

# County Plans To Buy Sales Barn

by Doris Cherry

If Governor Bruce King signs the state house and senate bills which appropriate \$290,000 for the purchase of the Glencoe Super Select Sales Barn, ownership will go to the County of Lincoln and future operational costs of the facility will be paid by Lincoln County taxpayers.

Despite pleas from Lincoln County Commissioners Stirling Spencer and Bill Schwetmann that the facility operation costs have yet to be

disclosed, no plan for the use of the building has been produced, and that purchasing it will be perpetuating the bureaucracy of the county, commissioners Monroy Montes, Wilton Howell and Ray Nunley voted yes for the county to purchase the Super Select Sales Barn contingent upon receipt of state funds with the terms discussed in a closed session with the county attorney.

Chairman Montes allowed only commissioners, as elected representatives of county

electorate, to speak about the purchase during the regular county meeting Tuesday in Carrizozo. Spencer spoke of his disfavor of purchasing the property because it would interfere with existing county obligations. "We have needs within the county that should be met by those funds and those dollars which are not just magic dollars from Santa Fe, those are mine, yours and everybody's tax dollars and I think we have an obligation to the state of New Mexico to watch tax dollars," Spencer

said.

While he acknowledged that a facility for rural events is a good idea, he likened the purchase of the sales barn to the Bureau of Land Management thinking it had a good idea in acquiring private property in the Lincoln area, which he fought against. He said he thought the facility would compete with the Ruidoso Convention and Civic Events Center, or other struggling facilities in the county.

Spencer said he has repeatedly asked for the operational

costs of the facility, but never received any, so he had no basis to determine the impact to the county's budget for the facility's operation. He had heard that in the last two years the sales barn was a non-viable operation.

"I scares me if government gets a hold of it, it will be worse," Spencer added.

Although the state funding will provide \$40,000 for the first year operation, Spencer was concerned where funding will come from after that is expended.

"I think we're going the way of bureaucracy in accepting the funds," Spencer said. "I plead with the commission to vote nay to the purchase unless they can come up with a budgeted operational situation so we don't have to scrutinize \$5 in the seniors funds, don't have to ask our department heads to hold back on hiring so they can get their minimum raises for their person-

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## GFWC N.M. President To Visit C'zozo

The Carrizozo Woman's Club will be honored by the presence of GFWC New Mexico State President Sharlene Glock of Las Cruces, and Charlotte Jarratt of Ruidoso, Vice-President, this coming Thursday, March 10 at the Woman's Club Building.

Members and guests will be treated to dinner, beginning at 6:00 p.m. All ladies in the community are invited to attend and meet these honored guests.



**DISTRICT 3A CHAMPS:** Coach Ken Butt's Carrizozo Grizzly basketball team captured their third consecutive district championship under his leadership Saturday night against Mountainair and advanced to the Region D playoffs. Carrizozo will be the host team and will meet arch rival Capitan in the second game on Friday night — Loving's Falcons will go against Mountainair in the first game slated to tip-off at 6:00 p.m. Team members are (back row left to right) Billy Sheehan, Daniel Graham, Willie Archuleta, George Vega (all-district), D.J. Vermillion, Jon Vallejos (all-district), Wayne LaBelle. Front row, Gilbert Barela, Joe Vega, Davin Epperson (all-district), Willie Silva, Blas Herrera (all-district).

## Lady Tigers Make The Big Show

The Capitan Lady Tigers traveled to Albuquerque Wednesday and played the first round of the State Class A basketball tournament at Sandia High School.

The Capitan girls played Quemado, but scores were unavailable at press time.

The Lady Tigers were ranked in the top three teams in Class A girls basketball by the Albuquerque Journal Wednesday.

The Capitan girls got to the state tournament by defeating Fort Sumner 52-44 at the Region D tournament champion-

ship held in Capitan last Saturday. The Lady Tigers defeated Mountainair 50-29 Friday, in the regional semi-finals. Fort Sumner defeated Loving 72-38, to advance and lose to Capitan the following night.

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## Record Number Of Votes Cast In Elections Tuesday

Incumbent mayors in Ruidoso and Carrizozo held on to their positions in municipal elections Tuesday.

But in Capitan, a new man will take over the village's top job.

Voter turn out was reported good in Capitan, Carrizozo and Ruidoso where voters had plenty of choices.

In Capitan, 66 percent of the registered voters came to the polls, cast their ballots on the new electronic machines, and elected Norman Renfro as mayor, Bryon Carpenter and Connie Hopper as trustees and Jack Johnson as municipal judge. Official canvassed results showed Renfro received 280 votes and incumbent Frank Warth received 140.

For the four-year trustee position, Carpenter received 192 votes to incumbent Alfred Leroy Montes' 188. The two candidates were tied with machine votes of 182 each. The 10 absentee ballots for Carpenter, edged out Montes' six absentee votes to win Carpenter the position. Hopper received 213 votes to win the second four-year trustee position. Candidate Johnny Lunsford received 170 votes.

For municipal judge, Johnson won the position with 179 votes. Appointee judge John D. Whitaker received 136, and candidate Mary E. Lunsford received 105.

Of the 646 registered to vote, 426 came to the polls and cast their ballots.

In Carrizozo, 64 percent of the voters went to the polls where incumbent Cecilia G. Kuhnel retained her position with 203 votes. Mayoral candidate Harold G. Garcia

received 154 votes. Garcia will return to the council to finish his position as trustee for the next two years.

For the two, four year trustee positions, James Willie Silva edged out incumbent Patsy Vallejos 142 to 140 votes. Ruth Armstrong won the second position with 190 votes. Candidates Cheryl L. Sparks received 26 votes, Angelo Vega received 100 and Rick W. Emmons received 107 votes.

Incumbent municipal judge S.M. Ortiz retained his position with 151 votes. Candidates Johnnie Johnson received 119 votes, Gilbert E. Archuleta received 28 and Chuck Rominger received 62.

In Ruidoso 48 percent of the voters went to the polls and elected incumbent Jerry Shaw to continue as mayor. Shaw received 743 votes, candidate Frank T. Cummins received 612. Cummins will return to the council to finish the term to which he was elected two years ago.

For the three, four year councilor positions, appointees Joe Gomez and Frank Potter retained their seats with 922 and 846 votes respectively. E. Leon Eggleston won the third position with 615 votes. Candidates Robert Sterchi received 259 votes, incumbent Bill Karn received 249 votes to lose his seat, Charles Rennick received 498 and Norman Smith received 349.

For the one, two-year term for councilor, Robert Donaldson won with 640 votes. Candidates Richard M. Mounds received 121, Allen J. Full received 186 and Strand M. McDougal received 363.

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## Carrizozo Rec Center Repairs Are Approved

by Ruth Hammond

Several important items of business were conducted by the Carrizozo Board of Trustees during their meeting Feb. 22.

After hearing of the need to make \$10,000 in repairs to the bowling equipment at the Carrizozo Rec Center, trustees agreed to access the \$2,800 balance in the recreation fund

for immediate repairs. These are necessary because of the City Bowling Tournament that will be held soon.

Trustees also agreed to approve a resolution at the next meeting to create a new line item for repairs at the Rec Center and transfer money from the general fund to the line item. The resolution must be approved by the state department of finance and ad-

ministration (DFA) before the money can be transferred.

Trustee Doug Whittaker said the repairs are in the best interest because the Rec Center is a quarter million dollar facility.

Trustee Harold Garcia said the town has too much involved to let the facility go and it would be a shame to have spent the money to resurface the lanes and not continue the repairs.

Members of the audience thanked trustees for their approval for the money to make the necessary repairs.

The transition of phone service from US West to Vista Grande Telecommunications, Inc. a subsidiary of Penasco Valley Telephone Cooperative was explained.

John C. Metts, executive vice-president and general manager of Penasco Valley Telephone made the presentation and said customers will benefit as a result of the sale, once it is approved by the New Mexico State Corporation Commission and approved by the Federal Communications Commission.

Installing lights for an around-the-clock flag for the Veteran's Memorial in the

park across the street from City Hall was discussed.

Lincoln County News co-publishers Peter Aguilar and Ruth Hammond donated the first \$25 for the lighting project. Hammond told trustees that veterans of the armed forces have defended our country not only during the day but around the clock and these veterans should be honored around the clock. The US Flag must be lighted to be flown after dark.

A six foot by ten foot flag is to be donated by the Zia Chapter of P.V.A. Carrizozo resident T.J. Collins presented the letter from the chapter about the flag.

Town attorney David Stevens said he and his law partner would donate \$100 for the project.

John C. Metts said it was great to have the audience participation at a town council meeting and announced that Penasco Telephone would donate \$500 for the light project.

Carrizozo resident Susie Niederstadt offered to donate a telephone pole for a light. Before the project proceeds

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## Carrizozo Offers To Lease Old Ice Plant

The Town of Carrizozo Board of Trustees went into closed session for one hour and 17 minutes during their Feb. 22 meeting to discuss contractual agreements.

After the closed session trustees approved offering a real property lease to Michael Cane for use of the old ice plant building located behind the Four Winds Restaurant near the overpass.

Terms to be offered were for Cane to pay no rent for the first five years in exchange for Cane providing \$20,000 in improvements to the buildings

during the first five years.

The lease also provided for two option periods for five years each. The option at the end of the first five years would be for monthly rent to be determined with a floor of \$500 per month and a ceiling of \$1,000 per month.

Trustees agreed to allow town attorney David Stevens to change the wording, etc and make minor changes in the lease that would be offered.

Apparently Cane declined

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## Free Photovoltaic Workshop Set For Ruidoso April 12

LAS CRUCES--Homeowners can learn how to use sunlight to generate electricity for their homes at a photovoltaic workshop April 12 in Ruidoso.

Chuck Marken, a AAA Solar Service & Service vice president and journeyman electrician specializing in photovoltaic installations, will talk about the design, sizing, installation and maintenance of photovoltaic equipment for remote homes and cabins. Equipment covered includes modules, charge controls, batteries, lighting and wiring. Sponsors are New Mexico

State University's Cooperative Extension Service and the Energy Conservation and Management Division of the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department.

The session runs from 7-9 p.m. at the Texas-New Mexico Power Company office, 1100 Mechem Drive in Ruidoso.

The workshop is free and open to the public; however, space is limited. To preregister, call Betty McCreight at the Lincoln County Extension office, 648-2311.



## Joan Park Announces For County Treasurer

Joan E. Park, who is currently serving as Chief Deputy Treasurer, is announcing her candidacy for the office of Lincoln County Treasurer on the Republican ticket. Her decision to seek election was arrived at when Janice Silva Ware declined to run for reelection.

A native New Mexican, Park and her family have lived in Lincoln County for eight years. She has been married to husband, Brady, for 21 years and they have

one son, Denver, who is 19 years old. Although born and raised in Roswell, she has quite a family legacy in Lincoln County. Her great grandfather, J.W. Owen, still holds the record for being the Lincoln County Sheriff the most consecutive years, from 1902 through 1908. Her grandfather, Omer Owen, served as deputy sheriff and homesteaded what is currently known as the Weddige Ranch. He also named "Give A Damn" canyon in the Capitan.

Park is a member of the Federated Republican Women where she serves as newsletter chairman. She is also a member of the Republican First Monday, Corriente Cow-Belles and Trinity Baptist Church in Capitan where she teaches youth Sunday School and plays the piano. One of her accomplishments is the development of the Capitan Christian Drama Club for youth, where she currently serves in an advisory capacity. Park's hobbies include playing and teaching piano, singing, reading, cooking and arts and crafts.

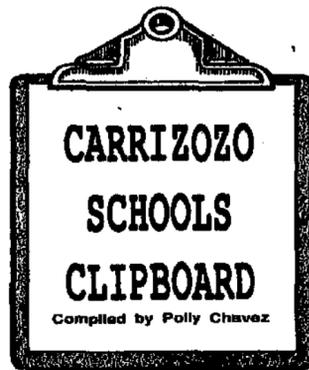
Park graduated from Goddard High School, Roswell in 1972. She is presently in her fourth semester of college at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso, pursuing an Associate Degree in Business Management with emphasis in accounting. She has over 10 years experience in the accounting/bookkeeping field, some of that while being employed by the State of New Mexico where she was classified as a Financial Specialist in Governmental Accounting.

Since her employment in the treasurer's office, Park has upgraded many of the manual daily procedures to personal computers, which the office has recently acquired. She has attended various seminars and workshops to further her knowledge of the fundamentals necessary in the treasurer's office. One of her priorities also, is continuing to pursue working harmoniously with the other elected officials and their offices toward better county government for you. It is Park's thought that no single aspect of county government is more important than another.

Park feels qualified to serve as your County Treasurer. "I have gained the hands-on knowledge and expertise necessary in effectively running the treasurer's office with efficiency and leadership." She further states that this includes tax collection, distribution and investment of public money. Most important is the working experience acquired regarding policies and procedures to properly apply them to governing laws and statutes. "While education is helpful in understanding the involved accounting operations, there is no substitute for a working knowledge which is only gained by first hand experience."

"I believe the instruction and education I have acquired under Janice Silva Ware, the current treasurer, will allow for a smooth transition to a new administration." The treasurer's office has operated in a thorough manner carrying out the duties ascribed to that office with great proficiency. Continuing to build on the solid foundation established in the treasurer's office, Park's desire is to serve with the same courtesy, concern and accountability that the public has come to trust. "Continuity is important when administrative change is unavoidable."

"One of my goals is to continue upgrading the office in order to keep with the changing times and new technology. In doing so, I believe the results will be a more cost efficient tax collection process, which is vital in our changing economy."



**DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE**—The annual in-service training for school bus drivers was held Feb. 10. The State of New Mexico requires that school bus drivers attend a total of eight hours of in-service training during each school year. Course instructor was Steve Gore. The course covered an update of defensive driving. The participants viewed two films. One film was concerning the senior citizen driver. The other film stressed communication between bus driver and students. The course was for the school's regular route drivers, substitute and activity bus drivers. In attendance were Hayden Smith, Linda Greer, Barbara Roper, David Roper, Bryan Wetzel, Ralph Baroz, Cecilia Cieplenski, Sharon

Hefker, Lerry Bond, Justin Hefker, and Angelo Vega.

**STAFF IN-SERVICE**—At the in-service held Feb. 14 Supt. James Bayless stressed the importance of not separating the three parts that make up going to school: academics, athletics, and activities. He encouraged staff to support students in their extra curricular events such as FFA, science fair and sports. The staff viewed "A New Outlook" which showed how to insure success to all students. The film explored employability, basic and career skills. Another video, "The Addicted Brain" explained that the brain can be changed for better or worse and making peace with our own biochemistry by using brain power. The in-service ended after staff met in committees geared to help students. Chairpersons of each committee advise the superintendent regarding decisions of importance to the school district.

**ACADEMIC CONTEST**—Carrizozo 6th graders placed first at the Feb. 16 Ruidoso Knowledge Bowl. The top winners were Mollie Hightower, Renee Rael, Libby Sambrano, Robert Shafer and Josh Vega. The 7th graders who placed third were Cara Baker, C.R. Dobbs, Anthony Epperson, Patrick Hansell and Miguel Najjar. Teacher Jackie Moffett reported that it was a fun filled and challenging day and the students did a great job against competitors from Tularosa, Capitan, Cloudercroft and Ruidoso.

**FARM TOUR**—Students in preschool through 6th grade had an opportunity to see and pet farm and ranch animals. The Feb. 23 event was part of the activities coordinated for FFA Week (Feb. 21-25). The school's vo-ag farm was the site of the show-and-tell adventure. The students saw the week-old calf of a Black Angus. Two Hereford bulls were in another stall. The students petted New Zealand rabbits and learned that wool comes from Suffolk and Western White Face sheep. Saddled horses were seen up close. The students were guided through the meats lab where meat is processed. The classes were treated to milk and cookies. Each student left the farm with a cup of soil and instructions on how to grow a bean plant.

**LEGISLATIVE VISIT**—The New Mexico School Administrators (NMSA) had representation during the 1994 Legislature. Supt. Bayless took his turn lobbying for education on Feb. 17.

**SANTA FE VISIT**—On Feb. 17 sixteen Carrizozo students observed Legislature in session. They visited the offices of the governor, lieutenant governor and the secretary of state. In the governor's office they saw sculpture and paintings. The students, part of the Lincoln County novice and junior 4-Hers were Robert Shafer, Mollie Hightower, Bryan Hightower, Renee Rael, Holly Schlarb, Patrick Hightower, Cody Whitfield, Annie Greene, Matt Offutt, Briton Goad, Adrian Goad, Cara Baker, Lisa Duggar, Krystal Winfield, Mary Beth Bond, and Branden Langley.

**SIXTH GRADE NEWS**—Mollie Hightower, Renee Rael, and Libby Sambrano have completed reading goals for all five months of the Book It! National Reading Incentive Program. They are praised by teacher Jackie Moffett for this outstanding achievement in making the 1994 Readers' Honor Roll. The class planned their Valentine's Day dance and were pleased with the results. Jonathan Sedillo and Renee were selected prince and princess. The runners-up were Josh Vega, Robert Shafer, Libby Sambrano and Lisa Duggar. Disk jockeys for the event were Carlos Garcia and Lisa Duggar.

## Methodist Women Discuss Hosting Spring Luncheon

The United Methodist Women met for a potluck luncheon Feb. 23 in the Fellowship of Methodist Church. Mary Lou Webster, president, presided over the meeting.

It was reported the Sweet-heart Banquet held Feb. 13 at

the church was a huge success. An evening of food, songs, poems and piano duets were enjoyed.

Plans to have a Spring luncheon were discussed.

Rev. Tommy Jared presented the program.

Since I will no longer be seeking public office, I, **Janice Silva Ware**, currently serving as Lincoln County Treasurer, hereby give my endorsement to **Joan E. Park** as the Republican candidate for County Treasurer.

Joan is very qualified and capable to serve in this position as her leadership qualities and on-the-job knowledge of the Treasurer's duties and responsibilities have been proven to me. Thank you for generously supporting me in the past.

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# No Smoking Allowed In County Buildings

by Doris Cherry

As of April 1, smokers will have to take their breaks out of doors at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

Lincoln County Commissioners meeting Tuesday, voted unanimously to prohibit smoking indoors in the courthouse and all other county property after April 1. Each elected official, or department head, will be allowed one designated area in an enclosed office for smoking. Also, the Clean Indoor Air Policy will allow for designated smoking lounges somewhere inside.

But prisoners will no longer be able to smoke anywhere within the jail. Sheriff Jay McSwane asked that his department be allowed an exemption in the policy by having two locations for smoking. He wanted not only his office, but the communications center be smoking areas. He said the four of six communications officers are smokers, and use smoking as a relaxation for their high-stress jobs. He also said the officers would

refrain from smoking if a non-smoker is present and requests such.

But commissioners referred to correspondence from PCI communications company regarding equipment damage due to cigarette smoke. The letter stated smoke does damage the electronic equipment in the communications center, within a year.

McSwane was concerned he would lose communications officers if there is no smoking in the dispatch area. But commissioner Ray Nunley, who initiated the no smoking policy, said, "If they quit because they can't smoke, they're not good employees in the first place."

County manager Andy Wynham suggested filter ash trays could be used in the communications center if smoking is allowed. McSwane said the new center's air system already filters out much of the smoke. And he had never seen equipment failure in the past because of cigarette smoke.

McSwane said the major problem if the smoking is

banned in the dispatch is the communications officers will have to be allowed 15 minute breaks. However, someone must be present at all times to answer the communications, and provide emergency dispatch if necessary.

The jail will be a total no smoking area, since there is no way to segregate the non-smoking prisoners from the smoking prisoners. Wynham said that makes a greater degree of liability for the nonsmokers with the second hand smoke.

McSwane agreed there are problems with allowing smoking in the jail, mainly matches. Wynham said jail administrator Wayland Hill expressed concerns over hygiene and safety. Prisoners have set fire to mattresses, used matches as weapons and damaged jail property. Smoking will not be allowed in the new outdoor exercise yard either, because of the match issue.

After commissioners voted unanimously for the Clean Indoor Air Policy for Lincoln County, Nunley later came back and amended it to begin on April 1. The time extension will provide time for officials to designate offices and smoking lounges within the county properties.

Renters of county property must also designate an enclosed area for smoking. The district judge may designate other enclosed offices under his control as smoking designated areas.

Officials and department heads, by the policy, will make efforts to afford employees one smoke break in any four hour work period.

Until lounges, and other smoking areas are designated, employees must smoke out doors.

Violation of the policy will subject an individual to a fine of \$10 to \$25. Violation of the policy by any county employee will be grounds for a personnel action. Supervisors, department heads or elected officials may not vary or grant privileges beyond the scope of the policy.

Visitors to the courthouse and all other county property must smoke outdoors.

In other business, commissioners: --Presented a plaque of appreciation to Dr. Bernie Reimann of Capitan for his work on the E-911 emergency system. The plaque is the first which features the Lincoln County logo on a tile.

--Approved a resolution in appreciation to all agencies and individuals who responded to the fire in the Hondo Valley on Feb. 18.

--Denied a right of way easement requested by Eagle Creek Inter-community Water Supply Association. The association requested the county maintain the .10 of a mile of road to the Alto Lake parking area, in exchange for the easement. Commissioners determined the easement, under Lake Shore Drive, belongs to the county by prescriptive rights.

--Heard a report from Rex Wilson concerning the Western State Coalition meeting in Denver. Commissioner Spencer also spoke.

--Tabled a request for real property disposal until commissioners could further study the matter.

--Approved an ordinance granting a franchise to Lincoln Cablevision for 25 years.

--Amended the ordinance relating to collective bargaining for the county to establish a local labor board.

--Approved the county apply for a Community Development Block Grant to construct a senior citizens center in San Patricio.

--Appointed; Dr. Bob Walters to the Rural and Ag Affairs Committee for District II, Nunley to the Economic Development Corporation of

Lincoln County, Nancy Duley to the Extraterritorial Zoning Authority, commissioner Wilton Howell to the Lincoln County Medical Center Board, and to the Planning and Zoning Commission--Rex Wilson for District I, Kathy Osbourne for District II, David Cummins for District IV and Wayne Negley for member-at-large.

--Approved an appropriation of \$2,500 to the Lincoln County Maternal and Child Health Planning Council.

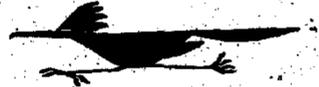
--Awarded a bid of \$9,116.92 to Health Planning Assoc. of Albuquerque to conduct an inventory of services in Lincoln County, to be funded with a \$10,000 grant from the State Health Office.

--Approved a mileage and per diem policy which will allow for \$95 per day for employees who do county business in out of town special areas.

--Heard a report that Wayne B. Andrews and Architects West of Albuquerque were the only two architectural firms which submitted proposals for the Lincoln County Fairgrounds improvements project.

--Approved the consent agenda: contract for voting machine technicians, volunteer fire fighters retirement act qualification record for Fort Stanton and Bonito Volunteer Fire Departments; applications for participation in the EMS Fund Act Distribution for Bonito Fire Dept. and Lincoln County Ambulance Service; Capital Outlay Contract amendment for funds authorized by state for remodeling the Corona Senior

Center and amendment to the agreement and lease of the Corona Senior Center to make the county liable for upgrading the facility to meet ADA standards; re-plat of lots 1-13 in Peebles Subdivision; certification of county maintained roads to be sent to the state highway department; 60-day extension to D&D Construction for remodeling the jail and sheriff's office; a self-imposed tax levy increase for Alpine Village Sanitation District for replacement of water lines; reimbursement for transportation and extradition of prisoners.



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## Rec Center . . .

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the cost of having a light on the ground instead of on a pole will be determined.

Chamber of commerce president Mary Lou Webster asked trustees to consider a location for a circus which

## Turnbow Named To UNM Honors List

Bryan Turnbow has been named to a University of New Mexico honors list for academic achievement during the fall semester, which ended December, 1993. His name was included on the list based on his grade point average for the semester.

Turnbow is a graduate of Carrizozo High School.

## Elections . . .

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For municipal judge, Michael S. Line won with 626 votes. Incumbent Charles E. Hawthorne received 345 votes, candidates Jerry Propsner received 13, Jerry Wright 174 and Danny B. Garcia 188.

Of the 2896 registered voters in Ruidoso, 1,366 cast their ballots.

Candidates for council positions in Ruidoso Downs and Corona were unopposed.

Municipal clerks reported no problems with the new electronic voting machines. All were impressed with the user-friendliness of the machines, and quick tallying of votes after the polls closed.

Ruidoso Municipal Clerk Tammie Maddox said voters there loved the machines and the polls at the civic center. "The machines were wonderful," she said.

Elected officials will be sworn in Monday, March 7. In Capitan, the swearing in will begin at 6:30 p.m. with an organizational meeting to follow at 7 p.m. In Carrizozo, officials will be sworn in at 7 p.m. at town hall.

wants to be in Carrizozo possibly on May 14. The matter will be placed on the agenda for the March 8 meeting.

Hubert Quintana, at his last meeting as a representative of the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District (SNMEDD) conducted the hearing for input of what the town should apply for funding this year through the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) program.

Quintana has resigned from SNMEDD and will begin his new job as Chaves County manager.

Another hearing for input for the CDBG will be held March 8 with the requests to be finalized during the March 22 meeting. The CDBG application is due April 1.

Funding for more street improvements and/or construction of more low income housing was discussed.

Quintana said that 51 percent of the people to be served by the CDBG funding requests must be low to moderate income in order to qualify, according to the latest census.

Glen Ellison spoke to trustees about the \$35,000 that was approved by the state legislature to be used to renovate the old town hall on Central. If Gov. King signs the bill the money is to be used to restore the building and renovate it into a police and municipal court complex.

Trustees approved a request submitted by Peter Aguilar to place a mobile home on his property.

Repairs to the swimming pool were discussed.

The town will advertise for requests for proposals to repair the roof on the building at the swimming pool as well as repairs on the roof of the airport building.

A closed session was held for the discussion of contractual agreements. See related article.

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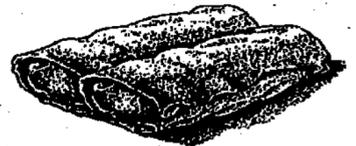
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## Hey Coach, look at my GPA

By MICHAEL MCKIM SWICKARD

There were three primary reactions in Southern New Mexico to the New Mexico State University Regents offering Basketball Coach Neil McCarthy a \$50,000 bonus to get his team's grade point average (GPA) up to 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.

First, the NMSU alumni were happy that more money was poured on McCarthy, who understands why he was hired—to win games. Some people suspect the bonus has less to do with academics, rather, it represents a way to pay more money to a very successful coach.

Secondly, people who already didn't like major college sports have more reasons to grumble—they have grumbled a lot.

And thirdly, people like myself respect the intent of the gesture by the NMSU Regents, but question the implementation.

The \$50,000 bonus for McCarthy was not the best way to address the academic problems of athletes. The premise of a bonus for GPA involves NMSU's attempt to provide a college education for athletes. Low grade point average is a symptom of academic problems, but it's not the illness.

Graduation is the illness. Athletes do not get a college education when they do not graduate. If they are not going to graduate who cares about their GPA? If they are going to graduate they must have a 2.0 GPA. Hence, the regents should bonus McCarthy for the graduation of his players, not GPA.

The principle is to put the bonus where it will do the most educational good. NMSU measures itself by graduation rates since that is the university's product.

The GPA/graduation discussion has nothing to do with Coach McCarthy since the NMSU administration sets the educational priority for graduation which is currently very low for athletes.

If McCarthy doesn't win enough games, it won't matter if the graduation rate is high. If he wins a lot of games, it doesn't matter whether the graduation rate is low or even nonexistent. Either way, in the present system, the graduation rate does not affect the coach.

I'm sure Coach McCarthy cares about his athletes, yet the message from the administration is clear—if you have to decide between players who graduate and those who win games, you are paid to win games.

Most athletes are comfortable with the way they are treated because they just want a chance at a pro career.

NMSU should put \$50,000 a year in a fund to allow athletes to return for their degree after attempting a professional career. McCarthy should get his bonus whenever they graduate—even if it is some years later.

Athletes cannot be expected to forego a professional career so they can get a degree while on scholarship. But I also don't think these athletes should be eligible for the Hall of Fame pictures at the Pan American Center if they don't graduate. This should be retroactive.

Now if all NMSU wants to do is raise the team GPA, I'll volunteer to join the team and sit so far down the bench I'll have to listen to the radio to hear what the coach says. But my 3.9 GPA will pull the team up.

And the real athletes can continue to pass through NMSU without graduating. They come in August, have a moment of attention, and then leave Las Cruces in March—without graduating.

The present system is convenient for the university, in that many athletes just fade away as soon as the lights go off from their last game. That saves money for the university and erases low GPAs. But it is not why NMSU was established.

NMSU shouldn't waste money on tracking GPAs, rather, they should try to make sure our athletes do graduate. MS

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## Inside The Capitol

by Jay Miller

SANTA FE—Lawmakers will be congratulating themselves on a productive session all the way to next November's general election.

In many ways they're right about their work. The 2,500 pieces of legislation they handled was a record for any year and twice as many as in any previous short session.

Last year's legislative focus was drunk driving. This year it was crime. Lawmakers passed a modest version of the trendy "three strikes" law, providing minimum 30-year prison terms for violent repeat criminals. They also approved a mild gun control law for minors and expanded the law banning deadly weapons on school grounds or at school functions. And they beefed up the prison system.

Some initial steps were taken toward health care reform through adoption of a package proposed by the Health Care Task Force, a group which keeps promising that next year it will have its act together.

Tax relief is something all lawmakers will crow about—but Republicans will add that it was only a baby step. The \$47 million package will grow to \$80 million in three years. It includes income tax cuts, a tax credit for prescription drugs, a low-income rebate, and a three-year suspension of two cents of last year's gasoline tax increase.

Although the gas tax may not be the cruelest of our taxes, it aroused the most public ire, primarily fanned by the Republican Party. To escape blame for the tax, Gov. Bruce King is sure to promise a total repeal effort if reelected.

But the main claim to fame of the '94 Legislature was divvying up \$330 in unexpected revenue, along with \$129 million in severance tax bonds and \$58 million in general obligation bonding capacity.

Although some of us would have liked to see a big chunk of that money put in savings—in case we figure out that the extra money that poured in this year won't continue—such was not the mood of this Legislature.

The extra 1,300 bills were nearly all for special projects. Legislative leaders didn't particularly like the extra workload, but they knew the spending frenzy had its advantages. First, taking home goodies helps incumbents get reelected. And equally important, doling out the money creates well-disciplined troops.

A brief problem occurred shortly after mid-session when it appeared Republicans weren't going to be given their usual kitty to divide as they

wished. Following a brief strike, deals were cut and GOP leaders got their money.

Cramming \$2.2 billion of requests into three special spending bills totaling about a half billion dollars became a circus by the final day. There were so many last-minute changes that the actual bills didn't get printed until several days after adjournment.

And of course there were mistakes. The fast-growing Gadsden School District, which lost \$2 million in building projects by way of a veto last year, lost another \$5 million this year through an unintended omission. Senate leader Manny Aragon promised to introduce legislation correcting the oversight in the first week of next year's session. But final decisions are never made until the last day, anyway.

And the Corrections Department appears to have lost \$3 million to plan a prison near Santa Rosa.

Behind-the-scenes maneuvering became frantic during the session's final night. Some of the hundreds of deals made days earlier fell apart as time got shorter and money ran out. Gov. King says he gave up some of his pre-agreed allocation at the last minute to avoid flare ups that could have caused a special session.

For the most part, none of the session's expected flare ups ever materialized. Despite many threats, none of Gov. King's nearly 100 vetoes from last year was overridden. The only attempt didn't come close.

Some lawmakers want to see longer sessions to deal with their extra workload. The old counter to that argu-

ment was that work always expands to fill available time and the important stuff never gets done until the final days anyway.

But this year's session was packed as full of work as possible. The new argument against longer sessions is that these folks don't need any more time to introduce bills and spend money.

### Beef Quality Assurance To Be Presented

A Beef Quality Assurance Program will be held in Carrizozo on Wednesday, Mar. 9 at 1 p.m. in the Commissioners Room in the County Courthouse.

This informational and educational program was developed by The Beef Safety Assurance Task Force (NSA) and is sponsored by the Lincoln County Cooperative Extension service. The speakers will be Mary Jane Ferguson D.V.M. and Barry Herd Lincoln County Extension Agent.

"In order to address the growing issue of consumer concerns about the safety and wholesomeness of beef and since education is the key to assuring that every person who comes in contact with cattle know that they are responsible for the safety of the beef that goes onto the plates of the consumer the Beef Quality Assurance Program was developed..." according to Barry Herd, Lincoln County Extension Agent.

The registration fee will be \$10.00/person. Please call the Lincoln County Extension office at 648-2311 if you plan to attend.



EDITOR—I moved to town at the end of October. I was wondering if there is a Veterans chapter in Carrizozo. There is not one. With all the Vets here, you would think that a VFW, DAV, or any other veteran chapter would be here. Not being a jerk or anything like that. This VET is just wondering.

I would like to know if anyone is interested in bringing any type of veteran chapter to this town. It would be open to all vets (peace or war time vets.)

T. J. COLLINS, Carrizozo.

P.S. Please contact me at 1004 C Avenue or 648-2637.

EDITOR—Our failed (criminal and civil) judicial system is due, largely, to an uninformed and apathetic society.

The Supreme Court established its interpretive powers in the Marbury v. Madison (1803) case. Through interpretation of the U.S. Constitution, common law and equity, the Federal Courts have enacted various laws (decrees). Many of these laws have adversely affected every sector of our society.

The Federal Courts have initial interpretive powers, because many areas of the U.S. Constitution are vague. The courts must have these powers, in order, to settle conflicts, arising under the U.S. Constitution, in a timely manner. However, the people, through the U.S. Congress, have the final interpretive powers (i.e. the people vice the courts have the final determination on what constitutes "cruel and unusual punishment.")

The U.S. Congress has the power, through legislation or constitutional amendments, to adopt, modify or overturn the court enacted laws. Therefore, it is crucial that you provide your elected representatives with your opinions on these various laws (E.G. I request that you modify the courts' interpretation of cruel and unusual punishment. I feel that cruel and unusual punishment is merely torturing prisoners or depriving them of food, water, clothing, shelter or medical care.)

Remember, a republican form of government means that the people rule through their elected officials. Stop complaining to your neighbors and start ruling through your elected representatives.

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This nice little old lady out on the outskirts of town used to have a pet skunk named Stinkie who had a habit of getting out of her yard and roaming the neighborhood. It didn't bother many of her neighbors, but strangers in the area used to have some invigorating experiences on occasion. The local Animal Control Officer (c.f., Polecat Wrangler) had been called on numerous occasions to put Stinkie back in the yard. One evening, he was cruising around the area and Stinkie ran in front of his car. He stopped and picked Stinkie up and hauled him down to the station, and called the little old lady and said, "Mrs. Offender, I am at the end of my rope." "Stinkie was out of the yard again, so I picked him up and brought him in on an environmental charge." "I'll go easy on you this time, but in the future, you are just going to have to keep him under control."

"What are you talking about?" she replied. "Stinkie is sitting here with me watching TV."

It seems to me that that joke has been done before but I can't remember how it turned out the first time. Something about a pet rattlesnake or something. At any rate, I'm told that the officer at that time determined it was an appropriate occasion for delegation of authority to a suitable subordinate.

I understand that at a sobriety checkpoint the other evening in Rio Rancho, the authorities stopped 1,100 cars and made 26 arrests for DWI. Does this smack of the old "dragnet" principle of picking up everybody in town because someone is bound to be guilty of something? Are we really willing to compromise our principles of probable cause to correct a traffic problem? And I'll bet half of the 26 will ultimately beat the rap, not because they weren't drinking but because they weren't drunk. There is still nothing wrong with drinking and driving. The evil is driving while impaired, and the statutory standard is at the very bottom of the scale. It is almost impossible to determine probable cause at the .08% level, let alone prove impairment.

I understand Goodie's Restaurants in Albuquerque have discontinued their ban on smoking because it reduced their business by 30% and caused them to have to close several locations. Dear Mr. McDonald's, please take heed.

"Sir, your smoking offends me."

"Madam, your perfume is nauseating."

"Son, you shouldn't pick your nose at the table."

"Dear, would you please refrain from interrupting me when I'm wrong?" (c.f., Shaddup!)

"Honey, it's cold out here." (File this under examples or rudity for future use.)

I am told that selling a deep freeze to an Eskimo is an admirable feat if you don't have to live with him afterward.

What more can I say?

What more should I say?

What more will I say?

"Shaddup!"

But I'm not through yet.

"Oh, yes, you are!"  
Thank you. (Applause).

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# CALENDAR

## THURSDAY, MARCH 3

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.

Upper Hondo Soil and Water Conservation District meets at 4 p.m. in the Soil Conservation Office on Highway 360 in Capitan.

Capitan Village Trustees will conduct a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. in village hall to take public input for a Community Development Block Grant and on a repeal of the village collective bargaining ordinance.

## FRIDAY, MARCH 4

Carrizozo High School hosts the Region D boys basketball tournament.

## MONDAY, MARCH 7

Capitan Chamber of Commerce meets at 11:30 a.m. at the chamber building on 2nd Street (Bingo Hall).

Republican Party of Lincoln County's "First Monday" dinner meeting begins at 6 p.m. at Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club in Alto Village. Main speakers will be Camp Sierra Blanca warden Sandra McFadin and deputy warden Tom Sullivan. For reservations call Bob Nys at 258-4372 or Jack Page at 336-4050 by noon March 5.

Newly elected officials for the Town of Carrizozo will be sworn in at 6:30 p.m. in town hall.

Swearing in of new officials for the Village of Capitan will be held at 6:30 p.m. in village hall. A reorganization meeting will follow at 7 p.m.

Newly elected Ruidoso Village officials will be sworn in at 7 p.m. in the village administration center.

The New Mexico State Engineer's Office will host a Town Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Ruidoso Convention and Civic Events Center. Topics will include recent mailings and developments in the State V. Lewis case (Hondo River Section), which will determine all water rights in the Hondo River stream system. Staff from the legal and technical divisions will be present to answer questions.

## TUESDAY, MARCH 8

Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce meets at noon at United New Mexico Bank.

Carrizozo Town Council meets at 6 p.m.

Ruidoso Village Council meets at 6:30 p.m.

## THURSDAY, MARCH 10

The Daughters of American Revolution (DAR) meet. Call 257-7186 for more information.

Capitan Board of Education meets at 7 p.m. for a regular session. A worksession begins at 6:30 p.m., both in the school library.

## TUESDAY, MARCH 15

Filing date for candidates for all state offices and for county offices of commissioners Districts 2, 4, and 5, county clerk and treasurer.

## Corona PFW Sets Water Workshop For March 18

The Corona Chapter of People for the West met Feb. 18 in the Corona Rec Room.

The meeting was presided over by Vice Chairman Ron Merritt in the absence of Chairman Bill Hays, who has moved to Monte Vista, Colorado.

Reports and updates were given on a variety of issues of concern to the group: Beverly Merritt gave information on Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt's Rangeland Reform '94 hearing to be held in Socorro. She said that while this hearing would be open to the public, the public would not be able to give testimony or participate. Mrs. Merritt invited all to a demonstration, planned prior to the hearing, to protest the grazing fee increase and unrealistic regulations as nothing more than a smoke screen to increase government ownership and control of land and water. "Secretary Babbitt needs to

hear from the grassroots...the people he is affecting with his regulations, this will give us that opportunity," Mrs. Merritt said.

Ronnie Merritt gave a report on a meeting he attended in Denver where representatives from 11 western states met to hear how Nye County, Nevada is leading a growing movement to reclaim public lands from the federal government for the states. According to Merritt, Dick Carver, Nye County Commissioner, believes that the constitution and the intent and concerns of its framers does not authorize the federal government to own, hold or exert its dominion over any public lands except for what it needs for its own governmental purposes.

Bill Bryan led a discussion on the pros and cons of Outcome Based Education. It was unanimously agreed that

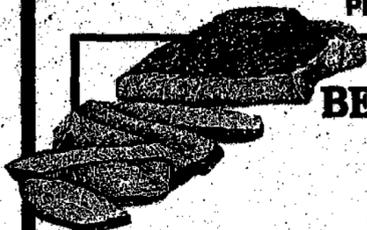
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# Buy Sales Barn . . .

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nel for the morale of the county," Spencer concluded.

Howell made the motion for the county to purchase the Glencoe Rural Events Center, with the funds appropriated from the state. Nunley seconded the motion.

Schwettmann commented on the resolution the commission passed in January to pursue state funding for the sales facility. He said he voted for the resolution, but its terms were not followed in preparing the proposal which was sent to the state legislature which ultimately resulted in the appropriation. He said the resolution asked the state to buy and operate the facility.

He admitted that the intent of the purchase is honorable, but the county is not dealing with its own money. "Why is it so urgent to obligate the

county and taxpayers...when we don't even know the exact wording of the bills passed by the legislature. We don't know whether the governor will even sign the legislation. Why is it so urgent to obligate the county and taxpayers when there is no definitive plan or firm commitment by anyone but the Cowboy Symposium, which is a fine premier function. But we cannot operate that thing with one function a year. Why is it urgent when we don't have an educated guess of how much it will cost to operate and renovate. Why the fast track, fast track, fast track?" Schwettmann said.

Schwettmann also said the actual appropriation was much less than the \$511,000 the county requested for purchase and operation of the facility.

Montes said that the county

has asked for larger amounts for such projects as the Airport road, and the county fairgrounds improvements and got much less. The county turned down the state highway's \$400,000 offer to upgrade D004 (Airport Road) last year. The county went back to the highway department this year to get funding for the road. Tentatively, Montes said, the state transportation secretary Lou Medrano has recommended that Lincoln County get its wish of upgrading D004, in exchange for responsibility on State Road 214, his estimate is about \$1.8 million.

Howell said the legislature did appropriate \$40,000 for the ongoing operational expense. He pointed out that the utility bills on the average per year were \$9,700, and it is all electric, which takes care of the overhead as far as utilities. "We received \$40,000 to operate the facility. If we just have one function alone and lock it up for the rest of the year, that would probably be enough money on a two week deal per year to run that function for 10 or 15 years. I'm not saying that would be the best use for it. Cowboy Symposium was primarily one of the driving functions for the legislature to appropriate the money in the first place," Howell said.

He likened the Cowboy Symposium to the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta. The legislature appropriated \$5 million for purchase of property for the balloon fiesta. He thought the Cowboy Symposium and Rural Events Center is just as important to Lincoln County as the balloon fiesta is to Albuquerque and Bernalillo County.

"I'm not going to call Bruce King and ask him to veto a bill in Albuquerque, and I don't expect the people in Albuquerque to call Bruce King and ask him to veto a bill in Lincoln County. When I was elected I was elected from a district, but I'm trying to represent the whole county," Howell said.

Howell vowed that once the bill is signed, and the county takes possession of the facility, he will work hard to make sure the facility operates and brings a lot of functions into Lincoln County. Howell said he was not there to say it will ever make money, but he said with the right combination of efforts, groups and individuals it will have enough operations there to bring a lot of dollars to Lincoln County. "The business we're in is no longer agriculture, it's entertainment, mainly tourism," Howell said.

Nunley said the county should not be shortsighted with the facility, rather look ahead at its future value. "If we handle it properly, if we handle it smart, if we're good business men, it will go a long way to improving our rural county residents' quality of life, and bring money into Lincoln County," Nunley said.

Nunley said the center would not compete with the Ruidoso Convention Center. He also saw that it would not compete with private industry in Lincoln County. "An Arabian horse sale. Mr. (R.D.) Hubbard (owner of Ruidoso Downs Race Track) mentioned that he would like to have a horse sale two there," Nunley said.

"I would like for us to look ahead, and remember this is contributing to the assets of Lincoln County," he concluded.

Montes said it is difficult to have foresight. "I have not taken this as a light issue, I certainly don't think I'm prepared to encumber Lincoln County in a situation where it couldn't get out of it. I agree it's an asset for Lincoln County," he said.



**PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION.** Lincoln County Commission Chairman Monroy Montes (right) presents a plaque of appreciation to Dr. Bernie Reimann of Capitan for his many volunteer hours spent to establish the county's 911 emergency system.

Montes also mentioned the past commission which built the sub office in Ruidoso. It has evolved to a health office and sheriff's office, he said. He also said from this board's actions, that true direction the sub-office is taking is toward a health office, because the need is there.

Montes said there are numerous things the sales arena can evolve into in 10 years. "If we're not in the business of leasing, it to a non-profit corporation to put on shows, or not in synch with the University in Las Cruces, or Dr. Miller and his people (ENMU-Ruidoso) don't see a need for...this rural events center, there will always be an evolution to take place in this building," he said.

Montes said the facility could be used cultural, to rural events, for livestock judging contests. He assured the facility would not be in competition with the Lincoln County Fair, because the county has set aside money for the fairgrounds improvements which will assure its success and betterment for the county.

Spencer made one last comment by using an example of the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport, which was sold as a way to attract tourists and more business to the area. Now the airport, which belongs to the Village of Ruidoso, has revenues no where near the cost of operation.

Howell said moving the airport was because of the safety issue of having it near a grade school. But Spencer said the new location, on a pilot's perspective, is no safer.

In response to a comment from THE NEWS regarding tax increases for operation of the facility, Montes said he will guarantee from his standpoint that he would never ask that taxpayers be taxed over their ability now to operate this facility.

On a roll call vote, Schwettmann and Spencer voted no, Nunley, Howell and Montes voted yes.

A copy of the contract, drafted by county attorney Alan Morel was provided after the vote was taken. The purchase and sales contract is between the Ruidoso Super Select Horse Sale Company, a New Mexico Corporation, and the County of Lincoln, for the price of \$250,000. The contract allows for the County to identify any objections to the title, such as liens or back taxes, and for the seller to remove the exceptions. If within 30 days those exceptions are not removed, the county may elect to terminate the contract and any earnest money returned to the purchaser. Closing date will be within 30 days from the date that the entire \$250,000 is received from the state, and approved by the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration.

Other conditions of the sale allow for the county's approval of an appraisal demonstrating that the property's value

is equal to or in excess of \$250,000; the county's approval of an improvement survey; written approval from the state engineer's office of the sufficiency of and use of the domestic water well on the premises; county's approval of appropriate inspections of the functional integrity of the plumbing, electrical, heating, roof, foundation, and structural integrity of the improvements on the property; county's approval of any deed restrictions disclosed by the preliminary title report; county's successful negotiation of an agreement with the state regarding the terms and conditions surrounding the expenditure of the funds appropriated by the legislature for the acquisition and operation of the property; receipt by the county of the architectural, engineering, site plans and building plans for all improvements on the property together with copies of all building permits, and inspection reports associated with the

improvements located on the property.

The county has 90 days from the date of the agreement, March 1, to notify the Super Select Horse Sale Company in writing, of any contingencies that the seller must remove to close the transaction. The seller then has 30 days to remove such contingencies. If the seller fails to remove the contingency, the county shall have the right to declare the agreement null and of no effect.

The county will pay the recording fee of the deed, half of the preliminary title report; half of the survey, the cost of removing the survey exceptions from the title policy; one-half of the title company's charge for closing the transaction and inspection fees if any. The seller will be responsible for one half of the preliminary title report; one half of the survey, one half of the document preparation and up to \$800 of the costs of an appraisal.

## Incumbents Nominated For ENMR Board Of Directors

ENMR Telephone Cooperative has announced that five incumbent members of the Board of Directors have been nominated by committees to serve another term. Those nominations for election are Ken Wilhite of Pleasant Hill, Frank Blackburn of Ranchvale, Dee Perschbacher of Amistad, Walt Eastland of Santa Rosa, and Larry Wallin of Logan.

Elections for the Board of Directors will be held on April

2, during the ENMR Annual Membership Meeting. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. at the Lecture Hall on the campus of Clovis High School. All members of the cooperative are encouraged to attend and vote.

ENMR Telephone Cooperative provides advanced telecommunication services to approximately 10,000 members in Eastern New Mexico and West Texas.

## Old Ice Plant . . .

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the offer which would have allowed Cane to pay no rent for the first five years with the cost of improvements to cost him an average of \$333.33 each month during the first five years.

Trustees called a special meeting for Thursday, Feb. 24. The entire meeting was in closed session with town attorney David Stevens to discuss contractual agreement.

The matter was discussed again for more than three and a half hours during the closed

session.

After the closed session, the real property lease that was to be offered to Cane was for Cane to pay no rent for seven and one half years in exchange for the \$20,000 in improvements to the building, or an average of \$222.22 per month in improvements instead of rent.

The first option at the end of the seven and a half year period would call for rent to be established at a floor of \$250 per month and a ceiling of \$500 per month.

## The Big Show . . .

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The Class A state basketball championship game will be held at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, March 5, at the University of New Mexico Pit in Albuquerque.

The Capitan Tiger boys defeated Hagerman's Bobcats 55-26 in the semifinal District 5A game Friday. The Tigers played Loving for the District 5A championship Saturday in Loving, and lost by six points in overtime 74-68.

The Tigers will travel to Carrizozo to play in the semifinals of the Region D

play-offs Friday, March 4. Winners of the semi-final games will play for the regional championship on Saturday night. The region champs, and the runner-up gain a berth in the state Class A basketball tournament in Albuquerque the following week.

Tigers Trevor Cox, Jamil Mahood and Michael Fish were named to the all-district basketball team. Hondo's Fernan Herrera was also named to the team, and Thomas Richardson received honorable mention.

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*Darlene Gilliland, Bonnie Natchewich, Curtis Payne and Sandy Lightfoot.*

# CAPITAN NOTES

Greetings from my house by the side of the road to your house wherever. They say a person should hear a little music, read a little poetry and look at a beautiful picture every day. Well I tried it today. It does make you feel relaxed, but it relaxed me so much that I found it rather difficult to focus on anything constructive, so I fooled away most of the day, then ended up baking a cake and eating one fourth of it. Does that sound like progress to you? Tomorrow I think I will skip the poetry and the picture gazing and settle for possibly a bit of music on the stereo and hopefully at the end of the day will feel I have accomplished a bit of something. We'll see.

This week we are profiling Frank Warth, our mayor and Jo and Art Blazer.

Outgoing Capitan Mayor Frank Warth and Jo, his wife of 49 years, have owned property in Capitan since 1980. They moved here in February 1987.

He has a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering

and a master's of business administration from the University of Texas at Arlington. He piloted the B-17 as a member of the Eighth Air Force in Europe.

The Warths have been active in the Capitan Chamber of Commerce and with The Friends of Smokey.

Warth served as chairman of the annual Fourth of July Parade for the past three years and Mrs. Warth helped judge parade float entries.

Warth has also served as chairman of the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, serving as president and vice president of the Eagle Creek Water Association and as a member of the board of directors.

He is treasurer of the Smokey Bear Lions Club and a member of the Capitan American Legion Post 57.

Warth worked to improve Capitan during his term as mayor.

He aggressively sought grants to repair the village's infrastructure as well as working with the house numbering, the wetlands project, street improvements, and other projects.

Art Blazer was born and raised in Mescalero, as was his father, and grandfather. His great grandfather who was a dentist, came to what is now Mescalero when he was a young man after the Civil War in 1868.

Art worked as a cowboy on the Mescalero Reservation. He served in the U.S. Army. When he returned, he went back to his old job at the Cattle Growers, eventually became range foreman. When his kids started to school, he became maintenance foreman for the Mescalero Tribe. At the same time he started a school bus business.

He held these two jobs until 1985, when he retired from the Tribe, and turned the school bus business over to his son, Kenny.

He was a member of American Legion in Mescalero about 10 years, and commander for three or four years.

Art has one daughter, Beverly, who has three children. She lives in Mescalero with her husband. One son, Butch, who lives in Colorado, has three children, and Kenny, who lives in Mescalero with his wife Pat and their two children. His youngest son succumbed to cancer when he was 16 years old. He has eight grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

One interesting note, there has been a member of the Blazer family living on the Mescalero Reservation since 1868. There is now the 7th generation Blazer living there.

When he retired, he and his wife, Cora, moved to Capitan. He again got involved with the American Legion.

Art also is on the board of directors for the Otero County Electric Co., now in his 25th year.

His wife, Cora, passed away suddenly in early 1990. Later that year, he and Jo Mayberry were married.

In Capitan, Art is active in the American Legion, holding several offices, including Commander. He is active in the Senior Citizen Club and the Trinity Southern Baptist Church. He and Jo have traveled to Alaska and many of the lower 48 states in the past four years, but always come back to Capitan.

Jo Blazer was raised in Oklahoma City, Okla. She moved to Roswell in 1953 with her husband who had been in the army in El Paso. They had five children. David, an artist, lives in Longmont, Colo., with his wife, Irene. Randy, a law officer, lives in Brownwood, Texas, with his wife, Karen. Scott, lives in Hallettsville, Texas, with his wife and three children, Sandra, a nurse, lives in Roswell with her two sons, and Lisa, lives in Artesia, with husband and four children.

Joe was left alone when her children were very young and she supported them by working as a bookkeeper.

She later married Homar Mayberry, and they were in the restaurant business. In 1988 they decided to look for a small, friendly community to retire in. In their search they found Capitan, and fell in love with it immediately.

They purchased a lot on Deer Trail Road and proceeded with plans to make this community their home. But death left Jo alone quite suddenly.

Alone and in a new community, had it not been for the love of her neighbors, and her church, she probably would have moved back to Roswell. She got involved in the Capitan Extension Club, the Trinity Southern Baptist Church, and the Zia Senior Citizen Center and American Legion Auxiliary. At the Senior Citizen Center she started the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) program, and helped the seniors and low income with their Federal and State Income Taxes.

She then met and married Arthur "Art" Blazer. She continues to be active in the community. She is now in her second term as president of the Capitan Family Community Education (formerly the Extension Club), and in her second term as treasurer of the Lincoln County Family Community Education. She is also in her second term as church clerk at the Trinity Southern Baptist Church. She also travels with her husband when he goes to meetings for the Otero Rural Electric Co.

Art is married to a "gal" named Jo and so is Frank and both ladies are favorite "gals" of mine too!

Last Wednesday the Guild of Sacred Heart Church met in the church hall and they had a very good attendance.

The Little Busy Bees held their Sewing Bee Tuesday at the Methodist Church Hall.

Elaine Beaudry just picked me up to go down and vote. Why does everything have to change so much? I have been voting ever since Womens Suffrage was enacted, or almost anyway and it used to be so simple. There was a booth with a canvas curtain to hide behind and one big ballot with squares at the end of the each candidate and a pencil tied to a string to keep folks from walking off with it. Most times the eraser had been chewed down to the "quick" before I entered the booth but so be it. It was not complicated at all. Even those bordering on "idiotcy" could manage without assistance. Then they had to change it. They installed the blasted voting machines and they had more judges telling you where to go and where not to go that if you weren't confused when you went in, you darned sure were when you got out. Then next came that doggoned lever bit. I never was certain whether I was pulling the thing open or pulling it shut and all those tiny, little levers that drove your bi-focals and you with them, right up the wall. I had just about gotten to the point that all of that was a breeze and what did they do? They had to simplify it again. Seems to me each time they simplified it, they made it more confusing. Oh

well, this eulogy to the departed voting booth with the wrap around curtain and it's lots of itty bitty levers has about run its course and until June when I will feel like expressing myself again on progress American style, will change the subject.

The ladies at the voting facility were all just super nice and kudos to Mona McEuen, Doris Pound, Lena White, Bertie Beavers, and Carol Reamy. There was another lovely lady with Carol, but I do not know her name. Sorry.

Nice folks to meet especially at the post office are Kay Strickland and Beverly Payne. I have already profiled Kay and have been badgering Beverly, so keep watching folks, will get her 'bio' in soon. So many wonderful and lovely people live in Capitan and it reminds me of this

little poem.  
Blessings of the Senses  
Many are the blessings God has bestowed on me.  
There's beauty all around--  
Thank God for eyes to see.  
Precious friends to greet me each day with words of cheer.  
And a bit of laughter--  
Thank God for ears to hear.  
Loving arms around me,  
They'll always means so much.  
We all need each other--  
Thank God for human touch.  
by May Lou Bridge.

And so for another week, measure your blessings against what you consider the unpleasantness in your life and I bet the blessings will win "hands down". God bless each and everyone of you--see you next week.

Remember try a little kindness, 'tis good for the soul, ya know!

## Capitan AFCE Meeting To Be Held March 9

Capitan Association for Family of Community Education (AFCE) meeting will be held Wed., March 9 at 9:30 a.m. at the Capitan Senior Center.

Hostesses will be Edith Malcolm and Elaine Beaudry. The program is sewing hints presented by Alice Phelps, which will follow the business meeting.

Members are asked to stay and help with making dusters.

Members should plan to work on exhibits for the Lincoln County AFCE Culture Art Show, which will be held March 25 in Ruidoso. The theme is "Early American Heritage", some of the things included in the day's program will be a basket weaving demonstration, the Mescalero School Head Start will be performing a dance and more.

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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 Deborah Cummins, Village Clerk at 354-2247 at the Village of Capitan, Capitan, New Mexico.

by DEBORAH CUMMINS  
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REGION 9 ACADEMICS COMPETITION WINNERS. Carrizozo 6th grade Knowledge Bowl team show off the first place plaque they won at the competition hosted by Ruidoso Middle School Feb. 23. Team members are from left Libby Sambrano, Josh Vega, Renee Rael, Robert Shafer and Mollie Hightower.



CARRIZOZO 7TH GRADE KNOWLEDGE BOWL TEAM shows the third place plaque won at the Region 9 Academics Competition Feb. 23. Team members are from left Cara Baker, C.R. Dobbs, Miguel Najjar, Patrick H. Isell and Anthony Epperson.

# Capitan Parents Call For Consistent School Policy

by Doris Cherry

Parents packed the Capitan Schools cafeteria Monday night to talk about discipline. Most of the stories were similar—if the school is going to discipline students, it should do it consistently.

The parents meeting was called by the school administration to talk about discipline and to seek solutions to the growing problems at the junior high and high school.

High school principal Darrel Stierwalt said the school's goal is to provide a safe, orderly environment where learning can take place. But stories from parents, and a student or two, indicate that the safe, orderliness of the school is fading.

Stierwalt asked interested parents to assist a committee in drafting a discipline policy that will work.

He told of new changes to the discipline policy, mainly the in-school suspension (ISS) program. The program requires students who are suspended for violating discipline policy rules to report to a special room in the school which has its own bathroom. Students are not allowed out of the room, except at the end of the day to go home. The purpose of the ISS is to isolate the student from the social aspect of school, Stierwalt said.

Presently, Stierwalt said, he knew of no student who wanted to go back to the ISS.

The in-school suspension was suggested by a parent and substitute teacher at the last regular board of education meeting. The parent said out of school suspension was more of a reward rather than a punishment to many students.

Fighting has become a big issue at the school in the last few weeks, and several parents addressed their concerns about how their children are being handled. "In the last three weeks we have had more fighting than in the last three years," Stierwalt said. Students who are caught fighting on campus are suspended out of school, and are not allowed to make up work or tests.

Because of the discipline policy, students have taken their fighting off campus.

"I don't think the school is out of control," Stierwalt said. He said he has teachers monitoring halls and rest rooms. With this tardies have dropped to almost zero, he said.

In response to a question about closing campus, Stierwalt said seventh and eighth graders are not allowed off campus unless they have a note from a parent. But the administration is not considering closing campus to all students unless it can't get the situation under control. "I don't want to, I was on one (a closed campus) but I didn't like it," Stierwalt said.

A parent suggested that junior high students receive cafeteria cards which indicate their grade, then those students must show those cards at the school gates if the students want to leave campus. Stierwalt said the school is still small enough that most staff know the students, but he admitted that was an option.

Stierwalt said the main issue is the need for parent involvement with students and the school. "We're not seeing that," he said. He asked that parents get involved. He said the best time to talk with teachers is during the teachers' prep time.

Librarian Becky Borowski heads a staff committee dealing with the discipline policy. Other teachers on the committee are Ed Davis, Norman

Cline, Stephanie Aldaz, Myrum Whitaker, Diane Riska and Sid Hammontr. Borowski agreed that teachers need to approach problems with students by first stressing the positive about a student when dealing with parents. She said the committee is attempting to come up with progress reports, as well as deficiency reports for students. She also hopes to begin a Student of the Week program, and pizzas for students with A's and two B's.

Borowski asked for some type of partners in education program that will reward students with privileges. "We need your support as parents," she said.

Bus drivers also got their chance to speak about the problems, which often begin at home and are brought to school. The first person a student sees when leaving home is the bus driver, said contractor and driver Frank Silva. "We need support from parents. Parents please help us."

Silva said he calls parents about problems, which works 99 percent of the time.

Driver Cindy Fogelson said she is proud of the students on her bus, and has found parents to be supportive. Another bus driver asked that if a student is put into ISS, the student also not be allowed to ride the bus, and parents transport the student.

Discussion turned to clothing, and a possible dress code. Some parents did not think that baggy pants and earrings make bad students. Yet some other parents thought that the school should have a dress code to ban long hair, earrings and baggy pants.

"Overall, most parents who spoke up asked for staff and administration to be consistent in discipline and in dealing with students. "If you say it, do it," said parent Floyd Goodloe.

Questions were asked whether the school could keep out of district students out of Capitan schools. Stierwalt said that some of the students who are perceived as "out of

district" actually live within Capitan District, but had attended Ruidoso or other district schools. Students who live in district cannot be kept out of the school without due process.

For a student to come to Capitan from out of district, the student and his or her parents must sign a contract that states if the student breaks the rules the student cannot attend school in Capitan. Stierwalt also said he checks students' records from their previous school unless they are from another state.

Parents also asked for respect from students in the way they behave toward each other and teachers and the way they dress, and for teachers toward students. Parent Jennie Whipple suggested that parents be fair and open with their children, and with teachers, that parents listen to their children, but also be willing to listen to teachers and accept when the child is wrong.

Respect and fair treatment were repeated by most parents in the room. One person suggested students learn value clarification by role playing, so they will know what it is like to be a victim.

Another parent asked that the village curfew be enforced by local police, and that parents know where their children are.

Stierwalt welcomed parents to come to the school any time to meet with teachers, and to see their children in the classrooms. He also asked for parents to become involved with school committees.

"Those of you here tonight are the ones who care," he said.

Silva said many of the problems being experienced at Capitan School are a reflection of our society.



## Corona PFW . . . (Continued from Page 5)

parents and community members need to become more involved with this issue.

Dorothy Bradley told of the recent success of the Trappers Association project of presenting the winner of the Miss New Mexico competition with a full length coyote fur coat. The Association plans to give a fur coat to this year's Miss New Mexico also.

Also discussed was the wolf reintroduction in New Mexico and the possible detrimental effects it would have on federal as well as private land because of restrictions placed on endangered species habitat.

Election of officers was held with Ron Merritt Jr. elected chairman; Marvin Pounds, vice-chairman, and Cheryl

Millican, secretary-treasury. Beverly Merritt was appointed reporter.

The program for the March meeting will be a Water Workshop given by Suzanne

Smith Strong. All people interested in filing their water rights are invited to attend the meeting and pot luck supper which will be held March 18, in the Corona Rec. Room.

### OBITUARY

#### STEVE BYRD

Prayer Vigil for Steve Byrd, 44, of Capitan was Feb. 23 at LaGrone Funeral Chapel in Ruidoso. Graveside service was Feb. 24 at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Ruidoso. Officiating was the Rev. Richard Catanach with St. Eleanor's in Ruidoso. Interment followed at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Mr. Byrd died Feb. 21 at Lincoln County Medical Cen-

ter in Ruidoso. He was born on Oct. 22, 1949 in Savannah, Georgia, to William and Wilma Byrd.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Padilla of Capitan; three brothers, Tucker Byrd, Larry Byrd and Jimmy Byrd all of Florida; three sisters, Linda Weldon, Derisee Snow and Karen Johnson all of Florida. His grandmother, Nellie Byrd and several nieces and nephews.

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## Grizzlies Win District 3A Championship Title

### Will Host Regionals Fri. & Sat.

"District champs, district champs" shouted the Carrizozo fans as the Grizzlies captured the District 3A Championship for the third straight year under head coach Kenneth Butts.

Carrizozo (18-4) outscored the Mountainair Mustangs 27-12 in the third quarter in route to a 78-82 victory. With the victory the Grizzlies are now set to host the Region D Tournament Friday and Saturday.

The Grizzlies, behind 39-33 at halftime, came out strong and behind three straight baskets by senior Gilbert Barela (15 points, 10 rebounds) took a 40-39 lead. Carrizozo pushed the lead to 60-51 by the end of the quarter as senior Blas Herrera caught fire for seven of his game high 18 points.

The fourth quarter saw senior Jon Vallejos (14 points, 16 rebounds) score five points and grab eight rebounds as the Grizzlies put the game away despite having senior George Vega (15 points, 8 rebounds) foul out early in the quarter.

During the fourth quarter with Mountainair still in striking distance senior Davin Epperson (8 points, 10 assists) made an incredible play as the point guard dove on the floor for a loose ball and while on the floor passed ahead to a wide open junior Billy Sheehan (7 points, 8 assists) who layed it up. That play seemed to take all the air out of the Mustangs who never mounted another challenge.

"This one is the best of the three championships. This team was not suppose to win this year but they have played harder than any team I have coached. These kids believe in each other and play great team basketball," commented coach Butts.

After the game Carrizozo placed four players on the All-District Team, selected by the coaches in District 3A. The Grizzlies named were Herrera, Vallejos, Vega and Epperson.

Coach Butts also mentioned that Barela was robbed and deserved to be all-district.

The Region D Tournament starts Friday at 6 p.m. with Mountainair hosting Loving. Carrizozo plays Capitan immediately following at around 8 p.m.

## Lady Grizzlies Win Dist. 3A Sportsmanship Trophy

Not only were the Lady Grizzlies competitive this season, had a 4-6 district record, lost to Mountainair by 4 points, missed going to regionals by a hair, had two players make All-District-but they were voted by coaches in District 3A as the most self-disciplined team. Their reward? Compliments from opposing coaches, a LOT of praise from officials who officiated the Lady Grizzlies games, and the District 3A Sportsmanship Trophy!

Usually the sportsmanship trophy goes to the last place team because everyone feels sorry for them. However, the Lady Grizzlies self-discipline, keeping their poise, not showing emotion after a violation, and handing the ball to officials after a violation was too much for opposing coaches not

to recognize. The District 3A Sportsmanship Trophy was not the first time this season they were recognized for their self-discipline. The Lady Grizzlies won the Sportsmanship trophy in Capitan at the Smokey Bear Classic. This was voted on by the officials at the tournament.

Coach Moffett's comments:

I'm very proud of the Lady Grizzlies for their conduct this season! Their attitude was outstanding! They kept their poise and composure under adverse situations. They truly were self-disciplined and possess a lot of character! Congratulations Lady Grizzlies! You earned and deserved the District 3A Sportsmanship Trophy!

## Payne's Will Celebrate 50th Anniversary

The four children of Bud and Dorothy Payne, Darlene Gilliland of Tularosa, Bonnie Nachtwel, of Phoenix, Curtis Payne of Capitan, and Sandy Lightfoot of Roswell, will host a 50th anniversary celebration at the Country Club, March 12, for their parents.

Family and friends are invited to the reception, a potluck from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. A dance will follow the reception. Please no presents.

Bud married Dorothy Leslie in El Paso, Texas on March 14, 1944. Bud had just finished serving his time in World War II. Dorothy was a riveter, at the Lock-head plant in California.

Bud and Dorothy are both natives of Lincoln County. Bud was born in Capitan. Dorothy in White Oaks. They have spent most of their lives ranching.

Payne's moved into Carrizozo from the Renfro Ranch, north of Carrizozo in 1909. Bud was the first one to start the BMT in Carrizozo, he was fire chief, mayor of



Bud & Dorothy Payne

Carrizozo, and medical investigator. He is now Lincoln County Probate Judge. Dorothy has spent her time being a housewife.

Bud and Dorothy have eight grandchildren, Wesley Mierau of Phoenix, Ariz.; Tanya Gilliland, a senior at NMSU in Las Cruces; Kevin Gilliland, a senior in high school in Tularosa; Lee Payne of Portales, Guy Payne of Capitan, Tammy Payne, a freshman at NMSU in Las Cruces; Michelle Lightfoot of Phoenix, Monica Lightfoot of Roswell and a great-granddaughter Crissy.



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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.

/s/ **DEBORAH CUMMINS, Clerk-Treasurer.**

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**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo, N.M. will hold their Organizational Meeting at the regular scheduled meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 8, 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. Agenda is available at the office of the Town Clerk.

**CAROL SCHLARB, CMC Town Clerk.**  
Town of Carrizozo

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**CORRECTED LEGAL NOTICE**

**Notice of Special School Bond Election and Public School Capital Improvements Tax Election**  
The Notice of Special School Bond Election and Public School Capital Improvements Tax Election was incorrectly advertised to be held April 5, 1994 as set forth in publications on February 17 and February 24, 1994. The correct day of the Election is March 8, 1994 as set forth in the Election Proclamation published January 6 and January 13, 1994.

**CORRECTED LEGAL NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL BOND ELECTION AND PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX ELECTION**

On the 8th day of March, 1994, there will be held in the Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20, Lincoln County, New Mexico, a special school district election for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the question of creating a debt by the issuing of general obligation bonds and for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the question of whether or not a property tax should be imposed for the purpose of capital improvements in the District.  
The Voting Districts for this Election shall be as follows:

**Voting District 1. General Election Precincts 3, 12A, 12B and 12C.**

**Polling Place:** Hondo Valley School Gym Lobby, Hondo, New Mexico.

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

Absentee voting will be permitted in the manner, authorized by 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA 1978; provided, however, that pursuant to Section 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, qualified electors may also vote absentee in person at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, during the regular hours and days of business from 8:00 a.m., February 11, 1994, through the twenty-fifth day preceding the Election, until 5:00 p.m., March 4, 1994, being the Friday immediately prior to the Election.

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

**GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND 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 issue general obligation bonds of the District, in one series or more, in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$680,000 for the purpose of erecting, remodeling, making additions to and furnishing school buildings and purchasing or improving school grounds or any combination of these purposes, said bonds to be payable from general (ad valorem) taxes and to be issued and sold at such time or times upon such terms and conditions 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 extracurricular school activities?"

The Precinct Board Members for this Election are:

**Voting District: 1. General Election Precinct No(s): 3, 12A, 12B and 12C:**

**Polling Place:** Hondo Valley School Gym Lobby, Hondo, New Mexico.

**Precinct Board Members:** Dorothy D. Talley, Judge; Thelma I. Chipman, Presiding Judge; Juan S. Montoya, Judge; Lupe S. Kelly, Clerk.

This notice is published in my capacity as Principal Filing Officer for this election.

**LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK.**  
By: /s/ **MARTEHA McKNIGHT PROCTOR,**

(SEAL OF THE COUNTY CLERK)

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**CORRECCION NOTICIA LEGAL AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL DE BONOS ESCOLARES Y ELECCION CON EL FIN DE APROBAR IMPUESTOS PARA MEJORAS MATERIALES**

El 8 de marzo, 1994 se efectuara una eleccion extraordinaria en el Distrito Escolar Independiente Num. 20 de Hondo Valley, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico con el fin de presentar a todos los votantes habilitados del Distrito la cuestion si se puede crear una deuda con el 'omision de bonos de obligaciones generales y con el fin de someterlas a los votantes habilitados del Distrito la cuestion si se debiera imponer o no un impuesto para las mejoras materiales en el Distrito.  
Los Distritos Electorales para esta eleccion son los siguientes:  
Distrito Electoral: 1. Precincto de la Eleccion General: 3, 12A, 12B y 12C.  
Site de Votacion: Recepcion del Gimnasio de Hondo Valley School, Hondo, Nuevo Mexico.  
Los Centros para Votar en dicha Eleccion permaneceron abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. el dia de la Eleccion.  
La votacion en ausencia se permitira conforme a las Secciones 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA 1978; siempre que conforme a la Seccion 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, los electores habilitados podran votar tambien personalmente en la oficina del (de la) Escribano (a) del Condado de Lincoln, durante la horas y en los dias habiles entre las 8:00 a.m., el 11 de febrero 1994, fecha que cae 25 dias antes de la fecha de la Eleccion, y las 5:00 p.m. el 4 de marzo 1994 que es el dia viernes que antecede la fecha de la Eleccion.  
En dicha Eleccion, la siguiente cuestion sera sometida a la consideracion de dichos votantes del Distrito que se hayan inscrito y esten habilitados:  
**CUESTION DE BONOS DE OBLIGACION GENERAL**  
"¿Se le concedera la autorizacion a la Junta de Educacion del Distrito Escolar Independiente Num. 20 de Hondo Valley, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico a fin de que emita Bonos de una serie o mas de obligacion general del Distrito, en la suma agregada principal que no exceda de los \$680,000, con el fin de construir, remodelar, anadir y amueblar los edificios escolares y comprar o mejorar los terrenos escolares o cualquier combinacion de estos propositos, dichos bonos se pagaran con los fondos derivados de los

impuestos generales (ad valorem) y se omitiran y se venderan en tal fecha o en tales fechas y con terminos y las condiciones que la Junta determine?"

En dicha Eleccion, la siguiente cuestion sera sometida a la consideracion de dichos votantes habilitados y registrados del Distrito:

**CUESTION SOBRE IMPUESTOS PARA MEJORAS MATERIALES DE LAS ESCUELAS PUBLICAS**

"¿Se le debera otorgar la autorizacion a la Junta Escolar del Distrito Escolar Independiente Num. 20 de Hondo Valley, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico para que imponga un impuesto de \$2.00 por cada \$1,000.00 de valor neto tributable de la propiedad asignada a dicho Distrito conforme al Código de Impuestos Sobre la Propiedad para los años tributables 1994, 1995 y 1996 con el fin de hacer las mejoras materiales siguientes en el Distrito, es decir, construir, remodelar, anadir a, proveer o equipo para y amueblar los edificios escolares, comprar o mejorar los terrenos escolares; el mantenimiento de los edificios publicos y de los terrenos escolares excluyendo las sumas de los salarios de los empleados del Distrito; y la compra de vehiculos para las actividades escolares con el fin de transportar a los estudiantes a las actividades extracurriculares?"

Los Miembros del Consejo del Precincto por esta eleccion son:  
Distrito Electoral: 1. Precincto de la Eleccion General: 3, 12A, 12B y 12C.  
Site de Votacion: Recepcion del Gimnasio de Hondo Valley School, Hondo, Nuevo Mexico.  
Los Miembros del Consejo del Precincto: Dorothy D. Talley, Juez; Thelma I. Chipman, Juez Principal; Juan S. Montoya, Juez; Lupe S. Kelly, Escribana.  
Este aviso se publica conforme a la autorizacion que la ley me otorga como funcionario principal de archivos para esta eleccion.

Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln

By: /s/ **MARTEHA McKNIGHT PROCTOR,**

(Sello del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado)

**LEGAL NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Village of Capitán requests a sealed bid until 4:30 P.M. March 15, 1994 at the Village Hall for the following project: The project involves supplying and delivering 52 conifer trees to the Village of Capitán on or before APRIL 15, 1994. Following is a listing of the trees by species, number and size.

**BLUE SPRUCE**, (Picea pungens), 10, 4-5 feet.  
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/s/ **Deborah Cummins, Clerk-Treasurer.**

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Sun. Evening..... Training at 6:15 pm  
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Worship Service..... 11:00 am  
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Capitan Sacred Heart..... 9:00 am  
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**IN THE SERVICE**  
 Marine Lance Cpl. Charles B. Sicker, son of Sarah E. Bishop of Ruidoso, recently reported for duty with 2nd Light Anti-Aircraft Missile Battalion, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma, Ariz. He joined the Marine Corps in February 1993.

## The Original . . . Sheriff's Report

Three Carrizozo juveniles were referred to the Juvenile Probation Office Tuesday for possession of blasting caps.

According to Lincoln County Sheriff James McSwane the 12 blasting caps were found in one of the juvenile's vehicle, which was parked next to Clegg Hall on the Carrizozo Schools campus. As a precaution, students were evacuated from the hall. McSwane said he and a deputy confiscated the blasting caps, and exploded them in a safe location outside of town.

McSwane said the juveniles found the blasting caps in a cabin located in the mining district of Nogal. McSwane said the juveniles said they were going to use the blasting caps to build a fort.

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

**Feb. 21:**  
 10:46 a.m. a 13 year old female runaway was reported in Capitan. Capitan police advised their assignment was completed by 11:21 a.m.

11:22 a.m. Ski Apache requested an ambulance for a patient on a back board, in a c. collar and on oxygen. Alto Ambulance transported the patient to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.

1:05 p.m. Ski Apache requested an ambulance. Alto ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.

2:38 p.m. a breaking and entering was reported at a ranch off Highway 70. The complainant did not say if anything was taken. A deputy responded.

7:33 p.m. an accident with injuries was reported south of Duran on Highway 54. Five people were trapped in the vehicle. At 7:56 p.m. the responding ambulance crew advised no one was at the scene.

**Feb. 22:**  
 5:40 a.m. State Police in Tucumcari reported a possible body seven miles north of Carrizozo on Highway 54. The police called Lincoln County Sheriff's Office about a report they received from Clovis Police Department. Two women were in the station who reported they saw a Volkswagen at the side of the road seven miles north of Carrizozo on Highway 54. The women stopped to check for occupants and it was empty. Then down the highway they saw a white van without plates. In the VW they saw what was either a big blue bag covered with blood or a dead body. The women were scared and drove away. They did not return to Carrizozo because they thought it was too small for a police department. They drove through Vaughn to Clovis. The sighting was made about 3:30 a.m. The report was unfounded.

A larceny of a hand held radio was reported in the Hondo Valley. The theft occurred during the grass fire on February 18.

A case number was requested for an assault incident.

**Feb. 23:**  
 10:11 a.m. an accident with injuries and subsequent grass fire was reported at mile marker 281 on Highway 70. The subjects were pinned in the vehicle. Ruidoso Advanced Life Support ambulance, New Mexico State Police (NMSF) and Ruidoso Downs Fire Department with its extraction equipment were paged. Hondo, Glencoe and Lincoln Fire Departments also responded.

11:29 a.m. a telephone company reported an alarm sounded at a building in Hondo. The responding deputy advised the building was secure, with no sign of a break-in.

12:24 p.m. a bomb threat at Carrizozo School was called into 911. The caller said there was a bomb at the school, then hung up. The students were evacuated, and the school searched. No bomb was found.

12:51 p.m. a grass fire was reported at mile marker 118 on Highway 54. Carrizozo Fire Department responded.

1:01 p.m. a grass fire was reported a mile north of Carrizozo on Highway 54. Carrizozo Fire Department responded, New Mexico State Forestry (NMSF) was notified.

2:47 p.m. an assault was reported at Capitan School. The complainant requested assistance from the sheriff's office because her son was assaulted at the school. The complainant said she contacted Capitan Police and the Capitan officer told her he was not going to do anything, and if she wanted, to contact the sheriff's office. A deputy spoke to the complainant.

**Feb. 24:**  
 2:17 p.m. a grass fire was reported at mile marker 282 on Highway 70. Hondo, Lincoln and Glencoe Fire Departments and NMSF responded. Forest Service also responded.

2:57 p.m. Ruidoso Police Department requested an officer to help serve an Eddy County warrant on a subject. What was reported to be a possible hostage situation turned out to be the subject threatening suicide.

**Feb. 25:**  
 7:18 a.m. a Magado Creek area resident reported fence cutting off Highway 37. It was another incident involving the complainant's fences being cut. She advised her horses are prone to escape through the opening, as well as her neighbor's horses will enter her property. At 9:38 a.m. the responding deputy advised the situation was criminal damage to property and criminal trespass.

4:29 p.m. a breaking and

entering was reported at a Ruidoso area residence. A deputy responded.

4:41 p.m. phone harassment was reported in Capitan. The complainant spoke to the district attorney's office regarding the phone harassment. The complainant had a domestic violence order on her husband, and she believed the caller to be him.

5 p.m. a breaking and entering was reported at an Alto residence. A deputy responded.

9:31 p.m. an ambulance was requested at a residence north of Capitan. Capitan ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.

**Feb. 26:**  
 12:08 a.m. an accident without injuries was reported on 17th Street in Carrizozo. All NMSF were on duty at a DWI and Task Force Road Blocks, so a deputy responded to take a report for insurance. The subject drove the car home.

7:48 a.m. an ambulance was requested in the Alto area for a woman having a heart attack. Alto Ambulance responded and transported the woman Code I to LCMC.

9:12 a.m. loose dogs had killed sheep at a location down from Carrizozo Airport. A deputy responded.

3:20 p.m. a grass fire was reported on Transwestern Road. Capitan Fire Department and NMSF responded, but the call was canceled at 4:03 p.m. because the fire had been put out.

6:59 p.m. an officer was requested for a drunk pedestrian passed out behind a game room in Capitan. Capitan police gave the subject a courtesy ride home.

**Feb. 27:**  
 12:22 a.m. an accident with injuries was reported on Gavilan Canyon Road. A Ruidoso Police officer was at the scene but the victim has left. Ruidoso police units were looking for the victim. The vehicle was on its roof.

1:15 a.m. a campfire was reported on Cedar Creek. Bonito Fire Department responded to extinguish the unattended campfire.

**Feb. 28:**  
 11:17 a.m. an ambulance was requested at Carrizozo Health Clinic. Carrizozo ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.

3:15 p.m. a deputy requested a wrecker on Highway 380 by Carrizozo Golf Course to tow away a vehicle which had no sufficient registration tag, or proof of insurance. A wrecker responded out of Carrizozo.

**March 1:**  
 12:26 a.m. a disturbance was reported in some apartments in Carrizozo. The complainant said two females were harassing her daughter, so she will shoot them unless the police are sent. Carrizozo police handled the situation.

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**WHAT: 80th birthday drop in reception for Loretta (Mrs. Floyd) Proctor.**  
**WHEN: 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 5, 1994.**  
**WHERE: Corona School Recreation Room.**

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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 fourth 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  
Chapter IV

If you were in Capitan during the 1950 forest fire, you would have seen a huge puffy cloud of smoke rising north of the mountains during the day. At night, it looked like a giant fireworks display atop the mountain, awesome and spectacular.

All the local volunteers fighting the fire were joined by Forest Service crews from New Mexico, Arizona, and California; Mescalero Apache Red Hats; Army personnel from Fort

Bliss, Walker Air Base, and Holloman; men from the sheriff's department, State Game, State Police, and Mounted Patrol. Boy Scouts were allowed to work in the kitchen and excused from school. A few boys 18 and over worked on the fire line with the crews. Robert Earl, 16-year-old son of Ranger Earl, manned the walkie-talkie radio to relay messages wherever needed.

One day while the original camp was still being used, Ranger Earl drove into camp shouting, "Get out of here boys, the fire is headed right for the camp!"

Tents were thrown into the

trucks, portable light plant hitched to the Ranger's pick-up, hot camp stoves loaded, and not a case of food was lost. The simmering stew had to be dumped. Then the convey moved out just ahead of the flames that completely engulfed the campsite.

The new camp was set up on the flat land north of the mountain, near the Gap Road. A Red Cross tent took care of minor injuries, water tanks were hauled in, and the kitchen quickly established and a new kettle of stew made. The Army pup tents and light plant gave the appearance of a war-zone bivouac.

During the construction of the camp, men were trying to build lines to stop the spread of the fire. But the wind, the heat, and the dry land gave the racing fire an impossible edge. It spread with lightning speed through the needles and dry duff, springing up the trunks of

pinetrees to top them with flames and leap to the next. Later, men told of seeing deer trying to outrun the flames and losing the race.

On Monday, May 8, I drove out to the new camp with Mrs. Earl. The mountains were

enshrouded in a heavy curtain invisible in the smoke except for momentary glimpses when the curtain parted. Winds with gusts up to 70 miles an hour whipped stinging sand against my face.

The camp was huddled in groups of tired despairing men. A water pump wet down the ground so a portion of the dirt would be kept from the plates of hot food being served to ever-changing shifts of fighters.

I heard Ray Taylor tell Leroy McKnight, "That Simmons crew are sure late getting in. Hope they ain't in trouble."

They were in deep trouble. I'll tell you about it next week.

## Chaparral 4-H Plans Welcome Sign In Corona

The Chaparral 4-H Club met Jan. 19.

A proposal from Mr. Muniz was presented to use the arena for ropings this summer. He offered to allow the 4-H Club to take all the profits from one roping, which he would put on, in exchange for allowing him to use the arena weekly this summer. The club agreed.

The 4-H Club has a policy which says that the club has the right to all concession stands for activities using the arena; however, there was a

general consensus from members that the concession stands for the ropings be shared with the Corona FFA.

The club needs a new leader because Mrs. Michelle Rose, leader for the past several years, has recently moved to Texas. A parent suggested that all the parents divide the leader responsibilities. The club agreed. The club wants to get an appreciating gift for Mrs. Rose. Suggestions for a gift will be given at the next meeting.

A report was given by the sign committee about putting a 4-H welcome sign up in Corona. The committee consisted of Jack Rose and Jennifer Clem, with vice-president Colby Wells acting as chairman. Ferral Clem and Jim Rose were adult advisors. It was decided to put the sign on the Gallo Road. The logo would be cut out of sheet metal. Designs will be presented later. Lindsey Bonds said permission from the

Highway Department is needed. The committee will go to a city council meeting and present the question.

The next meeting will be held Mar. 2. Sarah Stuart and Julie Kessler volunteered to bring refreshments. Rebecca Wells, treasurer.

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