

Capitan School Board Discusses Problems

by Doris Cherry

Students' lack of respect and values and animosity among staff at Capitan Schools were pointed out by a parent and a volunteer assistant coach during the Capitan Board of Education meeting Feb. 10.

"We have a problem in your school," said Kenneth Crenshaw, a volunteer assistant coach. Kids have problems with attitude and behavior and there is animosity among administration, school

board members and teachers, he said.

"I'm seeing a big city epidemic filtering down to a small school. It's here now, but it wasn't here before," Crenshaw added.

"Teachers and students should not be afraid to come to school," said parent John McGrath.

Both talked of the lack of respect and discipline, and attitude problems by students. Both asked for some kind of help from the board to deal with these problems.

Crenshaw said a few people are trying to do the right things, but are not getting any support. He said "battle lines" have been drawn between teachers, administration and parents. He said the school needs concrete plans and objectives to deal with the problems. Crenshaw attributed many problems to a breakdown of family values in the home.

McGrath asked for serious discussions with parents and school staff to "nip this in the bud now."

"Parents haven't done their job," McGrath said.

Board president Tom Trost said things are going to be turned around as the school looks at the whole discipline system more closely. Trost said he has faith in superintendent Diane Sonnamaker to do something about the problems in the school. As for values, Trost said that children learn them in the home.

McGrath asked what he as a parent, and other parents, can do to make it easier for teachers. And what do teach-

ers want from parents.

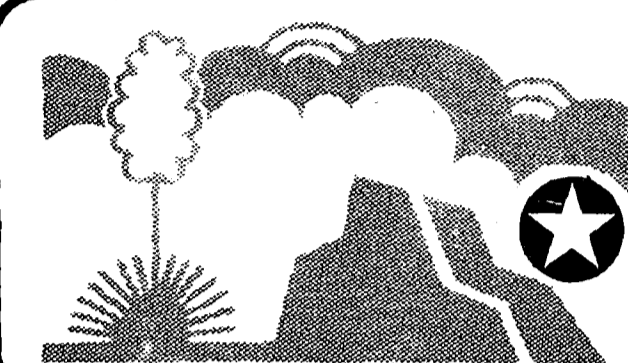
"We want a back and forth dialogue on what can be done," McGrath said. He suggested volunteer parents in the classrooms.

"One of the biggest problems is suspension," McGrath said. Suspending students, requiring them to stay out of school for a certain period of time for discipline violations, is giving them exactly what they want, especially when so many parents are working and are unable to be home. "It gives them a day off," he said.

Detention for 30 minutes after school also is ineffective.

McGrath suggested day long suspension in-house, where students would have to report to a separate room with its own bathroom. Students who are suspended from their regular classes would spend the day in the room where they would have to do school work--no movies or comic books. "Make it a hated place in school," he said.

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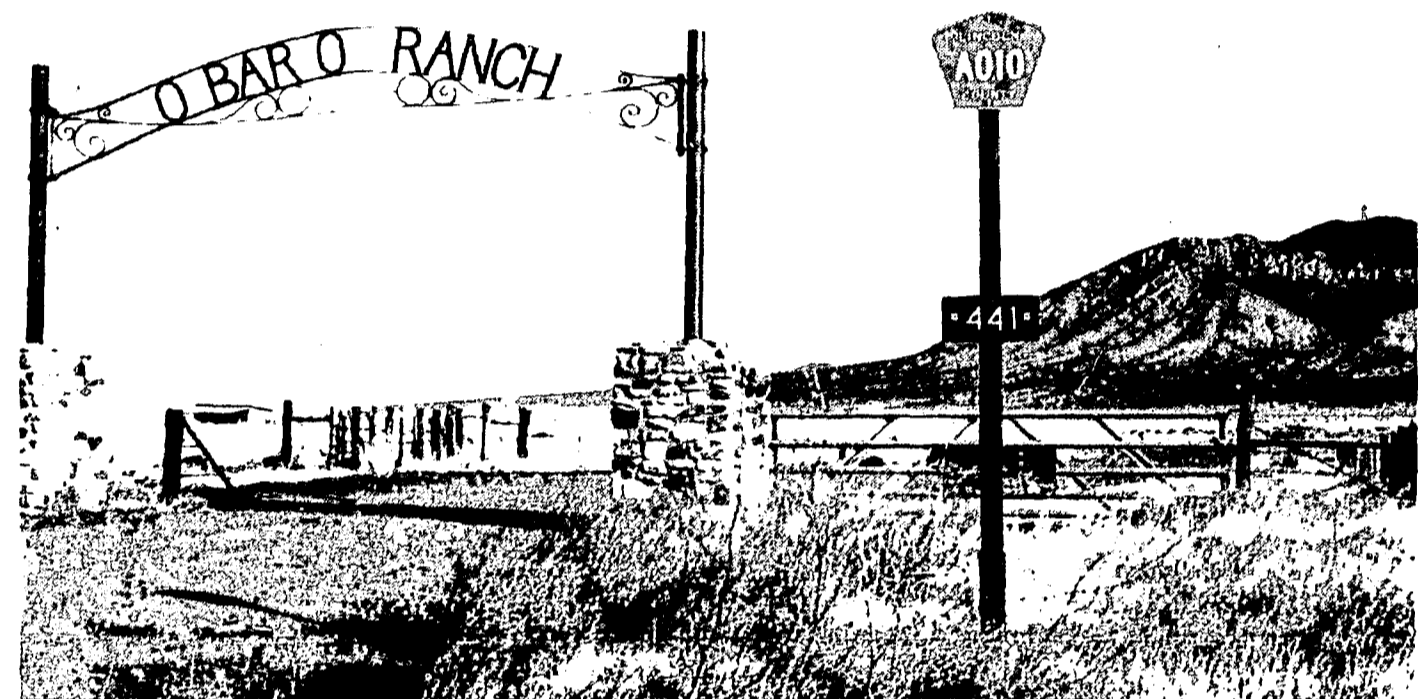
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LINCOLN COUNTY ROAD AO10, which accesses Forest Road 441, has a new entrance. Owner of the O-Bar-O ranch recently made an agreement with Lincoln County to move the road's entrance from its former location at eight mile crossing on Highway 380, to east of the Nogal River arroyo. By doing so, users of the road will no longer have to drive through the stream bed, which often floods.

Capitan Considers Repeal Of Collective Bargaining

by Doris Cherry

Capitan Village Trustees bid farewell to outgoing Gilbert Montoya during their brief regular meeting Monday.

Montoya will serve on the board for two special public hearings set for Thursday, Feb. 17 to take input for a Community Development Block Grant application and on March 3, to continue input for the grant application and on a proposed repeal of the Capitan Collective Bargaining Ordinance.

Municipal election will be held March 1, to fill the position Montoya is vacating, a position currently held by

Leroy Montes and the mayor's office. Municipal judge is also up for election.

On agenda items, the board authorized the mayor and village attorney to negotiate the price of five acre feet of water rights offered the village. The proposal was the only one offered in response to a request for proposals for water rights published by the village three different times. However, Mayor Frank Warth considered the offer from David Lee "too pricey."

Since 1991 the village has had to lease, or purchase additional water rights because it used more water than it holds rights to. The village does own half the water rights

to Eagle Creek, but at present has no way to deliver the water from the stream in Alto to the village. Warth, in response to a question from Montes, said the Eagle Creek Intercommunity Water Users Association, of which Capitan is a member with Ruidoso, recently learned it will receive a \$557,000 loan from Farm Home Administration to construct a diversionary in the stream and to "re-sleeve" the water line to Capitan. That project is expected to take nine months however.

To avoid "over-appropriating" the water used in Capitan this summer, trustees approved a motion to autho-

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Academics Policy Presented To Carrizozo School Board

by Doris Cherry

Carrizozo Board of Education wants to place more emphasis on academics, and at the same time encourage students to participate in activities.

But a proposed interscholastic eligibility policy presented by superintendent James Bayless to the board during its meeting Monday did not quite fit the bill. The proposed policy begins with the New Mexico Activities Association rule which requires students to pass a minimum of four classes, not fail more than one and have a grade point aver-

age of 2.0 or better, beginning with the second semester of the 8th grade. To maintain eligibility, students must at the end of each grading period have a 2.0 or better GPA, pass a minimum of four classes and not fail more than one.

The activities association allows schools to impose stricter requirements, which Carrizozo is proposing to do. The proposed policy would have required high school students to pass all classes, not fail any, and have a grade point average of 2.0 or better for the most immediate grading period, beginning with the second semester of the 8th

grade. Students in 7th and 8th grades must have passed all classes, not failing any, and have a 2.0 or better GPA at the end of each grading period.

The proposed policy would have included a requirement for coaches or sponsors to check academic eligibility on the second and fourth weeks of the six-week grading period. Students would have been responsible for coordinating eligibility forms with each of their teachers and returning the form to the coach/sponsor following the last day of the second and fourth week of the six week grading period. When the forms were returned, the coach/sponsor was to identify students with grades of less than a C in any class.

If a student was found to have less than a C, the sponsor/coach was to coordinate with the principal to contact the teacher of the classes to ascertain what the student needs to do to raise the grade; contact the student's parents concerning the matter and require the student to attend study hall.

Coaches/sponsors also would have established an honor roll for the team/activity and report it every six weeks.

But the mandatory study hall, and the overall 2.0 average worried some board members. Nick Serna was not for study halls during school hours, because not all students need the extra time. He thought the coach should

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Major Accident Injures Three At Hwy. 54-380 Intersection

The intersection of Highways 54 and 380 in Carrizozo was the scene of another accident Monday.

Three people, including an infant, were transported by Carrizozo ambulances to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso as a result of the accident.

According to police reports, Ruben Ramirez, 68, Dodge City, KS, was southbound on Highway 54 at about 1:30 p.m. when he failed to stop at the intersection in Carrizozo. His Chevrolet Caprice impacted with the Mercury Courage operated by Malenda Apachito, 21, of Magdalena. The force of the impact caused both vehicles to spin around and collide again.

Apachito was not injured,

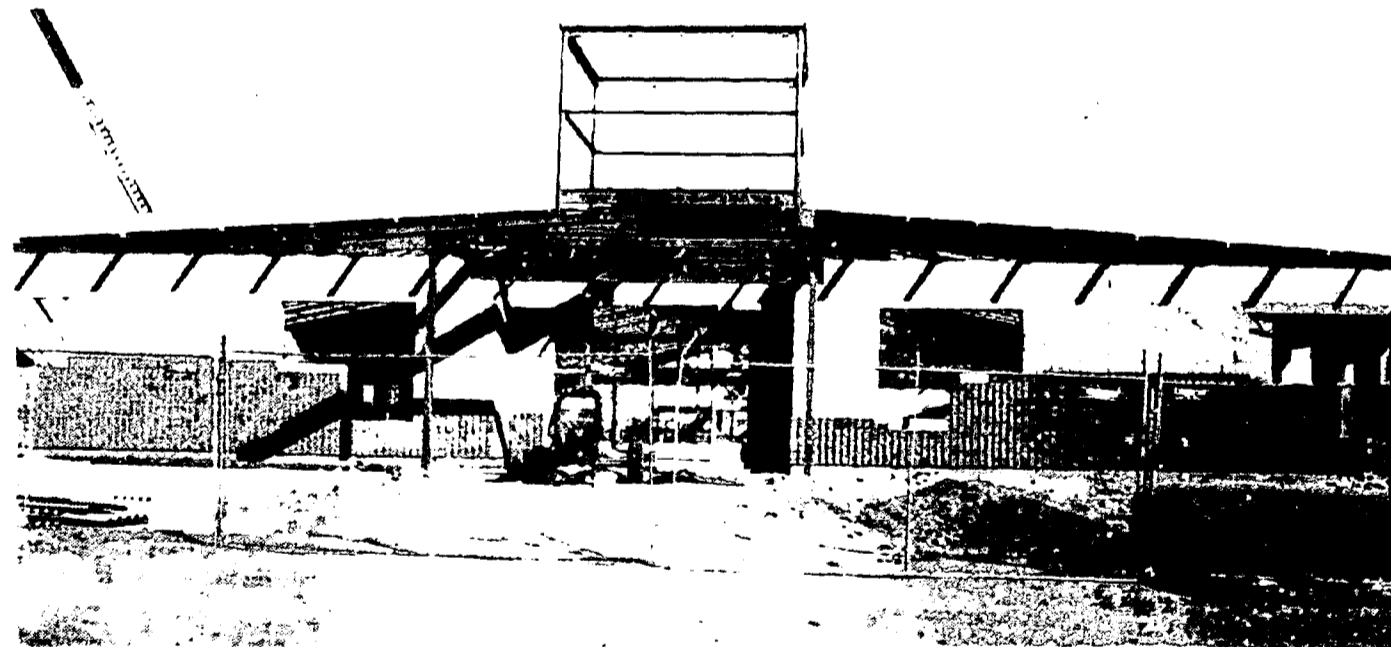
but her passengers, Diane Potero, 18, and the infant were injured. The baby sustained a broken leg and head bump because the infant seat it was riding in was not properly attached to the car seat. Potero and Apachito were not wearing seat belts.

Ramirez, also not wearing a seat belt, was taken to LCMC where he was treated and released to Carrizozo police. He was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated, and cited into municipal court for entering a stop or yield, careless driving, no seat belts, no insurance and no drivers' license.

Apachito was also cited for no insurance.

Two Lincoln County

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THE ROOF GOES ON to the new Capitan Middle School this week. The main entrance (shown) will feature an old fashioned bell tower and bell to disguise the building's air conditioning system. Contractor T.E. Arington has gained two weeks on the construction schedule because of the mild weather. The building is expected to be completed in time for fall classes.

Carrizozo Chamber Invites Public To Meet Candidates

The Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce will have to pay the \$298.37 phone bill or have the matter decided in court.

Chamber president Mary Lou Webster announced during the chamber meeting Feb. 8 that she spoke with the phone company just minutes before the meeting and was told the phone bill had not been paid.

The chamber was told it was liable for the phone bill even though the phone and all costs were supposed to have been donated at no cost to the chamber. The person supposedly making the donation has not paid the bill and the phone was disconnected for non-payment.

Chamber members agreed to make payments on the bill.

The balance in the chamber treasury is not sufficient to pay the bill at this time.

In other business chamber members agreed to continue the ad in the Official Visitor's Guide which will publish 120,000 copies in May.

The publication includes a full page dedicated to Carrizozo and White Oaks as well as mentioning Carrizozo in several different sections.

Members discussed the Art in the Park program planned for June 11 and 12 in McDonald Park on Central Ave. The Carrizozo Town Council gave approval for the event providing the chamber obtain insurance for the two-day market.

Members discussed the possibility of printing two-

color brochures instead of full color brochures. The brochures would be sent to people asking for information about the town and area as well as being placed in Visitor's Centers and chamber of commerce offices in different towns in the state.

The chamber will sponsor a Meet the Candidates program Feb. 21 at 6 p.m. in the Carrizozo Schools board room.

Candidates attending will be given the opportunity to answer questions and candidates unable to attend may write their answers to the questions.

Five candidates attended the Feb. 8 meeting and answered the one question asked by Webster. Those attending

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Trost told McGrath that the discussion was a start, with parents talking about problems. He suggested parents talk with Sonnamaker, because she is the one who deals with day to day operations of the school.

Sonnamaker said she could meet with parents and/or staff who have lots of ideas.

McGrath wanted to start meetings soon, to get the dialogue going right away. He offered to help get more par-

ents involved. "Parents want their children to be safe and get a good education, and they want to help," McGrath said. "But some out there don't care," he added.

Trost thanked Crenshaw for his many hours of volunteer work with the boys basketball program. Crenshaw is a trainer for a professional ball club.

Parents and staff will have opportunity to comment on two proposed calendars for the 1994-95 school year. One

proposal has school starting on Aug. 18 for students, Oct. 10 as a holiday for Columbus day and two weeks for Christmas, with school starting again on Jan. 2. The second proposed calendar has school starting on Aug. 23 for students, no holiday in October, and two days less for Christmas holidays, but Jan. 2 off. Both proposed calendars have school end on May 26, and one week for Spring Break March 20-24, 1995.

A parent commented that starting later in August would be better for students who participate in the county fair which is set for Aug. 9-13.

The board will consider staff and parent input on the proposed calendars, and the most favored will be chosen at the March meeting.

At 6 p.m. March 10, the board will take a walking tour of the new middle school construction with contractor T.E. Arington, and Steve Strain, architect from Architecture Plus who designed the facility. The tour will be held prior to the regular board meeting.

Arington has donated the bronze letters spelling CAPITAN for the building, and he reported the blinds for all windows were part of the overall bid.

Sonnamaker reported on the roofing projects being done with capital improvements mill levy funds. The roof on the cafeteria is done. The company crews are re-seating screws and gaskets on the old gym roof currently. The board expressed its unhappiness with the roofing company's late start.

The board discussed the possibility of having another poll in the Alto area for school elections. Sonnamaker said it costs about \$500 just for poll workers, while it costs about \$50 to pay a crew in the county clerk's office to count the absentee ballots. Suggestions were to take care of the Alto voters, and possibly the Lincoln area voters also.

Sonnamaker, junior high science teacher Ed Davis and four gifted students went to the state legislature in Santa Fe to testify on behalf of a house bill requesting \$188,000 in severance taxes to upgrade computers at the school. The bill however, was tabled in committee, although a similar request had passed the senate. Indications are the school will be lucky to get \$80,000, Sonnamaker said.

"The senate and the house are not fighting over education this year," Sonnamaker said. "But it is an election year."

The board tabled a draft of the board policy concerning administration, to allow recommended changes to be incorporated into the document.

After a closed session for personnel, the board approved hiring Stephanie Chico as half time cafeteria custodian, and Randall Robbins as half time elementary PE aide.

US West Sells Seven Telephone Exchanges

US West Communications has agreed to sell seven of its smaller New Mexico telephone exchanges to Vista Grande Telecommunications, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Penasco Valley Telephone Cooperative.

The seven exchanges are: Carrizozo, Cloudcroft, Dexter, Hagerman, Penasco, Texico and Tularosa. The number of lines in the seven exchanges is approximately 6,400 -- representing less than one percent of US West's total access lines in New Mexico.

Later this month, US West will request that the sale be approved by the New Mexico State Corporation Commission during 1994. Besides SCC approval, the sale also requires approval by the Federal Communications Commission.

The sale would have no rate impact on residence and business customers in those communities because Vista Grande Telecommunications will adopt the existing US West rates when they begin providing service.

"This sale represents a win-win situation for our customers and for both companies. US West and its remaining customers will benefit by the Company's ability to increase its focus in areas with higher market potential and lower costs, and which are facing increasing competitive challenges. The customers in these communities will benefit as a result of being served by a provider better positioned to meet their needs," said Tom Garcia, New Mexico Vice President for US West.

"US West has completed the conversion of the telephone systems in these communities to digital technology within

the last five years, positioning them well for all modern telecommunications services. This transaction seeks to build on that foundation of digital technology," he said.

Penasco Valley Telephone has an established record of high quality telephone service, having provided service in New Mexico since 1949. They currently provide service to six exchanges in Southeastern New Mexico and they have a customer base of over 2,400 subscribers, including residents in the communities of Cottonwood, Hondo, Hope, Lakewood, Loco Hills and Mayhill.

Vista Grande will target service improvement in areas such as the reduction of multi-party service, replacement of aerial open wire lines with buried cable, closer customer contact and introduction of new features made possible through new technology.

Chamber . . .

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were Mayoral candidates Cecilia Kubnel, incumbent, and Harold Garcia; trustee candidates Patsy Vallejos, incumbent, and Ruth Armstrong, and municipal judge candidate Chuck Rominger.



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Carrizozo FFA Members Attend District Meet

Eight members of the Carrizozo FFA chapter attended the District V parliamentary procedure and FFA Creed contest in Las Cruces.

Members of the parliamentary team were Debbie Bond, Katie Hightower, Keri Shafer, Julie Barham, Kristina Wetzel, Jim Brown and Raina McDonald as alternate. Toshia Wetzel recited the Greenhand Creed.

Accident . . .

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Sheriff's deputies assisted with traffic control. Carrizozo Police Chief Charlie White said his department will begin a "No excuses campaign" for seat belt use the first of March. During the month-long campaign White and other officers of the Carrizozo Police Department will be on the look out for motorists who are not wearing seat belts. Motorists not wearing seat belts will be fined. Penalties for adults with unfastened seat belts will be \$36 and parents who have children who are not in a seat belt or a child safety restraint will be fined \$61 per child.

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MR. AND MRS. PHILIP NORTON of Socorro and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stearns of Nogal, announce the forthcoming marriage of their children, Erin Elaine Norton and J. B. Stearns. The ceremony will take place April 16 at Northminster Presbyterian Church in Las Cruces. Erin is a graduate of Socorro High School and is working toward her Masters Degree at NMSU. She works part-time at NMSU; J.B. is a 1982 graduate of Carrizozo High School and a 1986 graduate of NMSU. He owns Blue Ribbon Builders Construction Co. in Las Cruces. His grandparents are Johnson and Margaret Stearns of Carrizozo.

Carrizozo School Board

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make sure students are keeping up their grades. And he suggested the principal and counselor review students' report cards to see who needs the extra help.

Board president Jan Barham questioned whether the school can make students and staff attend a mandatory study hall, especially if it is before or after school. She also did not like the 2.0 GPA, because a student could make a D in the basic courses, A's in electives, and still have a 2.0 GPA. "A D is something we need to worry about," Barham said. "Do we want to show our kids a D is acceptable...the best they can do?"

Barham suggested the board send the proposed policy back to the advisory committee to address the study hall and further define the grade averages.

Barham said the academics policy was never intended to penalize or discourage students from participating in activities, rather it was to make students more aware of the importance of academics. "Maybe it was misrepresented to students and the community," she said.

Board member Gary Hightower asked for specific definitions regarding discipline referrals.

School counselor Mike Gaines supported the academics eligibility policy. However,

he said the timing of when the policy comes out could be important as to its effectiveness. Interested in raising the academic level of all students, Gaines was concerned about those students not involved in activities. "If we don't review the grades of non-activity students we could set ourselves up for some sort of litigation," Gaines said.

Gaines suggested the policy be used on a trial basis during the final weeks of this school year. If it is found acceptable, the policy would go into effect in the fall.

Principal Gabe Papponi said the school also needs to spend some time on those students who do well. "We need to spend some time patting kids on the back and calling parents when students do well. We need to commend people when they do a good job," Papponi said.

He also asked that the policy clarify what is to be required of a study hall.

Parent Barbie Roper said that emphasis on academics is a school-wide attitude. "If coaches or teachers stress academics is important, in the long run they'll get more response from students," Roper said.

Principal Kay Patterson said many of the students doing poorly only need to turn in homework.

After more discussion, the board agreed to send the pro-

posed policy back to an advisory committee for further work to come up with a policy that satisfied all concerned. Barham suggested the committee include students, coaches, high school and elementary teachers.

Carrizozo Schools got a clean audit report from Rice and Associates for the 1992-93 school year. Auditor Pamela Rice had three comments; two of which are commonly found with small agencies such as Carrizozo Schools. She worded her comment about the auditor preparing the financial report for the school to put the blame on the state auditor's office which requires such statements. The preparation of the statements are included in her audit bid, and if done by the school requires training of personnel. Also commented upon was the federal financial assistance schedule which is the responsibility of the management to prepare. However, the schedule is similar to the financial statements in that staff must be specially trained. The third comment dealt with the reporting of fixed assets. Rice said she worked with the school financial staff to correct the reporting, which was not pointed out by the previous auditor. The school also has a new computer program for reporting fixed assets.

Other than the three comments, Rice said the school has an excellent staff and records, and is one of the

better districts of the many she audits.

Bayless reported he has selected a budget process committee, but it will not begin working until after a state budget workshop in Albuquerque on March 28. At that time, schools will learn what funding will come from the state. It appears there will be more funding for schools from the state.

The board suspended the former Drug Free Schools/Workplace policy and adopted a model policy sent by the Drug Free Schools program. The school receives funding for having the policy, and procedure, in effect.

After a 50 minute closed session to discuss limited personnel matters, superintendency and principal's evaluation, Barham announced no decisions were made, and no action was taken.

The board also approved the 1993-94 Capital Improvements Tax Compliance Certificate; resolution and corrective actions on the 1992-93 audit; special budget increases to provide for a transportation feeder route to a family which recently moved to White Oaks; and a special budget decrease.

School will be closed Monday, Feb. 21, for President's Day holiday. Teachers will have an in-service training the afternoon of Feb. 22.

The next board meeting will be at 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 15.

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Capitan Considers

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Capitan negotiate a better price for the five acre feet offered by Lee.

An ordinance passed last year in response to legislation mandating collective bargaining for public employees may soon be repealed. Attorney J. Robert Beauvais reported that the village's ordinance was one of many named in a lawsuit filed in Santa Fe County on behalf of Association of State, County and Municipal Employees (ASCME), challenging the organization of local collective bargaining boards. The intent of the ordinance was to retain local control over employee grievances.

However, ASCME, a major subsidiary of AFL-CIO union, filed the unfair practice complaint suit challenging the validity of the local boards in 30 to 40 communities, including Capitan. Beauvais said the suit was settled with an opinion 80 pages long.

As a result the state put all hearings by local boards on hold.

Beauvais said the village has three options with the situation; enforce the ordinance as it is written with little or no promise of success, amend the local ordinance to bring it into conformity with the court decision, or repeal the local labor relations board and settle any employee disputes in the state labor board. He suggested the village repeal the ordinance and allow the state to deal with any employee disputes. Otherwise, the village will have to employ a practicing labor professional to have on the board. If the village defers the labor disputes to the state board, all costs will be borne by the state.

Corona and Ruidoso Downs have repealed their similar collective bargaining ordinances, Beauvais said.

Trustees approved a motion to set a public hearing to take input on repealing the ordinance. The hearing is set for 7 p.m. Thursday, March 3.

A request for a water tap to a house within 65 feet of the village limit was denied. Marvip Huguley had requested he be allowed to tap into the village water system for use in his house, which is south of Fifth Street. However,

er, none of his 46 acres are in the village. Because of this the village Planning and Zoning Commission recommended the trustees not approve Huguley's request, unless he wanted to pursue annexation.

Warth said the village has a policy of not hooking on properties outside the village limits because it has a limited water supply. "We're over appropriating water with our system now," Warth said. He said the village is trying to discourage water to lots outside the city now.

Huguley said the house sits on a lot that was included in the village on the original plat done by an Alamogordo corporation in 1900. However, his lots were not developed as part of the village.

Trustees accepted P&Z's recommendation to not grant the water tap.

Trustee Gordon Ross suggested if Huguley wants to pursue annexation he go back to P&Z before coming to the council. Huguley said he might want to annex the lane to the house and the house only.

Warth reported he and Ross went to Santa Fe to pursue more funding for seven more miles of road in the Mount Capitan and Big Country area. The request is in joint house and senate bills, introduced by senator Pete Campos and representative John Underwood.

The village also plans to submit an application for a Community Development Block Grant for a three phase, \$1.2 million project to upgrade downtown streets. The application was submitted last year, but failed by a few points. The application will be updated, with additional engineering information, and will be submitted again, Warth said.

Trustees met in closed session to discuss litigation involving the Capitan Police Department, and the Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas Company. No action was taken after the board came back to open session.

Trustees will meet at 7 p.m. March 7, for a special session to swear in newly elected officials and to re-organize.

Village Hall will be closed Monday, Feb. 21.



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Criminal Promises

By MICHAEL MCKIM SWICKARD

In Junior High I first ran into criminal promises. The lawless rabble of 9th graders picked on us 7th graders.

The teachers were supposed to stop the violence but were ineffectual. Like waitresses at a busy restaurant they tried not to watch very closely lest they have to do extra paperwork.

Also, they were busy with their own emotional battery. "Children, this is not that hard. Michael, did you bring your brain with you today?"

I blushed and was struck dumb by the question. Later, a 9th grade bully taunted with the same question while he pounded me. It was time for my weekly beating. Usually about once a week I would be at the wrong place at the wrong time. But it was normally only once a week and followed many years of school violence so to me it was just a part of life.

Then several big bullies got together and they formed an organization of 9th grade bullies. To be a member of the bully association each member had to slug 50 7th graders a day. For the first time in their criminal lives they learned how to count to 50. It was no longer once a week we got pounded, rather, every day in every way we were pounded, pounded and pounded.

Despite knowing about this the school personnel were just as effective at protecting us as they were at educating us—we were on our own.

So we formed an alliance. At first it was just a way to blow off steam. There were only five members. We had decided on an alliance after a bully, Big Eddie, walked up to us and whacked each of us gleefully right under the nose of a teacher. The teacher was smaller than Big Eddie and paid no attention to what happened.

We sat in the back of the class the next period and passed notes about the alliance. The teacher droned on about the joys of writing and then sent all five of us to the office when he caught us writing notes.

The principal, an old man who had a chart on the wall showing there were 558 work days left until he retired, told us to shape up since we had 5 1/2 years left in public education. Then he sent us back to class.

At lunch the next day we made a pact that if any of us were attacked we would all jump in. Five minutes later we had a chance to test the pact since Big Eddie came running up. He was only at 47 and needed three more poundings. We told him that we weren't going to take it any more. He tried to hit one kid and we all jumped on him. With five people it was easy. Since we had him down he promised to quit the violence.

We were pretty happy until the next day when Big Eddie found just two of us. He immediately started beating on me. The other boy jumped in and together we overpowered Big Eddie and made him again promise to stop hitting us.

We could make him promise to quit his violent acts but we couldn't make him keep his promises—much like in our criminal justice system where we can make violent criminals say they will not commit any more violent crimes but then they don't keep their promises.

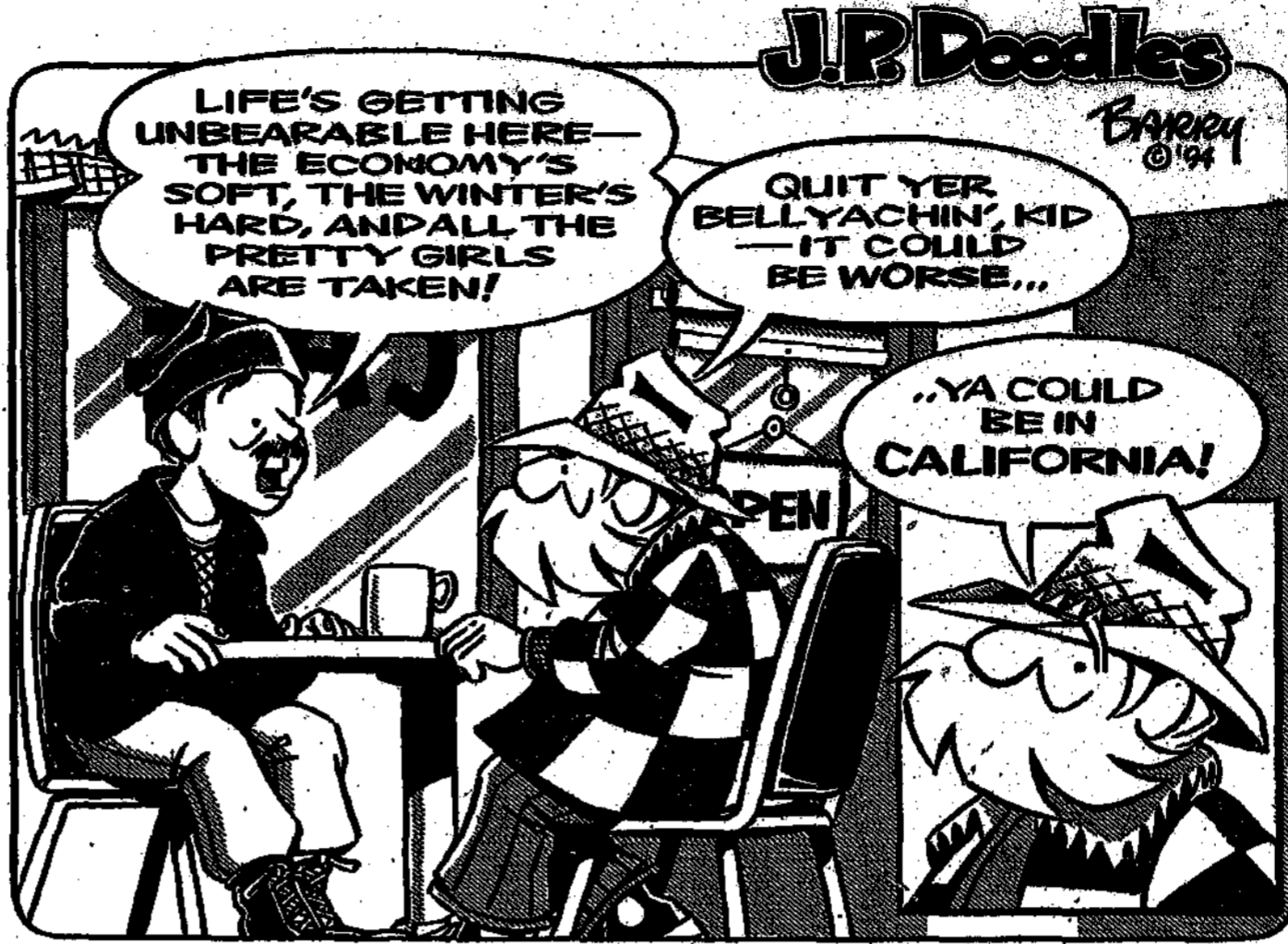
Big Eddie made promises to stop hitting us, but when the opportunity was present he forgot his promises.

Many violent criminals make promises which are not kept. While not all criminals repeat their violent acts, the statistics show that most violent criminals repeat their actions whenever society lets them out.

If promises are repeatedly broken, violent criminals should be jailed for the rest of their lives without parole.

That is a promise we must make and keep. MS

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Inside The Capitol

by Jay Miller

SANTA FE—Speculation about the end of this legislative session is radically different than in most years.

Normally during the last week of any legislature, rumors of special sessions float round and round the Capitol's circular corridors. With tempers shortened by late-night sessions, unfamiliar hotel beds, and too much time away from home, deals often start falling apart in the session's final week.

But this year appears to be one of those rare occasions when speculation does a 180-degree turn and rumors circulate about the session ending early.

As a 30-year veteran of the Capitol scene, I tend to discount those rumors about 85 percent. Special sessions have been infrequent occurrences, except when Toney Anaya was governor. And early finishes never happen.

But this year I've learned never to say never.

Already we've seen a first-ever joint House-Senate finance committee meeting to iron out differences on the General Appropriation Act. It was only the second time in my experience that a conference committee wasn't needed. Back in the days when Aubrey Dunn was Senate Finance Committee chairman, he once sped House Bill 2 through the Senate with no amendments. And followed it up with the first "House Bill 2, Jr." the Legislature had ever seen.

The joint finance committee pulled off another first by "unsanding" the Senate's "sanding" amendment. Two days earlier the Senate Finance Committee had "sanded" a small percentage off every agency's budget in order to raise money for another pet project.

The next day my son from New Mexico State University called to say some important student programs were wiped out by the "sanding." He asked if it were possible the money might be restored. I assured him it never would happen. The next morning I was back on the phone informing Duncan the money had been restored to all higher education institutions.

What happened to make this session so different?

If you'll remember back to the beginning of the '94 Legislature a month ago, the "trainwreck" that usually gets talked about at this time in the process looked like it would take place in the session's first week.

Still mad about Gov. Bruce King's 92 vetoes following the '93 Legislature, Senate President Pro Tem Manny Aragon recalled the Senate's 47 vetoed bills from the Secretary of State's office and kept them on the Senate's calendar for King to look at every day. King responded by not sending messages to the Legislature that were necessary to make non-fiscal bills germane during a short session.

Aragon also, mycled House Speaker Raymond Sanchez for more authority in the appropriations process, which by law begins in the House. Some of Sanchez's troops, upset at being strong-armed by Aragon, suggested maybe the Senate should share its constitutional authority to confirm gubernatorial appointees.

This column had predicted a smooth session because King was standing for reelection and lawmakers knew he was the most likely of any candidate to keep the state-

house in Democratic hands. It didn't start out that way, but after living dangerously for about a week, Democrat leaders decided it was time for the brinkmanship to end.

And then relationships went to the other extreme. Maybe the abundance of money had something to do with the lessening of rancor. One lawmaker, restaurateur Joe Carraro, suggests maybe it is something different in the menu served by a new staff in the legislative snack bar.

But politics is the most likely answer. Three years ago this column predicted that with both houses of the legislature and the governor's office firmly in the hands of seasoned Democrats, we'd get a lesson in how easily legislation can be passed.

Like some other predictions, that one took longer than expected to come true. But there's nothing like an upcoming election to make the trains start running on time.

Clovis Trash Bash Program Wins Award

Aaron Dickson of Clovis won a trip to meet President Bill Clinton for his efforts to make his hometown a little cleaner. The 15-year-old Clovis sophomore was in Washington, D.C. recently to accept the President's Environmental Youth Award from the Environmental Protection Agency for creating the "Trash Bash" program last April. The all-day trash collection party included "Trashketball" involving toss-

ing an aluminum foil ball into a garbage can. "Trash Smash" had participants determine how flat they could mash an aluminum can using a club.

Dickson's program captured first place for EPA region VI, which includes New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana. His project stood out among the competition because he was able to effectively involve his entire community.

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THE OTHER SIDE

Golf tip of the week: To cut ten strokes off your game, try playing 17 holes.

Right of survivorship: "Son, this means that you will inherit the family business if you survive me, but if you don't get off your duff and quit riding the payroll without producing results, neither the business nor you will survive me.

Contingent beneficiary: Younger sibling who is betting that his father, whose temper is rising, can maintain integrity of enterprise in spite of lazy older brother.

Pretermitted child: One who will discover his father on the basis of photographic evidence which will turn up after the old man has left family business to younger half-sibling. (This does not constitute blackmail. It's called paying the fiddler.)

Lawyer: The individual who will receive the family business. (Note: This statement is intentionally ambiguous because lawyers work better that way.)

Valentine's Day has come and gone again and still no response to my overture to the cute little redhead in the third row.

Dating tip of the week: There are other fish in the sea, preferably blonde, since redheads are known for their particularities, one of which you are not. (Should I have said, "peculiarities"? Maybe not because that word suffers from the "ten-foot pole" syndrome.)

It has been reported recently that there is a fairly widespread practice by police officers of manufacturing fingerprint evidence. I have not heard enough about it yet to report how it is being done, but if it is true, it raises some very serious questions about our system of justice.

Why would a police officer do such a thing? Well, Uncle Fud is about to tell you. Most officers are well-intentioned and want to do their job well, but there are a few who become overzealous. This can come about in several ways. The officer can have a personal agenda which will cause him to overreact. He can succumb to the pressures placed on him by the public and his superiors to gain convictions. Or he can become overwhelmed by the frustrations of the job.

As a general rule, most policemen are professionals who do their job very well, but you run into all too many who are willing to stretch the truth just a bit in order to accomplish their intentions. There is an element of egoism involved since he made a decision that a crime had been committed and he must do everything in his power to see it through or he will be criticized for being wrong. In spite of Kojak, the competent officer does not have to resort to such tactics, and if he really does his job, he doesn't have to worry much about losing cases.

I will admit it is a bit frustrating to have an individual who you believe is involved in criminal activity continually escape his just deserts just because you can't get the goods on him. However, this does not justify resorting to deceit. The watchdog has to maintain the same moral standards as its master or you'll soon find it biting your leg.

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EDITOR—I enjoyed our discussion today about my favorite topic on what we can do to promote new business to come to Carrizozo.

For years I have been very concerned about the younger generation, especially those about to graduate from high school, on what they will do in the way of employment. Those who graduate from college and those who just want a job will have to leave the area to find a way to make a living. Then only returning to visit their home town.

Many persons who have lived here all their lives are now voicing their opinions that they like the small town atmosphere, but now it has gone too far. We have say 1,000 persons inside the town limits and a recent newspaper article stated about 225 students in school. Compare this to Capitan with a population of say 900 and 548 students in school (information from Capitan City Hall and school). You might say, how about all those new people in town. Well, think about all those who have recently moved or will be moving soon.

Show me anywhere a community like ours, ideally located with its own airport with paved and lighted runways, industrial park with paved streets, recreation center with bowling alley, swimming pool, golf course, parks, country club and nearby snow skiing, horse racing, hunting, fishing, etc.

There has to be a company out there that does not produce air pollution or requires more water than we can provide, that would be interested in our industrial park. One successful company would encourage others to be interested. We might have only a small work force available at present, but it could grow if we help provide jobs for young persons that would like to stay in their hometown or come back into the area. I might add that a detention facility inside the town limits does not fit the criteria. A facility nearby, no problem.

It appears the time has come for all of us to be concerned about our towns future and what is necessary for Town Government, Chamber of Commerce, or whoever, to help us move in the right direction of rebuilding our community.

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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, FEB. 10

—Ruidoso/Lincoln County adult singles group will meet at 6 p.m. at K-Bob's Steak House in Ruidoso. All adult singles are invited to attend for a no-host dinner and socializing. For more information call 258-3246 or 258-3541.

THURSDAY, FEB. 17

—Lincoln County Democrats will hold their County Convention to elect delegates to the State Pre-Primary Convention, at 7 p.m. at Cree Meadows Country Club in Ruidoso.

MONDAY, FEB. 21

—Deadline to enroll in a 55 Alive/Mature Driving course to be held on Feb. 23 and 24 in Capitan. Contact Wayne or Mollie Mason at 354-2666 for more information.

—Capitan Village Hall will be closed for President's Day holiday. All area post offices also will be closed.

—Capitan and Carrizozo Schools will be closed for President's Day holiday.

—Carrizozo Town Hall and Lincoln County Offices will be open.

—Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce hosts Meet the Candidates at 6 p.m. at Carrizozo Schools Administration Office. The public is invited to meet the candidates for Carrizozo municipal offices. Refreshments will be served.

TUESDAY, FEB. 22

—Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority meets at 10 a.m. at the authority's main office in Ruidoso Downs. Items on the agenda include Open Meeting Resolution, non-profit corporation status, manager report, Ruidoso Downs pilot recycling program financed with additional grant funds of \$6500, Capitan Landfill Road, financial statement format. The public is invited to attend the meeting. A demonstration of the recycling operation will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the center in Ruidoso Downs.

—Craig Hipple, from the State Engineer's Office, will be available to assist water right owners and interested parties from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at Ruidoso Convention and Civic Events Center.

—Carrizozo Town Council meets at 6 p.m. in Town Hall.

—Ruidoso Village Council meets at 6:30 p.m. in the village administration center for a regular session.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 23

—Carrizozo Extension Club meets at 1 p.m. at Otero Electric Co-op office in Carrizozo. The group will plan club programs for this year. Everyone is invited to attend.

THURSDAY, FEB. 24

—Corona Extension Club meets at 10 a.m. at Corona School community room. Bring a pot luck dish.

MONDAY, FEB. 28

—Friends of Smokey will meet at 1 p.m. at Smokey Bear Restaurant in Capitan. Anyone wishing to help with Smokey's 50th anniversary is invited to attend.

Hondo Students Nominated For NHS Scholarship

The Hondo Schools chapter of the National Honor Society has nominated two students, seniors Fermín Herrera and Christopher Gutierrez, to compete for the national scholarship.

Herrera and Gutierrez were winners at Hondo School and were presented with certificates during the chapter's regular monthly meeting Jan. 27.

Only students who are seniors and are members of the National Honor Society are eligible for nomination for

the national scholarship.

Students nominated for consideration in the scholarship program will be evaluated on the basis of their quantitative responses to the scholarship nomination form, and the extent to which they demonstrate the qualities of leadership, scholarship, character and service.

The National Honor Society scholarship program, now in its 46th year, will provide 250 scholarships of \$1,000 each for 1994.

OTHER SIDE

Does it seem strange that some professionals in the criminal justice system are the only ones you hear about who are opposed to the "three strikes, you're out" legislation?

I am sitting here trying my best to end this effort on a high note, but all I keep com-

ing up with are flat tones in the lower part of the register. When this happens, I guess I should follow the advice I gave a singer friend of mine who had a sore throat. "Just do Johnny Cash songs to-night." So, I'll Walk the Line down to Folsom Prison and catch that train headed south and put this one to bed.

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Lady Grizzlies Stay Alive in District Playoffs

The Lady Grizzlies hosted a first round playoff game in district 3A against Vaughn Tuesday night. The Carrizozo Lady Grizzlies improved their district record to 4 wins, 5 losses by defeating Vaughn 39-37.

As a result of the victory the Lady Grizzlies travel to Mountainair today for a 6 p.m. playoff game. The winner of the Grizzly-Mountainair game will be guaranteed a spot in the regional tournament next week.

The last time the Lady Grizzlies played Mountainair...the Grizzlies were 9 of 36 from the free throw line and missed two layups in the final 5 seconds to lose a heart-breaker, 39-37.

The Vaughn game was close from beginning to end. The first quarter ended at 13-13 and The Lady Grizzlies led 21-19 at the half.


The game was tied 37-37 with less than 30 seconds remaining. The Zozo defense, again, was outstanding. Katie Hightower broke the deadlock with a short jumper to make it 39-37. The Zozo defense rose to the occasion keeping

Vaughn from scoring in the final seconds. The defense was led by Jessica Estrella, Rachel Archuleta, Lynette Hernandez, Lori Gibson, Naomi Vallejos, Katie Hightower, Keri Shafer and the always aggressive, Debbie Bond.

Scoring for the Grizzlies was Lynette Hernandez with 4, Katie Hightower 8, Naomi Vallejos 11, and Jessica Estrella with 12. Debbie Bond 2, Lori Gibson


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Spring Visitor's Day At NMSU Set For February 21

LAS CRUCES--New Mexico State University invites New Mexico and West Texas high school juniors and seniors and their parents to the 1994 Spring Visitor's Day, Monday, Feb. 21.

University President James Halligan and Brad Rice, president of Associated Students of NMSU, will welcome parents and students after the 8 a.m. check-in at the Pan American Center.

Bill Bruner, NMSU admissions director, said he expects about 1,100 people to participate.

The students will be escorted to the various colleges of their choice to visit with academic and university departments, Bruner said. Campus student services and organizations will offer information to visitors. Tours of campus and housing facilities will be offered from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and two financial aid work-

shops are scheduled for 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The event is sponsored by the university, the Spring Visitor's Day Committee, the Office of Admissions and the NMSU student Ambassadors.

For further information, contact Delia DeLeon, admissions counselor, at 646-3121.

Maria Romero Is Promoted To Rank Of Senior Airman

RAF CHICKSANDS, Bedford, England--Maria G. Romero has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of senior airman. Romero, a multi-mode systems operator, is the daughter of Paul and Carmen Romero of Corona, N.M. Romero is a 1989 graduate of Corona High School.

Shayla Marshall Is Corona BB Homecoming Queen

Corona High School held their basketball homecoming game on Jan. 21. Halftime festivities included the crowning of this year's queen, sophomore Shayla Marshall who was escorted by sophomore Travis Joy. The homecoming court consisted of freshmen Anna Garza and Leonard Gonzalez, juniors Ronda Miller and Marcus Johnson, and 8th grader Brandi Alley escorted by senior Casey Tyree.

Last year's queen, Callie Gnatkowski, was there to crown Shayla, assisted by flower girl Alexandra Stewart and crownbearer Frankie Sanchez.

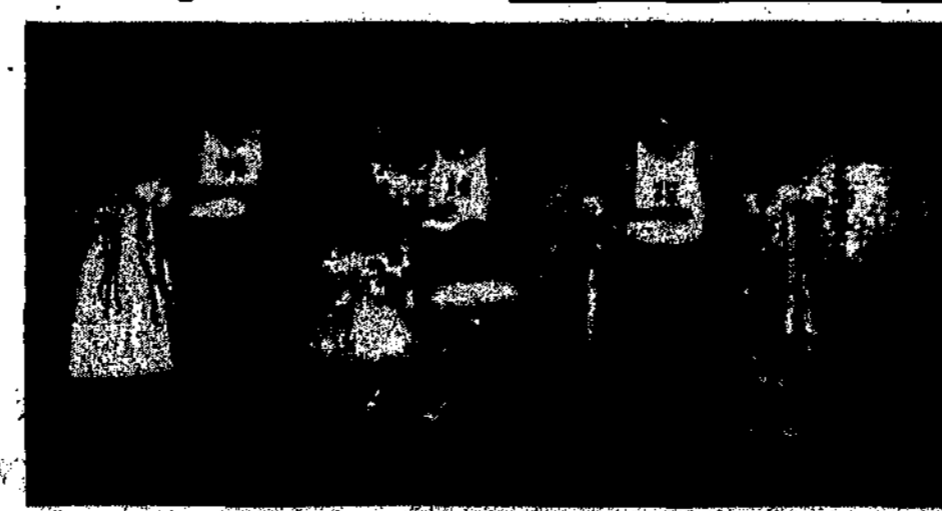
The Lady Cardinals played a hard game but were defeated by the Hondo Eagles 41-28. High scorer for the Cardinals was Shayla Marshall with 11 points.

The Corona boys played a hard game and were ahead 24-17 at the half. By the end of the game, the score was tied 55-55. The Eagles made a last-second basket and won 57-55. High scorer for the

Cardinals was Casey Tyree with 22 points.



CORONA HIGH SCHOOL 1994 Basketball Homecoming Queen Shayla Marshall, escorted by Travis Joy with flower girl Alexandra Stewart and crownbearer Frankie Sanchez.




CORONA HIGH SCHOOL Basketball Homecoming Court: (l. to r.) Brandi Alley, Casey Tyree, Shayla Marshall (queen), Travis Joy, Ronda Miller, Marcus Johnson, Anna Garza, Leonard Gonzalez. In front are flower girl Alexandra Stewart and crownbearer Frankie Sanchez.

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CAPITAN NOTES

Valentine's Day 1994. Hope it was a Happy St. Valentines Day for all of you. My day was wonderful. First I opened my door to get my morning's breath of mountain air and there was a large envelope inside the storm door. A most beautiful Valentine from my son Tom and my daughter-in-law Pat. The verse was so beautiful that I again looked on the envelope to make sure it was meant for me and when the envelope read "Mom" I read the entire verse over again. A couple of hours later I went to the door for something and to behold there was a box of chocolate cherries, my favorite candy, and no wrapping, no note, nothing to reveal its donor. Takes me back about 50 years to another Valentine's Day when I was young and working as a secretary for the Iowa State Board of Assessment and Review in Des Moines. On the first floor was an exclusive florist shoppe and in the middle of the afternoon, the owner came into our office with a beautiful red rose in a bud vase and presented it to me. With no note, I immediately asked who had sent it. She refused to tell me and said she promised the donor she would not ever let on who was my secret admirer. To this day I have never found out. Then the chocolates this morning—this is just too, too much! Anyway if the person that left the chocolates is reading this, please accept my heartfelt thanks and know what a thrill it was to have a repeat performance of 50

years ago. About an hour later, I answered a rap on the door to behold Daylene Huey with a beautiful spray of flowers from my daughter Trish, Jace, her husband and Katie, my precious granddaughter and Murphy, her dachshund. What a wonderful way to start my day. Later Elaine called to wish me Happy Valentine's Day, and then dropped in to express her greetings in person. We had a great visit, as usual.

Today I am profiling Netta Nolan who is receptionist, motor vehicle clerk, water billing lady with other duties too numerous to mention.

Netta is another one of my favorite people here in Capitan.

Butch and I moved here from Carlsbad, N.M. in September 1987. We owned and operated Butch's Marine Center for 15 years there. We have two sons, Danny who is still in Carlsbad and his wife Cindy and our three grandkids, Brenon, Heather and Lacey. He works for Gas C. of NM. David is in the Air Force and he and his wife Lori just moved to Castle Air Force Base, Calif. where he will be stationed for four months. After the kids grew up and left home Butch and I decided it was our time to make a move. We have always wanted to live in the mountains and we decided this was our chance. We have always liked Capitan and since we had deer hunted up here for many years and knew some of the people in and around Capitan we decided to land here. We bought our property west of town and started our new business, Butch's Service Center where Butch does boat and motor repair, and sells used boat engines. When boats started appearing up there we really got the stares and kidding. I worked for Ruidoso State Bank here in Capitan as relief teller for a year then got the job I now have at Village Hall in June

of 1989. I thought I would semi-retire up here but it just wasn't to be. I found I missed the public and the activities so jumped back into the work force full time and love it. I love the small town atmosphere and the great people I have had the privilege to meet, even the ones from all over Lincoln County who come to the MVD at Village Hall. We have a great village and a great county.

The following is a profile of Jack Johnson, who is another "nice guy."

Jack E. Johnson was born in Santa Rosa, New Mexico to Sophie and Rudolph Johnson who still live in Santa Rosa. Jack attended school in Santa Rosa and Vaughn, graduating from Vaughn High School in 1948. While in school he was active in all school activities including football, track and basketball. He also served as class president starting with 8th grade and through his senior year. Jack has always been a strong willed individual, when he was just a youngster he decided that he might get his "way" if he held his breath. His mother squeaked this pretty quickly; she doused him with water, one time while in town, even submerging his head in a water tub used by service stations to find leaks in tire intertubes.

Jack worked on the family ranches in the Vaughn and Santa Rosa area until 1959. At that time he applied for and was accepted into the New Mexico State Police Academy. He graduated from the Academy on July 16, 1959 as a certified State Police Officer. His first duty assignment was in Magdalena. During his second year as a State Police Officer he was named officer of the year for the state of New Mexico. He also won many awards for car theft and related criminal activity. In 1962 Jack was transferred to Albuquerque. He worked all patrols out of Albuquerque, served in the Criminal Division for two years. He also taught auto theft and criminal law to the police recruits at the NM Enforcement Academy in Santa Fe and was a liaison officer for the Albuquerque Magistrate Courts.

Jack was transferred to Lincoln County in 1972 as the supervising sergeant for all of Lincoln County, supervising from 7 to 10 officers. Jack retired from the State Police on April 5, 1985 after serving 26 years plus.

Jack is married to Marguerite (Chuck) Johnson. Chuck was a secretary for the Capitan Schools for 12 years, resigning to follow Jack to Carlsbad when he decided to manage a restaurant after his retirement from the State Police. Chuck finally badgered him into returning to their home in Capitan in June 1991. Jack and Chuck have four children, triplet boys and one daughter. Daughter, Jane Terrel, lives at Ft. Stanton with her two sons, Stacy and

Cody. Jimmy and Jesse live in Albuquerque and Jerri Paul lives in Seattle, Washington.

Jack has always been active in community affairs; was instrumental in establishing the Lincoln County Mental Health System, serving on the Board of Directors for the Area VI Mental Health Association. Jack served for several years on the Board of Directors of the Upper Hondo Soil & Water Conservation District. He is presently a member of the Capitan Chamber of Commerce and Friends of Smokey.

Jack says of Capitan and New Mexico, a great place to live!

There are so many interesting folks here in Capitan and I hope to profile all of them, if that is humanly possible. Talked to Frankie Silva the other day at the market and he promised me his story soon. Sounded terrific, as did Ed Peytons. He also had a wonderful story to tell and promised if Bea would write it down, he would talk. (I intend to hold him to that promise too.) Also will do Mr. Britton as soon as I can walk over there and pick up his papers. I do not mean to overlook anyone, so if you would like to tell your story, please contact me at 354-2591, O.K.

Several Capitan Zia Senior Citizens had an enjoyable day at San Patricio Senior Center, Feb. 11, as San Patricio hosted a pool tournament. Those making the trip from Capitan were Joe Arnett, Harold Shelby, Dick Beck, Larry Prizer, Bessie Jones, Virginia Danielson, Vernabelle Pease, John and Maggie Miller, Wayne and Mollie Mason, Andy and Rae Purcella and Ed Payton. The pool games started about 10 a.m. After a very well prepared lunch there at the Senior Center, they continued to play 'til about 3 p.m. The winners in the men's bracket were 1st place-Dick Beck; 2nd place-Andy Purcella and 3rd place-Wayne Mason. In the Women's bracket Mollie Mason lucked out with the 1st place ribbon while Maggie Miller got 2nd place and Inez Brooks of San Patricio ended up with 3rd place. Mollie writes that they always feels welcome and have lots of fun at San Patricio and want to thank the employees and the Seniors of San Patricio for a most enjoyable day!

Some thoughts for today: The more you say, the less people remember, noted that communications critic Feneion.

If Confucius had become king of China, it might have confused the historians and fouled up a good movie. His real name was Kong.

That President Dwight Eisenhower had a thing about timepieces has long been known by oddity fanciers. He reportedly wore three watches, two on his right arm and one on his left. --To bed too.

What is the most sparsely populated country in the world? Canada. Are birds left-winged and right-winged the way people are left-handed and right-handed? They are. But they control it early. If they didn't, they'd fly in circles. (Some folks still are.)

What's the favorite day of the week to most people? Sunday, as you might expect. With Saturday next. Pollsters who checked that out say the rest of the days best-liked, in descending order, are Friday,

Thursday, Wednesday and Tuesday. Monday didn't make a rating.

Do oranges grow wild? Some. In the Indian foothills of the Himalayas, where they came from originally.

If you want something kept secret, don't tell ANYONE.

Has anyone lost a grey Persian cat? If they have, please call me at 354-2591. I have just inherited one I think, or perhaps it is just using my place for a rest stop, because this cat looks like it has seen some rough places. I do not especially want the cat, but I will keep it if no one else wants it. They say it is good luck for a cat to come to you and I surely could use a big package of that "Good Luck".

The Extension Club met last Wednesday for their monthly meeting. It was held at the Zia Senior Center and Betty Testerman was the guest speaker. She reported on Life Support systems for the terminally ill and the donor program. Also heard that Juanita Magnone had been under the weather and we are sorry. Please accept our best wishes for a quick and speedy return to your old self.

My advice to you this week. "Don't listen to doubters. If you have a good idea, move on it." That goes for me too. Time to bring this epistle to a close, and for another week, please have happy thoughts toward your neighbors and remember to try a bit o' kindness...tis good for the soul.

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FORT STANTON FACTS & FICTION

What a beautiful sunny day today has turned out to be. I am afraid of what kind of weather we will have in May and June as pretty as this has been.

Thanks to Betsy Eldridge, and Mrs. Johnson, the two third grade teachers, I am getting motivated to do something with my small stamp collection. Betsy asked Mike awhile back if he would come to the school and tell the kids about stamps. He offered to let me do this and what a fun day I had, last Thursday. Forty third graders received folders that have a place to collect 20 or more stamps. The first stamps we discussed were the wild animal ones. The students read about the long necked giraffe, the panda bear, and white tiger, the penguin, and the flamingo bird. This week they will gather information on the beautiful hummingbird. Due

to the post office discontinuing the Ben Franklin Stamp Club, we are looking for ideas to collect stamps on our own. Anyone who has any ideas we could use, please send your ideas to me at Fort Stanton.

On the blackboard were pictures of houses made by the third graders with each name and address written on the picture. We hope to teach the kids about many classes of mail, certifying, registers, insuring mail and many other services we have to offer. Thanks Betsy and Mrs. Johnson for allowing us to come into your classroom. The students participating are: Mrs. Eldridge's—Karen Bailey, Adam Barboa, Elliott Berry, Ginger Cupit, Dena Hale, Alison Hendrix, Rebecca Heimann, Kurtis Lee, Judd McGraw, Lucera Montes, Travis Murry, Josh Osborn, Jacelyn Smith, Jon Torrez, Jerry Trujillo, Raymond

Zamora, Jerri Ann Winters.

Mrs. Johnsons—Kathryn Becker, Lorena Brockman, Mitchell Cox, Aurelia Fielder, Patrick Griego, MacKenzie Hazel, Emily Hobbs, Travis Horst, Wesley Kern, Kelly Koch, Jenna Loomis, Rusty Martin, Mary Ann Peralta, Shayla Smith, Bo Sparks, Jacob White, Sandy Demerest, Derick Griffin.

The Lincoln County Fair Board met last Wednesday night to discuss the new organization of the Fair Board. On Feb. 23, there will be another meeting at 7 p.m. to elect officers and a board. The members present discussed a membership fee of \$10 per member and maybe a \$50 corporate fee. Everyone needs to attend this meeting, become a member, put in your suggestions, and vote on what you want and don't want for our community. Since we have the fair staying in Capitan lets all contribute to this organization which is helpful to many young people. Gordon Barham, Renee Cupit, and Jean Cunningham were officers presiding over the meeting. Kathleen Hellman gave a short report on the Ranch Rodeo that will take place during the 4th of July. Debbie Ingles has been very supportive of many of these activities.

Ronald Joiner and his boss from Kansas came to Las Cruces on Feb. 8, interviewed prospective employees on Wednesday and returned to Kansas on Thursday. Regretted we didn't get to see him

on his trip through Carrizozo and Corona. Ron and Teresa are hoping to come down the weekend of Feb. 26 to attend Ronnie's Sanchez's wedding.

Senior Citizens keep a full schedule with pool players, 42 players, and eating the good meals prepared for all. The head start students visit the senior citizens once in a while to interact the young and the old. Debbie Padilla, Mrs. York, and Liz Montes were the teachers who took the little ones over to the senior citizens awhile back. Games were shared with them.

Juanita Sultemier surprised Bessie Jones last week. Juanita had been down to T or C to visit her 93 year young Mom and help her celebrate her birthday. Its always good to see Juanita, as

she is always smiling and joking.

Ruth and Bud Hammond stopped in last Monday to say hello. They were here to discuss where Jerry will be going when he leaves the Fort.

Donna Keller and Daylene Huey are really enjoying their "Angel Tree Exchange" Shop. The new winter hours are Tuesday thru Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. If you are looking for a unique shopping experience, stop in and look at their crafts, gifts, antiques, cards, and many other items.

Kersti Lane gained two pounds in two weeks. Doing great.

Til next week, enjoy the beautiful weather and the thought for the week is: "Our walk must square with our talk."

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Carrizozo invites you to attend a public hearing on February 22, 1994 at 7:00 p.m., at Town Hall. The purpose of the public hearing will be to discuss the 1994 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program to advise citizens of the program objectives, range of activities that can be applied for and provide other pertinent information; to obtain the views of citizens on community development and housing needs to include the needs of low and moderate income people. The CDBG program is designed to meet activities which will address one to three state and national objectives:

1. Benefit principally low-moderate income families.
2. Aid in the prevention or elimination of slum and blight.
3. Meet other community development needs of recent origin which pose a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community.

All counties and incorporated municipalities under 50,000 population are eligible to apply. Applicants may apply for funding assistance under categories including Community Infrastructure, Housing, Public Service Capital Outlay, Economic Development, Emergency, Planning and Colonias.

Complete information concerning this program can be obtained at the public hearing along with information on how to receive technical assistance on preparing a proposal for consideration. For further information, contact Carol Scherb, Town Clerk at 648-2871, Carrizozo, NM.

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Positive Guidance Helps Children To Manage Money

by BETTY MCCREIGHT
Lincoln County
Home Economist

Positive guidance to help children manage their own finances will improve their management abilities and overall attitude toward finances later in life.

There are a variety of reasons parents may not teach money skills. They may not realize the importance to a child, or the parents may not know good money management skills themselves.

The habit of saving and the accountability of borrowing are skills children can begin learning in their early years for future benefits.

Saving money can be more discouraging than encouraging for children because of the frustration it may cause a child. Children by nature do not have the ability to delay their gratification for very long.

Parents can help children set spending priorities and establish short-term goals. Children need to experience the rewards of saving before they will believe in it. They can learn that setting aside immediate desires can reap greater, future rewards.

Parents can help older children distinguish between different types of saving: short-term goals, a savings for the unknown (emergency) needs and major, long-term needs such as college.

As children learn more about finances, it is almost inevitable the question of borrowing will come up. Before allowing child credit, make sure the habit of saving is established. There should always be a cost in borrowing, a reasonable amount of interest charged and a loan limit of one.

To do a good job of teaching children about credit, parents should assume a business-like role. Prepare a contract specifying the amount of payment, due date and the duration of the loan; then follow each requirement just as strictly as real loan agencies do for adults.

NMSU Ag Students Increase Enrollment

An increase in traditional agriculture students paced growth as New Mexico State University's College of Agriculture and Home Economics (CAHE) registered its fifth straight semester with the greatest percentage of growth in undergraduate students on campus.

CAHE increased undergraduate enrollment 5.3 percent over year ago figures.

Top growth was among majors in animal science.

Parents should not deduct the amount out of the child's allowance. The child should personally make all payments.

Never forgive the balance of the loan regardless of good report cards or other accomplishments the child may have. A bank or other loan agency would not cancel part of a loan and neither should parents. Make sure the payback period is not too long. Short terms are easier to meet.

Learning the discipline needed for saving and borrowing money will prepare children to be good adult money managers.

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Sunday School..... 9:45 am
Worship Service..... 10:55 am
Sun. Evening..... Training at 6:15 pm
Evening Worship..... 7:15 pm
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)
JOHNNIE 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
Sunday School..... 10:00 am
Worship Service..... 11:00 am
Evening Worship..... 6:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

St. Matthias Episcopal Church
REV. ROBERT BATTON
Corner of E Ave. & Sixth,
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
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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
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LEGALS

PRIMARY ELECTION PROCLAMATION

Pursuant to the Primary Election Law of the State of New Mexico, I, Martha McKnight Proctor, Lincoln County Clerk, State of New Mexico, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby issue the following Proclamation:

18, 1994, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Declarations of candidacy and nominating petitions for statewide offices or the office of United States Representative for candidates not attending the primary conventions shall be filed with the Secretary of State on Tuesday, March 1, 1994, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

District 2—Plazo de 4 años. Distrito 4—Plazo de 4 años. Distrito 5—Plazo de 4 años. Un (A) Escribano (A) Del Condado—Plazo de 4 años. Un (A) Tesorero (A) Del Condado—Plazo de 4 años. Las declaraciones de candidatura por designación de convención primaria para todos los cargos estatales o la de Representante de la Cámara de los Estados Unidos tendrán que presentarse a la Secretaría de Estado el martes, 8 de febrero 1994, entre las 9:00 a.m. y las 5:00 p.m.

OF POLLING PLACE AND PRECINCT BOARD MEMBERS VILLAGE OF CORONA In connection with the regular municipal election to be held on March 1, 1994 and pursuant to 3-8-30 NMSA 1978: A. Notice is hereby given that the following qualified electors are candidates for public office of the Village of Corona:

Main St. Hwy 54. C. Los siguientes miembros del Cuerpo Directivo del Precinct han sido nombrados: 1. Para el juez en el Precinct 1: Ramona Ann Gonzales. 2. Para escribanos en el Precinct 1: Cathy Yancey Margueritte V. Hand. 3. Para el juez en el precinto de votante absentista: Ramona Ann Gonzales. 4. Para las escribanas en el Precinct del votante absentista: Cathy Yancey Margueritte V. Hand.

January 1, 1994, additional copies may be requested by calling or writing: Legal Division, New Mexico State Engineer Office. P.O. Box 25102 Santa Fe, NM 87504-5102 (505) 827-6150. 3. By Order dated December 28, 1993, District Judge Pro Tempore Harold D. Byrd ordered the State to serve this Notice. He further ordered that defendants shall file all objections to Final Report No. 37 by May 31, 1994 with the Fifth Judicial District Court, P.O. Box 1776, Roswell, NM 88201. Defendants shall also send a copy of any objections filed to: Legal Division, New Mexico State Engineer Office. P.O. Box 25102 Santa Fe, NM 87504-5102 (505) 827-6150. DATED: January 19, 1994.

as the Board may determine? At such Election, the following question shall also be submitted to such qualified, registered electors of the District: PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX QUESTION "Shall the Board of Education of the Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20, 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, purchasing 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 extra-curricular school activities?"

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO No. CV-92-192 DIVISION III SOUTHWEST FINANCIAL OF ALAMOGORDO, Plaintiff,

sections 3, 4, 9, and 10; Thence, from the point of beginning, South 52 55' 14" West, 182.78 feet; Thence South 37 13' 00" East, 326.00 feet; Thence North 52 47' 00" East, 184.57 feet; Thence North 37 13' 00" East, 324.18 feet, and containing 1.371 acres more or less.

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The amount of the plaintiff's judgment with interest to the date of the sale is \$7,939.00. The terms and conditions of the sale are that the sale purchaser must pay cash at the sale except the plaintiff may bid all or any part of its judgment, plus accrued interest.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO PROBATE NO. 1637 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RUTH ELIZABETH REYNOLDS, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at P.O. Box 674,

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE UNDER FORECLOSURE DECREE

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of the Final Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered by the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Twelfth Judicial District, on January 19, 1994 in the case of SOUTHWEST FINANCIAL OF ALAMOGORDO, Plaintiff, versus CONCEPTION A. MORALES, CONCEPTION G. MORALES, HAMILTON FUNERAL HOME, INC., AND TIDWELL PLUMBING COMPANY, Defendants.

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DATED: 3rd day of February, 1994.

ANITA RUTH REYNOLDS MALLORY,
Personal Representative.
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NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo, N.M. will hold their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 22, 1994 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

Agenda will be posted in accordance with Resolution 94-02, Twenty-Four (24) hours prior to meeting date.

CAROL SCHLARB, CMC
Town Clerk.
Town of Carrizozo.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body of the Village of Capitán will discuss during a public hearing to be held on March 3, 1994 at 8:30 p.m. to repeal Ordinance 93-2, Collective Bargaining, Labor Relation Board. The repealing of this Ordinance 93-2 will be approved at the special meeting of the Village of Capitán Board of Trustees at 7:00 p.m. on March 3, 1994.

in/ DEBORAH CUMMINS,
Clerk.
Treasurer.

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Around New Mexico

Non Public Schools
The Nonpublic Schools Commission will meet Feb. 28 in Albuquerque. *

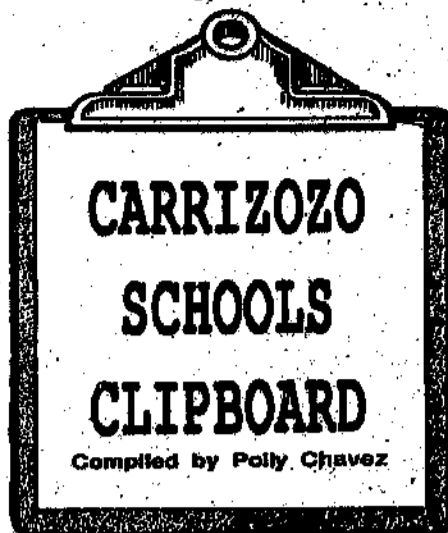
Pow-Wow
The 6th annual St. Valentine's Day Memorial Pow-Wow will be held Feb. 18 and 19 at the Mescalero Community Center. The public is invited to attend. *

Navy Band
The United States Navy Band will be in concert Feb. 28 at 7:30 p.m. at Marshall Junior High School Auditorium in Clovis. The concert is free. For advance free tickets send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Clovis Municipal Schools, P.O. Box 19000, Clovis, NM 88102-9000. *

Mural Grant
The city of Albuquerque is seeking an artist to design a natural landscape mural for a storm drainage facility. A total of up to \$5,000 is available for the mural design. Deadline is 5 p.m. March 11. For a project prospectus and more information call 768-3829. *

Art Directory
New Mexico based artists and art companies may apply for inclusion in the 1995-97 Directory of Artists. The postmark deadline for applications is April 4. Call 1-800-879-4278. *

Poetry Fellowships
March 4 is the deadline for published poets to mail their applications to the National Endowment for the Arts for its \$20,000 Creative Writing Fellowships in Poetry. Call 1-800-879-4278 for more information. *



NO SCHOOL—There will be no school on Monday, Feb. 21 in observance of President's Day (Washington and Lincoln). The afternoon of Feb. 22 has been scheduled for in-service training for faculty and staff. Supt. James Bayless reports that school will be dismissed following lunch. Buses will run at 12:30 p.m. The in-service session will be conducted at 1 p.m.

SCIENCE FAIR RESULTS—At an assembly on Feb. 10 the following students placed in their division: chemistry—Jim Brown, 1st; Danielle Giordano, 2nd; Willie Silva, Honorable mention. Computer and math—Rachel Archuleta, 1st. Earth and Space—Julie Gallegos, 1st; Rodney Zamora, 2nd; Chuck Goodman, honorable mention. Engineering—Matt Scott, 1st; Jeff Maynard, 2nd; Lee Greer, honorable mention. Environment—Cody Turnbow, 1st; D.J. Vermilion, 2nd. Physics—Katie Hightower, 1st; Sean Hansell, 2nd; Zachary Chavez, honorable mention. Behavior and Social Science—Debbie Bond, 1st; Jacqueline Epperson, 2nd. Biochemistry—Lynette Hernandez, 1st; Amber Pierce, 2nd. Botany—Justin Serna, 1st; DeWayne Langley, 2nd; James Silva, honorable mention. Medicine and Health—Lori Gibson, 1st; Jessica Estrella, 2nd. Micro-biology—Julie Barham, 1st; Michelle Barela, 2nd; Sarah Funk, honorable mention. Zoology—Keri Shafer, 1st; Sabine Michel, 2nd.

Overall winners were Katie Hightower, Jim Brown and Julie Barham. They each received a \$100 savings bond. The Regional Science Fair will be held March 5 at Portales. Winners in 5th and 6th grade were Mollie Hightower, 1st and Holly Schlarb, Robert Shafer and Mary Beth Bond, 2nd place. This year's judges were Carol Wilson, Gray Galacher, Susan Hightower, Lisa Shivers and Betty McCraight of Carrizozo and Capitán residents Hollis Fuchs and Barry Herd.

CERTIFICATE RECEIVED—Last month Carol Cluff was presented a certificate of appreciation by administrators James Bayless and Gabe Papponi for her work in preschool. The Cluff family now lives in Ruidoso.

COARSE COMPLETED—On Feb. 8, 9, and 10, Nat Chavez, Carrizozo Schools maintenance supervisor and Pat Jiron, maintenance custodian attended classes at ENMU-Ruidoso Center. The Class 3 Boiler Operator training course was offered by the New Mexico Construction Industries Division. The course was for maintenance personnel from area school districts and hospitals which use low pressure steam. The class covered codes, boiler maintenance and other requirements for operating a

boiler. The participants toured the steam boiler operations at Lincoln County Medical Center. Chavez and Jiron each received a certificate of completion.

US POSTAL SERVICE—Preschoolers in Cheri Goad's class saw first hand how the US Post Office conducts their work. The field trip Feb. 10 tied in with the class unit on community helpers, which includes postal workers. Arlene Najar, postal worker and Postmaster Nick Serna welcomed the students. Najar sold the students stamps for their Valentine cards which they mailed. The students were shown how the mail is cancelled (printing on name of town, date). Some mail goes into local boxes, other mail is sorted into special cubby holes. Postal employee Tony Sanchez explained his job preparing the mail for delivery. He told how the Christmas season is the busiest time of the year at the post office,

followed by Mother's Day and Valentine's Day. The students, educated in the field of postal service, left the post office sporting "Priority Mail" stickers.

OUTREACH PROGRAM—Anne Pettengill, a counselor and recruiter for Educational Talent Search (ETS) is at Carrizozo Schools once a week. EST is a federally funded student outreach program based at ENMU-Roswell. The goal of ETS is to encourage 6th to 12th grade students to graduate from high school and to enroll in a post-secondary program of education. Interested students may sign up for an appointment through counselor Mike Gaines. On Wednesday, Feb. 23 at 7 p.m. there will be an ETS sponsored federal financial aid seminar for high school seniors. If seniors bring a completed tax return, Pettengill can help fill paperwork that night.

McDougal Announces For Ruidoso Council

Longtime Ruidoso resident Strand M. "Mac" McDougal announced his decision to run for Ruidoso Village Council, 2 year term.

"I want to be involved in Ruidoso's future. I want to be involved in decisions that will affect the quality of life in the 21st century.

Strand McDougal is a 32 year resident of Ruidoso. He and his wife own and operate Ski West Trading Co. and Sierra Blanca Cabins.

He is a graduate of Pecos High School, Pecos, Texas. He graduated from the University of Texas at Austin in 1957 with a BA degree. He has completed post graduate work at Sul Ross, UTEP and New Mexico State University.

He is a former public school teacher having held teaching positions in Pecos, Texas, Ysleta, Texas, Alamogordo, Mescalero, and Ruidoso. Locally he was a 6th grade teacher.

He has served as secretary-treasurer of the Ruidoso Evening Lions Club and as vice president of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce. He has served as a Director on the Main Street Board of Directors and presently is a member of the New Mexico State Highway 48 Citizens

Advisory Committee.

He is a member of the First Christian Church, Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce and the Roswell Runners Club.

He and his wife, the former Sunny Jo Walker, have four children and seven grandchildren.

NMSU Awards Degrees For Fall Session

LAS CRUCES, NM—More than 1,440 New Mexico State University students were awarded degrees after the fall 1993 session.

Degree recipients from Lincoln County:

Graduates from Carrizozo: Thomas Carey Broom, Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology; Kelly Frances Sheehan, Bachelor of Arts, Journalism & Mass Communication.

Graduates from Capitán: Carole Caywood Baca, Bachelor of Business Administration, Finance; Stacy Lavonne Cox, B.S. in Education, Communication Disorders. Hazel Tipps Poissot, Master of Arts, Educational Administration.

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 2tp-Feb. 17 & 24.

The Original... Sheriff's Report

Remodeling at the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office and Lincoln County Detention Center in the courthouse in Carrizozo continues. New dispatch equipment was being installed this week in the expanded communications center.

In the detention center, a new holding cell is being constructed. Visitors entrance and jail administrator's office is nearly completed.

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

Feb. 5:
 9:07 a.m. an accident with injuries was reported at Ski Apache. A car hit a tree. Alto ambulance responded, but the patient refused transport. New Mexico State Police (NMSF) were advised.
 Feb. 7:
 8:55 a.m. an ambulance was requested in the Bonito area for an elderly lady on oxygen having trouble breathing. Alto ambulance transported the patient to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.
 6:09 p.m. a structure fire was reported at 5th and D. Ave. in Carrizozo. An illegal alien set a fire in a vacant house to warm his tortillas. Carrizozo Fire Department responded with five fire fighters, deputies and Carrizozo police also responded.
 Feb. 8:
 8:01 a.m. a loose pig was reported in Mesa Grande. A pink and white pig weighing about 300 pounds wandered off. Capitan police and the county animal control officer responded.
 12:56 p.m. an accident was reported at mile marker 3 on Ski Run Road. A vehicle was upside down on the roadway. NMSF were notified.
 3:17 p.m. an ambulance was requested at Carrizozo Health Clinic. Carrizozo ambulance responded.
 3:54 p.m. Ruidoso Police Dept. reported suspicious activity at the corner of Hull and Gavilan Roads, a yellow vehicle was in the trees flashing its lights. The responding deputy advised that the truck was stuck big time.
 3:59 p.m. a suspicious person was reported in Ancho. A man, possible armed, refused to leave. A deputy stopped the vehicle at a cemetery.
 5:59 p.m. a theft was reported by a Loma Grande resident. The complainant reported she lost \$400 out of the store in the last 30 minutes, the subject is drinking and has previous DWIs. A deputy responded.
Feb. 9:
 6:32 p.m. an ambulance was requested at a restaurant in the Alto area for a lady who was passing out. Alto ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.
Feb. 10:
 9:14 a.m. a theft was reported at a residence on Juniper in Alto. The sheriff responded.
 5:08 p.m. a vehicle, with an un-tagged deer head in the back, was stopped at the Oscura turnoff on Highway 54. New Mexico Game and Fish Dept. was called.
Feb. 11:
 9:14 a.m. a gallery in Hondo valley requested an officer. A deputy responded.
 12:51 p.m. an alarm sounded at a residence on Lake Shore Drive in Alto. The responding deputy advised the door was open, and lots of skiers were there, nothing seemed disturbed. The deputy searched the house and found all okay. The key holder was notified.
 3:46 p.m. the sheriff requested a deputy to transport a visitor and a male subject from Capitan to Roswell. A deputy responded.
 5:49 p.m. Ruidoso Police requested a transport to the sheriff's office. A deputy responded.
 7:29 p.m. the detention center advised that a female prisoner was complaining of labored breathing and chest pains. The physician's assistant responded.
 8:53 p.m. a large fire was reported near Nogal. Nogal Fire Department responded, as well as New Mexico State Forestry (NMSF).
 11:24 p.m. a breaking and entering was reported in the Nogal area. Someone took a TV and a coin collection.
Feb. 12:
 9:29 a.m. loose dogs were reported on Mount Capitan Road in Capitan. The complainant's neighbor's three big dogs were after his pregnant mares again. Capitan police responded and told the complainant he would contact the dogs' owner and advise him of a few things.
 11:25 a.m. a Capitan restaurant requested an officer. Capitan police responded.
 11:50 a.m. a grass fire south of Carrizozo was reported out of control. Three units and 10 fire fighters from Carrizozo Fire Department responded to the 1.5 acre fire. NMSF was notified.
 11:55 a.m. a fire was reported in the Rincinada area. NMSF, US Forest Service and Mescalero were notified, and later advised the fire reported was possibly the control burn in the Bent area.
 11:56 a.m. a hit deer was reported in the Alto area. Game and Fish office in Santa Fe was called.
 5:40 p.m. an ambulance was requested to a residence off Smokey Bear Blvd. in Capitan to transport a patient to LCMC on doctor's orders. Capitan ambulance responded.
Feb. 13:
 9:44 a.m. a cattle problem was reported, and the complainant needed the cattle inspector. The inspector was advised.
 9:54 a.m. a Carrizozo convenience store advised someone left a black and white puppy in the parking lot. Carrizozo police responded.
 4:57 p.m. a traffic accident was reported at mile marker 4 on Ski Run Road. Alto ambulance and Bonito Fire Dept. responded to the accident with injuries. Bonito was needed for its Jaws of Life. Alto ambulance transported the injured to LCMC.
Feb. 14:
 12:21 p.m. an ambulance was requested at Capitan High School football field for an injured student. Capitan ambulance responded.
 1:21 p.m. an two vehicle accident was reported at the intersection of Highways 380 and 54 in Carrizozo. Carrizozo police, two deputies, and two Carrizozo ambulances responded. The injured were transported to LCMC.
 1:37 p.m. a fire was reported at Fort Stanton Dietary Hall. Fort Stanton Fire Department responded with

three units and Fort Stanton ambulance stood by.
 1:51 p.m. stolen tools were reported on Birch Lane west of Capitan. The complainant reported a subject came on to his property without permission and stole some tools from a renter's place. A deputy responded.
 A case number was requested for a residential burglary. Criminal damage was reported in Cedar Creek. A deputy responded.
 The following persons were booked into the Lincoln County Detention Center in the courthouse in Carrizozo:
Feb. 8:
 Ray J. Thompson, 34, Ruidoso; probation violation, bench warrant from Bernalillo County, no bond; released to Bernalillo County Feb. 11.
 Jay McClanahan, 27, Ruidoso; returned from diagnosis at New Mexico Corrections; no bond.
 Kerry N. Enjady, 28, Ruidoso; probation violation, failure to pay fines, contempt of court; no bond set by District Judge Richard Parsons.
Feb. 9:
 Debra D. Jones, 28, Ruidoso; probation violation; released Feb. 15 by adult probation officer.
 Benedict Chadwick, 35, Ruidoso; probation violation;

no bond.
Feb. 10:
 Lenard H. Jones, 34, Flora Vista, NM; trafficking methamphetamines, driving on suspended license, no insurance; \$10,000 bond set by Magistrate Judge Gerald Dean Jr. posted Feb. 11.
 Fred L. Brown, 25, Corona; child abuse fourth degree felony; \$2,500 bond set by Dean posted Feb. 12.
Feb. 11:
 Alan Weese, 43, Clayton, NM; DWI 2nd; sentenced to 48 hours in jail by Magistrate Judge William Butts; released Feb. 12, time served.
 Pamela A. Cash, 39, Ruidoso; failure to appear; \$1,000 bond set by Dean posted same day.
 Rudy S. Munoz, 32, held for Camp Sierra Blanca minimum security prison. Released Feb. 12 to CSB.
Feb. 13:
 Carol Blodgett, 54, Carrizozo; probation violation; no bond set by municipal judge S.M. Ortiz.
 Robbie J. Adams, 30, Ruidoso Downs; driving on revoked license; sentenced to seven days in jail by Magistrate Judge Butts.
 Charlie Pearson, 38, Ruidoso Downs; arrested on fugitive warrant from Caldwell Co. Texas for five counts of forgery; no bond.
Feb. 15:
 Terry Balderrama, 38, Mescalero; DWI 2nd, driving on revoked license; sentenced to four days by Butts.

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"The Story Of Smokey Bear"

Editor's Note:

The true story of Smokey Bear is being told in the Lincoln County News. The second chapter is featured this week. We suggest our readers and school classes clip each portion of Smokey Bear's story to save in an album.

By DOROTHY GUCK

The first poster Smokey looked mighty different than the bear character appears today. He resembled more a bear in the wild wearing a ranger's hat and levis. His expression was jolly and mischievous. In the second poster he wore a belt with a Smokey buckle. He usually carried a shovel and bucket of water. Often his animal friends and birds joined him. His favorite message became "Only You Can Prevent Forest Fires" in 1947.

The war ended and Rudolph Wendelin returned to Washington from his Navy tour of duty to join the Forest Service. His talents as an artist earned him the title "Father of Smokey". He said, "I tried to humanize Smo-

key, so his claws more closely resemble hands; shaggy hair was shortened and made glossy; pointed teeth were softened and less evident, and his expression was made serious but friendly." Later, his name was added to his hat. He now appeared dignified and likeable who trusted people to listen.

Smokey posters are still seen today. Wendelin is now a consultant for Smokey and other conservation projects as Spunky Squirrel, gives chalk talks as he did in Capitan in

1958.

In 1942, the United States had 200,000 man-caused fires burning millions of acres of timberlands. That number was cut in half as a result of the Smokey campaign.

Radio and later TV programs featured Smokey Bear by Hop-a-long Cassidy, Roy Rogers, Sons of the Pioneers, and others. In cities, U.S. postal trucks, buses, and trolley cars wore the Smokey posters. Children learned to quote his rules, "Be careful with matches,

with smokes, with campfires, with every fire, break them, crush them, and drown them to stop this shameful waste."

The program was probably the most successful the Advertising Council ever handled.

The National Conservation Pledge was written by L.L. Foreman of Santa Fe in 1946. "I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully to defend from waste the natural resources of my country - its air, soil, and minerals, its forests,

waters, and wild life."

In 1947, the first Smokey cartoons appeared, to later become popular comic books.

But the question arose, couldn't we have a live bear to appear at public functions? Look what Elsie the Cow did for Borden when she appeared at state fairs and dairy exhibits.

Next, I'll tell you how New Mexico found that live Smokey, and Lincoln County became known for its work in fostering conservation of our forest lands.

Obituaries

CLARENCE E. SHAW

Clarence E. Shaw, 71, of T or C, N.M. died Jan. 7, at the New Mexico Veterans Center. He was born Nov. 4, 1922 in Mountainair, N.M. to Elmer E. and Emma P. Shaw.

Mr. Shaw was a member of the Mountainair United Methodist Church, Carrizozo Masonic Lodge #41 A.F. & A.M., Charter Member of the Carrizozo Rotary Club and a member of the D.A.V.

Mr. Shaw served in the Army Air Corps in World War II.

Clarence started the Residence Council at the New Mexico Veterans Center, was chairman of the COPD Support Group also at the NMVC. He served as Municipal Judge in Mountainair from 1988 to 1989.

Clarence graduated from Mountainair High School in 1940, attended Mortuary Science College in Nashville, Tenn., graduating in 1949. He was licensed as a funeral director in New Mexico, California and Nevada. He owned

and operated Shaw Mortuary in Carrizozo from 1951 to 1961, served with Strong-Thorne in Albuquerque from 1961 to 1964, Ballard Funeral Home in Roswell from 1965 to 1968, Chapel of Memories in Clovis from 1968 to 1969, Frye Mortuary in Blythe, California from 1969 to 1972, Sherwood Mortuary in Clovis from 1972 to 1973, Frye Mortuary in Rowley, California from 1973 to 1978, prior to his retirement in 1985 he was associated with Palm Chapel in Las Vegas, Nevada. He is survived by three daughters, Dierdra Tarr of Mountainair, Deborah Appar of Niceville, Fl., and Denise Romero of Clovis, N.M.; sister, Lucille S. Flemings; brother-in-law, John D. Flemings, both of Mountainair; two aunts, Edna Morford and Buleah Shaw, both of Alamogordo; four grandchildren, Kerri A. Appar of St. Louis, Mo., Shawn Romero and Ryan Romero, both of Clovis, and Roberta Tarr of Mountainair.

Memorial services were

held Jan. 10, at the Harris-Hanlon Chapel in Mountainair, with Rev.

Kimberly Kinsey, officiating, with interment of cremains following in the Mountainair Cemetery, with Masonic

Graveside Services conducted by the Carrizozo Masonic Lodge #41 A.F. & A.M.



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