meeting August 27.

* set a public hearing for an ordinance giving future councillors a raise to \$500 a

month for the August 27 meeting.

* agreed that an agreement with James Townsend, who requested the village sign a plat so he can purchase some the Grindstone lands from FDIC, was a type of "blackmail" since it required Townsend to give the village a portion of land as an easement. Townsend dedicated a road to the dam to the village, but thought he should be paid for the strip of easement

land. After discussion, at 10 p.m., councillors realized Townsend had granted the easement road to the village, which eliminated the need for the narrow strip. To avoid the "off-premises" sign problem encountered earlier in the meeting (Townsend wanted to place a sign on the strip, even if it was bought by the village), and because the village did not need the strip, councillors agreed to sign the plat.



RUIDOSO VILLAGE councillors (from left) Bill Karn, J.D. James and Jess Stinson give a standing ovation to outgoing councillor J.A. "Al" Junge after Mayor Victor Alonso (at right) presented him with the key to the village of Ruidoso Tuesday night.

disappointment to Junge.

As for the compactor—that idea almost died when the four-member council on which Junge served was recalled to six members. But right before the end of the council term in 1984, the four-person council voted 3-1 to purchase the compactor/transfer unit. It took two years to get the plant going. Now 5 years and \$1-million profit, the village will sell the compactor to the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority for \$870,000.

"Not a bad job... (nearly \$2,000,000 profit to the city ain't exactly loose change," Junge said.

Junge closed his remarks by challenging future councillors to find ways and means to hold or reduce operating costs—even to the point of reducing services.

"It can be done—Ruidoso has all of the qualities to ensure that it is even a nicer place to live," he said. "Proper leadership will ensure that happening."

He apologized for "stepping on other people's feet" in order to bring out things which did not always make things happy for the council and mayor.

Alonso said Junge should never apologize for raising questions in what is supposed to be a tough forum.

"You'll be a tough act to follow," Alonso concluded. An audience which crowded the meeting room gave Junge a standing ovation.

Country Club hosts scramble

Carrizozo Country Club hosted a Member/guest Scramble at Carrizozo Golf Course Sunday, July 28.

Thirty-eight players participated in the 18-hole event.

The teams of Paul Wyers, David Cummins, Norm and Maria Renfro, and Raymond Lueras, Lucy Rickman, Joyce and Duff May tied for first place.

The team of Junior Lueras, Lew Noyers, Bob Marsh and Fran Siddens won third place.

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Franchise ordinance study set

Lincoln County Commissioners will give utility companies another chance to have their say about a proposed franchise ordinance.

A special workshop session is set for 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 9 at Texas-New Mexico Power Company in Ruidoso.

Representatives of Lincoln County utility companies will again have an opportunity to give input and amend parts of the proposed utility franchise ordinance at the session to be held in the multi-purpose room of the office located at 1100 Mechem Dr. in Ruidoso.



THIS PHOTO was taken at the Capitan Schools reunion July 27. From the left, Carl Brazel Hartley, class of '39, Las Cruces; Donald Harrow, class of '52, Artesia; "Bud" Miller, class of '41, Atlanta, Ga.; William Miller, class of '39, Roswell; Wayne Cozzens, class of '39, Albuquerque.

Juvenile probation office finds shelter in Ruidoso

Ruidoso Juvenile Probation office found a temporary home Tuesday, when Ruidoso Downs Mayor Bonnie Addy offered space within her village's municipal building.

The Ruidoso office personnel had already boxed up everything in preparation of a move to the only office being offered by Lincoln County Commissioners—in the county courthouse in Carrizozo. But now, the offices will remain in the Lincoln County Sub-office in Ruidoso for another 30 days.

In June, commissioners had instructed the Juvenile Probation Office (JPO) to move out, because the space taken in the Lincoln County Sub-office in Ruidoso was needed for other purposes. The JPO's deadline was July 31.

A delegation from the state JPO and Youth Authority appealed to commissioners at their meeting Tuesday, to provide an office, or provide rent for one, in Ruidoso. About 95 percent of their case load is from low to moderate income families in the Ruidoso-Ruidoso Downs area, said Nick Mandel, New Mexico Youth Authority (NMYA).

Traveling the distance to Carrizozo from Ruidoso would create a hardship for the families involved. Mandel also worried services to the youth would be diminished, since many are counseled after school.

"We can't forget the bottom line—we're here to serve the youth," Mandel said.

Richard Padilla, director of community services with NMYA, said the county is required to provide space at no cost, according to state statutes. NMYA spends no money on rent in its 37 offices statewide, and it is financially strapped, because of the potential of renting a Ruidoso office, since it has no budget for such.

Mayor Addy, who spent three weeks on the phone to Santa Fe and Carrizozo to resolve the problem of what to do with the Ruidoso JPO, offered an interim solution. She was wearing two hats—as a mother and community leader—and sympathized with the hardship that would be placed on families if they had to travel to Carrizozo for counseling.

A missed appointment can equate to a probation violation, and a call to Carrizozo from the Ruidoso area would be long distance, adding hardship to families involved.

The space Mayor Addy offered is a 16x12-foot office with a 20x7.5-foot reception area, which the NMYA people had seen and liked.

Because of financial restraints in her village's budget, Addy could not offer the space for free. Since the village is leasing the facility for village hall for two years,

which will not bind commissioners to the procurement code. Convinced of the opportunity being afforded, commissioners Elliott, Montes and Stirling Spencer approved allocating the first year's rent, if the state provides the move funds. Until the agreement is finalized, commissioners agreed to allow the Ruidoso JPO to have another 30 days in its present location in the sub-office.

Lack of space in the sub-office became a secondary discussion during the JPO agenda item. County nurse Teresa Luna, who has a small office in the sub-office and is running out of space, put in her bid for additional space for a health office in the Ruidoso area. She provided a list of rentable offices and said she wanted something done as soon as possible.

"You're pretty sneaky to get in this," Elliott told Luna, and added he was aware of her space problems.

Elliott arranged to meet with Luna the following week, and to set her requests on the agenda of the next regular county meeting.

Sub-office worker Patsy Sanchez, said she felt like a brood-hen as she was concerned for all parties which are in limbo at the sub-office.

Spencer said this commission is trying to formulate five- and ten-year plans for services and the physical plant.

"This wasn't something sprung on them yesterday," Elliott said about the JPO.

Carrizozo gets \$5,000
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ous," Kuhnle said. Noting comments from residents who have said the building looks better now than it has in 30 years.

Kuhnle assured commissioners chairman Stirling Spencer—the building would remain in the town's ownership, with a lease basis.

Anita Sanders, interim director of EDCLC, said the upgrade of the town buildings was a valid use of the development money set aside by the county commissioners. She credited the town for moving ahead with the project very quickly, and thought involving the youth was precedent-setting because it created more pride in the community.

During the budget process, commissioners voted not to fund EDCLC with mill levy funds, as it has three years before. Instead, commissioners directed a fund be set up for use by various entities, primarily the municipalities, for economic development.

County attorney Robert Beauvais said at the county

meeting Tuesday, he had no problem with the legality of allocating the \$5,000 to the town, since it was the ultimate beneficiary. He suggested an agreement for the funds to Carrizozo state the town-be responsible for the maintenance of the building, it provide information to the county where the funds be spent and a plan be submitted on how the funds will be spent.

Spencer did not want to "handcuff" the mayor as to how the money would be spent on its economic development needs, and if any remaining funds can be spent on upgrading the other town-owned building to attract another industry. He agreed quarterly reports need to be submitted by the town to the county.

Commissioners approved a commitment of \$5,000 to be allocated to the town of Carrizozo for economic development of industry, with a formal document of agreement to be signed at the next regular commission meeting on Aug. 20.

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Parade entries being taken

ALBUQUERQUE—The parade office at the New Mexico State Fairgrounds is now open to accept entries for the annual State Fair parade. The parade will be held at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 7.

Bob Johnson, parade chairman, said entries for the parade close Aug. 28. Johnson said entries from groups, individuals or organizations must be received in the office by Aug. 24. Entry forms are available by calling the Fair at (505) 265-1791.

The theme for the 1991 parade is "The Heart of New Mexico." Rules for the 1991 procession are as follows:

• Entries will be judged by the parade committee. If there is any question as to

their parade value, entrant may be required to submit pictures or undergo an interview.

• Only one entry per category will be accepted from the same school.

• Single-horse entries will be accepted and will ride as one group.

• Queens must provide their own horse or, far. Queens may be grouped if the length of the parade requires it.

Trophies are awarded to marching groups, organizational bands, mechanized entrants, horse and buggies, and commercial floats. An entry fee is required of commercial floats and queens.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Last week's frustrating search by the Lincoln County Sheriff and deputy for a rural apartment points out the need for persons who call in emergency messages to give concise directions to their location.

Until the enhanced 911 emergency phone system is in place countywide, sometime next year, the sheriff's office and other emergency response agencies as well, request callers to give as clear and concise directions as possible. Directions to rural and/or isolated locations should include familiar intersections, east or west turns, approximate distances. Directions to one's residence can be listed and placed next to a telephone along with emergency numbers for sheriff's office (648-2341 in Carrizozo or 364-2909 in Capitan or 258-5607 in Ruidoso area), local fire department and ambulance.

The following information was taken from dispatch records at the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office in Carrizozo:

JULY 22

9:43 a.m. a resident south of Carrizozo reported three large Chow dogs chasing calves, and it appeared one calf was injured. Lincoln County Animal Control Officer (ACO) responded.

10:55 a.m. Craig Elkenberry, in J&M Apartments in

the Angus Hill area called the sheriff's office that he and a friend were holding a subject at gunpoint. They had stopped Enrique Dominguez in the middle of an alleged burglary in Elkenberry's apartment. Elkenberry also advised the subject had allegedly been breaking in regularly and they caught him in the residence this time and were holding him for a deputy. Sheriff James McSwane and deputies responded and arrested Dominguez for burglary.

2:17 p.m. Carrizozo Police Chief Choncho Morales called from municipal judge S.M. Ortiz's courtroom and reported Danny Delgado of Carrizozo, escaped from his custody from the courtroom. Delgado, "led" everyone on a merry chase through downtown Carrizozo," dispatch wrote. A deputy and Carrizozo policeman rounded up Delgado at a location across from Bud Payne's residence.

2:07 p.m. San Patricio Senior Citizens Center reported a breaking and entering through a bathroom window. Sheriff's office (SO) took the report and the center manager requested a close patrol of the center day and night.

3:39 p.m. The Barn reported theft of a cigarette machine.

11:45 p.m. a Cedar Creek resident advised a van full of juveniles were trespassing

on the property; the juveniles allegedly appeared to have been drinking.

JULY 23

12:53 a.m. juveniles were reported to be at the back door of the Carrizozo School cafeteria. Carrizozo Police responded.

4:01 p.m. a Carrizozo woman reported a woman and a man have been bouncing checks and giving her phone number, she had received five calls this week. Carrizozo Police responded.

4:40 p.m. a Carrizozo woman reported a Chow dog running loose and almost hit by a vehicle. Morales advised the dog was fenced, but kids probably left the gate open. Morales advised her to keep the dog in the yard.

JULY 24

2:32 a.m. a deputy found a Carrizozo woman on Highway 54, attempting to get a ride to town from an accident scene, three miles north of Carrizozo on Highway 54. The deputy brought her to the SO and attempted to administer a breathalyzer test, which she refused. She remained with the jailer while a deputy went to the accident scene. He located the vehicle and requested a wrecker.

6:55 p.m. a resident in some Capitan apartments requested an officer's assistance with some problems with a couple of tenants.

10:30 p.m. Carrizozo police responded to a domestic situation where two juveniles called another girl and said they were going to shoot themselves. Carrizozo police talked with the subjects and all was okay.

JULY 25

12:20 a.m. a Capitan resident reported a fight on Highway 380 just east of the Saw Shop. A car was on the roadway blocking traffic. The complainant could hear yelling. At 12:23 p.m. the complainant advised the fight broke up and parties headed toward town. A Capitan police officer patrolled the area.

7:19 a.m. An EMT reported a car in a ravine by Hailey's Hill east of Capitan. It appeared the car rpsed in and was hard to see from the road. New Mexico State Police (NMSP) were advised.

7:52 p.m. NMSP responded to an accident without injuries east of Riverside on Highway 70.

8:49 p.m. a Palo Verde Slopes resident reported someone shot out the windshield of a 1988 GMC pickup with a B-B gun.

JULY 26

7:30 a.m. An Alto area resident reported a breaking and entering and burglary of a summer residence. Entry was gained by breaking a window.

12:26 p.m. NMSP and a deputy responded to a report of a possible drowning at Bonito Lake. The complainant reported a little boy was playing under the falls area below the dam, then apparently fell in. The deputy located the boy at a campsite, bruised a little, but okay. Other kids had pulled him out of the water before he went out of sight and all was 10-4.

7:58 p.m. a Sun Valley resident reported finding a mountain bike.

8:08 p.m. A Sun Valley resident reported three pickups full of juveniles were partying and breaking windows.

10:19 p.m. the same Sun Valley resident advised her 16-year-old cousin threatened to kill himself and his other cousin. The complainant locked away the guns while on the phone with SO dispatch.

JULY 27

5:29 a.m. a Carrizozo resident reported a loud party (loud music) at the Mid Town Apartments. Morales advised the subject to keep it down or he would take him in on disturbing the peace.

5:55 p.m. a Ruidoso Downs resident reported three transients lurking behind the condos, very suspicious acting. A deputy responded.

JULY 28

7:58 a.m. NMSP responded to an accident without injuries at Bonito Lake. The complainant advised his "beautiful black Jeep Wrangler" was down near the river, near Bonito Lake, only "it isn't beautiful anymore."

1:58 p.m. NMSP responded to an accident with injury involving a car and a semi-truck. Ruidoso ALS transported a woman with respiratory problems to Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso.

2:56 p.m. an Oscura resident reported a grassfire one mile west of Highway 54. Carrizozo Volunteer Fire

Dept. sent two units and New Mexico State Forestry was notified.

The following persons were booked into the Lincoln County Jail recently:

JULY 18

Ricky D. Stark, 35, Ruidoso; DUI, driving on revoked license and no insurance; released to parents for transfer to El Paso treatment center.

JULY 19

William Wayne Watts, 22, Ruidoso Downs; DWI (2nd); no driver's license; careless driving.

Perry Kevin Puckett, 25, Ruidoso; 364 days commitment from magistrate judge, Gerald Dean Jr.

JULY 22

Danny Delgado, 31, Carrizozo; DWI, escape prisoner, careless driving, no driver's license; total bond \$2,000, no 10 percent.

William Ron Biggs, 22, Albuquerque; DWI (2nd), suspended license; served time and let out July 23.

Enrique Dominguez, 34, Ruidoso; two counts of burglary; \$25,000 bond, no 10 percent.

JULY 23

Terrence M. Rogers, 35, Lovington; DUI (2nd), careless driving, driving on revoked license, no insurance; bond set at \$2,000 no 10 percent; bond posted same day.

JULY 24

Darlene Portillo, 34, Carrizozo; DWI, \$500 bond; posted same day.

JULY 25

Donald Ray Bishop, 39, Ruidoso; probation violation, held without bond.

JULY 26

David W. Lester, 35, Ruidoso; criminal trespass, \$500 bond.

Steve H. Ortiz, 35, Carrizozo; failure to comply with conditions of probation; released later in the day after a phone call with Sheriff McSwane.

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From the left, Ted, Linda and Cody Turnbow.

Carrizozo Golf Course

The Carrizozo Golf Course is a municipal golf course owned by the town of Carrizozo. It's located one mile east of Carrizozo on Hwy. 380. Ted Turnbow has leased the golf course for the past five years.

Mrs. Jackie Spencer was instrumental in building the course, which was completed in 1973.

Ted and Linda Turnbow have two sons, Bryan 16, and Cody 12. Both Linda and Ted are graduates of Levelland High School in Levelland, Texas, and Texas Tech U. in Lubbock. Linda teaches first grade in the Capitan school system.

Ruben Chavez of Carrizozo has been helping the Turnbows since the couple took over the business.

Turnbow told the NEWS that every Wednesday is ladies night beginning at 5:30 p.m. Turnbow also said that a group of men get together every Sunday at 1 p.m., draw partners and "scramble." Everyone is welcome.

The 5th annual Grizzly Scramble will be held sometime in August. The proceeds of this tournament help finance the golf program at Carrizozo High School. The date of this tournament will appear soon in the NEWS.

The Carrizozo Golf Course is open seven days a week from 9 a.m. until dark. The green fees are \$7 for nine holes and \$12 for 18 holes. Golf carts are available.

For tee time or information, call 648-2451.



THESE CORRIENTE CowBelles worked hard at their July 20 team roping event. They gave out \$500 in scholarship money. From the left, Ruth Shannon, club president; Janice Hard, Jeanette Smoot, club secretary; Inez Marrs, 1st state vice president; Willa Stone, Pat Ward, and Debbie Bird.

Capitan News

by Margaret Rench

One inch of gentle rain blessed us this last week. The first day of full sunshine in three weeks was on Sunday.

The Capitan Class reunion held this last week was a success, as always, though the report is that the crowd was not as large. It's a joy to see and talk to those lovely children again. Though I did not see and visit with many, my heart was with them. Success and happiness to all of them and perhaps we will meet again in two years. Do continue with this reunion.

Remember the Fair, next week, which will end Aug. 10. Let's make it a good one!

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Trammell of Hobbs were guests of the Terry Stricklands last week.

Howard and Maxine Wright celebrated their 44th wedding anniversary July 23 with their daughter and her family. I wish them many more happy years together.

The Curtis Payne family enjoyed the Ward-Leslie reunion held last Saturday and Sunday in the schoolhouse in White Oaks.

Lee and Jeanie Payne of Buckhorn, N.M., visited their family in Capitan this last weekend.

Mrs. Alda Bundick of Blanket, Texas, and three of her granddaughters visited six of her brothers in Lincoln County in the month of July.

About 100 friends and relatives attended the Hobbs family reunion held in Coy-

ote, N.M., last weekend. They enjoyed a lot of good food and visiting. There was delicious barbecue, hamburgers, watermelon and homemade ice cream. Thanks to June and Don Hobbs for having us.

The Sacred Heart Guild members met Wednesday for their monthly business and social meeting.

Ronald Spies of Los Angeles, Calif., spent the past week with his mother, Dorothy Spies, Mr. Spies is associated with Douglas Aircraft.

Here is a bit of caring philosophy for all of us to practice:

Give the first smile. Take time to listen to another's joy or sorrow.

Driving over airport land unlawful—public warned

Airport manager Hal Marx issues a stern warning to people who have been driving their automobiles onto airport property.

"This is serious stuff, folks," says Marx. "There have been a number of cars driving around the airport at night, some of them driving into the tie-down areas (where aircraft are secured). This is a dangerous practice and it must stop. Whether you realize it or not, it is a violation of federal aviation law for automobiles to be driven into aircraft tie-down areas unless the driver owns a plane in that area or has specific need or permission to be there."

Marx continues, "If there is any damage to an aircraft or to any building or equipment on airport grounds, the person involved could be subject to heavy fines and/or imprisonment under federal law. It is not generally known that all airports, although they may be privately owned, come under federal jurisdiction. The feds do not fool around when it comes to airport violations, so be advised that you are asking for serious trouble when you drive around the airport grounds."

Air traffic is increasing at the port, Marx says. "We're sure you will like the new look of your airport," he adds.

He invites the public to visit the airport and asks for the support of the entire community.

"I must tell you," concludes Marx, "that I have no worries about the future of our country when I see the example set by the three young men from Carrizozo High who have been helping at the airport. Many thanks to Alfonso Lucero, Jacob Portillo and Anthony Archuleta for their aid in painting the terminal. Also, many thanks to all of the other young people who came to cut weeds and mow grass."

School will start here with a full day of classes on Wednesday, Aug. 21.

Enthusiasm is building for the Summer Festival and class reunions.

Elmo Tracey is attempting to contact classmates from Florida to Alaska. Shirley Minor Jennings, Fairbanks, hopes to come, as does Julia Ann Clements Boyd, who lives in Anchorage where she is employed by BLM. Winston Cape, Arkansas, won't come because of illness. Russell Reader, New Waverly, Texas, and Neoma Beever Whetstone, Dripping Springs, Texas, plan to be here, and Roe Porter from Montana.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Duke and Mrs. Jerry Rasak attended the wedding of a Duke grandson in Gallup on Friday.

Mrs. Lee R. Owen was taken to the Ruidoso hospital in the early morning hours Sunday. She was reported in stable condition Monday, but remained for tests.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Tracey spent a recent week with her mother and other family members in Vancouver, Wash. Forrest preferred to stay with cousins in Albuquerque and with them enjoyed fishing trips.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rodriguez and Gabriella, Gallup, spent the weekend with his aunt, Mrs. Jerry Rasak and Mr. Rasak, and with other guests in the home enjoyed coffee and treats made by Mrs. Rasak. Paul has enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps and will leave in October.

Bobby Joel Woldridge, El Paso, stopped by Saturday for a brief visit with his cousins, Sharon Young, and children.

The Robinson reunion is set for this weekend with family members expected to begin arriving on Wednesday.

Corona's Owen wins scholarship

Les Owen, a 1991 graduate of Corona High School, has been awarded the Holt Lovelace Memorial Scholarship.

Owen was valedictorian of his graduating class and plans to attend New Mexico State University this fall.

Nurse certification at NMSU—Alamogordo

New Mexico State University at Alamogordo will offer a full time Nurse Aide Certification program for the fall semester.

The Nurse Aide Certification Program trains students in nursing aide skills with emphasis on a psychosocial approach to patient care along with a sense of caring, understanding and respect for the patient as an individual. The 16-week program includes classroom, laboratory hours, and extensive supervised clinical training in nursing homes and the acute care setting. Students must meet the educational requirements to be accepted in good standing at NMSU/A: GED of at least 50, High School GPA of 2.0. Students transferring from other colleges must be accepted in good standing.

the state competency evaluation for registry.

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Lincoln County Long Ago

By RUTH HAMMOND

WHITE OAKS EAGLE
Thursday, August 3rd, 1899
Local News

Several immigrant wagons reached here this week from Oklahoma. They are looking for ranch locations.

The petition for a change of the days the mails go to the Jicarillas has been granted. The days are now Monday and Friday of each week.

Miss Annie Lane returned from Pinos Altos last Thursday. She had been visiting her sister Mrs. A. P. Foley there for several months.

John C. Sligh, principal Nogal public schools, was over Saturday. Mr. Sligh and Miss Ula Gilmore have been employed to teach the White Oaks public schools for the coming year.

John Y. Hewitt is putting in new glass windows in the store building next to the Exchange Bank. This is the very best business location in town.

The sweepstakes race at Nogal Sunday was a tie. Races have been matched and money put up and the whole thing will be done over.

Pete Thompson left yesterday to meet his wife who is on route here from Big Spring, Texas. Mr. Thompson will meet her at Alamogordo. They will occupy a cottage property on the Avenue belonging to Mrs. S. E. Barber.

J. O. Nabours was in the city Saturday. He has just sold his White Mountain ranch to Oscar Hyde, consideration \$1,500.00. Mr. Hyde will stock it with young cattle. Mr. Nabours is moving his cattle to his new ranch in the Ocuras.

Justice L. W. Stewart and J. W. Owen have put the roads around town in fairly good condition. The road to the mouth of the canyon is better than ever before. Good roads are a necessity and no citizen should object to paying his road tax, without it, it

is an impossibility to have them.

An Outlaw Visits White Oaks

Last Friday Ed Wheeler, one of the gang who was in the train holdup at Potosi and who afterwards participated in the Cimarron fight, in which Sheriff Farr, of Colorado, and Sam Ketchum, a follower of the notorious Black Jack, were killed and one or more of the sheriff's posse wounded—was in White Oaks. He had sent his saddle by express, to this place and when the authorities discovered that he was en route, sent telegrams to White Oaks officers to arrest Wheeler and others found with him, when they reached here. The telegram was delayed some where along the line and was received 48 hours after the gentleman, presumably Mr. Wheeler, had called at the express office for his saddle, and was out of the way. Officers are on the look out and it is generally thought that several of the gang are some where in this locality, and that they mean to do mischief either here or at Alamogordo. A warm reception awaits any attempt to do mischief here, and a surprise is not likely.

Thursday, August 10, 1899

Local News

P. M. Johnson, the Carrizozo range foreman was in the burg the first of the week. Mrs. W. C. McDonald and daughter Francis were in from Carrizozo ranch Monday.

Headquarter camp of the graders and track laying crews on E. P. and N. E., moved to White Oaks Junction Tuesday.

White Oaks is coming to the front. Liquid refreshments in the form of keg beer is now on tap at the Little Casino.

T. G. Jacobs of the Capitans was in the city Tuesday. Mr. Jacobs has sold 160 head of cattle to Oscar Hyde, consideration \$15 per head. Lincoln County has been

thoroughly soaked with heavy rains this week. An excellent grass crop is already assured. Hundreds of tons of prairie hay will be secured in this locality.

A. M. Armstrong has been awarded the contract at the Old Abe Company's Coal mines to mine and deliver the Coal into the Company's bins for which he is paid \$1.10 per ton. White Bros. still hold the contract to haul the Coal to the Company's gold mine and mill.

SAW MILL BLOWN UP

The Gumm Company's saw mill in the Capitan Mountains was blown up yesterday morning, seriously wounding the engineer and two or three others at work around the mill. The boiler was found to be leaking and an attempt was made to draw the fire and run down the steam, just before it could be accomplished the boiler exploded and what remained of it was moved several feet from the foundation.

Boston Wright, who was in charge of the Mill brought the wounded men in for medical aid yesterday. The extent of the damage to the mill property is not known, but it is sufficient to cause the mill to be idle for some time. Wright, the manager himself received several slight wounds and was knocked down by pieces of timbers moved by the exploding boiler.

The shaft of the Lady Godiva is going down as fast as machine drills can force it. The 700 foot level was reached the first of the week. Supt. Dye says they will begin drifting on ore about the 20th inst. White Oaks now has four mines which average in depth more than 1000 ft. The prospective stage is rapidly passing and genuine mining has actually begun. Two of these, the North Homestake and the Old Abe are the deepest dry mines in the world.

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10:00 Annual Meeting
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LEGALS

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

No. CV-91-55
Division III

RUIDOSO STATE BANK,
a New Mexico Banking Corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.
H.V.G. ENTERPRISES, INC., a New Mexico Corporation,
HELEN V. GABEL,
FIRST REPUBLIC BANK LUBBOCK, as Trustee of the HELEN V. GABEL Trust under the Will of E.J. WICKER, PLAINS NATIONAL BANK, LUBBOCK, EMERALD ISLE, a New Mexico General Partnership,

Defendants.

PLAINS NATIONAL BANK OF LUBBOCK,

Counter and Cross-Plaintiff

vs.

RUIDOSO STATE BANK,

Counter Defendant,

and

H.V.G. ENTERPRISES, INC., HELEN V. GABEL, and **EMERALD ISLE,** a New Mexico General Partnership,

Cross-Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned Special Master will, on the 23rd day of August, 1991, at

10:00 a.m. at the front door of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, Lincoln County, New Mexico, sell and convey all of the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants (excluding Defendant and Counter and Cross-Plaintiff Plains National Bank of Lubbock) in and to the real property located at 2610 Sudderth Drive situated in Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, more particularly described as follows:

Lots 25 and 26, Block J, of RUIDOSO SPRINGS,

Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Lincoln County, January 28, 1925.

TOGETHER WITH all improvements situate thereon;

SUBJECT TO any restrictions, easements, reservations, or zoning regulations of record;

Said sale will be made pursuant to the Judgment in favor of Plains National Bank as Trustee of the Helen V. Gabel Trust under the Will of E. J. Wicker on its Counter and Cross Claim in the principal sum of \$106,046.20 plus accrued interest of \$19,611.23 as of May 20, 1991 together with interest thereafter accruing at the rate of 9% per annum or \$26,148 per diem together with attorneys' fees and costs in the sum of \$1,500.00 plus gross receipts tax, which Judgment was entered on July 1, 1991 in the above-styled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose certain mortgages held by Plaintiff Ruidoso State Bank and Defendant and Counter and Cross-claimant Plains National Bank of Lubbock. Said sale will also be made pursuant to the Judgment in favor of Plaintiff Ruidoso State Bank in the amount \$64,652.80 as February 28, 1991 with interest accruing thereafter at the rate of \$21.03 per diem plus

its reasonable attorneys' fees of \$1,500.00 and costs of \$247.53. Said sale will be made to the highest bidder for cash, and the time of such sale may be postponed in the event that the Special Master, in his judgment, deems it advisable. Said sale is made pursuant to the Mortgage of Plains National Bank of Lubbock dated April 8, 1988 recorded on April 11, 1988 at Book 1988-4, Page 694 of the Mortgage Records of Lincoln County, New Mexico, which Mortgage constitutes a first lien upon such real property. Said sale is also made pursuant to the Mortgage of Ruidoso State Bank dated January 18, 1990; recorded on January 23, 1990 at Book 1990-1 at Page 898 of the Mortgage Records of Lincoln County, New Mexico, which Mortgage constitutes a second lien upon the above-described property.

JULIA VEGA,
SPECIAL MASTER.

Published in the Lincoln County News on July 25, August 1, 8 and 15, 1991.

LEGAL NOTICE

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners are hereby accepting nominations to the Lincoln County Loggers Tax Committee for one (1) member to fill a position which will expire in June, 1992. The nominee shall be a registered voter of Lincoln County and shall represent the logging industry.

Nominations in writing will be accepted by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners or the Lincoln County Manager at the Lincoln County Courthouse, P.O. Box 711, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, until 5:00 P.M., August 12, 1991.

NICK J. PAPPAS,
Lincoln County Manager.

Published in the Lincoln County News on July 25, and August 1, 1991.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the Village of Capitan will accept sealed proposals for road base course, per yard for village streets, as: (1) hauled to location as per village road supervisors instructions. Maximum four miles from city yard. (2) picked up and hauled by village.

Proposals are to be for August 1, 1991 thru June 30, 1992. Proposals must be received by the purchasing officer no later than 4:30 p.m. on August 9, 1991 at the Village of Capitan, P.O. Box 246, Capitan, N.M. 88316.

Proposals will be opened by the Governing Body at their regular meeting to be held on August 12, 1991 at 7:00 P.M. The Village of Capitan reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

Proposals can be mailed to Village of Capitan, Box 246, or hand delivered.

JAN STARNES,
Clerk-Treasurer,
Village of Capitan.

Published in the Lincoln County News on August 1 and 8, 1991.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the Village of Capitan will accept sealed proposals for diesel fuel to be furnished to the Village of Capitan. Supplier must furnish overhead tanks.

Proposals must be received by the purchasing officer no later than 4:30 p.m. on August 9, 1991, at the Village of Capitan, P.O. Box 246, Capitan, N.M. 88316.

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Village of Capitan.

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO No. PG-91-42 Div. III

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CARL R. HINER, 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 two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or their claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County, P.O. Box 726, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

DATED this 23rd day of July, 1991.

JO HINER,
P.O. Box 275,
Corona, N.M. 89318.

SANDERS, BRUN, COLL & WORLEY, P.A.
Charles H. Coll
P.O. Box 556
Roswell, New Mexico 88202-0556
(505) 822-6440
Attorney for Personal Representative

Published in the Lincoln County News on August 1, 1991.

ELECTION NOTICE (First Notice) CHAVES SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

To all owners of land situated in the Chaves Soil and Water Conservation District, counties of Chaves and Lincoln, in the State of New Mexico.

Notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of October, 1991 between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., an election will be held to elect two supervisors of the Chaves Soil and Water Conservation District in accordance with the Soil and Water Conservation District Act of the State. Location of the election will be 1011 S. Atkinson, Roswell, New Mexico.

The positions to be filled are Position #3 currently being held by W.E. (Bill) Bonham, and At-Large Supervisor currently being held by Leroy Lang. Nominating petitions for the position of supervisor may be secured at 1011 S. Atkinson, Roswell, N.M. Nominations must be made for individuals who own land within the district. Nominating petitions must be signed by not fewer than 10 persons and returned to 1011 S. Atkinson, Roswell, N.M. no later than August 30, 1991.

All owners of land within the Chaves Soil and Water Conservation District are eligible to vote. Persons may be asked by election officials to provide a tax receipt or other documentation of land ownership to verify eligibility to vote.

Absentee ballots will be available to persons requesting them by mail between August 30, 1991 and September 12, 1991. The District will mail requested ballots 15 days before the election to persons requesting them. Absentee ballots must be returned to the address shown below by election day to be counted.

Absentee voting may be done between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. at 1011 S. Atkinson between the dates of September 17, 1991 and September 30, 1991.

WHEREAS, Section 10-15-1-(C) NMSA 1978 requires this Board of Supervisors to determine what notice for a public meeting shall be reasonable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 3rd day of July, 1991, by the Chaves Soil and Water Conservation District that:

(1) Regular meetings of the Board of Supervisors shall be held at 1:30 P.M. on the first Wednesday of each month at 1011 S. Atkinson, Roswell, N.M.

(2) Notice shall be given at least ten days in advance of any regular meeting scheduled by the Board at its last meeting.

(3) Special meetings of the Board may be called by the chairman no less than eight hours in advance of the meeting.

(4) The time and place of special meetings shall be posted at 1011 S. Atkinson, Roswell, N.M.

CHAVES SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
W.J. (Bill) BALL,
CHAIRMAN

July 30, 1991.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THIS ELECTION CONTACT: Joy Wagner between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Monday through Friday at (505) 822-8746. Chaves Soil and Water Conservation District Office 1011 S. Atkinson, Roswell, New Mexico.

Published in the Lincoln County News on August 1, 1991.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. PB-91-04
Div. III

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EMERY E. SHANNON, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NORMA J. PHILLIPS has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Emery E. Shannon, Deceased. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or their claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the Personal Representative at 1300 NW 8th Pl, Andrews, Texas 79714, or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County, P.O. Box 726, Carrizozo, N.M. 88301.

DATED: June 24, 1991.

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CHRIS is one of many residents at New Mexico Boys Ranch and Girls Ranch who benefit from the help of volunteers.

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BELEN—County fairs begin early in August and Don and Abby Hofman of Tucumcari will hook up their livestock trailer and set out to "pull for New Mexico Boys and Girls Ranches."

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The ranches care for, house, clothe and feed more than 150 of our own New Mexican kids every year," Don Hofman remarked.

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OBITUARIES

WALTON BARNEY WILSON

Walton Barney Wilson, 70, Carrizozo, a rancher and longtime chairman of the Nogal Mesa Ranchman's Camp Meeting, died Thursday, July 25, in an El Paso hospital following an illness.

Funeral was Saturday at First Baptist Church, Carrizozo, with burial at Ancho.

He was born July 11, 1921, on the homestead of his grandparents near Ancho. He was a veteran of World War II. In 1946, he enrolled in New Mexico A&M and met Mary Ruth Dishroon. They married on Sept. 30, 1949, in Las Cruces.

Mr. Wilson was a lifetime rancher and was very active in the livestock industry. He was elected and appointed to numerous boards, commissions and committees. Some of the organizations he served were the New Mexico Cattle Growers (board of directors), Production Livestock Marketing Association (13 years as representative for the 11 western states), National Public Lands Council, Forest Service administration and various church-related groups.

He was chairman of the Nogal Mesa Ranchman's Camp Meeting for about 25 years. He had taught Sunday school, attended the Ancho Community Church and more recently attended the Baptist Church in Carrizozo.

Mr. Wilson was instrumental in obtaining phone service for the Ancho community in 1959. He was a strong supporter of Lincoln County and New Mexico Farm & Livestock Bureau, Lincoln County 4-H and Carrizozo and Corona FFA.

He suffered a stroke in 1986 and was involved in a train collision in 1989. He was in failing health for quite some time before his death.

Surviving are his wife, Ruth; two sons, Alton Wilson of Canyon, Texas, and Rex Wilson of Ancho; two brothers, John and Charley Wilson; and three grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Nogal Mesa Ranchman's Camp Meeting or the New Mexico Boys and Girls Ranches.

BONEY M. ZAMORA

Funeral Mass for Boney M. Zamora, 82, of Capitan, was Wednesday, July 31, 1991, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Capitan. Burial was at Capitan Cemetery.

Mr. Zamora died Friday, July 26 in a Ruidoso hospital.

He was born Dec. 2, 1908, at Picacho to Bonifacio and Liza Zamora, who both preceded him in death. He was a lifelong resident of the Capitan area. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and a retired ranchhand. He married Trina Talavera on Feb. 20, 1940, in Carrizozo.

He is survived by his wife, Trina of Capitan, nine daughters, Ruby Montoya, Gerty Montoya, Bonnie Chavez, Alice Tillotson, all of Ruidoso, Grace Coyaza and Ora Duran, both of Alamogordo, Ceil Chaffins and Trina Garcia, both of Capitan and Aracelia Cannon of Helen, Ga.; five sons, Barney Zamora of Carrizozo, Rudy Zamora of Chicago, Richard Camora of Durate, Calif., Rolland Zamora of Capitan and Bobby Zamora of Ruidoso. Also 37 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Bonifacio Zamora Jr. in 1987.

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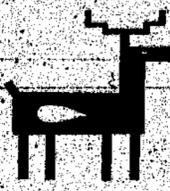
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CARRIZOZO VARSITY Cheerleaders are attending a cheerleader clinic on the campus of the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque. Shown packing for the trip are, left to right, Mercie Epperson, sponsor; Lori Gibson, Yvonne Estralla and Jacqueline Epperson. Not available for the photo were cheerleaders Kelly Caldwell, Rene Roper, Amy Offutt and Julie Gallegos.

Old steam engine's whistle may again ring in Lincoln

If a group of local railroad aficionados have their way, the shrill whistle of a narrow-gauge steam engine, or Iron Horse as the Plains Indians called it, will again be heard in the canyons and mountainsides of Lincoln County.

During the early part of this century, a narrow-gauge steam train chugged and backed its way up Indian Divide to connect the coal fields near Capitan with the main railroad line in Carrizozo. But the whistle was silenced when World War II began, and the failing narrow-gauge railroad was scrapped for its metal for the war effort.

The dream of building another narrow-gauge railroad somewhere in Lincoln County came alive in the 1970s when Mike Mulholland moved from Dallas, Texas, to Ruidoso. He envisioned a narrow-gauge cog railroad going up Sierra Blanca, connecting the village with the ski resort.

That idea got to a study phase in the 1980s, but was shelved when Mulholland died.

Mulholland's railroad records were filed away until Dick Weber moved to Ruidoso to open his Shadow Mountain Lodge. Weber was given the file cabinet, and he began to explore its contents. The dream proved to be infectious.

Weber began to talk to people, those initially involved with the narrow-gauge railroad and others, getting enough interest to form the not-for-profit Ironhorse Railroad Foundation. Weber was elected president.

Now, if Weber has his way, a horse of another color may be bringing tourists—and jobs—to Ruidoso.

According to a release from New Mexico State University, NMSU Cooperative Extension Service and other consultants are working on a

feasibility study for a 60-mile plus narrow-gauge railroad project. Funding for the study came from the \$40,000, in state money, received by the Lincoln County Transportation District, which was formed last year by Lincoln County Commissioners. The study is expected to be completed in October.

The Ironhorse Foundation proposes to build the railroad on an elliptical route from the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport on Ft. Stanton Mesa to Ruidoso Downs racetrack, the village of Ruidoso, Ski Apache Resort and possibly out to the Inn of the Mountain Gods on the Mescalero Apache Reservation. Geography will determine the exact route.

Any construction on the railroad is at least three years away. Weber said it may begin with an 11-mile stretch of track along U.S. Highway 380, between Capitan and Lincoln. Capitan is preparing for the 1994 50th anniversary of Smokey Bear Fire-Prevention program.

Ultimately, Weber sees the railroad project as a way to help diversify the area's tourist base and generate a substantial number of jobs.

"Preliminary estimates show 87 jobs will be created in the region and another 146 should be generated within the state, initially," Weber said. "During construction employment figures may be even higher."

Foundation members envision more than just a railroad—they visualize expanding to a steam-engine museum with working models, a Wild West town with a Billy the Kid theme, training facility for restaurant and hospitality staff, Weber said in the release. All of which could add up to more jobs and economic growth for Lincoln County. Hopes are to make the Wild West theme town an audience-participation,

handicapped-friendly experience.

The price tag for the railroad itself is estimated at \$110 million, or about \$1.25 million per mile, just below the price of one mile of highway, Weber said.

The entire project could cost as much as \$250 million, because many of the components of the narrow-gauge railroad, such as the engine itself, have to be special-made. A Chinese company has been contacted to build the locomotive itself. Passenger cars may be resorted cars from the early 1900s. Attention to details which enhance the flavor the Old West, such as the "clickety-clacks" of an old style railroad will be given. Modern railroads have seamless track.

The foundation hopes to seek funds from a combination of public and private sources, including such companies as Disney.

New Mexico Transportation Authority hired the NMSU Cooperative Extension Service Rural Economic Development Institute and the Southwest Technological Development Institute to do the initial feasibility study. After that study is complete, the next step will be an environmental impact study of the proposed routes. Much of the proposed railroad route is on public land.

The Foundation intends to be sensitive to environmental concerns created by the project, such as luring wildlife away from the railroad area by planting and maintaining berry bushes.



Registration slated for ENMU term in county

Area residents will have an opportunity to further their education this fall—without leaving the county.

Beginning in late August, Eastern New Mexico University (ENMU) will begin a limited schedule of classes at the Ruidoso Instructional Center (RIC), to be located in the Ruidoso Municipal Schools facilities.

ENMU is working with Ruidoso Schools to offer the college-level courses on a two-year basis.

Registration for the fall classes is set for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 19-23 at the RIC office at 1400 Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso (across from Perfect Park Real Estate Office). Registration will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 19, at Ruidoso High School lobby. Tuesday, Aug. 20, registration will be at 8 a.m. to noon at Mescalero Tribal Center. On Wednesday, Aug. 21, registration will be held at noon-4:30 p.m. at Otero Electric Office in Carrizozo. And from 8 a.m. to noon on Thursday, Aug. 22, registration will take place at Hondo Schools.

Interested persons should obtain an admission form by going by the RIC office in Ruidoso, or forms will be available at the other locations and interested persons can obtain them prior to registration.

At 7 p.m. tonight, (Thursday), Aug. 1, Dr. Miller will hold an informal informational session at Hondo School. The session was set up by a private individual in Hondo. Dr. Miller is available to speak to any civic or other group concerning RIC.

Dr. Miller also said anyone needing financial aid should obtain an application from his Ruidoso office immediately, or call the toll free number, 1-800-367-3668 and ask for a financial aid specialist. The call will connect into ENMU in Portales at no cost.

Tuition costs per hour will be \$18 for resident Ruidoso District students and \$20 for resident non-district students (such as those from Capitan, Carrizozo, Hondo and Corona). Some courses require additional fees, above the tuition.

A bookstore will be set up at Ruidoso High School, where all classes will be conducted this fall.

Courses will be offered in: Business Communications, Business Law, Principles of Management, Intro Accounting I, Basic Computer Skills, Intro Computer Software, Art—Beginning drawing I; Math—Basic Arithmetic; English—Basic writing skills and English Composition; Spanish—Beginning Spanish; Technology—Orientation and safety.

RIC is planning to offer non-credit courses in the future such as a drawing class for Lincoln County professional artists, or photo classes.

"We've had a great deal of enthusiasm throughout Lincoln County," Dr. Miller said.

Dr. Miller credited ENMU for putting additional resources into the RIC project. "ENMU is here to stay, instead of just a 1 or 2 semester deal."

If a person starts now, he or she can expect to have a 2-year degree and/or credit to transfer to a four-year university from RIC within two years, Miller said.

For more information concerning admission forms, financial aid or other questions concerning RIC programs this fall, call the RIC office at 258-3650 and ask for Dr. Miller.



FOUR OF EIGHT teen-agers working under the county's summer youth employment program are shown working on the courthouse grounds. Left to right, they are Michael Paul Lueras, Lee Roy Zamora, Lee Najjar and Heath Rickman. Recent rains triggered the growth of weeds, which these youths have chopped. They have worked at school and town properties.

Zoning being pushed by Lincoln County panel

Lincoln County Planning and Zoning Commission wants to push forward on zoning Lincoln County.

But Lincoln County Commissioners are hesitant to pursue completion of a basically flawed zone ordinance. Rather, they are amenable with going forward with a simplified document with generalized mapping.

At its last meeting, P&Z discussed and finally agreed to ask commissioners to endorse their desire to begin the mapping process of the 1988 Zoning Ordinance. Because the document was not backed by any type of mapping or county land use plan, County Attorney Robert Beauvais then said, and continues to say, the ordinance is unenforceable. He was backed by an opinion issued by the attorney general.

After the ordinance was passed, P&Z wanted to push into the mapping process, thinking it was a simple task, said County Manager Nick Pappas at the Tuesday county meeting.

County mappers in the assessor's office began drawing maps and completed about half needed to begin the zoning process. But the commission of Karon Petty, Bob Hemphill and Rick Simpson was against the ordinance and it sat in limbo until now.

In Pappas' opinion, the ordinance is a "cut and paste document that never should

have been adopted."

Portions of the ordinance were taken directly from ordinances from Dona Ana and Chaves counties.

Pappas' fear was the county has no way to enforce any type of zoning ordinance at this time, even if it had the maps. The 1988 ordinance was put together to restrict "undesirable" activities such as landfill, cemetery, or eight others, which can be accomplished by separate ordinances.

"Until we're ready to enforce with a planning department) it will be disaster to do the zoning," Pappas said.

He pointed out the high cost of notifying neighborhoods scheduled for zoning by certified mail, or the high cost of contracting with a planning outfit, "a cool \$100,000."

Commission chairman Stirling Spencer said passage of the utility franchise fees, which would be used to create a county planning

department, might enable the county to do zoning.

Beauvais, who agreed, yet disagreed, with the zoning document, said it was a basically flawed ordinance.

While such things as solid waste can be controlled without zoning, he also knew strip development, such as on Airport Scenic Drive in the Alto area, cannot be controlled without zoning.

A compromise might be to clarify and simplify the 1988 Ordinance to reflect Lincoln County needs,

instead of basing (zoning) on something totally inappropriate to Lincoln County.

"We do have basically a flawed ordinance," Beauvais said.

Finally, Spencer said his commission is waiting for a presentation by P&Z. A special P&Z meeting has been set at 7 p.m. Aug. 13, to further discuss the zoning ordinance and which direction the county should take.

Expensive towels may not do job

by Betty McCreight / Lincoln County Extension Home Economist

Plush, oversized designer bath towels may cost more and look more fashionable, but they may not give you the most for your money.

When shopping for bath towels and washcloths, don't be misled by the soft, velvety feel of towels with tightly packed, sheared loops. They will not absorb moisture as readily as towels with less compact pile.

An average-size, medium-weight bath towel with uncut terry loops performs as a towel should—it dries the body quickly and easily. And it will cost less than a heavy, super-size

towel.

Towel and washcloth edges should be firmly woven and hems securely stitched for durability. Elaborate trims and decorative wide borders look attractive, but may reduce practicality.

Inspect towels' quality before buying by holding them up to a strong light. Good quality towels will filter through tiny, even pinpoints of light. Poor quality towels' loose, uneven weave will be revealed in this test.

Most towels are made of cotton because it absorbs well, washes easily and remains strong when wet.

But towels may contain a small percent of polyester which increased durability and strengthens the fabric base holding the thirsty terry loops.

When selecting bath lines, remember dark-colored towels show more lint and should be washed separately. Too much fabric softener will reduce towels' absorbency.

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VOLLEYBALL RUMMAGE SALE continues Fri. & Sat., Aug. 2-3, 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. Many more donated items. Come by the mobile home at 706 F. Ave. Volleyball camp is Aug. 9-11 in Albuquerque. Our goal is almost in sight. Phone 648-2460. 1tp-Aug. 1

NOTICE

Due to the recent resignation of the agriculture education teacher, and the hiring of a new agriculture education teacher, Carrizozo Municipal Schools is asking that persons who have animals at the Vo Ag Farm take the necessary measures to have the animals removed from the Vo Ag Farm by August 9, 1991. This is necessary for the cleanup, remodeling and leveling of the grounds. The school will evaluate the situation and try to make it possible for people to keep animals at the Vo Ag Farm in the near future.

LEGALS

PUBLIC NOTICE
 The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners has scheduled a special workshop session at 9:00 A.M. on Friday, August 9, 1991, to be held at the Multi-Purpose Room of the Texas New Mexico Power Company, 1100 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso. The purpose of this workshop is to offer the utility companies an opportunity to amend parts of the proposed ordinance as it has been presented.

NICK J. PAPPAS, Lincoln County Manager.
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall hold a Public Hearing at 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, August 20, 1991, in the Commission Meeting Room at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to discuss the current status of the County Solid Waste Collection and Disposal System and variance procedures to be recommended to the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority as they relate to required monthly charges.

NICK J. PAPPAS, Lincoln County Manager.
 Published in the Lincoln County News on August 1, 1991.

Lawmaker working on cutting tax

WASHINGTON—To encourage New Mexicans and all Americans at all income levels to save and invest, U.S. Rep. Steve Schiff, R-N.M., has joined in introducing a bill to cut the tax on capital gains and to cut the tax on interest income for the great majority of Americans — those 137 million people who earn \$50,000 or less per year.

"The All-American Savings and Investment Incentive Act of 1991 would help Americans at all income levels — not just the wealthy," Schiff said. It would be of substantial benefit to the middle-income by cutting the amount of tax they would have to pay on the one-time sale of the family farm or business, for example," Schiff said. "For many families, the money they receive from such a sale will be saved and invested to provide for their retirement," he said.

By boosting national savings and investment, Schiff said, a cut in the capital gains tax would boost job creation and encourage growth and expansion.

The act would phase in a cut in the capital gains tax over three years to encourage long-term investments. In 1991, it would grant a 30 percent cut on the sale of assets held for more than one year. In 1992, it would grant a 30 percent cut in the tax on assets held more than two years and a 20 percent cut in tax on those held more than one year. In 1993, when fully phased-in, the act would grant a 30 percent cut in the tax on assets held more than three years, a 20 percent cut on those held more than two years and a 10 percent cut on those held more than one year.

The act would also encourage savings and benefit the 90 percent of U.S. taxpayers who earn \$50,000 or less per year by allowing a \$350 interest income exclusion—\$700 for a married couple filing jointly. In other words, Schiff said, if someone has \$6,000 in savings, they would earn approximately \$350 in interest in the course of a year. Under this act, they would not have to pay any tax on that interest. A married couple with \$12,000 in savings would earn approximately \$700 in interest, and would not have to pay tax on that amount.

"This bill gives a tax break to every lower- and middle-income earning individual and family that has a savings account," according to Schiff.



Engagement announced

Mrs. Daisy Meacham of Nogal announces the engagement of her daughter, Genevieve Clare Meacham of Dallas, Texas, to Mark John Wenda, also of Dallas.

Miss Meacham is the daughter of Cecil Carter Meacham, who is deceased. Mr. Wenda is the son of Walter Joseph Wenda of South St. Paul, Minn.

The couple will be wed at 7 p.m. Oct. 26, at Aldredge House in Dallas. A reception will follow immediately.

Miss Meacham graduated from Burges High School in El Paso in 1975. She also attended University of Texas at El Paso. She currently is employed by Occidental Chemical in Dallas.

Mr. Wenda graduated from South St. Paul High School in 1973. He attended Brown University in Providence, R.I., where he majored in sociology/demographics. He is employed by Formosa Foods, Inc.

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Air Force Sgt. Ronald R. Womack, a financial management specialist, has arrived for duty at Dyess Air Force Base, Abilene, Texas. Womack is the son of Joann Jameson of Route 436, Ruidoso, N.M.

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