

# County Gives Cost Of Living Pay Increase

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners were in a giving mood Tuesday. They granted a six percent cost of living raise for general county employees, effective January.

During a regular monthly session at the courthouse in Carrizozo, commissioners granted the increase after all elected officials requested the raise for all employees. The last cost of living raise was a year and a half ago.

Elected officials clerk Mar-

tha Proctor, sheriff Jay McSwane, assessor Patsy Serna and treasurer Janice Ware then justified the raise by saying they will take the needed funds to cover the increase out of their current departmental budgets. Serna said her assessors have picked up additional valuation, adding more value to the county. She also agreed to cut corners in her department for employees to get a raise.

Other budget savings will come from not filling a part-time position in the

sheriff's office. However, the position was only about 65 percent of what is needed to cover the sheriff's employees' pay increases.

After McSwane had requested the raise, commissioners demanded some good faith attempt for deputies to pro-

vide transportation of prisoners to the doctors. McSwane was informed that 31 doctors' appointments were missed by prisoners in a six month period, because there were no available deputies. McSwane said he had only recently learned of the situation, and

agreed to make a "good faith effort."

The road department will cover its raise by also not filling a vacant position and using the funds from that budget area. The manager's department also offered to use funds from their own departments.

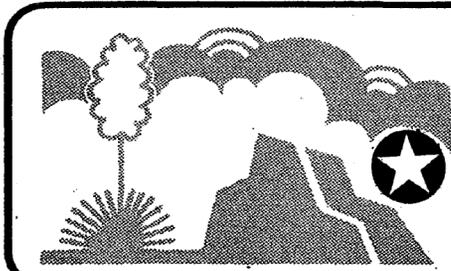
Commissioner Stirling Spencer worried about the commission's fiscal responsibility in a light deficit situation, and voted no for the raise at this time. He proposed a three percent raise for

now, until the budget could be reviewed in the spring. His motion died for a lack of a second.

Commissioner Bill Schwettmann, who made the motion for the raise, said no raise would lead to a morale problem, and employees not giving their best services. Commissioners amended the raise motion to add that chief deputies of each department also will get the raise, but be

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## Public Not Notified In Advance Of County Problems With Fire Departments, Roads

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners have full jurisdiction over the county's volunteer fire departments.

That was announced during the regular meeting Tuesday.

The discovery of the commission's new-found power came about after commission chairman Monroy Montes and commissioner Wilton Howell reportedly asked the county manager to research a situa-

tion where Bonito Fire Department Chief Howard Puckett had approved purchase of a truck wench from the company he represents. Travel vouchers were reportedly also questioned.

In seeking information from the state fire marshal concerning the purchase, the manager was informed that the county commission has full jurisdiction over the departments.

But the issue of the pur-

chasing problems with the volunteer fire departments and the commissioners' questioning of Puckett's involvement with a fire equipment supply company was not raised during a public meeting first. The commissioners publicly aired their concerns about Puckett's purchasing practices in an article published in a local newspaper Monday.

The topic had not been discussed during a public

meeting of the commission until it was an agenda item on Tuesday's regular monthly session, a day after the article appeared on the stands. Tuesday, when county manager Andy Wynham came to the agenda topic during the meeting, he said there was little more he could say about the issue that wasn't covered in the newspaper.

Puckett, and various members of the Bonito Volunteer

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## Carrizozo Sets Priorities For Improvements In 1994

Carrizozo Trustees held a three hour closed session during their regular meeting Nov. 23. The closed session was for consideration of proposed lease on the airport building, contractual agreements, and personnel matters of any or all evaluations. No decisions were made after the closed session.

In other business trustees approved the election resolution for the regular municipal election which will be held March 1, 1994 for the position of mayor, two trustees, and municipal judge. All positions will be for four year terms.

Voters must be registered to vote no later than Feb. 1, 1994 to be able to vote in the

municipal election.

Declarations of candidacy for the elected positions are to be filed with the municipal clerk on Tuesday, Jan. 4, 1994 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The resolution to apply for financial hardship with the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Depart-

ment was approved.

The Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan resolution was adopted. Priorities set for 1994 were street improvements, swimming pool, airport improvements, and vehicle upgrade.

One meeting will be held (SEE PAGE 3)



IT'S LOOKING A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS. Carrizozo kindergartners show off the Christmas decorations they made for the hall outside their classroom. Students made the tree by tracing their hands on green paper, then coloring. Students on the front row from left are Andrew Mora, Jerilyn Lovelace, Santana Scott, Daniel Wynham. On the middle row are Anthony Lara, Lucas Hernandez, Jesse Greene, K.C. Hendricks, Mary Beth Shivers, Savana Morales. On the back row are Ryan Gaines, Justice Wilson, Clint Wetzel, Christopher Vega, Whitney Whittaker, Wade McMan and Natasha Renney. Their teacher is Mrs. Cheryl Fifer.

## Lincoln Wants Funding For Archaeology Study

by Doris Cherry

The offer of a \$100,000 grant from the state highway department for rebuilding walkways in Lincoln may be no gift.

### Capitan Water Supply Down

Capitan Village Hall is asking residents to continue to conserve water for the next couple of days, until the problem with the village water well pump is remedied.

Problems with the pump shut down the water supply to the village storage tanks this week. While village crews are working to get the pump repaired, residents are asked to use as little water as possible for now.

Capitan village clerk Deborah Cummins reported that as many residents as possible were directly informed of the problem, and that most are cooperating. Wednesday the school served lunch on paper plates and the village carwash and laundry have been closed.

Residents will be informed directly, and/or by notices on the local radio station, when the water well is back in service.

Lincoln County Commissioners heard their manager report that \$100,000 grant from the state highway department for rebuilding the walkways in Lincoln requires the county contribute a \$35,000 cash match. The county does not have the \$35,000 in cash for the Lincoln project.

The grant involves federal dollars, which on the federal level carry less stringent guidelines than those imposed by the state. The state-imposed cash match requirement places a bias for funding projects in larger areas such as Bernalillo County, Albuquerque, Santa Fe and Las Cruces, said county manager Andy Wynham.

Lincoln residents Ralph Dunlap and Bob Hart moved away from the request for funds for the walkways and asked that the county seek the \$100,000 from the highway department to conduct an archaeological study. They said that no matter what is done in Lincoln an archaeological survey will be needed. "We could get \$100,000 worth of archaeological work done for \$25,000, if the county kicks in," Hart said.

Commissioner Ray Nunley indicated he will go to the state legislature to request (SEE PAGE 3)



ORANGE BARRELS INVADE RUIDOSO! Orange barrels line the north side of Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso to keep motorists out of the excavated sidewalks. The sidewalks will be rebuilt as the first phase of the Main Street streetscape project. The project will result in ADA-complying sidewalks, seating areas, underground utility lines and new lighting—and the loss of many parking places.

## Gov. King Appoints Harold Garcia To Advisory Council

Governor Bruce King has appointed Harold Garcia of Carrizozo to serve on the Governor's Business Advisory Council.

Gov. King's letter to Garcia stated, "In such capacity your input with regard to business issues will be invaluable not only to me, but to my Secretary of Economic Development, Bill Garcia, and my Secretary of Tourism, Mike Gerletti."

Gov. King's letter continued, "As you know, New Mexico is experiencing some tough economic problems. We must begin planning today to provide the framework for a healthy business economy. With your help I believe we can not only attract new jobs to New Mexico, but make sure that existing businesses are given the opportunity to compete."

Bob Armstrong of Roswell will serve as chairman of the council.

Garcia said it was an honor to be appointed to the position

and he looks forward to working on the council to help promote business in New Mexico, especially Carrizozo and Lincoln County.

"Without a healthy local business economy, we cannot expect the state to shoulder the whole burden of economic development," Garcia said.



HAROLD GARCIA

# County Gives Pay Increase . . . (Continued from Page 1)

capped when their salaries reach an amount that is 85 percent of the amount the deputy's elected official receives.

The six percent increase will be across the board for all county employees.

But providing the raise raised some questions that some employees will get more money this year, because of earlier adjustments to the salary "matrix." The matrix establishes salaries based on individual employee's years with the county, training and type of position.

County manager Andy Wynham has worked to get the pay matrix adjusted so all positions with similar functions will receive the same

salary, and to reflect what employees are paid in other counties. Adjusting the pay matrix resulted in some employees getting higher salaries this year.

Commissioner Wilton Howell agreed that the employees worked hard and deserved a raise. But he protested that some will get even more than just the six percent, and used Wynham as a specific example. The discussion heated when Howell repeatedly asked how many raises Wynham had received.

Wynham recently negotiated a contract with the county which resulted in a pay increase to \$47,500, from his beginning salary of \$38,000, two years ago. He, according

to the contract, will also get the six percent cost of living increase.

"I hate to pick on the manager, but he got a 30 percent some odd raise," Howell said. "And if this (six percent increase) is going to be involved in it, I hate to vote against something because one person is going to get the benefit."

Wynham said he thought it was totally inappropriate for Howell to discuss his contract as an example. He reminded Howell that he had laid out evaluations and pay raises totally independent from the structure of the county matrix in his proposed contract. But the commission decided to take those things totally out of Wynham's contract during

the negotiations. His contract did contain the cost of living increase.

"I think it is totally unfair to read that contract today, that issue is settled and adjusted on. If that's what it takes for employees to get a pay raise, I won't take a pay increase. I think it's totally unfair, and I think you're breaking my contract and I will look for other employment," Wynham said.

"I think it's totally unfair to negotiate a man's contract and then take and hold all these people hostage over my contract," he added.

Howell denied he was holding the whole program "hostage."

Wynham said he saw Howell's comments as a way to break up what they were trying to do for county employees. "I work hard for my paycheck," Wynham said.

Howell replied, "I'm not trying to be cheap."

When the vote was taken on the pay raise, all commissioners but Spencer voted yes.

Along with the pay raise for all general county employees, the commission approved salary changes for deputies, to bring them in line with the rest of the county salary matrix. Working with sheriff James McSwane and deputy Orlando Montes, president of the deputies' association, Wynham devised a salary matrix that will recognize years of law enforcement, especially with Lincoln County, and training.

Nine deputies' salaries will be increased and three will be decreased because they were receiving additional increments for law enforcement experience not with Lincoln County. Law enforcement experience is compensated, but not at the same rate.

Wynham said that the former system of compensating law enforcement experience required a deputy to log in five years with the county before compensation began. Now, the matrix will allow compensation for county law enforcement experience after only two years.

"Most of those with increases fell into this range," Wynham said.

The matrix was unanimously approved after relatively little discussion.

Commissioners also: --Approved the consent agenda; adopting a resolution adopting an Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan that defines and prioritizes development needs and is used to obtain state funding and Community Development Block Grants; granted the preliminary road acceptance for a two-year waiting period for maintenance for Deer Park Meadows Subdivision, Club Circle Drive, Pinon Drive and Horizon Drive; authorized the county manager to negotiate and execute a contract for purchase of two ambulances from McCoy Miller; reimbursement for transportation and extradition of prisoners.

## Luminaria Lighting Planned For Carrizozo Christmas Eve

The Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department and other Carrizozo residents are planning to have a display of luminarias in Carrizozo on Christmas eve. Town police will be directing traffic through town with headlights turned off from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The group plans to place 10,000 luminarias along Central Ave. and 12th Street. Businesses and residents on those streets and adjacent areas with views from the street are also encouraged to decorate with luminarias. The fire department will purchase additional supplies for luminarias and will make them available for a nominal charge.

The fire department hopes this becomes the first in what

could become a traditional display for Carrizozo as it is in other communities like Tularosa and La Luz in Otero County.

Volunteers will be preparing the luminarias this Saturday, Dec. 11 starting at 9 a.m. at the fire department building. Help will be appreciated whether it is all day or half an hour. The fire department is also accepting donations to help pay the expenses estimated to be about \$1,500. Less than \$500 has been collected.

Persons wanting to make donations or having questions about the luminaria decorations may contact Eileen Lovelace at 648-2975 or fire chief Lee Roy Zamora at 648-2385.

## Luminarias To Honor Smokey For His 50 Years Of Service

Fifty luminarias will be lighted at Smokey Bear Park in Capitan Friday, kicking off the official 50th anniversary of Smokey Bear.

At 5:30 p.m. Dec. 10, Smokey Bear will join the Friends of Smokey in lighting the luminarias made by students in kindergarten through second grades from schools in Capitan, Carrizozo, Hondo and Ruidoso. The luminarias will honor Smokey and his fifty years of Fire Prevention messages. The luminarias will be placed along the rock wall, which faces Smokey Bear Avenue in Capitan.

Visitors to the Open House from 5:30-9 p.m. at Smokey Bear Park will be treated to hot chocolate and hot cider, and will be invited to participate in caroling. Visitors can also view the decorated luminarias during the evening.

The Park will be open for viewing the interpretive

display and Smokey's grave site.

So, only you can help Smokey celebrate Christmas, and his 50th anniversary at Open House.

Smokey Bear's 50th anniversary will be celebrated with events scheduled through the spring and culminating with a big birthday bash during the July 4 weekend in Capitan.

## Donate Toys For Christmas Gifts

St. Mathias Episcopal Church in Carrizozo is sponsoring "Toys for Kids" this Christmas at the Carrizozo Municipal Airport, assisted by Hal Marx.

Mary is asking for donations of toys, new or used in good condition, to be given to the children. Toys may be taken to the Carrizozo Municipal Airport before Dec. 23.



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The lime green tags are issued by the New Mexico Forestry and Resources Conservation Division (New Mexico State Forestry.) Christmas tree vendors can purchase them for ten cents per tree. Before buying a Christmas tree from an individual, lot, grocery store, garden store, etc. look for this lime green tag.

# Lincoln Wants Funding

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funding for the Lincoln walkways. Dunlap said the project will involve an overlay of the existing asphalt walkways with a dirt colored gravel seal. The overlay would not require an archaeological study.

Lincoln is a unique situation, said commission chairman Monroy Montes, as it has no government to provide services. He said the community is reaping the benefits of the increased tourism, and should take responsibility for itself. Dunlap said the community does not have enough people to incorporate, nor do all the visitors spend much money in the community.

Spencer said the county has a chance to do something unique in Lincoln and he suggested working through the state historical office to create a "Save Lincoln" fund raising campaign. He also advocated putting pressure on the historical office to lean on the highway department to do projects in Lincoln as a "moral obligation."

Wynham reminded commissioners that tourism does not generate revenue to the county, except indirectly through increased valuations of businesses. He recommended seeking legislative funding for the projects, which could be used as a match for the state highway grants.

Finally commissioners approved a motion to postpone the funding request from the state highway department for the Lincoln projects until after the legislative session next year. If the county succeeds in obtaining state funds it will not pursue the highway funds.

Commissioners also dealt with a smelly complaint from resident John Porter, who leaves east of Ruidoso Downs, just north of Highway 70. Porter and his wife Nancy complained about a huge pile of horse manure being placed on the adjoining property belonging to Ted Conley, who operates Conley's nursery.

Currently Lincoln County's solid waste ordinance does not cover the accumulation, because it is a compost pile, which is being produced for sale. And the county has no zoning laws that would address such an activity. Even if it did, a zoning ordinance could not zone somebody out of their current business.

Porters have involved the New Mexico Environment Department in their complaint, seeking to get the agency to take some type of action on the pile. The agency deemed the pile to not be solid waste, rather a compost pile. The state has no regulations to address the size limit of a compost operation; said Gary McCaslin, area NMED director.

McCaslin said he can do nothing about it unless the leaching from the manure affects the ground water quality in the area. His field officers have done such studies of area wells, which have shown no contamination.

Mrs. Porter claimed Conley had not worked the pile, which she suspected included other waste products.

The complaint about the manure was taken a step further, when Porters questioned where Ruidoso Downs Race Track dumps the rest of the horse manure from its summer operations. Rick Bobb, track supervisor, said the track owns a 40-acre tract of land on which the manure is dumped, composted, then returned to the soil. Bobb said the land is located so far from water that has never been an issue.

In a letter addressed to the commission Conley, who could not attend because of his business, reviewed the situation from his point of view. Conley said that the state environmental agency has never found anything wrong with the use of his property

for his nursery business. Commissioners took no action on Porters' complaint, other than to ask McCaslin to again visit Conley's compost pile.

It continued to be gripe day for residents, as commissioners gave time for Noel Kellett to complain about the mandatory fees for solid waste collection. Kellett said he was on a very small fixed income, and does not utilize the trash services. Commissioners told Kellett to take his complaint to the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority which has jurisdiction over the collection of solid waste fees.

In other business, commissioners:

—Approved the appointment of Flo Maul as the District 2 representative on the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee.

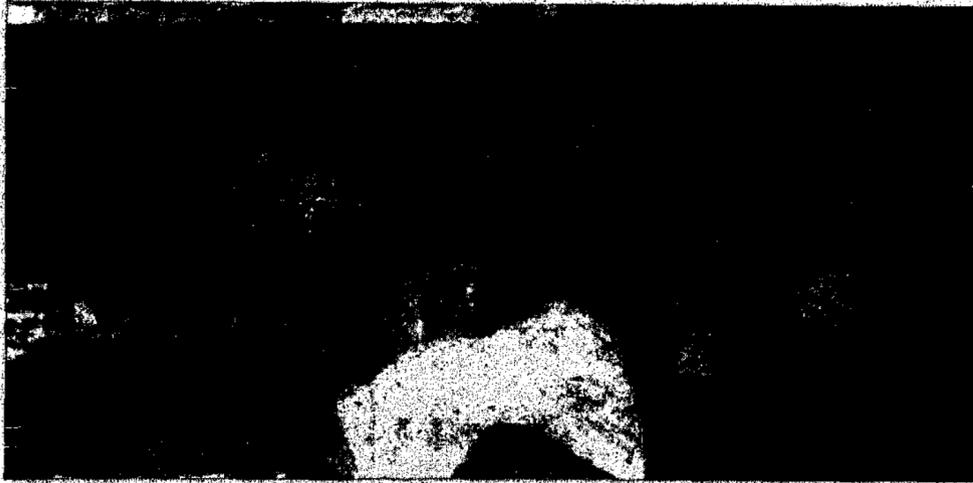
—Heard an update on the Lincoln County Fairgrounds quiet title suit that was filed in district court recently. The suit names 61 persons or agencies, five of whom had been contacted, including the New Mexico State Department of Education. The

remaining are deceased. The county attorney does not expect any protest to be filed.

—Tabled a recommendation to disband the local E-911 Emergency System until the January meeting.

—Approved the appointment of Spencer, Schwetmann and Howell to serve as a road review committee to make an on-site visit of county roads BO10, BO14, BO21, BO22, BO23, BO40, BO44 and BO46 for closure; Ron Perry's road at the end of Fort Stanton Ranchettes Subdivision; 2 of a mile of road located four miles south of Tinnie requested to be opened by Albert Salcido and Alberto Montes; county road BO31 requested to be closed by Ralph Fresquez and Country Club Road near Carrizozo to determine ownership. The three commissioners will view the roads as a special meeting.

—Endorsed a letter to John G. Rogers U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service director in New Mexico protesting the introduction of the Mexican Gray Wolf on two proposed areas.



**SANTA'S HELPERS.** Members of the Ruidoso BPOE Dues, Drove #152, wrap packages and help sort gifts in the Santa Cops workshop in Ruidoso Monday. The ladies were among many groups which have donated their time and money for the Santa Cops program. Drove #152 members helping include Crickett Hall, Joann Hall (senior councilor), Peggy Taylor, Ann Goodwin (president), Faye Chapman (first councilor), Sandy McClothlin (junior councilor), Glynnia Yates (trustee), Jean Proctor, Terri Foust, Lela Willoughby, Lynn Clecker (treasurer) and Brenda Frost (guard.) Donations are still being accepted for the Santa Cops program, and needy families may apply at any police department, or the sheriff's office in Ruidoso or Carrizozo, to receive gifts.

## L.C. County Senior Citizens See Wildlife At Bosque Del Apache

A group from the Senior Citizens Center of Capitan joined the other Zia Senior Citizens of Lincoln County on a trip to the Festival of the Cranes at Bosque Del Apache National Wildlife Refuge on Nov. 19.

There were four people from Corona, three from San Patricio, eight from Carrizozo and eight from Capitan. Those from Capitan were Vera Forrester, Sarah Ewoldt, Joe and Marge Gemeots, Evelyn and Wilbert Zabel and Mollie and Wayne Mason. Wayne was the volunteer driver for the group.

All took the two-and-one-half hour general tour of the refuge on one of the three buses donated for tours by the

U.S. Army of White Sands Missile Range. The guide was a volunteer.

Different species of birds and other wildlife including deer, coyotes, thousands of sandhill cranes, quail, hawks, many-many Canadian geese and ducks, pheasants and lots of smaller bird were seen as well as two adult whooping cranes and one immature whooping crane.

Marge Gemeots and Mollie Mason attended a "Birding In New Mexico" program. It was presented by Jim Black of New Mexico State University who showed beautiful slides of birds from all areas of New Mexico.

The three days of tours,

programs and workshops are presented every year in November. Some are free and some have a fee. Anyone interested in birding and wanting more information on this annual event should write to Festival of the Cranes, P.O. Box 743-B, Socorro, N.M. 87801.

## Carrizozo Sets

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in December on Dec. 14. The Dec. 28 meeting was cancelled.

The town Christmas party will be held in the conference room at city hall Thursday, Dec. 16 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Trustees approved the policy for retention of tape recordings of the town council meetings.

Trustees received information about the luminaries that the Carrizozo Fire Department will place on Central Ave. and 12th Street on Dec. 24.

## Check Points To Be Conducted In Lincoln Forest

(Alamogordo, NM)—The US Forest Service and cooperating agencies will be conducting check points at various locations within the Lincoln National Forest for the purpose of checking fuelwood permits, Christmas tree tags and violations of wildlife protection laws. The check points may occur at any time of the day, or any day of the week.



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LOOKING THROUGH THE FENCE

### Throw Geronimo From The Train

By MICHAEL MCKIM SWICKARD  
Lincoln County News Columnist

*Never let the truth get in the way of a good story*  
Advice given at a screenwriting course in Los Angeles

The new movie about Geronimo is out—the unauthorized and supposedly unknown story of Geronimo.

I won't be in the audience for several reasons.

First, it is not going to be a movie about Geronimo. It is going to be a Hollywood hackneyed movie long on style and short on substance.

The build up for the movie: "He rides, he loves, he fights, he drives those silly cavalry troopers crazy—he's GERONIMO!"

The story will be Hollywood Story Line #17—where the hero starts life in the slums/desert and because bad people do something to the hero/hero's family the hero rises to the occasion. He rights the wrongs, punishes the bad people, gains prestige and the adoration of his community, but alas, is martyred in the end.

In Hollywood terms this movie will be—boy finds arrow, boy loses arrow, boy get arrow back. Till bet the pitch was, "It's a Native American Horatio Alger turns Terminator with a little Love Teepee thrown in."

I wouldn't mind the story if they had just used a different name. By using Geronimo's name there is the presumption of historical fact. Little of Geronimo's history is known outside of his family. I understand his family members did not provide any information.

Certainly after Geronimo's surrender in 1886 there was ample documentation of his life from then on, but that's not the clips I've seen where a young Geronimo leads his warriors on the dirt path of righteousness and justice for all.

So how did they get the dialog and plot? It came from a screenwriter's "Could have happened" file.

When all is said and done the movie will resemble the truth like I resemble Geronimo—we both appear to have the same number of eyes and ears.

Another reason I will not go to this movie is that it is just Hollywood feeding upon itself. In the story meeting the producer probably said, "OK, we're going to do a #17, now we need a subject to plug into the #17 plot—someone the audiences of the 90s will be able to identify with, a struggle for justice, it needs to be someone politically correct—throw out some names."

The writer said, "Betsey Ross, Admiral Bird, Carrie Nation, Nat King Cole, Fats Domino, wait I have it—Geronimo!" Then someone asked, "Do we know anything about Geronimo?" The answer, "Who cares, we are just plugging Geronimo into a #17."

Then they worked on the title: "Throw Geronimo From the Train, Dances With Geronimo, Home Alone in the Desert, Geronimo's Honor, Smokey and the Geronimo, Geronimo vs. Geronimo, White Men Can't Shoot Arrows, The Last of the Apaches, Little Big Geronimo" and my personal favorite, "Free Geronimo."

At that point someone said, "Ah heck, let's just call it Geronimo like we used to say when I was a kid."

I'm sure the photography will be excellent, as will be the acting. Long on style, short on substance.

What will be missing is the truth about Geronimo, I don't know the truth about Geronimo any more than Hollywood does. But that is why I have not written anything about him.

The movie's name, *Geronimo*, is used to trick people into the theatre. They will expect to see a story about Geronimo. What they will get is story line #17.

I do not support these tactics by movie makers. MS



## Inside The Capitol

by Jay Miller

SANTA FE—Bruce King is now governor of Elsewhere.

There he was on the nightly news, standing next to Bill Clinton as Peter Jennings explained that the president had just returned from a weekend trip to California "and Elsewhere."

The only Elsewhere that Clinton visited was New Mexico. Maybe Jennings was using a map from the Smithsonian Institution, which misplaced New Mexico in a travel ad a few weeks earlier. Or maybe the trusted news anchor didn't want Americans to be upset that their president had left the country without telling them.

But for the seven hours Clinton visited Bernalillo, Elsewhere and Albuquerque, Elsewhere, he made the residents of those unimportant places feel they were somebody.

When Air Force One touched down at Kirtland Air Force Base, just east of the airport, the invited greeting committee, which originally was advertised as around eight people, had grown to over 100. But the president gave each of them a few moments of his time.

At 9:30 that night there was no farewell committee of political dignitaries, just several dozen Air Force personnel, but Clinton shook every hand.

In between, the president's caravan traveled on Clinton Standard Time as his appearances lagged more and more behind schedule. In Bernalillo, Clinton spent a half hour touring a small rural health clinic and two more hours, much of it after dark, talking with residents in a hastily constructed tent about health care problems. They could have found an auditorium in town, but the setting sun on the Sandia Mountains made a great background for wirephotos from this Land of Elsewhere.

By the time he got to the Albuquerque Convention Center and changed from casual clothes to a dark suit, the president was running an hour and a half late for a \$250 a person reception. House Speaker Raymond Sanchez was in charge of warming up the crowd for Clinton's 6 p.m. arrival. By 7:30, a half hour after the reception was supposed to end, he had been stalling for over an hour.

When the three honorees arrived, along with their wives and special guest, Sanchez introduced them hurriedly and left the stage. The real introductions were to come in a minute. Rep. Bill

Richardson introduced Sen. Jeff Bingaman, who introduced Gov. Bruce King, who introduced the president.

The order of introduction made the placement of dignitaries on the stage awkward. The three candidates and their wives were all standing to the right of the podium. Then there was this seventh guy who stood patiently at the end of the line while the six introduced each other. The fact that he was the tallest and closest to the audience made him seem even more out of place.

But once it was time to introduce the president, the awkward moments were almost over. The last one came when Bruce King said, "Alice why don't you give the president whatever you have there. As Mrs. King fumbled with a large bag, Clinton quipped, "Heck Bruce, I hope it's the deed to the ranch."

It was a silver Stetson, which the president donned briefly—just long enough for photographers to get the picture that newspapers and TV

networks across the country used to illustrate the president's visit to California and Elsewhere.

Clinton joked about giving Anne Bingaman the day off from her job as an assistant secretary in the Justice Department, about feeling for his wallet whenever Bruce King says "Aw shucks," and about Bill Richardson and himself being too dumb to know when they were beaten on NAFTA.

Then he plunged into the crowd of 600 and shook every hand before moving on to the \$1,000 a person dinner to do it all again.

Clinton may have little immediate payoff from his trip to Elsewhere, but he can use his experience at the rural health clinic in future pitches.

And the president reportedly was very impressed at seeing our state's entire congressional delegation in Bernalillo—including Republicans Pete Domenici, Joe Skeen and Steve Schiff.

We may not be very important, but we are united—and that may get us Somewhere.

## The Other Side

By OWEN RUSSELL

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Green were unexpectedly called out of town Friday night. They left in a great hurry to visit her niece in Bolivia. We will look forward to finding out how her family is doing when they return.

The annual "Hanging of the Greens" celebration was held last Saturday afternoon. This event is sponsored by the Ladies Aid to Slobbernosed Children to kick off the Christmas season, and all were present for the ceremony except Cora Green, who was unexpectedly called out of town.

Our mayor, Hiram Bottlehoffer, visited the dentist last Wednesday. We are awaiting a detailed report on how things came out.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clavieure are sad to report that their home burned to the ground while they were attending church on Sunday. The Apple Valley Volunteer Fire Department arrived at the scene in good time, but was unable to save the house, although Chief George Dalmatian stated that the smoke damage had been held to a minimum.

The Right Reverend Casey Blessington of the Central Trinity Church preached a very invigorating sermon to a packed house last Sunday. The subject of his sermon was "Hellfire and Damnation in the 90's." Choir Director Otto Green was absent, having unexpectedly been called out of town.

The Village Council met Wednesday evening, but Mayor Hiram Bottlehoffer's speech was so slurred, they finally gave up and went home.

Dr. William Toothslayer, our local dentist, announced yesterday that his office would be closed while he was away on a two-week vacation in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Mrs. Cynthia Birdsmeller, the chairlady of our local chapter of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Dumb Creatures announced last week that she would be attending a seminar on the care and control of disheveled ostriches in Las Vegas, Nevada. She has graciously promised us a full report on her activities when she returns.

Mr. Fred Hirdsmeller said this was all a lot of hogwash.

Herman Gaddy, Esq. announced last Friday that he had published a book entitled, "Techniques for Intimidation of Opposing Counsel" and

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## Forestry Compiles Landowner List For Seedling Sales

New Mexico State Forestry is currently compiling a mailing list of landowners interested in the 1994 Spring seedling sales program. The state distributes both containerized and bareroot trees and shrubs each year during March and April.

This is a nonprofit, cooperative effort between the New Mexico Forestry and Resources Conservation Division and New Mexico State University. The school grows the containerized seedlings at research stations in Las Cruces and Mora while State Forestry distributes these trees and acquired bareroot stock. All proceeds are reinvested into the program which is over 25 years old.

Last year's participants will automatically receive a 1994 order form. Also people who signed up at the booth at the Lincoln County Fair should receive an application.

This year, two types of containerized seedlings will be sold. As usual, the seedlings in the small, white tubs will be offered. Also, a limited number of one gallon stock (mostly native, high elevation tree species) will be available.

To take advantage of the program, purchasers must own at least one acre of land and the trees must be devoted to conservation practices. Approved uses include wind-breaks, erosion control, reforestation, conservation education, Christmas tree plantations, and wildlife plantings.

Participants interested in bareroot seedlings must purchase a minimum of 50 trees; each individual bareroot species can only be sold in groups of 25.

Those customers preferring tube stock must purchase at least 49 trees; each individual species is only sold in groups of 49. Landowners who wish to buy one gallon stock must purchase a minimum of five trees; they can mix and match the species selected.

### Problem Resolution Program Helps With IRS Tax Problems

For taxpayers who feel they have reached the last straw in a chronic tax problem, the Internal Revenue Service suggest contacting their Problem Resolution Program (PRP) staff.

"New Mexico taxpayers suffering significant hardships as a result of federal tax problems also should contact me," said Paul Fowler. PRP is designed to handle difficult situations that persist after repeated attempts have been made to solve them.

Fowler stressed that people should follow normal procedures first, but added, "I look forward to reducing the tax burden for those who meet PRP criteria. People may call the toll free number 1-800-829-1040 and request PRP assistance. Together, we can identify systemic problems and improve the efficiency of our operations."

## Free Consulting Available For Small Business Owners

LAS CRUCES, N.M.—Free consulting assistance to small business owners in New Mexico will once again be available beginning in January of 1994. The service is made available by the New Mexico State University College of Business Administration and Economics through the college's Small Business Institute (SBI).

The SBI program at NMSU has been recognized as one of the best in Region VI of the U.S. Small Business Administration, and has won the best "written case" award several times in competition against other university programs in New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana.

Consulting teams, staffed with senior and graduate business students supervised by NMSU faculty, will be available to work with small business owners in New Mexico during the Spring, 1994, semester. Counseling services are confidential and a professionally written consultant's report is provided to the client at the end of the semester.

The NMSU SBI program, which is sponsored by the U.S. Small Business Administration, has assisted a wide range of small New Mexico businesses over the years in areas from manufacturing to retailing. Problem areas dealt with by the SBI have ranged from advertising, business

and marketing plans and feasibility analysis, to cash flow, site analysis and image surveys.

Any business owners interested in utilizing the services of the NMSU Small Business Institute should contact SBI Director Dr. Stuart Devlin at (505) 646-6029, or Michael Eatough, SBI Graduate Coordinator, at (505) 646-5176.

### 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.*

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# CALENDAR

## THURSDAY, DEC. 9

—South Central Mountain R&D-sponsored Hospitality Training Workshop from 1-5 p.m. in the commissioners chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.  
 —Capitan Schools Christmas Music Program will begin at 7 p.m. in the new gym.

## FRIDAY, DEC. 10

—Friends of Smokey invite everyone to an old fashioned country get together from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Smokey Bear Park in Capitan.  
 —La Junta Extension Club Christmas party at the Silver Dollar Restaurant in Tinnie at 11 a.m.

## SUNDAY, DEC. 12

—Santa Rita Catholic Community in Carrizozo will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe with a pot luck dinner following the 11 a.m. Mass.  
 —Federated Republican Woman of Lincoln County and Lincoln County Republican Party Christmas Party at the Texas Club in Ruidoso. Please bring a toy, canned food or money to donate to Santa Cops. For reservations call Coleta Elliott at 258-4455 by noon Friday, Dec. 10.

## MONDAY, DEC. 13

—Friends of Smokey meet at 1 p.m. at Smokey Bear Cafe in Capitan.  
 —Capitan Village Trustees meet at 7 p.m. for a regular monthly session.

## TUESDAY, DEC. 14

—Craig Hipple of the State Engineer's office will hold office from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center to assist water right owners and interested parties.  
 —Corona Extension Club Christmas party at 11 a.m. at Robin Pfeiffer's home.

—Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce meets at noon in the chamber building across the street from the post office.  
 —Carrizozo Town Council meets for regular session at 6 p.m. at city hall.

—Carrizozo Board of Education meets at 6 p.m. for the regular monthly session, a week early because of the Christmas vacation.  
 —Ruidoso Village Council meets at 6:30 p.m. for a regular session in the village administration center.

## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 15

—Carrizozo Extension Club Christmas party at 11 a.m. at Otero County Electric Coop building.

## THURSDAY, DEC. 16

—Town of Carrizozo Christmas party in conference room at city hall from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. The public is invited. Refreshments will be served.

## SATURDAY, DEC. 18

—Christmas party at Carrizozo Rec Center starts at 6 p.m. Everyone welcome, no charge.

## SUNDAY, DEC. 19

—The Christmas Cantata "Silent was the night" by Lani Smith will be presented for the community at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary of Trinity United Methodist Church, 1000 D. Ave. in Carrizozo. Everyone is welcome.

## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 22

—Open House at Carrizozo Municipal Airport from 7 to 9 p.m. Everyone welcome.

## THURSDAY, DEC. 23

—Santa Claus will visit Carrizozo Municipal Airport at 2 p.m. Donations of toys will be accepted for this event.

## BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

The Rural Bookmobile East will visit Lincoln County next week. The following is a schedule of the traveling library's stops:

### Tuesday, Dec. 14:

Corona P.O. .... 12:30-2:30 p.m.  
 Carrizozo Otero Electric off. .... 4-6 p.m.

### Wednesday, Dec. 15:

Carrizozo Otero Electric ..... 8-9:30 a.m.  
 Capitan Smokey Bear Cafe ..... 10-11 a.m. & 5:30-7 p.m.  
 Fort Stanton Admin. Bldg. .... noon-1:30 p.m.  
 Lincoln P.O. .... 2-3 p.m.  
 Hondo Store ..... 3:30-4:30 p.m.

## OTHER SIDE

would be available for auto-graphs as soon as his appointment with Mr. Fred Birdsmeller was over.

Who said ostriches were dumb?

The Sisters of the Golden Calf have announced they will be sponsoring a bake sale to raise funds for their next convention. Mrs. Gloria Dingalingavich will be in charge of refreshments. They are hoping for more success this year than last when all of their inventory disappeared into refreshments.

We are sad to report that Mr. Ignatius Bonmontpelleur is in the hospital suffering from third degree burns and pectoral burstitis as a result of wearing a name tag. He is in the process of filing a worker's compensation claim because the injury occurred during the course of his employment at Handy Hamburgers when he bent over to pick up a perfectly good potato chip and be-

came overbalanced and fell into the deep fat fryer. He is being represented by Herman Gaddy, Esq. who announced he would pursue the case with due diligence as soon as he returns from an investigative tour in Las Vegas, Nevada in a couple of weeks.

Who is the Gloria that Fred was seen with last week in Reno?

Mr. Richard Lionhearted is pleased to announce the birth of his grandson, Richard the Eleventh, on next April 14th. Mrs. Richard the Ninth is hoping for a daughter, but knows better than to say so, what with the vagaries of changes in beneficiaries and all.

Disclaimer: The events reported in this column are solely the figment of the author's imagination and any similarity to an actual event or person is the product of the deranged mentality of the declarant.

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# CAPITAN NOTES

By MAUREEN SULLIVAN



Greetings from Omaha, Nebraska again! The weather is delightful and very much like New Mexico weather, so why am I lonesome for my house by the side of the road in Capitan? Well there are several reasons. First, I am a creature of habit, getting on in years, although I loathe admitting it, like my big, old house where I can shake, rattle and roll and never look at the doggone clock unless I feel like it. Everything is fine here. But we have the most delightful little seven year old girl living here and unless she is asleep there is never a dull moment. Being around Katie is a constant reminder just how old I really am.

We are fortunate to have another segment of Gertrude Huey's autobiography and I know you are anxious to read more of it so here goes:

"We had a group of 24 children every Saturday night. We had one and a half hours of program at the church, then to our house for two hours of play and dessert. Could those kids sing? And they could sing lots of differ-

ent quartets and all four parts. Since Pat caddied at Clovis one summer and Mr. Huey was drilling the kids made some clubs so they had some real golf games. They also welded oil cans together and made a bowling alley in the school gym using a basketball for a bowling ball.

Pat was in Tulsa in college in 1957. In 1957 Mr. Huey had a coronary heart attack with a cerebral hemorrhage and stroke. We tried to stay on the farm and the boys took over helping their dad. They took over the well rig working on well work, even cement work. We went through to the fall of 1958 doing everything we could. Then I got a job at Fort Stanton. Then Mr. Huey moved me back to Capitan. Then he and the small children came. He saw that I couldn't make it on \$50.00 every two weeks, so he took a boiler job at night. We worked for three and half years there, then he was old enough for Social Security and I could get some to live on to take care of Glenda until she was 18. Mr. Huey, for a few years, was Justice of the Peace. Then he

set up the Magistrate Court in New Mexico and they put him on a salary. I went to work in the Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Hospital for 3 1/2 years, then Mr. Huey became real bad and I quit work to help him in his office.

On our return from Claunch, we started a Bible Way Fellowship Church. We started out in our home, which was very rewarding. While at Claunch I cut hair and gave home permanents and went for the welfare commodities at Carrizozo. Glenda was very young so every time the boys went for water at the Bello Ranch, Glenda brought home a bird dog puppy and it got into the neighbors chickens and killed 12 of them. We were awfully sorry, so when we were putting our chickens in the deep freeze, we took her over a dozen ready for her freezer.

In 1957 Christmas was going to be mighty short, so every day Glenda went by a window in Corona when she was at school. She asked God to please let her have that doll - it was a bride doll. And you know what? One day Pat brought it home to her. A family in Corona had gotten it for her for Christmas. It

turned out to be the nicest Christmas in our lifetime. My mother made cloth dolls and animals for the boys and sis (Dolores) still has hers. Next week, we will get back to Capitan.

Gertrude we are all looking forward for each installment. You are not the only person that lived through those rough times, but somehow the rougher times we go through makes for better folks in the long run, don't you think?

Which brings me to the following that I found hanging in my daughter's kitchen.

Lift my eyes from the earth. Let me not forget the uses of the stars. Forbid that I should judge others, lest I condemn myself. Let me not follow the clamor of the world, but walk quietly in my path. Give me a few friends who will love me for what I am and keep ever burning before my vagrant steps the kindly light of Hope. And though age and infirmity overtake me and I come out within sight of the castle of my dreams, teach me still to be thankful for life. And for time's olden memories that are good and sweet. And may the evening's twilight find me gentle still....Max Ehrmann.

And so for another week this is saying Happy Thoughts and Happy Times to each and everyone of you folks in Capitan, New Mexico. Remember try a little kindness, it is good for the Soul.

## Trujillo Enrolled In Angus Program

Candy Ray Trujillo, Capitan, has recently been enrolled in the Angus Herd Improvement Records program of the American Angus Association, reports Richard L. "Dick" Spader, executive vice-president of the national breed registry organization in St. Joseph, Missouri.

Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) is a comprehensive evaluation program used by registered Angus breeders to help them keep records of reproduction, and growth rate on individual animals. Each year hundreds of Angus breeders use AHIR records to produce more profitable, efficient Angus seedstock.

By weighing calves at 205

days of age and again at a year of age, breeders not only identify the cattle that grow the fastest and most efficiently, they also identify cows that regularly produce above average calves, and bulls that sire outstanding calves.

The American Angus Association in 1957 was the first beef breed organization to offer its members a production records program. Since that date the AHIR program has grown to the point that breeders report over 300,000 birth, weaning and yearling weights each year. This mountain of information is processed by the Association's modern computerized data processing systems.

## CAPITAN SCHOOLS COUNSELOR'S CORNER

### SCHOLARSHIP REVIEW

Schering/Key is sponsoring the Asthma Athlete of the Year scholarship to selected high school seniors who, despite having asthma, have excelled at academics and athletics. The deadline for applications is March 31, 1994. Ten seniors selected by a panel of noted physicians will receive a \$3,500.00 college scholarship. Forms are available in the counselor's office or call 201-299-1000.

The E. F. Ambassador Scholarship for 50 qualified students will be chosen to participate on a 10 day diplomatic tour of Europe. Every high school principal can endorse two applicants. Deadline is February 28, 1994.

A Scholarship Listing for Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell is available at the

counselor's office or the college financial aid office at 605-624-7114. ENMU-Roswell offers a wide range of scholarships to students attending their campus. Scholarship deadline is April 1, 1994.

The American Legion publishes Need A Lift, A College Financial Aid Handbook as a service to ALL young people. By using this the students will have access to Scholarships, Grant and Loan opportunities, specific information on many colleges and universities, career development, an electronic scholarship, and details on the federally-sponsored Stafford, FPLUS, and FSLIS Loan programs provided by the Legion's sponsorship of the Help America Learn Program. A copy is available at Capitan High School.

## Tiger Basketball

Capitan Lady Tigers varsity basketball team came out third in the Roadrunner Conference tournament held in Dexter and Hagerman Dec. 2-4.

The Capitan Tigers boys varsity team ended the tournament in seventh place.

The girls won their position by defeating Texico 40-32 in the first round Dec. 2. Friday, the girls lost to Dexter 55-31 in the semi-final game played at Dexter High School.

Capitan then played Tatum, who lost to Fort Sumner in a game played in Hagerman on Friday. The Lady Tigers defeated the Lady Bobcats 49-38 for the third place.

Fort Sumner Vixen were the champions with a close 43-40 victory over Dexter on Saturday.

Texico was fifth with a 57-49 win over Hagerman. Loving was seventh with a 65-38 win over Eunice.

The Tiger boys were sev-

enth with their 36-34 win over Hagerman.

Loving were the boys division champions, with a 66-57 win over Tatum. Texico was third over Fort Sumner 57-55. Eunice was fifth over Dexter 69-54.

The Tiger boys will be off to the Floyd Tournament which starts today, Thursday, Dec. 9 and goes through Saturday, Dec. 11.

The varsity and junior varsity girls will have games on Friday, Dec. 10 in Magdalena.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, the varsity and junior varsity girls teams will play their first home games. Action begins at 5 p.m. in Lewis Cummins Gym at Capitan High School.

Friday, Dec. 17, the Tigers host the Carrizozo Grizzlies for girls varsity, and boys varsity and junior varsity games starting at 4:30 p.m. in Cummins Gym.

*Card of Thanks*

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all that came to my birthday party at El Paisano, for all the cards, gifts, and music.

Mae Crouse

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## OBITUARY

### ROLLAND LAWRENCE ZAMORA

Prayer service for Rolland Lawrence Zamora, 48, of Capitan was Dec. 3 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church where the Funeral Mass was on Dec. 4. Officiating was the Rev. Dave Bergs. Burial followed at Capitan Cemetery.

Mr. Zamora died Nov. 28 at Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso. He was born Aug. 10, 1945 at Capitan. He was retired from the Army having served in Vietnam. He moved back to Capitan where he retired 4 1/2 years ago.

He married Lupe Guzman on Sept. 12, 1970 in Capitan. He is survived by his wife Lupe of Capitan; two daughters, Linda Affuso and her husband Julian of Capitan and Christina Zamora of Capitan; two granddaughters; his mother, Trina Zamora of Capitan; four brothers, Bobby of Ruidoso Downs, Barney of Carrizozo, Richard of Pasadena, Calif., and Rudy of Chicago; nine sisters, Bonnie Chavez of Ruidoso, Trina Garcia of Capitan, Alice Tillotson of Alto, Gerty Montoya and Ruby Montoya both of Ruidoso Downs, Seil Chaffins of Alabama, Ora Duran and Grace Coyaso both of Alamogordo and Helen Cannon of Helen, Georgia.

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Interest shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month or any portion of a month. (Statute 7-38-49 NMSA 1978)

Penalty, on taxes that become delinquent, shall be imposed at one percent (1%) of the delinquent tax total, or a minimum of five dollars (\$5.00), for each month they remain unpaid. (Statute 7-38-50)

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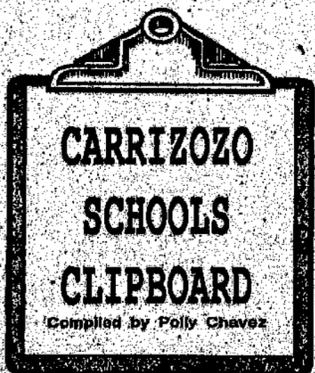
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Jack and Sam Greene. Other Carrizozo students who participated in the tree project were Stephanie Brewer, Clint and Torrey Wetzel. Santa and Rudolph made an appearance at the tree lighting Dec. 4. The students who participated in the tree decoration making will each receive gift certificates donated by local businesses.

**SEMESTER TESTS**—Dec. 13 through Dec. 17 is scheduled for semester testing. Monday, Dec. 13 and Tuesday, Dec. 14, will begin at 8:20 a.m. and end at 3:15 p.m. as usual. Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 15 and 16, school will be dismissed following noon lunches. Buses will run at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17 school will be dismissed at 12:30 p.m. Buses will run at this time.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**—The public is invited to eat lunch at the school cafeteria on Thursday, Dec. 16. The menu will include turkey and the trimmings, dinner rolls and cherry cobbler. No carry outs. That evening students will be featured in a 6:30 p.m. Christmas program in the new gym. There will be holiday music and song and festive dancing. CHS music T-shirts will be available for sale at the Christmas program.

**POSTER WINNERS**—Approximately 104 students in grades 1 through 6 participated in the yearly beef poster contest sponsored by Canyon CowBelles. The following students placed first, second and third in their class. First grade—Opal Greer, Sarah Vega, Jennifer Nowak; 2nd grade—Miley Greene, Monique Jiron, Adrienne Zamora, Ashley Furness (4th place); 3rd grade—Ashlie Samora, Trevor Cluff, Raymond Dobbs; 4th grade—Ward Leslie, Patrick Hightower, Andra Harkney; 5th grade—Mary Beth Bond, Lisa Sanchez, Jeanette Nowak; 6th grade—Annie Greene, Tara Cluff, Mollie Hightower. The humor award was given to Josh Vega.

In the state competition, winners in grade level K-1-2 were Miley Greene, 1st place; Opal Greer, 2nd place. Grade level 3-4-5 winners were Mary Beth Bond, 1st; Ward Leslie, 2nd; Ashlie Samora, 3rd. Grade level 6-7-8 winner was Annie Greene, 1st place. First place posters in each level competed in the state contest on Dec. 3. These top posters were displayed at the Stockmen's meetings in Albuquerque.

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**50th CELEBRATION**—Students of Cheryl Fifer, Meri Epperson and Ginger Shafer in kindergarten, first and second grades have made designs on paper sacks to help Smokey celebrate Christmas, his 50th birthday and 50 years of fire prevention. Luminaries of students from Carrizozo and Capitan will be used to decorate Smokey Bear State Park in Capitan. On Sat., Dec. 11, Smokey will be there for a candle lighting program. The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. and end at 9 p.m.

**SPECIAL FRIEND**—The Lady Grizzly basketball team has adopted Special Friends at New Horizons Developmental Center. Last week residents at New Horizons practiced one day with the Lady Grizzlies. It was a rewarding experience for all involved. In September, Coach Moffett's classes were assigned to "Special Friends" at New Horizons. The program has been a huge success. The New Horizons residents look forward to their special friends from Carrizozo Schools. Moffett's students have accepted the responsibility and adapted to the role of "special friend". The students play checkers, work puzzles, dance, play games and bingo, make necklaces, color and apply make-up to female residents faces. This week the students are making Christmas trees and ornaments with their special friends. Next week the students along with their special friend will take the trees to give to senior citizens. Mrs. Moffett's 6th grade class will join Coach Moffett's class to sing Christmas carols to the residents at New Horizons and Zia Senior Citizens.

**TREE PROJECT**—Cub Scouts made decorations for the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce outdoor tree. A popcorn chain was made as a community service project by troop members Matthew Hernandez, Vince Verdugo, Trevor Cluff, Adam Hiera,



**OUTSTANDING COUNTY 4-H MEMBERS** (from left) Robert Shafer, Dustin Sultemeier, Julie Barham, Casey Cunningham, Callie Gnatkowski and Katie Hightower accept plaques recognizing their accomplishments last year, during the Lincoln County 4-H Awards Banquet hosted by the Capitan 4-H Club in Sunday.

## County 4-H Annual Awards Presented

Lincoln County 4-H members were recognized for their efforts during the annual 4-H Awards Banquet and Recognition Dinner Sunday, Dec. 5.

Members who turned in record books received year pins, and separate project awards, and recognition to members who assisted in club projects.

Three county members received plaques for outstanding work during the project year. They were Outstanding Novice—Robert Shafer of Carrizozo; Outstanding Junior—Cara Baker of Carrizozo and Outstanding Senior—Julie Barham of Carrizozo. Other plaques were presented in Leadership to Callie Gnatkowski of Corona; Agriculture to Casey Cunningham of Capitan; Achievement to Dustin Sultemeier of Corona and Citizenship to Mollie Hightower of Carrizozo.

Project award pins were presented as follows: This is 4-H—Patrick Hightower, Joel Leslie and Lindsey Brumlow; Leathercraft—Robert Shafer, Dal Frost and John Gnatkowski; Braiding—Lindsey Bonds, Amy Bonds and Patrick Hightower; Rabbits—Cara Baker, Keri Shafer and Robert Shafer; Photography—Callie Gnatkowski, Katie Hightower and Malaika Tully; Dog Care—Cara Baker, Jayla Miller; Pocket Pets—Jayla Miller; Tropical Fish—Briton Goad; Cabrito—Drew Smith, Dustin Sultemeier, Tonya White; Horse—Lindsey Brumlow, Marlo Maroon, T.J. Maroon; Cat—Mollie Hightower, Lindsey Brumlow, Mary Beth Bond; Market Swine—Julie Barham, Patrick Hightower, Krin Autrey; Baking—Julie Barham, Keri Shafer, Lyndsey Brumlow;

Lamb—Malaika Tully, Court Franklin, Callie Gnatkowski; Sheep Breeding—Callie Gnatkowski, Casey Cunningham, John Gnatkowski; Rodeo—Court Franklin, Malaika Tully, Drew Smith; Dairy Heifer—Joe Burchett, Ashley Miller; Breeding Heifer—Julie Barham; Public Speaking—Robert Shafer, Katie Hightower, Briton Goad; Market Steer—Julie Barham, Rebecca Wells, Colby Wells; Dairy Foods—Julie Barham, Keri Shafer, Mary Beth Bond; Foods for Someone Special—Julie Barham, Kara Hutchison; NM Flavor—Julie Barham; Vegetable Gardening—Julie Barham, Amanda Bird; Arts and Crafts—Julie Barham, Mary Beth Bond; Shooting Sports—Briton Goad, Bryan Hightower; Being All You Can Be—Mollie Hightower; Citizenship—Mollie Hightower; Housing and Interior Design—Mollie Hightower; Fibercraft—Cara Baker, Lily Cherry, Amanda Bird; Wood Working—Cara Baker; Flower Gardening/Landscaping—Tara Cluff, Lily Cherry; Clothing Construction—Keri Shafer, Callie Gnatkowski, Debbie Bond; Entomology—Adrian Goad, Annalise Hausler; Computers—Holly Schlarb; Leadership—Callie Gnatkowski; Welding—Callie Gnatkowski, Rankin Frost; Electricity—John Gnatkowski; Wildlife—Randy Hutchison; Poultry—Marlo Maroon, Traci Maroon, Drew Smith; Veterinary Science—Annalise Hausler; Dairy Goat—Casey Cunningham, Dustin Sultemeier; Rocketry—Joe Burchett.

school for Indian Tacos and dessert. Door prizes, Christmas wreathes made at Fort Stanton, were given away.

The 1993 Lincoln County 4-H Council officers president Debbie Bond, vice president Katie Hightower, secretary Julie Barham, treasurer Keri Shafer, reporter Colby Wells and Parliamentarian John Gnatkowski were installed during the dinner also.

4-H members now begin a new project year by selecting which projects they wish to take. Any young person who will be nine years old by July 1994 is eligible to join 4-H. Call the Lincoln County Extension Office at 648-2311 for the name of leaders and/or clubs.

Capitan 4-H Club hosted the event which drew 4-Hers and their families to the

## Carrizozo FFA Organizational Meeting Set

The Carrizozo FFA Chapter is off to a good start this year. The chapter will host its annual judging contest on March 19, 1994.

The FFA's goal is to represent Carrizozo Schools in a positive manner and carry on its tradition of excellence. The FFA is seeking the support and help from FFA alumni members and the community in order for the contest to become a reality.

There will be an organizational meeting on Dec. 16 immediately after the Christmas program in the Vo-ag classroom. The Carrizozo FFA members would like to invite anyone interested in helping with the contest to attend the meeting and share their ideas and concerns.—Julie Barham, Carrizozo FFA Reporter.

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## Lady Grizzlies Begin Season With Victory

The Lady Grizzlies began the '93-'94 basketball season by blasting NMMI 43-17 in Roswell Thursday. All 15 Lady Grizzlies saw action rotating in every four minutes.

Ten Lady Grizzlies got into the scoring column with Naomi Vallejos leading the way with 10. ZoZo got off to a quick start leading 17-2 at the end of the 1st quarter. The Lady Grizzlies dominated the boards pulling down 40 rebounds.

The Lady Grizzlies lost a heartbreaker to Tularosa Friday 49-43. ZoZo was down 34-32 going into the 4th quarter. However, Tularosa's Josephine Duffy scored 15 points in the final period (37 for the game).

The Lady Grizzlies had a tough time at the freethrow line making only 13 of 36. The bright side is eight Lady Grizzlies scored and totally dominated the boards pulling down 37 offensive rebounds and 89 defensive rebounds. Coach Moffett continued his platoon system of rotating teams in and out. "The Lady Grizzlies attitude is simply fantastic! We are only going to get better," said Moffett.

The Lady Grizzlies next action will be Thursday in the Floyd Tournament when they play Lake Arthur.

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**What the Bible has to say . . .**  
*About Music In The Church (Part 5)*

A preacher in the Baptist church decided to take me to task on this subject (instrumental music in worship). He asked me to read Psalm 150:3, "Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet; praise Him with the psaltery and the harp." I knew this was the old worn-out, "David Had it" argument. So, I pointed out that David used it under the law of Moses, the Law that ended with the death of Christ (Hebrews 9:15-17; Galatians 3:16-24; Colossians 2:14). Then we reduced his argument to a syllogism. Major Premise = All things that David did in worship may be used in Christian worship now. Minor Premise = David used mechanical instruments. Conclusion = We can use mechanical instruments today. I asked if he agree to the syllogism. How could he refuse? Now use the same form and apply this to David's practice of polygamy! If we can do what David did, without sin, then by what logic will you contend that we cannot commit polygamy? David did so.

Seeing he was without hope in the Old Testament texts, he moved to the other end of the spectrum. He wanted me to answer Revelation 14:2, "And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder, and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps." I suggested we look at the passage closer. John, what did you hear? "I HEARD A VOICE . . ." John, what did the voice sound like? . . . AS THE VOICE OF MANY WATERS . . . AS THE VOICE OF A GREAT THUNDER . . . AS THE VOICE OF HARPERS HARPING ON THEIR HARPS . . ." John heard a VOICE AS THE VOICE of what? "MANY WATERS . . . GREAT THUNDER . . . HARPERS HARPING . . ." The word "as" is a simile. John heard a sound, a voice that was like or similar to these things; i.e., water thunder and harps. If we are going to insist on the harps being literal and bringing such into our worship—then we must also be prepared to bring literal water and thunder into the same. If not, why not? Remember this, the voice was SINGING and not PLAYING—Revelation 14:3, "And they SANG as it were a new song . . ."

In our final article: The Argument I Could Not Answer!

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## FACTS and FICTION

by BETTY LOU JOINER

Beautiful wreaths and poinsettias have been sold to many friends throughout our Lincoln County. Jane and her crew at the green house are busy making these beautiful decorations. Ruth McGuire stopped in last Monday to buy some. Mike Currin sent for three poinsettias for the Sunday school class. This helps the clients, the Fort and brings many hours of joy to the people who are purchasing them.

Stacey Cox received so many nice presents and such a variety of wedding presents last Saturday at the Church of Christ reception room. Mary Shanks, Kathy and Mary Dean, Charis Dean, Ruby Trout, Lee Ann Longbotham, and others were the hostesses for her wedding shower. The bridesmaids were all present to enjoy the day with Stacey and her family, who included two, Joyce Cox, her mother and Ken's mother, Pauline McGary Whitaker, Betty Reynolds, Kari and Kelli Cox, and Allison, a cousin. The bridesmaids, Kari and Kelli Cox, Della Joiner, and Allison, were also helping the new bride-to-be with her shower. Dishes, silverware, glasses, quilts, a comforter, sheets, a can opener, towels, a wooden bowl, and many other items were received by Stacey from all of her friends. Daylene Huey brought her a centerpiece and a wooden cutting board from the Angel Tree-Exchange Store.

You all will have to be sure and attend the grand opening on Saturday, Dec. 11. Daylene and Donna have cradles, baby items, leather wear, jewelry, dishes, quilts, Christmas ornaments, albums, sweat-shirts, Christmas stockings, wreaths, mirrors, and just about any thing else you can think of. Refreshments and a door prize will be part of the opening on Thursday. Stop in and greet them.

Last Monday morning the state highway equipment was seen at the beginning of Highway 214. Bobby Chavez, Andy Coleman, Ron West, Joseph Montoya, Tito Montoya, Joe Hernandez and David Orum were working on our airport road. The recycled hot mix which will be cold laid and then sealed with oil, will be some improvement to the dust, chug holes, and ruts we have had to travel on. If the material holds out, the department hopes to go all the way to the airport pavement.

Mary Allen will be working three days a week, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, in the Country Store by the video place. Debbie will have clothes for sale in both places. She has so many items of clothing, boots, hats, and jackets that both stores are filled with good buys.

The American Merchant Marine veterans publish a monthly article and are kind enough to send me one. An item I thought was very interesting in this month's was "Why is a Ship a "She"?"

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It takes a good man to handle her right.

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### Clipboard

(Con't from P. 7)

**STAFF SHOWER**-Last week the school staff attended an after-school baby shower for Kenneth Butts II, born Oct. 7. He is the son of teacher/coach Ken Butts and wife, Christetta. The event was hosted by Mrs. Butts' co-workers Nanna Whittaker, Linda Brown and Margie Serna.

# High School Students Included In Who's Who

Students from Lincoln County are included in the 27th Annual Edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1992-93.

Who's Who, published by Educational Communications, Inc., Lake Forest, Illinois, is the largest high school recognition publication in the country. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches or by the publishing company based upon students' performance in scholarship award contests or extracurricular activities.

Final selection is determined on the basis of criteria which include high achievement in academics and leadership in school activities, athletics or community service. Traditionally, 99% of Who's Who students have a grade point average of 'B' or better and 97% are college bound.

The 27th edition of Who's Who, published in 16 regional volumes, features nearly 725,000 students or just over 5% of the nation's 12,000,000 high school students. They represent approximately 15,000 of the 22,000 public, private and parochial high schools in the country.

Who's Who students also compete for \$125,000 in scholarship awards and participate in the publication's annual opinion poll of teen attitudes. The book is distributed to up to 15,000 high schools, colleges, universities and public libraries throughout the country.

Local students selected include:

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### In The Service

Air Force Airman Paula R. Billips has arrived for duty at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Tucson, Arizona.

Billips, an apprentice information management specialist, is the daughter of Rebekah L. Ramos of Roswell and Don Billips of Ruidoso.

Marine Pfc. Eric W. McGee, son of Ronald W. and Donna S. McGee of Clouderoff, recently reported for duty with Marine Corps Security Force Company, Naval Submarine Base Bangor, Silverdale, Wash.

Stephanie A. Haas, Michelle L. Hasenbuhler, Robyn E. Hursh, Francisco J. Knox, Heather D. Miller, Faustino E. Miranda, Leslie D. Morris, Matt S. Norbury, Hemanth K. Pai, Julie A. Phillips, Jeremy R. Pinto, Allison Rhodes, Jonathan Rhodes, Cindy E. Richardson, Walter C. Snow, Mandolin J. Sodd, Colelinda Stokes, Jimmy W. Varnadore, Lara Wozny.

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN NO. CV-93-192

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN, Plaintiff,

vs. GROUP I: SHARON T. GRAY and SARAH C. GRAY; JOHN R. RIGGINS and ALMY RIGGINS; ALEXANDER G. MARYFIELD; ZINA HUGLEY; JOHN MARYFIELD; CYNTHIA EASLEY; MOSA MARYFIELD; INDIA MARYFIELD; HART HALE; MARIE HALE; RUTH MEANS; HAVON MEANS; EVA MAE COLEMAN; QUINCY COLEMAN; VELMA COLEMAN; LT. COLEMAN; VERA LEE ARNOLD and ALVORD J. ARNOLD; BENJAMIN F. STAFFORD; MABEL C. YATES and WILLIAM A. YATES; GEO. W. SMITH, a/k/a GEORGE WASHINGTON SMITH and MINNIE OLA SMITH; THOMAS C. KEY; J.A. SCOTT; ELLEN AMANDA KEY; HILDA KEY YOUNG; ERNEST PAYTON KEY; W. A. STERRETT and ADA STERRETT, a/k/a ARA STERRETT; MARGARITE CHAVEZ; FRANK MORRIS; E.D. KINGSTON; HUNTER HOBBS; ROBERT W. CALLAWAY; WILL ED HARRIS; JACK BELY HARRIS; ETHEL L. HOWARD; J.L. BLACK, a/k/a JAMES L. BLACK; R.W. ALLEN; KITTIE T. BLACK; PATRICIA L. ALLEN; JAMES E. HARBROW; ALLEN HICKERSON; CORA E. BRUBAKER; and J.A. BRUBAKER; and their heirs, devisees, or assigns; GROUP II: ALAMOGORDO IMPROVEMENT COMPANY, a New Mexico Corporation; THE TITSWORTH COMPANY, INC., a Corporation; SCHOOL DISTRICT #28; DELLA SUBLETTE, a/k/a DELLA SUBLETTE; EDNA BURCH, a/k/a EDNA MARYFIELD BURCH; NETTIE McINNESS HARBROW; their heirs, devisees, successors, and assigns; GROUP III: JOHN DOES, 1 through 100, & all of their lawful heirs, devisees or assigns; GROUP IV AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDING OF ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: THE DEFENDANTS LISTED IN GROUPS I, II, III AND IV ABOVE

GREETINGS: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN, Plaintiff, has filed a Complaint for Quiet Title in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket Number CV-93-192. The object of said action is to obtain declaratory judgment against the Defendants in order for the Plaintiff to obtain a clear title in and to the following described real property located in Lincoln County, New Mexico:

A tract of land in the E1/4 Sec. 9, and the W1/4 Sec. 10, Township 9 South, Range 14 East, NMPM being the North half of Block 57; Lots 3, 4, 5, and 6, Block 59;

Lots 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20, Block 55; and Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, Block 56, and Lots 2 through 6, the Fletcher Hall Addition; all in the Original Townsite of Captain, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown on the plat thereof filed in the Office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico; or all more commonly known as the Lincoln County Fairgrounds.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance, plead or otherwise respond in said cause on or before January 17, 1994, declaratory judgment will be rendered against you by default and the relief prayed for in the Complaint will be granted to Plaintiff in conformity with the allegations of the Plaintiff's Complaint for Quiet Title.

The name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff are as follows: Alan P. Morel, Parsons, Bryant & Morel, P.A., P.O. Box 1000, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on this 29th day of November, 1993.

MARGO E. LINDSAY, Clerk of the District Court. By: Elizabeth Luemas, Deputy. (SEAL) Published in the Lincoln County News on December 2, 9, 16 and 23, 1993.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT STATE OF NEW MEXICO Cause No. PR-93-57 Division III

In the Matter of the Estate of J. W. BUCKLEW, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: MARY K. BUCKLEW, has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of J. W. Bucklew, Deceased. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the Personal Representative at 205 Kathryn Lane, Sangor, TX 76286, or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico.

MARY K. BUCKLEW, MICHAEL S. LINE, UNDERLINE, LTD., 1096 Mechem Drive, Suite 3, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345

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NOTICE is hereby given that on November 22, 1993, Carrizozo Municipal Schools, P.O. Box 99, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, filed applications numbered T-2478 and T-2478-S, with the STATE ENGINEER to appropriate a 3-acre-foot per acre per annum of the shallow ground water of the Tularosa Underground Water Basin by drilling two wells within the NW1/4 NW1/4 of Section 2, Township 8 South, Range 10 East, N.M.P.M., each 120 feet in depth for 6-inch casing for the irrigation of a total of 3 acres of land in Part SW1/4 NW1/4 of said Section 2.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the objector's water right shall have standing to file objections or protests. Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be contrary to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the

State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The protest or objections shall be in writing and shall set forth all protestant's or objector's reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Eluid L. Martinez, State Engineer, 189 Wyatt Drive, Suite 2, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88006, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice.

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo will hold only one meeting for the month of December to be held on Tuesday, December 14, 1993 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301. Agenda will be posted in accordance with Resolution 8905, Twenty-four (24) hours prior to meeting date.

CAROL SCHLARR, CMC Town of Carrizozo. Published in the Lincoln County News on December 9, 1993.

PUBLISHER'S CERTIFIED COPY

ELECTION RESOLUTION VILLAGE OF CAPITAN RESOLUTION No. 93-18

Be it resolved by the governing body of the Village of Capitán of Lincoln County, New Mexico that: A. A regular municipal election for the election of municipal officers shall be held on March 1, 1994. Polls will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

B. At the regular municipal election, persons shall be elected to fill the following elective offices: 1. One Mayor for a four year term.

2. One Trustee for a four year term. 3. One Municipal Judge for a four year term.

C. Precinct three (3) is for the regular municipal election.

D. The following location is designated as the polling place to conduct the regular municipal election: 1. Voters in precinct three (3) shall vote at Lincoln County Fair Building, 101 West Fifth Street.

E. Voters in the absent voter precinct will vote at the office of the Village Clerk, 114 Lincoln Avenue, Capitán, New Mexico.

F. Persons desiring to register to vote at the regular municipal election, must register with the County Clerk of Lincoln County not later than Tuesday, February 1, 1994 at 5:00 p.m., the date on which the County Clerk will close registration books.

G. All Declarations of Candidacy shall be filed with the Municipal Clerk on Tuesday, January 4, 1994 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

H. The casting of votes by qualified municipal electors shall be recorded on voting machines, except for absentee voting which shall be by paper ballot. At least one voting machine shall be used at the polling place for the designated precinct.

Adopted and approved this 17th of November, 1993.

FRANK WARTH, MAYOR.

ATTEST: DEBORAH CUMMINS, Clerk/Treasurer.

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ELECTION RESOLUTION VILLAGE OF CAPITAN RESOLUTION No. 93-18

Sea Resuelto por el cuerpo gobernante del Pueblo de Capitán que:

A. Una eleccion municipal regular para la eleccion de oficiales municipales se llevara a cabo el 1 de marzo de 1994. Lugares de votacion estaran abiertos al publico entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m.

B. En la eleccion municipal regular, individuos seran elegidos para ocupar los siguientes cargos electivos:

1. Un Alcalde por un termino de cuatro anos. 2. Un Fiduciario por un termino de cuatro anos.

3. Un Juez Municipal por un termino de cuatro anos.

C. El precinto tres (3) para la eleccion municipal regular.

D. El siguiente localidad sera como locales para votar para llevar a cabo la eleccion municipal regular:

1. Los votantes en el Precinto tres (3) votaran en Lincoln County Fair Building, 101 West Fifth Street, en Capitán, New Mexico.

E. Votantes en el precinto de votantes ausentes votaran en la oficina del escribano municipal.

F. Las personas que deseen registrarse para votar en la eleccion municipal regular, tienen que registrarse con la Escribana del condado del Lincoln condado a mas tardar el martes, 1 de febrero de 1994 a las 5:00 p.m., la fecha en que la Escribana del Condado cerrara los libros de registro.

G. Se archivara todas las Declaraciones de Candidatura con la Escribana Municipal el martes, 4 de enero de 1994 entre las horas de las 8:00 a.m. y las 5:00 p.m.

H. Se hara un record de los votos de los electores municipales calificados en maquinas para votar excepto los que votan por balota ausente. Por lo menos, una maquina para votar se usara en el lugar de votacion para los precintos designados.

Adoptada y aprobada esta dia 17th de Noviembre de 1993.

FRANK WARTH, ALCALDE.

DE FE, DEBORAH CUMMINS, Escribana Municipal.

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO NO. CV-93-188

WILLIAM E. BRITTON PLAINTIFF,

vs. RUIDOSO REALTY COMPANY, A NEW MEXICO CORPORATION, BILLY E. and JUANITA R. DE SOTO, INDIVIDUALLY

All Unknown Claimants of Interest in the Premises Adverse to Plaintiff.

DEFENDANTS: AFFIDAVIT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION IN SUIT TO QUIET TITLE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN

William E. Britton, being first duly sworn upon his oath, states:

1. He is the Plaintiff and makes this Affidavit on his behalf.

2. The Defendants, Ruidoso Realty Company, A New Mexico Corporation, Billy E. and Juanita R. De Soto, Individually, having no statutory agent registered with the State of New Mexico upon whom service of process can be made.

3. Upon information and belief the following named Defendants are living, but their whereabouts cannot be ascertained after due search and inquiry: Ruidoso Realty Company, A New Mexico Corporation, Billy E. and Juanita R. De Soto, Individually, All Unknown Claimants of Interest in the Premises Adverse to Plaintiff.

4. That due search and inquiry has been made and the whereabouts of the following named defendants cannot be discovered and are impossible of ascertainment so that process cannot be served upon them: Ruidoso Realty Company, A New Mexico Corporation, Billy E. and Juanita R. De Soto, Individually, and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiff.

WILLIAM E. BRITTON, Plaintiff.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 4th day of November, 1993, by William E. Britton. My Commission Expires: 2/8/95

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chasing or improving school grounds; maintenance of public school buildings and public school grounds exclusive of salary expenses of employees of the District; and purchasing activity vehicles for transporting students to extracurricular school activities."

Section 5. The tax contemplated by the capital improvements tax question shall be in addition to any tax imposed to pay debt service on bonds or for any other purpose. Such capital improvements tax shall be authorized pursuant to the Public School Capital Improvements Act, L.C., Sections 22-25-1 through 22-25-10 NMSA 1978 (being Chapter 5, Laws of the New Mexico, 1975, Special Session, as amended and supplemented).

Section 6. A person is a qualified elector of the District if he or she is a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age on the day of the Election and a resident of the District on the day of the Election. In order to vote, qualified electors of the District must have previously registered with the County Clerk of Lincoln County in accordance with law. Any qualified elector of the District who is not now registered and who wishes to vote at such Election should register during regular office hours prior to 5:00 p.m. on January 4th, 1994, being the twenty-eighth day immediately preceding the Election at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, or at the office of any deputy registration officer appointed by the County Clerk of Lincoln County (which may include the municipal clerks of all municipalities in Lincoln County).

Section 7. Absentee voting will be permitted in the manner, authorized by 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA 1978; provided, however, that pursuant to Section 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, qualified electors may also vote absentee in person at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, during the hours and days of business from 8:00 a.m., January 7, 1994, being the twenty-fifth day preceding the Election, until 5:00 p.m., January 28, 1994, being the Friday immediately prior to the Election.

Section 8. Voting shall be by voting machine, except for absentee voting which shall be by paper ballot. At least one voting machine shall be used at the polling place for each Voting District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of November, 1993.

TOM TROST, PRESIDENT, Board of Education.

(SEAL) Attest: BEVERLY PAYNE, Secretary, Board of Education.

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RESOLUTION AND PROCLAMATION OF SPECIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Capitán Municipal School District No. 28 (herein the "Board" and the "District", respectively), in the County of Lincoln and State of New Mexico, has determined that a Special Capital Improvements Tax Election, (herein the "Election") be held on February 1, 1994 pursuant to Sections 1-22-1 through 1-22-19, NMSA 1978; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 22-25-3, NMSA 1978; the Board has determined, and does hereby determine, that there should be submitted to the electorate at said Election, the question of whether or not a property tax of \$2.00 per each \$1,000.00 of net taxable value of property allocated to the District under the Property Tax Code should be imposed for the purpose of capital improvements in the District.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 28 CONSTITUTING THE GOVERNING BODY OF SAID DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN AND STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. On the 1st day of February, 1994, there will be held in the Capitán Municipal School District No. 28, Lincoln County, New Mexico, a special school district election for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the question of whether or not a property tax should be imposed for the purpose of capital improvements in the District.

Section 2. The Voting Districts for this Election shall be as follows:

Voting District, 1. General Election, Precinct, 1, 2A, 2B, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10 and 12C.

Polling Place, Lincoln County Fair Building, Capitán, New Mexico.

In addition, there will be an Absentee Voter District established as described in Section 7 herein.

Section 3. The polls for said Election will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the day of the Election.

Section 4. At such Election, the following question shall be submitted to such qualified, registered electors of the District:

PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX QUESTION

"Shall the Board of Education of the Capitán Municipal School District No. 28, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, be authorized to impose a property tax of \$2.00 per each \$1,000.00 of net taxable value of the property allocated to such District under the Property Tax Code for the property tax years of 1994, 1995, and 1996 for the purpose of the following capital improvements in the District, i.e., erecting, remodeling, making additions to, providing equipment for and furnishing school buildings, pur-

chasing or improving school grounds; maintenance of public school buildings and public school grounds exclusive of salary expenses of employees of the District; and purchasing activity vehicles for transporting students to extracurricular school activities?"

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Section 6. A person is a qualified elector of the District if he or she is a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age on the day of the Election and a resident of the District on the day of the Election. In order to vote, qualified electors of the District must have previously registered with the County Clerk of Lincoln County in accordance with law. Any qualified elector of the District who is not now registered and who wishes to vote at such Election should register during regular office hours prior to 5:00 p.m. on January 4th, 1994, being the twenty-eighth day immediately preceding the Election at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, or at the office of any deputy registration officer appointed by the County Clerk of Lincoln County (which may include the municipal clerks of all municipalities in Lincoln County).

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que de acuerdo con la Sección 22-25-3 de las Leyes de Nuevo Mexico, Recopilación del 1978, la Junta ha determinado, y por la presente determina, que en dicha Elección se le debe presentar el siguiente asunto a los votantes: si se debe imponer un impuesto sobre la propiedad de \$2.00 por cada \$1,000.00 del valor neto tributable de la propiedad asignada al Distrito de acuerdo con el Código del Impuesto sobre la Propiedad para los años tributables del 1994, 1995, y 1996, con el fin de hacer las mejoras en el Distrito.

AHORÁ, POR LO TANTO, LA JUNTA DE EDUCACION DEL DISTRITO QUE CONSTITUYE EL CUERPO GOBERNANTE DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR MUNICIPAL NUM. 28 DE CAPITAN EN EL CONDADO DE LINCOLN Y ESTADO DE NUEVO MEXICO:

Sección 1. El día 1 de febrero, 1994, tendrá lugar en el Distrito Escolar Municipal Num. 28 de Capitán del Condado de Lincoln, Nuevo Mexico, una elección extraordinaria en el distrito con el fin de presentarle a los votantes habilitados del distrito el asunto si se debe gravar un impuesto sobre la propiedad con el fin de hacer las mejoras en el Distrito.

Sección 2. Los Distritos Electorales para esta Elección serán como sigue: Distrito Electoral, 1. Elección General, Recinto, 1, 2A, 2B, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10 y 12C.

Centro Electoral, Lincoln County Fair Building, Capitán, Nuevo Mexico. Además, se establecerá un Distrito Electoral en Ausencia, según consta en la Sección 7 de la presente.

Sección 3. Los centros electorales para dicha Elección estarán abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. el día de la Elección.

Sección 4. En dicha Elección, se presentará el siguiente asunto a la consideración de dichos votantes habilitados del Distrito que estén registrados:

ASUNTO DEL IMPUESTO PARA MEJORES DE ESCUELAS PUBLICAS

"Si se otorga autorización a la Junta de Educación del Distrito Escolar Municipal Num. 28 de Capitán, el Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico, para que imponga un impuesto sobre la propiedad de \$2.00 por cada \$1,000.00 del valor neto tributable de la propiedad asignada a dicho Distrito según dispone el Código de Impuestos sobre la Propiedad durante los años tributables del 1994, 1995 y 1996 con el fin de hacer las siguientes mejoras en el Distrito, es decir, construir, remodelar, poner adiciones, proveer equipo y amoblar edificios escolares, comprar o mejorar terrenos escolares; mantenimiento de los edificios de escuelas publicas y terrenos de escuelas publicas, excluyendo los costos de salarios de empleados del Distrito; y para la compra de vehículos para transportar a los estudiantes a las actividades escolares extracurriculares?"

Sección 5. Dichas mejoras se autoriza de acuerdo a la Ley de Mejoras para las Escuelas Publicas, es decir, las Secciones 22-25-1 a 22-25-10 de las Leyes de Nuevo Mexico, Recopilación del 1978 (que es el Capítulo 5, de las Leyes de Nuevo Mexico del 1975, Sesión Extraordinaria, según fueron enmendadas y complementadas).

Sección 6. El Votante habilitado es una persona del Distrito o el ciudadano ciudadano (a) de los Estados Unidos, tiene por lo menos 18 años de edad el día de la Elección y es residente del Distrito el día de la Elección. Para votar, los electores habilitados del Distrito deben previamente haberse registrado en la Oficina del Escribano del Condado de Lincoln en el Edificio de la Corte del Condado de Lincoln en Carrizozo, Nuevo Mexico, durante

los horas hábiles antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 4 de enero, 1994, cayendo esa fecha veinte y ocho días antes de la fecha de la Elección, o en la oficina de cualquier oficial auxiliar del registrador nombrado por el Escribano del Condado de Lincoln (pueden ser los secretarios municipales de todas las municipalidades en el Condado de Lincoln).

Sección 7. La votación en ausencia se permitirá en la forma que autorizan las secciones 1-6-1 et seq., de las Leyes de Nuevo Mexico, Recopilación del 1978; siempre que, según las Sección 1-22-19 de las Leyes de Nuevo Mexico, Recopilación del 1978, los votantes habilitados también podrán votar en ausencia, personalmente en la oficina del Escribano del Condado de Lincoln, durante las horas y días hábiles desde las 8:00 a.m. el 7 de enero 1994, que es el día viernes inmediatamente antes de la Elección.

Sección 8. La votación se llevará a cabo usando maquinas electorales, salvo que la votación en ausencia se llevará a cabo usando boletas de papel. Se usará, por lo menos, una maquina electoral en el sitio electoral de cada Distrito Electoral.

Aprobada el 18 de noviembre 1993.

TOM TROST, PRESIDENTE, de la Junta de Educación.

Atestacion: BEVERLY PAYNE, Secretario, Junta de Educación.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT STATE OF NEW MEXICO Cause No. PR-93-52 Division III

In the Matter of the Estates of WILLIAM J. MANGOLD, Deceased.

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# Public Not Notified

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Fire Department were present at the meeting, as well as fire chiefs from Fort Stanton, Hondo and Nogal. None of the chiefs or volunteers spoke.

"This was no witch hunt to take on Mr. Puckett," Montes said. "It is our responsibility to take our responsibility, which is more than being a fiscal agent."

Wynham said he had always dealt with the fire departments in a "hands off approach." But he was told by the fire marshal he was wrong. Wynham said he referred what the fire marshal said to Puckett, who in turn said that was wrong.

"In one way it's frightening for the fire departments to learn the commissioners have a heavier hand, but it may be beneficial," Wynham said.

Currently the county commission has no consistent, organized approach to dealing with the fire departments. Montes said the county needs a set of guidelines for dealing with the fire departments.

"Clearly we've been advised by the state fire marshal we have a different relation with the fire departments, even though they are volunteers," he said.

Montes hoped to set guidelines without alienating the volunteers. "We have to be sensitive to the fact that volunteers are hard to come by in this county," he added.

He did not want the chiefs to misinterpret. "We are in fact talking about cooperation and appreciation of the volunteer service, but we have a responsibility more than being a fiscal agent," Montes added.

Commissioner Stirling Spencer asked Wynham to take six months and develop a policy that will outline fire department liabilities and responsibilities, leaving as much autonomy for each group as possible.

Howell wanted the guidelines, which will create some standards for use in legal situations, to be available sooner. He also wanted to make the fire departments familiar with the county's purchasing requirements now.

Fire departments are just another county department and will come under the county's purchasing rules, Wynham said. "What ever questions have been raised about purchases apply to all county departments," Wynham said.

Commissioner Ray Nunley said it was unfortunate that the purchasing problems with Puckett had to be handled in the newspaper.

A representative from the fire marshal's office was invited to Tuesday's meeting, but was unable to attend.

It appears some commissioners are confusing where county issues should be aired during their public forum of advertised, announced meetings, or airing issues in the press. In the same Monday newspaper issue, an article appeared about commissioner Wilton Howell meeting with Forest Service officials concerning the condition of the Bonito Lake road, and the county's responsibility to maintain it.

The article stated that "Commissioner Bill Schwettmann and chairman Monroy Montes also showed up at the session (with the Forest Service with Howell)."

Whenever three or more commissioners are gathered at one place to talk county business, it constitutes a quorum. Such gatherings of a commission quorum carry a legal requirement to be advertised as a special meeting.

According to information from the county manager's office, no notice was sent of a special meeting of the commissioners to be held on that Thursday, Dec. 2 with the Forest Service.

Commissioners made no report about the meeting with the Forest Service during the regular meeting Tuesday. Montes briefly mentioned the meeting with the forest service by saying how hard it was to get money from federal agencies during a discussion of the proposed Rio Bonito

exchange. Leslie Cone, area manager for the Bureau of Land Management, came to the meeting personally to report to commissioners work being done on the Rio Bonito Exchange. At the last commission meeting, commissioners sent a letter of protest of the newest Notice of Realty Action (NORA) which the Roswell BLM office published in the LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS and another area newspaper. Cone was unable to attend that meeting.

Cone told commissioners Tuesday, that because of their protest and others, the comment period has been extended until Dec. 18. BLM plans to take no action until the first of the year.

Commissioner Stirling Spencer reminded Cone that a memorandum of understanding between the BLM and the county did not mention a portion of the lands to be exchanged, known as Tract 5. Commissioners went on the assumption that Tract 5 would not be involved in the exchange. But the NORA included Tract 5 specifically.

Cone said BLM always intended to acquire Tract 5. Plans were to hold Tract 5 until after the newest resource management plan was completed. In that plan some 26,780 acres of BLM lands in Lincoln County have been identified for disposal, either by exchange for private lands (Tract 5 especially) or sale.

After more discussion about the county's mistrust of BLM's

dealings with the Rio Bonito Exchange, discussion turned toward BLM's responsibility for maintaining roads on its properties.

BLM technical engineer John Rakowski said he has been reviewing the roads on BLM lands within Lincoln County. After reviewing about 20 percent of affected roads, he had found none which BLM built, or maintains.

Rakowski said BLM is under no obligation unless the road begins, extends and ends just on BLM land.

Howell said that reminded him of the meeting with the Forest Service. County road manager Bill Cupit said that was contrary to what Forest Service said, that if a county road accesses federal land, that the federal agency should give funds to maintain it. Cupit has requested BLM provide 102 cattle guards to install on county roads that access BLM lands.

Rakowski said he did not know what laws Forest Service was using. He also said his list took into consideration those lands that have been identified for disposal.

Wynham said BLM is a big landlord in Lincoln County, and thought there should be more reinvestment into the BLM properties other than the office in Roswell.

Cone said her office cannot give the county 102 cattleguards, because it does not have enough resources for doing that for any county. She also said BLM returns funds back to the county in the form

of Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT).

Discussion then wandered into whether BLM has more rangers now than before. Cone said her area, which encompasses 5.5 million acres, has four rangers. Current presidential administration has redirected the use of those rangers from the previous drug interdiction to a focus on minerals and other violations. She said the rangers have gained recent attention because they caught some people in Fort Stanton cave illegally. The people were recently convicted.

Cone said her office has received death threats on its employees and verbal abuse of oil and gas inspectors. That has led to rangers accompanying the inspectors. None of the threats came from, or occurred in, Lincoln County.

Cone, in response to a question from Spencer, said that the FBI is not involved with the BLM cases. Rather FBI was present at the BLM office in Roswell for a scheduled training session when the grazing fees protest took place. Montes said it would be helpful to send information on the rangers and training sessions to the county, and to make it available to the media.

Nunley said that arguing was merely spending taxpayers money. He also had problems learning about the meeting with Forest Service from the newspaper. "Reading in the newspaper about this problem is not appropriate," Nunley said.

**Card of Thanks**

The family of John Robinson would like to express our thanks and appreciation to everyone who was so kind and thoughtful during the time of our loss. For visits, cards, phone calls, food, and for just 'being there' for us. It is greatly appreciated.

Margaret Means,  
Gail Mann & families,  
Dave Peebles & families,  
Cheryl Dudley & family

## One-Time \$10 Fee For Golden Age Passports

(Alamogordo, NM.) -- Beginning Jan. 1, 1994, Lincoln National Forest, along with other Federal agencies that manage recreation facilities, will charge a one-time \$10 fee for Golden Age Passports, say USDA Forest Service officials.

The Golden Age Passport is currently issued free of charge. It is used by people over age 62 to waive entrance fees and provide a 50 percent discount on recreation use fees at Federal recreation sites. On the national forests, fees are charged primarily at over 2,000 campgrounds and range from \$6 to \$20 per night per campsite. The Forest Service will continue to issue the Golden Age Passports free of charge through the end of 1993.

"Senior citizens make up a large percentage of the people who use our campgrounds and other facilities," says Lyle Lavery, Director of Recreation, Heritage and Wilderness Resources for the Forest Service. "We appreciate their interest in coming to the national forests both as visitors and as volunteers. They comprise the largest percentage of volunteer hosts, who greet visitors to national

forest campgrounds. We couldn't provide the customer services at these sites without their contributions."

Federal agencies also issue Golden Eagle Passports for everyone under 62. Starting Feb. 1, 1994, Golden Eagle

Passports will be issued for a 12-month period from date of purchase, rather than for a calendar year. The price will remain \$25.00. Golden Eagle Passports allow the bearer free access to all national forests areas where entrance fees are charged.

## Handicapped Skiers Need Volunteers

The Ski Apache Handicapped Skiers Association is calling for volunteers to help with the special education students in their ski program. Special ed students from Capitán, Ruidoso and Mescalero will be in the program this year.

Volunteers will be trained to ski with the students and teach them how to ski. A training session is scheduled for Jan. 1 and 2, and/or Jan. 8 and 9 at Ski Apache. Lift tickets will be provided for volunteers but volunteers must furnish their own equipment.

The ski program for the special ed students will be held each Thursday beginning Jan. 20. A race will be held at

the end of the program on Wednesday, March 9. Contact Paula McKenna at 354-3009 or Lisa Maue at 336-4416 to volunteer.

## Marine Cited For Superior Performance

Marine Lance Cpl. Jessica R. Glasener, a 1988 graduate of Alamogordo Senior High School recently received a Letter of Appreciation.

Glasener was cited for superior performance of duty while assigned with Marine Wing Support Squadron 371, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma, Ariz.

**"Church Directory"**

**First Baptist Church**  
HAYDEN SMITH, pastor  
314 10th Ave., 648-2968 (church) or 648-2107  
Sunday School..... 9:45 am  
Worship Service..... 10:55 am  
Sun. Evening..... Training at 8:15 pm  
Evening Worship..... 7:15 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

**Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)**  
JOHNIE L. JOHNSON, pastor  
Corner of C Ave. & Thirteenth, 648-2186  
Sunday School..... 10:00 am  
Worship Service..... 11:00 am  
Thursday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

**Santa Rita Catholic Community**  
FR. DAVE BERGS, pastor  
213 Birch, 648-2853  
SATURDAY:  
Capitan Sacred Heart..... 5:00 pm  
C'ozo Santa Rita..... 6:30 pm  
SUNDAY:  
Capitan Sacred Heart..... 9:00 am  
C'ozo Santa Rita..... 11:00 am  
Corona St. Theresa..... 4:00 pm

**Church of Christ**  
PAUL WETZEL, minister  
Ave. C at 12th, 648-2996  
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Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

**St. Matthias Episcopal Church**  
REV. ROBERT BATTON  
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1-258-4144  
Holy Eucharist..... 9:30 am Sunday

**United Methodist Churches**  
TOMMY JARED, pastor  
Trinity - Carrizozo  
1000 D. Ave., 648-2893/648-2846  
Sunday School (All Ages)..... 10:00 am  
Worship Service..... 11:10 am  
Choir Practice (Wednesday)..... 6:30 pm  
United Methodist Men Breakfast  
2nd Sunday..... 8:30 am  
United Methodist Women Every  
3rd Wednesday..... 9:30 am  
Fellowship Dinner Last Sunday of Month  
..... 12:30 pm  
---CAPITAN---  
Adult Sunday School..... 8:30 am  
Worship Service..... 9:15 am  
Children's Sunday School..... 9:30 am  
Fellowship Time..... 10:15 am  
Adult Sunday School..... 11:00 am  
Choir Practice (Tuesday)..... 7:00 pm  
Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday  
Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group)  
1st and 3rd Tuesday..... 9:30 a.m.

**Evangelistic Assembly**  
REV. DR. C.L. FULTON, Pastor  
REV. DR. WILLIE MAE FULTON, Missions Dir.  
REV. KENNETH DALE, Evangelist  
711 E. Ave., 648-2339  
Sunday..... 2:30 pm

**Nogal Presbyterian Church**  
DOUG & LOU GORDON, co-pastors  
648-2944  
Adult Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship..... 11:00 am

**Community United Presbyterian Church of Ancho**  
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# Obituaries

## FLOYD RAMON MCKIBBEN

Floyd Ramon McKibben, 81, of Corona, died Dec. 2. He was born Oct. 20, 1912 in Potter, Arkansas to John and Sallie McKibben.

Floyd was a life long resident of Corona. He was self employed in the construction business. Floyd also was a member of the First Baptist Church of Corona.

He is preceded in death by his wife Lena Mae, a daughter Juanita, three brothers, and two sisters. He is survived by three sons, Donald McKibben and wife Rawnie of Carlsbad, N.M., Raymond McKibben and wife Linda of Carlsbad, N.M., Kenneth Ray McKibben of Corona, N.M.; one daughter Helen Wells and husband Jim of Ignacio, Colorado; and 10 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Funeral services were Dec. 5 at the First Baptist Church in Corona with John Spruill officiating. Interment followed at the Corona Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Johnny McKibben, Gilbert Stewart, Robert Stewart, Walter Gensler, Andy Fry, and Danny Fry.

## PATRICIA THOMAS PERKINS

Patricia Thomas Perkins, 51, of Mountainair, N.M. died Nov. 26 in an Albuquerque hospital. She was born July 21, 1942 in Albuquerque, N.M. to Lee and Dorothy Ruth Thomas.

Pat graduated from Corona High School and from New Mexico State University. She had taught school in the Corona Schools for over 20 years, she presently was teaching in the Mountainair Schools. She was a member of First Assembly of God Church in Mountainair and a member of the P.E.O., where she had just served as president.

She is survived by her parents of Mountainair, two sons, Tom Perkins and Shawn Perkins and his wife Lori all of Corona; one sister, Carolyn Hollon of Mountainair; nephews, Alan Hollon of Roswell and Lee Hollon and family Renette and Alisha of Albuquerque.

Funeral services were held Nov. 27 at the First Assembly of God Church in Mountainair with Rev. James M. Pinckard officiating. A private family interment followed in the Round Top Cemetery near

Mountainair.

Pallbearers were Tom Perkins, Shawn Perkins, Allan Hollon, Lee Hollon, Gary Thomas and Butch Allen.

The family request in lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the First Assembly of God Church in Mountainair or the Mountainair School for academic purposes.

## DORRIS MARIE KEELER

Funeral Services for Dorris Marie Keeler, 73, of Ruidoso was Tuesday at the LaGrone Funeral Chapel in Ruidoso. Officiating was Rev. Craig Cockrell of Community United Methodist Church in Ruidoso. Interment followed at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Ruidoso.

Mrs. Keeler died Dec. 3 at Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso. She was born on May 1, 1920 in Corsicana, Texas, to Sims and Oma Hagler. Mrs. Keeler was a retired retail sales. Mrs. Keeler had lived in Ruidoso for 20 years moving here from Waco, Texas. She married Gordon Keeler on Aug. 8, 1938 in Corsicana, Texas.

She is survived by her husband, Gordon, of the home; sons, Wayne Keeler of Jonestown, Texas, Ronnie Keeler of Wichita Falls, Texas, and Fred Keeler of Estes Park, Colorado; daughter, Janet Ellett of Huntsville, Alabama and eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

# 8 People Sentenced For Cave Violations

On Nov. 17, U.S. Magistrate Wayne Jordon sentenced six Roswell residents and two juveniles from Roswell to a total of \$4,345.00 in fines and court costs. Four of the individuals were also sentenced to perform community service work. The penalties stem from an incident on Aug. 8, 1993, at Fort Stanton Cave near Lincoln, New Mexico.

Those sentenced were: Lawrence R. Cain, for possession of illegal drugs and failure to obtain a recreation permit.

Mark Cole, for possession of illegal drugs and failure to obtain a recreation permit.

Duane K. Dahse, for possession of illegal drugs and failure to obtain a recreation permit.

Benjamin D. Lane, for possession of illegal drugs, removing cave formations and failure to obtain a recreation permit.

Joe L. Olivares, for removing cave formations and failure to obtain a recreation permit. Community service ordered.

Jeremy L. Perkins, for failure to obtain a recreation permit.

Two juvenile males of Roswell, for removing cave formations and failure to obtain a recreation permit. Community service ordered.

Community service ordered in four of the cases will be the restoration of mineral formations in Fort Stanton, Lincoln County. This is the first time restoration has been ordered by any court in the U.S. for vandalism in a protected cave.

On Aug. 8, BLM Rangers were called to the scene by Lincoln County Sheriff's Department after being alerted

to the situation by members of the Cave Resources Foundation, who were at the cave performing research studies.

BLM Rangers, with the assistance of Lincoln County Sheriff deputies, then confiscated illegal drugs and the mineral formations in the possession of the individuals. The individuals were then issued citations and released before appearing before the U.S. Magistrate.

With the passage of the Federal Cave Resources Protection Act, significant caves, such as Fort Stanton Cave, are protected from improper use. The purpose of the act is to preserve significant caves on Federal lands for perpetual use, enjoyment and benefit of all people.

Future acts of vandalism, destruction or stealing of cave

resources will be prosecuted under the Federal Cave Resources Protection Act and other Federal laws. Penalties for persons who destroy, disturb, mar, alter, remove or harm a significant cave or alters the free movement of animals or plant located in caves on Federal lands are subject to fines not to exceed \$100,000 or up to one year imprisonment.

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