

Lease Proposals For Fort Stanton Are Due Monday

by Doris Cherry

Less than a week remains before the deadline on a proposal for leasing historic Fort Stanton in Lincoln County.

At 8 a.m. Tuesday, November 14, members of the Property Control Division of the New Mexico General Services department will open proposals which had a deadline of 4:30 p.m. Monday, November

13. As of Monday, November 6, no proposals had been received by the department, said public information officer Carolyn Jackson. But the department had sent out many request for proposal information packets to people who had seen the ad for the lease of the Fort in *Forbes* magazine.

"There was great response to the ad in *Forbes*," Jackson

said. Some 350 requests were made by groups representing a wide range of options for the Fort. Response has come from companies involved in health care, entertainment, corporate retreats and others, Jackson said. "It will be very exciting," Jackson said about the opening of proposals.

"The whole goal [of the nationwide advertising campaign to lease the Fort] was to

widen the choices and not just settle for one option," Jackson said.

Jackson was unsure if the list of proposers will be disclosed to the public after the opening. "I tend to lean toward it won't, because of confidentiality of negotiations."

Proposals will be evaluated by a committee composed of General Services Staff, and a member representing Lincoln

County. The Lincoln County Commission charged county attorney Alan Morel to act as county representative on the evaluations committee. Allowing Lincoln County a representative on the committee was a compromise reached between the county commission and state General Services Secretary Steven Beffort and state Secretary of Health Alex Valdez.

Evaluations, and clarifications, of proposals will continue until Friday, December 29, when the final selection and notice of award is scheduled to be announced.

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Please be advised Otero County Electric Cooperative, Inc. has scheduled a brief interruption of service on Wednesday, Nov. 15 in the early morning hours at 2 a.m.

The planned outage should last no longer than a few minutes and will affect member/consumers in the following service areas: Capitan, Nogal, Carrizozo, Alto, Hondo, Lincoln, Tinnie, San Patricio, Glencoe, Mescalero, Bent, Riverside, Bonito, Pine Lodge, Sunset, Picacho, Arabella, Oscura, Angus, Fort Stanton, and rural areas associated with these communities.

This scheduled interruption of power is necessary to facilitate a major upgrade of the transformer capacity at the Hollywood substation located on Highway 70, two miles west of Ruidoso.

The transformer upgrade will allow Otero County Electric Cooperative, Inc. to meet the ever increasing requirements for electrical power consumption in a more reliable and dependable manner for years to come.



Lincoln County News Will Publish Early Thanksgiving Week

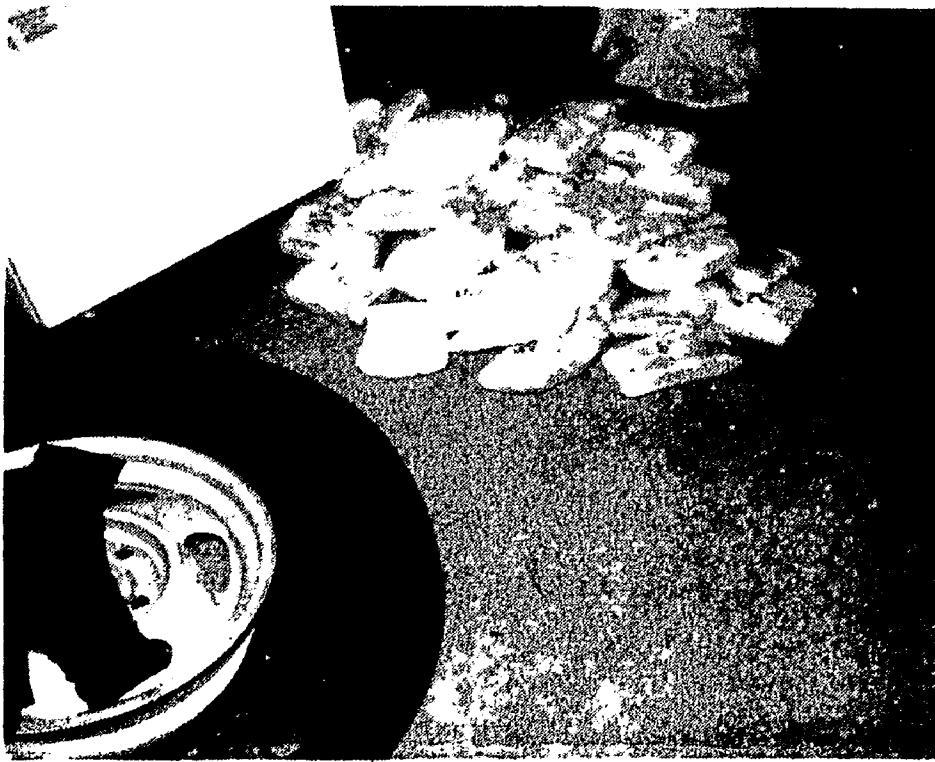
Thanksgiving is two weeks from today and *The Lincoln County News* will publish one day early that week.

All editorial and advertising information for the Nov. 22 issue must be in *The News* office by Tuesday, Nov. 21 in order to be included in the Nov. 22 publication.

Night For The Arts In Ruidoso Nov. 16

A *Night for the Arts* will be presented at the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs Nov. 16.

The evening will include entertainers, a fashion show, hors d'oeuvres, dancing, live auction, and displays of art. Admission will be charged. For ticket information call 505-258-5338.



CARRIZOZO POLICE FOUND these 44 packages of marijuana in the spare tire of a vehicle during a routine traffic stop Nov. 4.

Carrizozo Police Seize Marijuana And Vehicle

Carrizozo Chief of Police Duane Nightingale stopped a late night traffic stop Nov. 3 in Carrizozo resulted in the Carrizozo police seizing more than 50 pounds of marijuana and the 1993 Ford Explorer the drugs were being transported in.

Patrolman Raymond Lueras Jr. stopped the vehicle for speeding at Central Ave and 5th St. at approximately 10:45 p.m. During the routine process of checking driver's license and insurance, it was discovered the driver's license was suspended.

Patrolman Frank Conley arrived shortly after the stop to assist his fellow officer. When Conley approached the

rear of the vehicle he noticed the spare tire was larger than the tires mounted on the vehicle.

Conley asked the driver if he would object if the police searched the vehicle and check the contents of the tire.

Lueras and Conley were given permission to continue with their investigation. The spare tire in question was a 16 inch tire and wheel, the vehicle was equipped with 15 inch tires.

The tire was found to not have air inside and felt "firm but lumpy" to the touch.

The tire was taken to a local garage where it was sliced open by officers Lueras and Conley. (SEE PAGE 3)

Lincoln County Offers Sales Barn For Lease

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners held a nine hour marathon meeting Tuesday at the courthouse in Carrizozo.

During the course of the day, commissioners conducted a series of agenda items, including a three-hour public hearing to again review the proposed changes to the Lincoln County Subdivision Regulations. This time they went through the document page by page, considering and okaying many of the suggested additions and deletions. Next month, commissioners plan to take action on a final document.

Commissioners also allowed a grape session by the Alto

Ambulance crew, hurting from the loss of one of its EMTs whose license was revoked by the medical director of the county's EMS program. They asked, and got, commissioners to direct a contract be drawn with the medical director which will include some type of vivance system for EMTs.

Commissioners approved several re-plats of properties, but denied a re-plot of a property in the new Ranches de Sonterra subdivision requested by owner Ed Libby, because the county planning and zoning commission took no action to recommend approval or denial. Commissioner Ray Nunley told Libby that

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County Commissioners Give Money To Nye County Nevada

by Doris Cherry

Not in total agreement, the Lincoln County Commission voted to provide \$5,000 to the Nye County Commission in the state of Nevada.

By providing the funds, the county will support Nye County in its defense in the lawsuit filed by the United States government over the ownership and management authority of public lands. Rex Wilson, chairman of the Lincoln County Public Land Use Advisory Committee (PLUAC), presented the request to the Lincoln County Commissioners during their meeting Tuesday.

Wilson said in March the federal government sued Nye County over its assertion of the sovereignty of the state and its actions. "They're fighting a battle, and its outcome will affect us," Wilson said.

Commissioner Stirling Spencer said the money requested is a minimal fee for Lincoln County to share in the answer to the question of management authority of public lands.

Nye County has put together a team of lawyers, headed by Roger J. Marzulla former assistant attorney general under Ronald Reagan and former president of Mountain States Legal Foundation.

Visiting Otero County PLUAC member Bob Fisk said the Nye County situation is a worthy cause. But he said he will wait and see what develops with the Nye County case before his county is asked to contribute funds.

Dissenting commissioner Wilton Howell then asked Wilson how many other counties have contributed to the Nye County defense. But Wilson had no answer.

"Didn't we give PLUAC a budget?" Commissioner Bill Schwettmann asked. But Wilson said the budget is for the Rural and Ag Affairs Committee.

Commissioners then turned their discussion to whether or not such a contribution will violate the state constitution's anti-clause. County attorney Alan Morel said the county could make such a donation through a services contract. "If we have that kind of money, we have too much money," said Howell.

Commissioner Ray Nunley said he sympathized with Spencer, but he did not want to join the Nye County lawsuit "even if there is a tiny chance to involve Lincoln County."

Commission chairman Monroy Montes said the funds would be an investment and an opportunity to keep the door open. "If not they [federal government] may walk all over us," he said.

Howell said the donation was "ridiculous." "You want to take Lincoln County money without a feel for what the people want, and ship it off to another state that is more solvent than we are," Howell said. He agreed with Fisk to proceed with caution.

Spencer said Nye County is far worse off financially than Lincoln County. He also thought Lincoln County peo-

ple do support the Nye County position.

Carrizozo resident Steven Martin said he agreed with the legal concerns about the donation, but he agreed with Spencer that the issue is important enough. "We're talking the rights of people in Lincoln County," Martin said. "All rights come from land ownership."

Martin asked that the county get reports and legal documents from Nye County, or Lincoln County should not provide any funds.

When the vote was taken on a motion to provide the \$5,000

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Lady Grizzlies Make It To State

By the time *THE NEWS* comes out on the stands today, Thursday, November 9, Carrizozo's Lady Grizzlies will be playing their first match of the Class A state volleyball tournament at Goddard High School in Roswell as Region D runner-up.

The Carrizozo girls won their ticket to the state finals by defeating Lake Arthur in the first round of the regional tournament held in Carrizozo last Saturday. Carrizozo won in three straight games: 15-11, 15-10 and 15-8.

For the Region D championship Saturday night, the Lady Grizzlies took on rival Fort Sumner Vixens and lost after five tough played games: 17-15, 11-15, 15-8, 10-15 and 9-15.

Lady Grizzlies coach Kim Gremillion commended her team for their efforts during the tournament, even though Fort Sumner came out fired up and ready to play. The Lady Grizzlies had defeated Fort Sumner the week before the district championship.

It's been 12 years since the Lady Grizzlies were part of the state tournament. In 1983 the Lady Grizzlies team won their way to third place in the state. In 1995, the Lady Grizzlies also hope to advance in the state finals.

The Lady Grizzlies' seeding in the state quarter finals was determined by their performance in pool play which took place Wednesday, at New Mexico Military Institute.

State Freeze On Projects May Affect Lincoln County

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners approved a six month lease of office space in the Ruidoso Police complex for the juvenile probation office during their meeting Tuesday in Carrizozo. The county is required by law to provide space for a juvenile probation office.

After six months commissioners hope to have plans made to remodel or expand the county sub-office in Ruidoso to provide the juvenile probation office (JPO) a permanent space on county property. Three years ago, commissioners approved moving the JPO from the county sub-office to the Ruidoso

Downs village hall because there was not enough space. Ruidoso Downs moved itself to two different locations in the following two years, and the JPO moved along also.

Now the JPO is moving to the old magistrate offices in the Ruidoso Police department complex. Rent will be \$500 a month. Commission chairman Monroy Montes said the rent money spent in the last two years could have been applied to providing a space in the county sub-office.

In a related move, commissioners approved \$25,000 for an architectural master plan to upgrade the courthouse

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Lincoln County Offers

the Sonterra developers had promised there would be no lot splits. But Libby argued his re-plat would create two five acre lots, which are permitted in the subdivision. He also said during discussions with commissioners he had indicated the large tracts in Sonterra would most likely be re-platted by owners in the future.

Commissioners canceled action on seven road review requests, because commissioner Stirling Spencer didn't show up to join two other commissioners for the physical road review last Sunday, when law requires all three attend the review.

Commissioners approved the sample request for proposals to lease the Glencoe Rural Events Center, only two years after the county got possession of the building purchased with funds appropriated by the 1994 state legislature. Commissioners approved an advertising budget of \$5,000 for the request for proposals. Advertisements will be placed in publications selected by the county manager. Deadline for the lease proposals will be March 1, 1996. Selection of

proposal will be announced March 5.

Commissioners approved the appointments of Van Shamblin to the county planning and zoning commission; Rex Wilson, Bob Hollis, Dick Swenor, David Koch, Isreal Miranda, Carl Stubbs and Tom Sidwell to the Public Land Use Advisory Committee. The county is not required to advertise for written requests of appointment to the PLUAC, as is required of all other county boards and commissions.

In other business, commissioners:

--Approved the final road acceptance for Fox Run Subdivision.

--Awarded the bid for the annual cattle guard supply contract to low bidder Mescalero Metal, a tribal owned and operated business.

--Approved vacation of lots 9-25 in Deer Park Meadows to create one, 4.46 acre tract.

--Approved re-plat of a lot in the Hutson Subdivision off Carrizo Canyon, to make a .123 acre lot and a .138 acre lot.

--Okayed a re-plat of Tract C in Angus Townsite to iso-

late a small lot that is to be sold to Nazarene Church Camp.

--Rejected all bids for an emergency medical vehicle because all failed to meet desired specifications. Alto Ambulance crew requested a four wheel drive ambulance in the same style as other newer county ambulances. The bid will be re-advertised.

--Awarded the bid for kitchen equipment for Corona and Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens Centers to Border Restaurant Supply of Albuquerque. Funding for the equipment will come from a 1994 state appropriation which will not be affected by the governor's funding freeze.

--Authorized publication of notice of public hearing on a proposed ordinance to amend the county's collective bargaining ordinance to comply with issues raised by the state labor board and employee associations.

--Heard the county manager report on the Juvenile Task Force which was meeting that same day. Lincoln County Detention Center administrator Wayland Hill was attending the meeting and was unable to report to commissioners. The manager said some discussions by the force include a mobile TV van to take the court to the juveniles, instead of the expense of transporting the juveniles to court.

--Heard commissioner Stirling Spencer report on the Coalition of Counties activities; and heard commissioner Bill Schwettmann report on the Association of Counties activities.

--Met in a closed session to discuss personnel and/or pending litigation, and returned to open session to direct the county attorney to request the district attorney take action on an illegal subdivision within the Lincoln Historic Preservation Zone.

--Adjourned at 7:20 p.m., long after all the members of the public and media left. THE NEWS left at 6:30 p.m.



CARRIZO SENIOR ART teacher Dorothy Leslie points out the ribbons won on art created by some of her senior citizen students, including Pat Baker (far right), to Lincoln County Commission chairman Monroy Montes during a break in the nine-hour commission meeting Tuesday.

County Commissioners Give

donation. Schwettmann, Spencer and Montes voted yes, Nunley and Howell voted no.

Morel was directed to draw up a services agreement with Nye County for the funds.

Commissioners gave a "definite maybe" to a request for funds to help an "Art In Education" program for Lincoln County schools, and Mescalero School District. Capitan Schools Superintendent Diana Billingsley made the request for the program that will bring professional musicians and artists to the county's schools to perform and provide educational workshops. "Our students [county wide] are culturally ignorant," Billingsley said. "Our students are academically prepared, but they need more cultural events."

Billingsley said that while there are some cultural events in Lincoln County, most of the students have little or no access to them, and the events are limited in number. She said the pilot project in the Arts Program is the Nutcracker Suite ballet scheduled to be

performed in Ruidoso. Capitan schools will provide the funds to cover using its middle school students to the performance. But other schools might not have the money to bring their students.

Also, Billingsley asked if the county could provide funds that would serve as cash matches to any grants the districts might obtain for arts programs. She said the districts now won't even apply for the grants because they have no extra cash to serve as match.

Billingsley estimated the need for at least \$10,000 in the fund, but she said it could be anywhere from \$2,000 to \$20,000. She asked the county administrator the funds set aside for the Arts Education Program. The districts would then make requests for such expenses as bussing children from Corona to Ruidoso to participate in a performance. Funds would be distributed on an as needed basis.

"Our kids need something else," Billingsley said. "They need to experience the rest of

the world." Commissioner Wilton Howell, concerned that the request came before the mid-year budget review, wanted the schools to pursue fund raising and charging students to attend events to help make the program "go further" and to explore the grants further.

But when Schwettmann made a motion to set aside \$5,000 for the program, it died for lack of a second.

Spencer and Montes were concerned about including Mescalero, and where the limit would be on expenses.

Nunley supported the program and told of how the commissioners set aside funds for the Maternal Child Health Council, which never used the funds, but needed them to get a grant.

Montes expressed concern that other groups will come to the county commission to offset costs as state funds dry up. He said he and other commissioners were sympathetic to the program, but he would not commit any money until Billingsley had a more defined program and fund request. He asked her to come back in December and make a report. Schwettmann again made a motion to support the program when a plan is presented, and to consider the funding at the mid-year budget review provided they receive a good report on the participation at the Nutcracker performance. All commissioners voted in favor of that motion.

"I'm very supportive of the push for local support, and a chance for the local level to intervene," Spencer said.

"It's a definite maybe," Nunley said.

State Freeze On Projects

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complex in Carrizozo, and remodel/expand the sub-office in Ruidoso to include the JPO. Architect Craig Gosling, from Architect's West of Albuquerque said he proposes a master plan to analyze the courthouse complex which has problems with water drainage, roof leaks, heating and cooling, windows, and the lack of insulation. Gosling said there are several things that can be done to reduce energy use in the portion of the courthouse complex that houses the clerk, treasurer, assessor and district court.

Gosling also said he can work on making better use of the space the courthouse has now.

Gosling showed commissioners pictures of the remodeling of the Corona Senior Citizens Center, which Architect West designed. Earlier in the meeting, Tony Elias, executive director of the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District (SNMEDD), had given a gloomy message of how the governor put a freeze on state appropriated capital outlay projects in the area. Elias said that even the Corona senior project may be in jeopardy.

Gosling disputed Elias' report. Gosling said the Corona project is from the 1994 funding phase and is not affected by the governor's freeze. He said that while the freeze did affect several small governments with projects in the works, most of the contracts had been made with engineers and architects.

Gosling, who is also a commissioner for the New Mexico Construction Industries Division, said he will visit with

the governor next week about the legal aspects of his actions, and will ask the governor to release the money for the construction projects. Gosling also said he will speak with the governor about the issues involved with the governor's freeze on state funding for 1995 projects.

Gosling said the county should prepare itself for more

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A few weeks ago, for the third year, Lincoln County Public Health, Lincoln County Medical Center, and Home Health Services of Lincoln County worked together to sponsor a comprehensive health fair for Lincoln County residents.

More than 1100 adults and children participated in health fairs held in Ruidoso, Carrizozo, San Patricio, Lincoln and Capitan. We are pleased with the opportunity to work together to help improve the health of our communities.

The staff of LCMC, Lincoln County Public Health and Home Health Services of Lincoln County want to thank the following groups and individuals for their efforts on the health fairs.

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 San Patricio Senior Citizens Center
 Carrizozo Senior Citizens Center
 Carrizozo Schools
 Capitan Schools
 Counseling Center

There are many others who helped, including our own employees — and of course those families and individuals who are concerned about their own health! *Thanks to you all!*

Seminar For Employers Next Week

The Otero/Lincoln County Job Service Employer Council (JSEC) will present an *Unemployment and Appeals* seminar in Alamogordo and Ruidoso. Employers are invited to attend either or both seminars.

The Ruidoso seminar will be held at the Ruidoso Convention Center Nov. 16. The Alamogordo seminar will be held Nov. 17.

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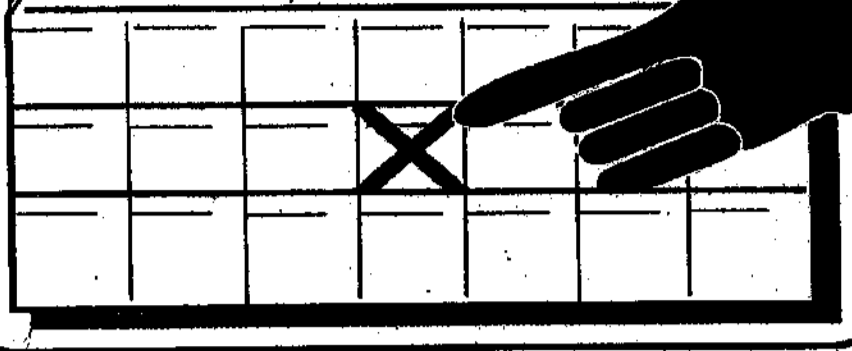
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 —Capitan Board of Education meets at 6:30 p.m. in the board conference room.
 —Alcoholic Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. at Carrizozo Senior Citizens Center. Call 648-2313 for information.
 —Adult singles group meets at the Marie Laveaux Restaurant at 1214 Mechem in Ruidoso for no host dinner at 6:30 p.m. For more information call 258-3246 or 354-2635.
 —Carrizozo Woman's Club meets at 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

—Veteran's Day: Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo Village Hall, Capitan Village Hall and all county health offices will be closed. Norwest Bank will be closed.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

—Post Offices will be closed for Veteran's Day.

NOVEMBER 13 - 16

—Hondo Valley Public Schools book fair in school library.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

—Capitan Village Trustees meet at 7 p.m. at village hall.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

—Carrizozo Town Council meets at 6 p.m. at city hall.

—Ruidoso Village Council meets at 6:30 at village hall.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

—Turkey dinner and art show by senior citizens at Zia Senior Citizens Center in Carrizozo at noon.

—La Junta AFCE meets at 10:45 a.m. at San Patricio Senior Center.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

—Preschool Story hour from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. at Carrizozo Public School library.

—Roswell Museum and Arts Center lecture on multiculturalism expressed through our jeans at 7:30 p.m. Call 624-6744 for information.

Carrizozo School News

Carrizozo preschool teacher Cherrri Goad and first grade teacher Karen Earwood attended the New Mexico Magic Years conference in Albuquerque Sept. 28-30. Topics included areas of interest and needs in the Carrizozo Schools.

Goad also attended a workshop hosted by Alamogordo Schools on *Subtle Signs of Possible Vision Problems* Oct. 21. Guest speaker was Sandra Ross from the New Mexico School for the Visually Handicapped.

The preschool story hour Oct. 26 in the school library for the 18 preschool children attending included participating in an action lyric song *Spooky Walk* with Cherrri Goad. Senior student Jessica Barela read the story *It's Pumpkin Time* and the session was completed with coloring activity.

All preschool children are invited to participate in the weekly preschool story hour, held each Thursday at 8:30 a.m. in the school library. For more information call library aide Suzanne Saucedo at 648-2346.

Red Ribbon Week was an exciting time in Carrizozo School. Students and teachers were given red ribbons to wear as a visual confirmation of commitment to saying "NO" to drugs.

Mrs. Cogdill's 4th grade class and Mr. Wetzels and Ms. Coale's 5th and 6th grade singers presented the *Safety Kids Smart* songs to the pre-

school through 6th grades. The 7th and 8th grade choir presented a Red Ribbon Week song *The Only Way to Fly*.

People for Kids (PFK) will award prizes to the following Halloween Carnival poster winners: 1st place—Jessica Swift, Elsa Eribe, Justus Wilson, J.R. Shafer, Tyler Nelson; 2nd place—Keith Shafer, Opal Greer, Mary Beth Shivers, Alex Wallace, Sara Comstock.

The 1st and 2nd place winning posters are on exhibit at Norwest Bank. The other posters are on play at the

school. All students in grades kindergarten through 4th grade participated in the contest.

Receiving honorable mention were: Justine Beltran, Bud Clay Hammond, Brandon Morales, Ariel Vallejos, Brandon Morales, Nathan Chavez,

Stephanie Brewer, Jesse Samora, Savannah Morales, Jesse Green, Briana Roybal, Wade McMahan, Kaitlyn Vega, Tawney Lindsay, Aleisha Nelson, Sofia Ramirez, Courtney LaMay, Andres Garcia, Janet Lovelace, and Gregory Vigil.

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OBITUARY

TENNIS "BUSTER" SMOOT

Tennis "Buster" Smoot, 85, died Nov. 7 in Roswell.

He was born on a ranch near Lucy, NM and moved to the Carrizozo area as a young boy.

He is survived by his wife Jeanette of the ranch northwest of Capitan; daughters Minette Harper of Tyrone, NM and Sharon Letchworth of Roswell; sisters Pat Baker and Joy Gallacher of Carrizozo, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services are pending.

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Sierra Blanca Chapter Celebrates The 105th Birthday of Nat'l DAR

The Sierra Blanca Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) met at the home of Faye Rowland in Ruidoso Oct. 12 to celebrate the 105th birthday of the DAR. State Regent Ellen Farrell, Los Alamos, was guest speaker. Hostesses were Sally Martin and Faye Rowland.

The DAR was organized by 18 women on Oct. 11, 1890. More than 760,000 members have been admitted to membership.

The Sierra Blanca Chapter of DAR met in September in Lincoln with Lanita Rasak and Marcia Stewart as hostesses. Wanda Duke presented the program on the Constitution and reminded everyone to ring their bells Sept. 17 for Constitution Week.

Carrizozo Police Seize Marijuana . . .

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and Conley after they were unable to break the tire down with the machine at the garage.

Inside the tire were 44 packages (bricks) of what appeared to be marijuana weighing more than 50 pounds with a street value of approximately \$100,000.

The suspects, driver Arturo Leos, 21 of El Paso, and passenger Raul Deleon, 19 of El Paso, were booked into the Lincoln County Detention Center (county jail) and charged with trafficking a controlled substance and conspiracy.

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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Governor does it again

By Ruth Hammond

The old saying, "throwing out the baby with the bathwater" never did make much sense, even back when babies were bathed in portable wash basins. Can you picture a mother holding a small tub, complete with baby and dirty water, walking to the door, and throwing the baby out on the ground with the water? Your immediate reaction is that the mother must be totally and completely crazy to not know that the purpose of bathing the baby is to get it clean and that only the dirty bath water should be thrown out. The entire idea is preposterous and most of us assume it is an old adage used to depict stupidity, not something that could actually happen in today's modern world.

But the latest news about plans being made by governor Johnson are similar to throwing out the baby with the dirty bath water. It seems governor Johnson is looking at eliminating the local government division of the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) and giving those responsibilities to the council of government groups like the economic district.

While the general public usually has no reason to contact the local government division, small municipalities and counties do contact the local government division regularly. The purpose of the local government division is to provide information to the local governments and answer their questions and give other help as needed. The local government division of DFA can offer expert advice when difficult situations arise.

Once again, governor Johnson, in his never-ending attempt to streamline government and try to run it like a privately owned business, is blundering blindly and could cause damage that might mean the end to many small local governments.

Why doesn't governor Johnson listen to the experts instead of groping for new ways to create havoc for the people in our state? Why doesn't governor Johnson realize that there are many facets of government that should not be eliminated? Why doesn't governor Johnson try to work WITH the people instead of against them? Why doesn't governor Johnson accept the fact that not all divisions of government can be run like a private business?

One of governor Johnson's biggest problems was in getting rid of the people who know and replacing them with people who don't know and seem unwilling to learn. These new people are either uncaring or unaware about the multitude of regulations that local governments face each and every day. These new people, quite often appointed to positions they know nothing about, appear to like the prestige of holding a state office, and like governor Johnson seem to think they can write the rules as they go instead of complying with state regulations. Not true.

An example of governor Johnson's staff not paying attention is the news of the release of prisoners scheduled to be extradited to other states. The excuse given by governor Johnson's staff was that they weren't watching the dates when the truth seems to be that they didn't do what they should have done and given the papers to governor Johnson to be signed immediately. As one person said, the governor was riding his bicycle across the state instead of doing his duties as governor and signing papers.

No doubt governor Johnson will try to smooth things over and try to make a joke about the situation when the fact is that he and his staff aren't taking care of state business, the very state business he pledged to take care of when he was elected.

While governor Johnson may not actually throw a baby out on the ground with the dirty bath water, his plans to eliminate the local government division of DFA would have the same effect. The local government division of DFA is the very baby that is needed to help keep small communities from making the mistakes that could cause the local governments to go bankrupt.

Which baby will gov throw out?

Important Veteran's Day For 200th Coast Artillery

by JAY MILLER

SANTA FE—This will be a very important Veterans' Day, especially for New Mexicans.

Ceremonies nationwide will honor World War II vets. Those who fought in the Pacific Theater returned home almost exactly 50 years ago.

That includes the New Mexico Army National Guard, for whom the war started several months early when the 200th Coast Artillery was shipped to the Philippines in the late summer of 1941. The New Mexico guardsmen were the first American troops to fire a shot in World War II and they were the last to lay down their arms when the Philippines were surrendered four months later.

It is very important to note that the men of "the old 200th" did not surrender. They didn't even retreat until they had finished covering the bridges over which Filipino and American troops were streaming to the rear. They formed the thin line through which an American General carried the surrender flag. And they still didn't want to quit fighting. They did not surrender. They were surrendered.

After spending three-and-one-half years in prison camps, the New Mexico soldiers began arriving by air at West Coast processing centers in mid-October 1945. The bulk of them were on ships that docked at San Francisco and Seattle between Oct. 21 and 30.

From there, they boarded trains to New Mexico, most of them headed to Bruns Army Hospital in Santa Fe to recover. On Nov. 13, the city threw the first official welcoming party on what was declared "Bataan Day."

This year's Santa Fe commemoration will be on Nov. 11 at the Bataan Memorial Museum on Old Pecos Trail—in the building where members of the New Mexico Army National Guard 200th Coast Artillery were processed and sent to Fort Bliss, TX at El Paso for anti-aircraft training.

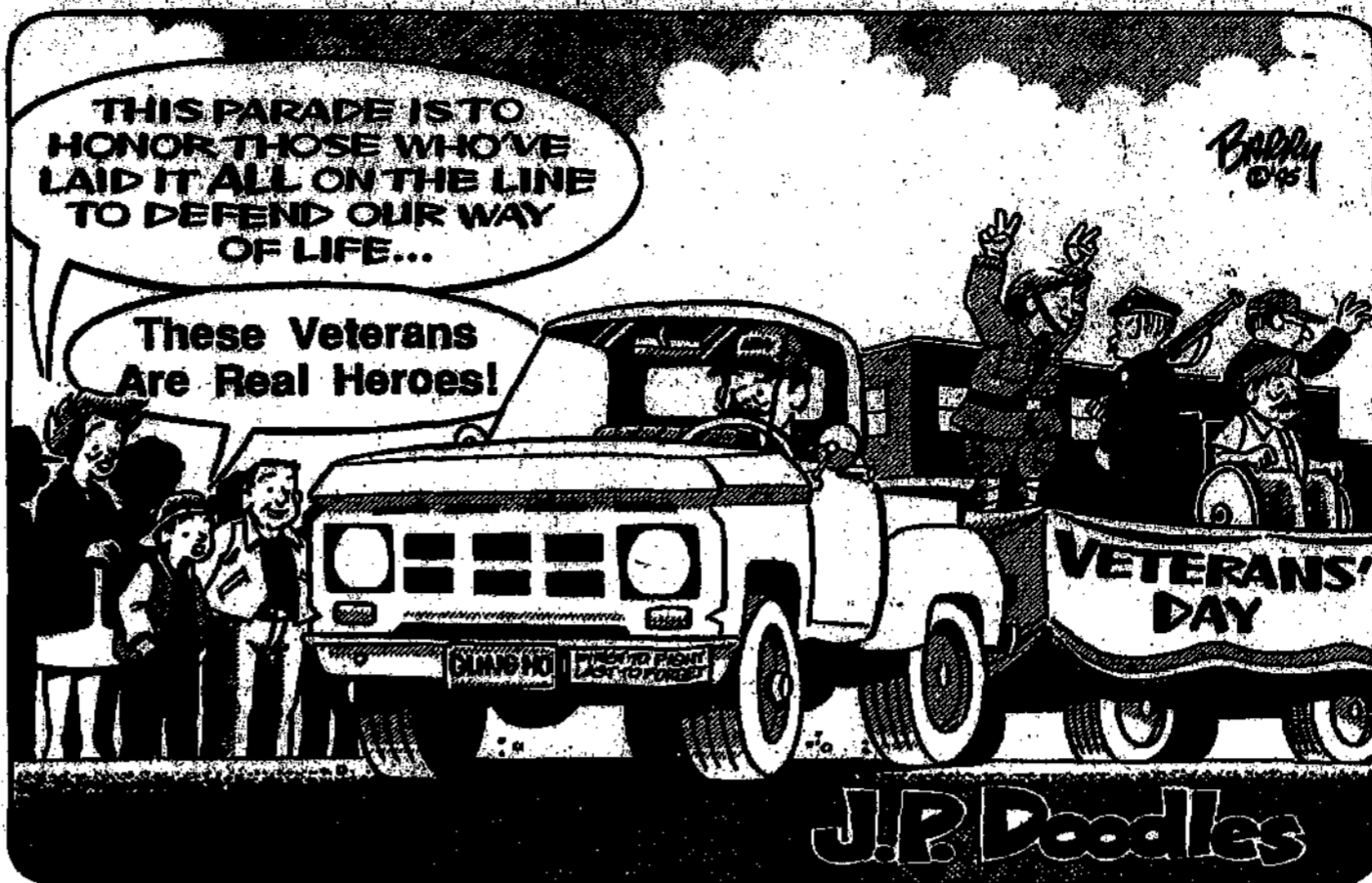
Two tall elm trees shade the entry to the Museum. They were planted 50 years ago this month by the Bataan survivors as a living reminder of their brothers who never made it back.

New exhibits and a reception are planned for Nov. 11. Gov. Gary Johnson has it on his schedule. Regular museum hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

New Mexicans can be very proud of the extraordinary military honors accorded our national guard. They were recognized as the nation's best anti-aircraft regiment during World War II, despite having been a cavalry detachment until their activation in January 1941. No group is known to have received more Distinguished Unit Citations for bravery.

In addition to the natural superiority of New Mexicans, our guys had other advantages going for them.

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Inside The Capitol

by Jay Miller

Prisoners Released Because Governor Didn't Sign Papers

SANTA FE—The failure of Gov. Gary Johnson's office to process extradition requests in a timely fashion may be more than just an embarrassment. It may reveal a problem likely to cause future snafus.

Late last month KOAT-TV investigative reporter Larry Barker broke the story about extradition delays that have resulted in the release of at least four people facing criminal charges in New Mexico and other states. So far, about 75 cases have been found in which there have been delays of at least 30 days—the maximum time a fugitive can be held pending extradition.

David McCumber, the governor's staff attorney said his office had failed to keep track of deadlines when people would be released if extradition paperwork hadn't been completed.

But there shouldn't be any need for the governor's office to keep track of those deadlines. All paperwork is prepared by the attorney general's office and forwarded to the governor for completing a simple form, signing it and taking it down the hall to the secretary of state's office.

Sure, the governor's staff

has plenty to do other than sign extradition papers. But for a guy who promised during his campaign that he would get tough on criminals and that he would start running government efficiently, this oversight is a major blunder.

And there doesn't seem to be anyone to blame it on. The delays of up to three months weren't the fault of the attorney general or the secretary of state. The governor's staff should heed the boss' motto: "Just do it." Then there isn't any need to keep track of deadlines.

The processing problems shouldn't have been a surprise. District attorneys around the state complained about the delays since last summer. It was a prosecutor from Johnson's own party who finally went public.

How could this happen to a law-and-order governor who promised to run government like a business? It probably wasn't an accident—or an isolated instance.

Gary Johnson was elected because he was an outsider. He consistently said during his campaign that his biggest strength was that he didn't know anything about government. In this day of cynicism, voters bought it. They wanted a big change and this looked like the way to do it.

When Johnson was caught in smaller miscues since taking office, he passed them off as being the act of a non-politician. And the public generally accepted his explanation.

But now the mistake is bigger. The governor has accepted full responsibility and has said heads will roll if it happens again. His staff has been working late to identify the extent of the damage and to get all the extradition requests processed.

But the real problem may go deeper. Johnson's distaste for government may mean that other day-to-day opera-

tions of his office are being ignored in the name of doing away with "business as usual."

In the early '70s, a Governor's Office Manual was prepared to help future chief executives learn their responsibilities more quickly. Unlike the many agencies of state government, in which employees whose jobs are protected by law keep the nuts-and-bolts activities going during a transition, none of the governor's employees have job protection.

When everyone is new, a road map helps. But when the Johnson administration cleaned house, it may have tossed out information that could have provided much-needed institutional memory.

I have an old office manual from a long-ago administration, which says that although extraditions are the responsibility of the governor, a deputy attorney general does all the work and forwards it to the governor for signing. It says nothing about keeping track of deadlines.

And there's another possibility. Johnson and his advisors spend much time strategizing about special sessions, about circumventing the legislature, and about putting the right spin on administration activities. Could it be those priorities are detracting from the nitty-gritty duties of government?

Medicare And Medicaid Reductions Will Pay For Tax Cuts For Wealthy

An Opinion by Representative E. Shirley Baca (D-Las Cruces)

Americans have prospered for decades in part because our nation has humbly provided a "social compact" for protecting millions of children, older Americans, disabled people, and others most in need. Now our

nation's "social compact," including Medicare and Medicaid, is under attack by congressional Republicans.

Republicans say their reforms are needed to balance the budget, but in fact they are giving a \$20,000 tax windfall to the few who earn over \$300,000 per year! The \$270 billion cut in Medicare they seek will not be used to balance the budget, but rather to pay for the \$243 billion tax break they want to give to the wealthy few. How many people do you know who will benefit from this? How much are the rest of us going to pay in the loss of essential services?

Everyone agrees that a balanced budget is necessary. So the real question we must remind ourselves as we get

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CAPITAN CORRIENTE COWBELLE Pat Ward (right) presents the Man of the Year Award to Ruth Shannon on behalf of her husband Kent Shannon who recently passed away. Ward said Kent was always a help to the CowBelles and will be greatly missed.

Medicare And Medicaid . . .

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our fiscal house in order is: who pays and who benefits from reform proposals? Hard-working Americans (and retirees) will pay for Republican policies, while huge corporations get enormous tax breaks for growing tobacco and sugar, both of which have a devastating impact on our health.

We as a society made a bargain with those who are temporarily or permanently in need, and now the Republicans have decided that it is acceptable to go back on our obligations. Instead, we need to fix the system, not take a blunt edged axe to it as the Republicans are doing. Are we as a nation now willing to shut off health care coverage and long term care to millions of people who have nowhere else to go?

Medicaid doesn't have enough money NOW to provide long term care to those who need it, yet Congress plans to decrease funding by one-third. For many New Mexicans, especially seniors, this will mean tighter budgets, lower quality health care, and maybe even no

health care at all. We must proceed cautiously to ensure the reforms are fair and workable, and do not undermine the benefits in our current system.

A loss in Medicaid funding to New Mexico would have a devastating impact on the state's current 268,000 recipients. New Mexico would be forced to eliminate coverage for as many as 80,000 recipients by 2002, many of who are elderly, nursing home residents, or home care recipients. Because of Medicare, most senior no longer choose between medicine and food or rent, and so their health has improved dramatically. Can our seniors bear the burden being placed upon them by these so-called "reforms"?

Radically undermining Medicare and Medicaid which benefit millions of every day people to make up for an unrelated tax-cut for the privileged few is quite simply an outrage. Currently, a startling 25 percent of New Mexican seniors live below the poverty level (\$7,470) for a single person, \$10,030 for a couple).

State Governments . . .

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federal government's ever-widening interpretation of the Constitution's Commerce Clause. They're accusing the federal government of violating the Tenth Amendment, which reserves to the states and the people all powers not expressly delegated to the federal government. And, on occasion, they're just plain refusing to comply.

Atwood and West warn that "the centralization of

power in Washington threatens to smother America's enterprise and liberty." But the battle is joined, and the tide may be turning. "The states have the power, the authority, the opportunity, and the responsibility to rein in an out-of-control federal government," say Atwood and West. All they need now is the will to assert themselves, and the determination to stick to their guns.

Important Veteran's Day . . .

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They were an independent lot, who always stuck together. This was often attributed to New Mexico's "frontier ethic" which proclaimed that what a man did was more important than who he was.

Another great advantage was that New Mexico's guard was activated as a unit instead of being split up and sent where needed. It seemed logical to send the New Mexico guard to the Philippines since many spoke Spanish. It was a strategy that worked well for Teddy Roosevelt nearly 50 years earlier when he came to Northern New Mexico to recruit the Rough Riders that fought with him in Cuba.

The unit was brought up to regimental strength of 1,800 from New Mexico volunteers streaming down to El Paso to be with old friends and from draftees. The regiment's personnel officer, Lt. Gerald Greenman of Deming, believed that a homogeneous unit would be stronger so he convinced superiors to let him have New Mexico draftees reporting to Fort Bliss.

Tommy Foy of Silver City, now a state representative, led an effort that put troops in the right slots, instead of the traditional Army practice of making cooks out of mechanics and mechanics out of cooks.

Commanded by Gen. Gordon Sage, editor of the Deming Headlight, the cohesive 200th proved Greenman right. The team of Hispanics, Anglos, and Indians, cowboys, miners, students and professionals showed the regular Army that nothing worked better than neighbors fighting side by side.

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Lady Tigers Lose Bid For Win At Regionals

by Doris Cherry

For a team that wasn't expected to do very well, they did just fine. The Capitan Lady Tigers

volleyball team had hopes of getting to the state Class AA finals, but hopes faded when the Hatch ball hit the court just inches inside the Lady Tigers' foul line.

Capitan's girls came home disappointed and tearful after their bid for the regional championship came to an abrupt end Saturday in Hatch, where they lost to the Hatch Lady Bears in five hard-played games: 15-13, 9-15, 13-15, 15-1, 12-15.

The Lady Tigers got off to a slow start in the first game, too nervous and not passing the ball well, said Lady Tigers coach Bryan Masse. Hatch pushed the score to 11-1 in the first game when the Capitan girls woke up and started playing. "They relaxed a bit and started playing real good," coach said. "I thought at that moment they could win the match.

But in game two, the Lady Tigers were a little flat. That combined with two Lady Bears who did a lot damage with their two scoring streaks. The Capitan girls lost the second game.

Capitan jumped into the third game and pushed the score to 5-0. But Hatch came back and took over the game to win 13-15. "I felt that was one of the turning points of the match," Masse said. "If we had won that game, we would have won the match."

But rather than giving up to Hatch, the Lady Tigers impressed everyone with their play in the fourth game. "We played our best volleyball of the season in that game," Masse said. Until that game, Hatch hadn't made many mistakes, but the Lady Tiger pressure forced some Lady Bear errors. "We got them down," Masse added.

The momentum of game four seemed to ebb when the Lady Tigers played neck and neck with the Lady Bears in the fifth and final game of the match. For both teams, the game was the crucial decider of who would go on to the Regional Championship, and whose season would end that day.

Hatch pulled ahead of Capitan and ran the score to 12-5. Then Andra Fish stepped up to the service line and put six straight points on the score board. The score was 12-11. Then Capitan missed the serve. Hatch got the ball, and scored twice, making it 14-11. Capitan got the ball back, but lost it without a point. "They weren't super aggressive, and they needed to be," Masse said about the crucial final moments of the match.

Hatch's final point came on a far side ball. As the serve came over the net moving far to the side, the Lady Tigers stepped back thinking the ball would land out of bounds. But, the ball landed just inches inside the line, giving the Lady Bears the final point to win the match.

Hatch went on to win the regional tournament and will be in the state finals in Roswell this week. "Hatch is a really good team," Masse said. "And they played well."

Masse said the Capitan girls were not playing to their full ability. "We were too nervous, and trying too hard. That's what caused [Lady Tigers] to be knocked out last year, also," Masse said. "We weren't hitting on all cylinders."

For Masse and the team it was a real disappointment. "The girls had been playing well with pressure and they had been real consistent," he added. "We actually outscored Hatch in the match." But the final game scores were what mattered.

Although the season came to an abrupt halt for the new coach, he said it was a good year and he was pleased. "The kids responded well to me after the first two or three

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CAPITAN NOTES

Greetings from my old house by the side of the road to your house.

Hope your week was a happy one and not a "one for the book" one like I had, but more later on about my ups and downs.

I promised Perri Powers I would give her announcement top billing so here it is:

There will be a pancake breakfast on Saturday, which is Veteran's Day, November 11. The pancake breakfast will be served at the high school cafeteria from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. There will be a charge which covers all the pancakes you can eat at one sitting.

The pancake breakfast is being put on for all our Cub Scouts that are in need, very much in need, I must add, for new uniforms.

There will be many and various prizes, including, of course, a door prize. For more information you may call Perri Powers at 354-2633.

Lest we forget, November 11 is not just a day to feast on pancakes, but a most Memorial Day for many of us. The following was just given to me by Bob Rice, a very special friend.

Lest We Forget, November 11 is Veteran's Day. Here in beautiful Lincoln County we have an unyielding reminder what Veteran's Day is all about. It is called the Capitan Cemetery where laid to rest are more than 70 known grave sites of veterans who made the supreme sacrifice from Civil War to the present time.

As the years pass a few more go to their eternal reward, but also many still remain living with memories of wartime service.

The guns are silent and the parades and flag waving are a page in history. God help us that it may never happen again. One word expresses what everyone should say to those who served... Thanks!

And thank you Bob for the above. I can remember when we celebrated the first Armistice Day in 1918. I was so happy because my beloved father would not be drafted. I remember when World War II ended and the fear of my husband being sent overseas was lifted. He did serve stateside as a Navy recruiter.

My oldest son also served, but his tenure in Laos, preceding our involvement in Viet Nam, to this day has never been acknowledged. According to the history books, we were never there. Tell that to my son Terrence Patrick Sullivan, who now resides in Brazil. Tell him he was never there.

Ty Paul, of Dallas, Texas, is the proud father of a new son and his name is Chris Loren. Ty is the grandson of Lucile and Albert Paul of Capitan. Congratulations to the very proud parents and to the equally proud grandparents.

Memorial services for Lois I. Coons were held Wednesday, Oct. 8 at Blue Hole in Honita. Lois passed away Oct. 4 at the Lincoln County Medical Center.

Lois was born in Portales on September 11, 1949 to Lee Pine of Vancouver, Washington and Mildred Muse. Her late step-father, Slim Muse of Capitan preceded her in death.

Survivors, besides her mother Mildred Muse of Capitan and her father Lee Pine of Vancouver, are brothers Lee Pine of Vancouver, Richard

Pine of San Francisco, sisters Nina Virginia Martin and Creedith Marie Burns of Weatherford, Texas, Sabrina Wood of Capitan, and Kaye Reynolds and Cheryl Mark of Ruidoso. Lois is also survived by her three daughters, Crystal Wilmet of Cloudcroft and Roxanna Coons and Timmie Bullock of Capitan, and three sons, Richard Coons of Albuquerque, Ronnie Coons of Tularosa and Rusty Moore of Ruidoso Downs. Also surviving are her mother-in-law Betty Coons of El Paso, and 10 grandchildren.

Lois was preceded in death by her husband Pappy Coons. She will also be missed and remembered by her uncles the Hall boys, Tommy, Ben, Billy, Charles, and Glen as well as her aunts Lois, Ruth, Irene, Mary and Jane.

It is hard to lose our loved ones but with the world in such turmoil it becomes more special to us that the ones that are taken to their heavenly reward are indeed the lucky ones.

And so Lois may your soul rest in peace and may your family members that will mourn and miss you, reconcile themselves with this thought. You are now with God. What more can any of us wish for?

Memorial Day is a sad time at best. We all have sad things to bring down our spirits. But definitely not downsizing those memories in any way, let me clue you in on some of the dumb and more dumb things that occurred in my last week's tenure. Surprised I am still alive to relate them.

Sometimes you wish you could make things that happen simply un-happen. The following is a ferinstance:

Two weeks ago my lovely daughter, Dr. Patricia Maureen Sullivan-Anderson informed me that her very dear and cherished friend and her fiancé would be in the Ruidoso vicinity and would be visiting me. That visit would be on a Monday on their way returning to Nebraska. Well and good, as this cherished friend had visited me before and fell in love with my ancient casa and dashed from room to room "oohing and aahing" because she loved old things and everybody that knows me knows that I also love old things, the older the better.

So I could see Elena taking her beloved to be by the hand and escorting him all over my old casa. Naturally what I could not find a place for, I did my level best to shove, cram and squeeze out of sight and cleaned, better back up on that remark. I did my best

to make it look like I had cleaned.

I had the lights out and had just about started to ascend the stairs when there was a lot of pounding on my storm door. No voices called my name, just continuous pounding. It was 8:30 p.m. or thereabouts, my usual retiring time and I was not about to go to that door. I was scared silly. I kept praying that they would give up and just go away.

Then there was a hull and I crept up the steps and to my bedroom and spotted a big car parked out in front of my house. The car was foreign to me and I did see a gentleman across the street pacing back and forth and glancing back at my casa.

There was someone at the telephone, but I could not make out who or what. And so I thought perhaps they had some car trouble and had finally decided there was a telephone close and I sort of kinda dismissed some of my fear and proceeded to get ready to retire.

I had just shed by sweat shirt when the pounding resumed, even louder than before and even more insistent it that was possible. I hastily donned aforementioned sweat shirt and came gingerly down the stairs. My heart was pounding and I was really praying. I said to the good Lord, "Well, we are in this together, so you go first." My courage did return a bit and I yelled at the door, "Who is it?" and when I heard the sweet voice of Elena, my daughter's friend, opened the door.

It was wonderful to see them and they had tried to call me beforehand to alert me that they had a change of plan. My telephone was not connected properly in the kitchen and my daughter had been trying to call and she kept getting the busy signal. (SEE PAGE 12)

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Sheriff's Report

Regular rifle deer hunt season is on full force. Hunters need to be aware and not trespass on properties which are posted against hunting and trespassing, and hunters need to be aware it is illegal to fire a rifle near a residence or water tank or hole.

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

October 31:
10:40 a.m. an officer requested a case number for an incident.

10:56 a.m. a 911 caller from south of Carrizozo requested an ambulance for a person with a possible back injury. Carrizozo ambulance responded and transported the patient to Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital in Alamogordo.

2:35 p.m. an officer requested a case number for a traffic stop.

4:01 p.m. Ruidoso Downs Police advised of a grass fire on Highway 70 east of the Hale Lake turn off. Glencoe Fire Department responded and advised it was a controlled burn.

6:19 p.m. a motorist reported an accident, a vehicle rolled on Highway 70 in Otero County. Ruidoso Advanced Life Support (RALS) medical unit was called.

6:36 p.m. an officer reported damage to a vehicle, and a possible drunken driver. The report was referred to state police.

7:27 p.m. a caller reported vandalism, a broken window, at a residence on Dogwood in Carrizozo.

8:43 p.m. a possible drunken driver was reported in Carrizozo. A subject who was barely able to walk, got in a blue car and headed north on Highway 54. A deputy responded and stopped the vehicle.

9:53 p.m. a caller reported a fire on Deer Park Meadows. A resident called Bonito Fire chief about a pickup full of kids who had left a bag of burning pine needles in the bar ditch, then took off. The chief requested an officer meet him in the area.

10:19 p.m. an anonymous 911 caller reported an accident on Highway 48 south of Capitan. State police and Capitan police responded.

10:46 p.m. a suspicious vehicle was reported on Dry Gulch Lane. The responding deputy advised the vehicle belonged to a group of lost hunters who were trying to get horses through a gate. All was okay.

November 1:
12:44 p.m. a caller requested an ambulance at a residence in Carrizozo to transfer a patient to the VA Hospital in Albuquerque. Carrizozo ambulance responded.

8:07 p.m. a caller reported criminal damage to a vehicle. The deputy showed the caller how the call was assigned to state police. But the caller advised the deputy that as of that day no officer had made contact with her. Just as a deputy was set to go to the location to take a report, the caller advised that a state police officer had taken a report over the phone.

9:18 p.m. a caller reported a possible drunken driver on White Mountain Drive by fire station #2. The incident was referred to Ruidoso Police.

9:41 p.m. a caller reported horses at large on Hale Lake Road. The caller advised that six to eight horses belonging to a subject were running loose, and that the ranch let the horses loose on forest property all the time. The caller advised they ran the horses off and closed the gate, and this was not the first time. Dispatch was unable to contact the ranch owner.

10:18 p.m. a 911 caller reported a suspicious person in the Hondo area. The caller advised the subject was driving reckless, cutting donuts around her vehicle and pushing her off the road when she was trying to get to the baby sitter's house. State police responded.

November 2:
Carrizozo ambulance advised it was transporting a patient to Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital.

12:18 p.m. a caller reported an accident at mile marker 58 on Highway 380. There were no injuries. State police responded.

1:51 p.m. a 911 caller reported an accident on Highway 48 between Alto store and Swiss Chalet, a vehicle was on its side. State police were notified.

5:58 p.m. a caller reported from a ranch reported missing puppies. A deputy was assigned.

6:01 p.m. a Glencoe fire fighter reported a fire on Highway 70 by the Glencoe cemetery. Glencoe fire chief advised it was controlled burn.

6:50 p.m. a 911 caller reported a stolen car and domestic incident. The caller advised that her mom's boyfriend stole a blue station wagon and was possibly headed to Texas. Carrizozo police and a deputy responded. The deputy recovered the vehicle.

8:10 p.m. a 911 caller reported a suspicious person on Cora Dutton Road. State police requested a deputy respond. The responding deputy advised he made no contact with the subject, who was believed to be a man and a woman walking a dog.

11 p.m. a deputy requested background information on a subject from the National Crime Information Center (NCIC).

November 3:
2:38 p.m. a caller reported an accident on Highway 70 at mile marker 314, two vehicles were in the roadway. State police in Roswell were notified.

6:19 p.m. a detention officer requested an ambulance for a prisoner with severe abdominal pain. Carrizozo ambulance transported the patient to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.

7:14 p.m. a caller reported shots fired in Palo Verde Slopes. Someone in a pickup shot and hit the Forest Service gate, and shot two rounds from their weapons before the subjects left the area.

10:39 p.m. Carrizozo police officer Raymond Lueras Jr. reported he had arrested two subjects after finding drugs in a vehicle he had detained in a routine traffic stop. A deputy met with Carrizozo police at the corner of Central and 5th Street where police had stopped a vehicle. They needed a tire broken down. After finding a local mechanic who could open the tire, police discovered what was suspected to be about 112.5 pounds of marijuana in the tire. A field test showed the substance tested positive for marijuana. Two subjects were arrested and the deputy transported the subjects to the county jail.

November 4:
2:11 a.m. a 911 caller reported a prowler on 4th Street in Capitan. The caller advised there were noises around the house and someone tapped on the window. Capitan police responded.

9:49 a.m. a rancher south of Pecos reported a stray small red dog. A deputy responded and took the dog to the Humane Society.

10:04 a.m. a resident west of Capitan reported some items missing. A deputy responded.

11:43 a.m. a caller reported

smoke on Highway 54 about three miles out. A deputy went out about three miles and found nothing.

1:53 p.m. a 911 caller reported an accident with injuries at the intersection of Highways 54 and 380 in Carrizozo, involving a semi truck and pickup. State Police, three Carrizozo police officers, two deputies, Carrizozo ambulance and fire department responded. Extraction equipment was requested. The injured were transported to LCMC by Carrizozo ambulance.

6:10 p.m. Ruidoso Downs police reported an accident just past the Super Select barn on Highway 70. The accident involved a possible drunken driver. State police and a deputy responded, but the deputy advised them made no contact with a subject.

6:57 p.m. Ruidoso police reported a woman hit a deer on Carrizo Canyon Road and needed an accident report. State police and a deputy were assigned.

8:25 p.m. a caller reported a runaway on the bus in Carrizozo. The juvenile was removed from the bus by Carrizozo police and a deputy and the juvenile was held at the sheriff's office until the

child's parents arrived from Otero County. However, the juvenile refused to ride in her mother's vehicle, so the deputy transferred the child to the Otero County line where they met with an Otero County Sheriff's deputy. This was done so no incident or accident would occur on the road.

9:27 p.m. a 911 caller reported livestock, horses, at mile marker 95 on Highway 380. The responding deputy made no contact with the horses which were not on the roadway.

November 5:
2:40 a.m. a caller reported a vehicle was left running on 12th Street in Carrizozo. The caller advised the vehicle was left running wide open and the underneath was turning red. The second call advised there were flames coming from the vehicle. Carrizozo police and fire department responded.

9:50 a.m. a caller requested an ambulance at the senior citizens apartments. Carrizozo ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.

A deputy requested background information on a subject charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol. The subject had an FBI file.

12:08 p.m. Carrizozo police requested an ambulance at a

church where the police officer's daughter had broken her leg. Carrizozo police transported the patient to LCMC.

A deputy requested background information on a subject. There was none.

8:38 p.m. a 911 caller reported a possible drunken driver on Highway 70 headed toward Roswell. State police were notified.

9:12 p.m. a caller reported a

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<p>First Baptist Church HAYDEN SMITH, pastor 314 10th Ave, Carrizozo, NM 648-2968 (church) or 648-2107 Sunday School..... 9:45 am Worship Service..... 10:55 am Sun. Evening..... Training at 6:15 pm Evening Worship..... 7:15 pm Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm</p> <p>Carrizozo Community Church (A/G) JOHNIE L. JOHNSON, pastor Corner of C Ave. & Thirteenth, 648-2186 Sunday School..... 10:00 am Worship Service..... 11:00 am Thursday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm</p> <p>Santa Rita Catholic Community FR. DAVE BERGS, pastor 213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853 SATURDAY: Capitan Sacred Heart..... 5:00 pm C'zozo Santa Rita..... 6:30 pm SUNDAY: Capitan Sacred Heart..... 9:00 am C'zozo Santa Rita..... 11:00 am Corona St. Theresa..... 4:00 pm</p> <p>Church of Christ PAUL WETZEL, minister Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2996 Sunday School..... 10:00 am Worship Service..... 11:00 am Evening Worship..... 6:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm</p> <p>St. Matthias Episcopal Church REV. ROBERT BATTON Corner of E Ave. & Sixth, Carrizozo, NM 1-258-4144 Holy Eucharist..... 9:30 am Sunday</p> <p>United Methodist Churches WARREN K. SCHOENECKER, pastor Trinity - Carrizozo 1000 D. Ave., 648-2893 / 257-5614 Sunday School (All Ages)..... 10:00 am Worship Service..... 11:10 am Choir Practice (Wednesday)..... 6:30 pm United Methodist Men Breakfast 2nd Sunday..... 8:30 am United Methodist Women Every 3rd Wednesday..... 2:00 pm Fellowship Dinner Last Sunday of Month 12:30 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">—CAPITAN—</p> <p>Adult Sunday School..... 8:30 am Worship Service..... 9:15 am Children's Sunday School..... 9:30 am Fellowship Time..... 10:15 am Adult Sunday School..... 11:00 am Choir Practice (Tuesday)..... 7:00 pm Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group) 1st and 3rd Tuesday..... 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>Evangelistic Assembly REV. DR. C.L. FULTON, Pastor REV. DR. WILLIE MAE FULTON, Missions Dir. ELDER JIM MILLER 711 E. Ave., Carrizozo, NM, 648-2339 Sunday..... 2:30 pm Bible Study..... 9:00 am</p> <p>Mountain Ministry Parish, Sierra Blanca Presbytery DON & MARJORIE DANIELS, co-pastors 648-2650 Nogal Presbyterian Church: Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m. Worship..... 11:00 a.m. Ancho Community Presbyterian Church: Worship..... 9:00 a.m. Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m. Corona Presbyterian Church: Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m. Worship..... 11:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study & Youth Fellowship..... Wednesdays 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Christ Community Fellowship ED VINSON, pastor 514 Smokey Bear Blvd./Capitan Inter-denominational Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship..... 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>Capitan Church of Christ LESLIE EARWOOD, minister 5th & Lincoln / 336-4627 Sunday Bible Study..... 10:00 a.m. Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Spirit of Life Apostolic Pentecostal Tabernacle ALLAN M. MILLER, pastor 209 Lincoln Ave, Capitan, NM 354-2025 Tuesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm Sunday School..... 10:00 am Sunday Evening..... 6:00 pm</p>
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CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS

DISTRICT REPORT CARD 1994-1995

CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS MISSION & GOALS

Board of Education Mission Statement

The primary purpose of the Capitán Schools is to educate all students. All other purposes are in support of this and are secondary. The schools are responsible for providing the atmosphere and instruction so students can master learning objectives, acquire skills and knowledge, and display desirable personal qualities.

CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS QUALITY OF EDUCATION SURVEY 1994-1995

Number of questions: 54
 Number of elementary schools surveyed: 10
 Number of middle schools surveyed: 3
 Number of high schools surveyed: 2

1. The school holds no extra-curricular activities.
 2. I feel comfortable with the level of achievement attained by my child's school.
 3. My child is encouraged to be imaginative.
 4. The school setting by itself tends to do good rather than support quality education.
 5. My child's school is:
 6. School personnel encourage us to participate in our child's education.
 7. The school offers adequate programs in computers and technology.
 8. The school collects an appropriate level of discipline.
 9. The school assigns an appropriate amount of homework.
 10. Public television is the best way to improve over the last five years.
 11. Faculty offers courses that are your child's needs.
 12. The Student's Parental Involvement program is appropriate.
 13. The Elementary Home program is appropriate.

Grade	PERCENT RESPONSIVE					95-100
	Strongly Dislike	Dislike	Like	Dislike	Strongly Dislike	
1-10	10	30	30	30	10	10
11-12	10	30	30	30	10	10
13-15	10	30	30	30	10	10

Grade	PERCENT RESPONSIVE					95-100
	Strongly Dislike	Dislike	Like	Dislike	Strongly Dislike	
16-18	10	30	30	30	10	10
19-21	10	30	30	30	10	10
22-24	10	30	30	30	10	10

CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL GOAL

The Capitán Municipal Schools educational goal is to provide an instructional environment for students to achieve maximum learning to their potential. Parents, guardians and the pupils enrolled in the Capitán Municipal Schools share with the Capitán Municipal Schools' Board of Education the responsibility for meeting this goal.

The effective operation of the Capitán Municipal School District is dependent upon a common understanding of what the Capitán Municipal Schools should be and do. The Capitán Municipal Schools' Board of Education has established a process to provide curriculum, course requirements, extra curricular activities, and instruction consistent with the goal adopted.

To support this goal, the Capitán Municipal Schools will provide a sound educational basis for students to build a solid knowledge base. This will enable the students to develop a command of the thinking and communication processes that permit them to interpret and apply their knowledge base. In order for the Capitán Municipal Schools to meet their goal, it will provide for instruction in the academic areas of:

- A.) Language Arts, which will include but not be limited to basic reading instruction, phonics and other word decoding skills, reading with comprehension, spelling, composition, communication skills, grammar and mechanics, and literature.
- B.) Social Studies, which will include but not be limited to citizenship, state, national and world history, structure and function of local, state, national and world governments with emphasis on the United States' Declaration of Independence, Constitution and Bill of Rights, and cultural, economic and religious diversities.
- C.) Mathematics, which will include but not be limited to computational skills, functional math, algebra, geometry, higher level math, and the application of the above.
- D.) Science, which will include but not be limited to general, life, earth, physical, and biological sciences.
- E.) Electives, which will include but not be limited to vocational programs, foreign language programs, physical education, fine arts, and computer skills.

The purpose of this educational goal is to encourage each student to become a well-rounded, responsible, and contributing member of the community with high moral standards. It is an attempt to maximize to the extent possible each student's ability and responsibility to learn.

HIGH SCHOOL COMPETENCY EXAM GRADE 10 RESULTS

The New Mexico High School Competency Exam, a graduation requirement, measures basic skills in reading, English (including a written composition), mathematics, science, and social studies. Scores are reported for each of the sub-tests, and student mastery is determined within each sub-test. The performance of New Mexico Students on this examination reflect high levels of achievement.

Eighty-six percent (86.5%) of all New Mexico Tenth grade students passed all sub-tests in 1994-95. In comparison, almost ninety percent (89.6%) of Capitán's tenth grade students passed all sub-tests. This is an increase over 1993-94.

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS

The college entrance exam used most frequently in New Mexico is the American College Test (ACT). All juniors and seniors at Capitán High School are encouraged to take the ACT rather than just college-bound students. English, math, social studies, and science are

measured on a scale ranging from a low of 1 to a high of 36. The composite score is an average of the four area sub-test scores. The average ACT score for New Mexico students are slightly below those for the nation. Capitán composite score was 18.0 for 1993-94.

NEW MEXICO SCHOLARS PROGRAM

This program makes scholarship money available to certain students who rank in the top five percent of their graduating class, earned an overall score of at least 25 on the ACT, and come from homes with a total family income of \$30,000 or less. The class of 1995 had no students eligible for this program.

NEW MEXICO ACHIEVEMENT ASSESSMENT (ITBS) GRADE 3, 5, and 8

The New Mexico Achievement Assessment is administered to all 3rd, 5th, and 8th grade students in New Mexico public schools. The ITBS is used to obtain standardized student achievement data for nationwide and statewide comparisons in the content areas of Listening and Word Analysis (at grades K-2 only), Vocabulary, Reading Comprehension, Language Skills, Word-Study Skills, Mathematical Skills, Social Studies and Science.

Scores for Capitán students at grades 3, 5, and 8 are depicted in graphs. Our students exceeded New Mexico averages on the majority of the sub-test and composite scores.

NEW MEXICO WRITING ASSESSMENT GRADES 4 and 6

The Writing Assessment, a performance based assessment, is administered to all 4th and 6th grade students in New Mexico. This assessment was mandated by the Public School Reform Act (1986). Three prompts are provided at each grade level. Early in the school year, the teacher is provided with these prompts and a guide which assists the writer in understanding the criteria for good writing. The teacher provides lessons for the class, and the student writes toward the assigned topic until both the teacher and student are satisfied that the student's piece of writing demonstrates his best efforts. In the spring, one prompt is selected for scoring. It is scored against a set of criteria with score points ranging from 1 through 6, 6 being the highest score possible.

Capitán students at grades 4 and 6 performed at a higher level when compared to an average of all New Mexico students.

ANNUAL DROPOUT RATE GRADE 9 - 12

The purpose of the New Mexico Dropout Study is to report the percent of public school students who prematurely discontinue their formal education.

	90-91	91-92	92-93	93-94
STATE	9.8%	7.4%	8.0%	8.2%
CAPITAN	5.6%	4.1%	7.9%	0.6%

NEW MEXICO GRADUATION STATISTICS 1994-95

Seniors Beginning 12th Grade	State 16,159	Capitan 21
Seniors Graduating	14,604	20
Percent	90.4%	95.2%
1994-95 RANK	---	39/88
Grads Applying 4 Year	6,149	9
Percent	42.1%	45.0%
Grads Applying 2 Year	3,967	3
Percent	24.4%	15.0%

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

PUBLIC SCHOOL REVENUE SOURCES (State, Local, and Federal) Operational Fund

1994-95 Capitán District Budgeted Revenues	
State	\$2,232,123.....98.2%
Local	37,094.....1.6%
Federal	4,456......2%

Student Membership

	1993-94	1994-95
Total Student Membership	544 students	568 students
Increase	5 students	24 students

Operational Expenditure Per Student Membership

1994-95	\$3,932
1993-94	\$3,718
1992-93	\$3,531

Administrative Costs Per Student Membership

1994-95	\$ 191
1993-94	\$ 190
1992-93	\$ 253

Percent of Enrollment Served by Selected Programs

Chapter I	17.28%
Special Education	18.34%
Free & Reduced Lunch	60.36%

Percent of Operating Budget Spent For Salaries

	1993-94	1994-95
Teachers	43.77%	45.39%
Administrators	2.62%	2.46%
Support Personnel	11.71%	9.74%
Non-Certified Personnel	6.38%	8.76%

Percent of Budget for Selected Programs

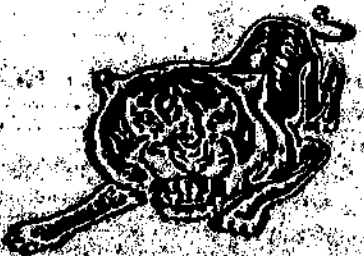
Chapter I	\$ 74,552.05..... 2.85%
Special Education	\$330,727.00.....14.24%
Free & Reduced Lunch	\$ 51,868.26..... 1.98%

CONCISE BUDGET FOR 1994-95

Direct Instruction	\$1,321,698
Instructional Support	389,434
Administration	112,718
Business Office	73,296
Plant Maintenance	347,434
Athletics	71,482
Non-Instr Support	31,778
Emergency	29,376

AVERAGE RETURNING TEACHER SALARIES WITHOUT INCREMENTS

1992-93 to 1994-95					
1992-93		1993-94		1994-95	
SALARY	RANK	SALARY	RANK	SALARY	RANK
\$26,424	36	\$27,376	41	\$27,866	41



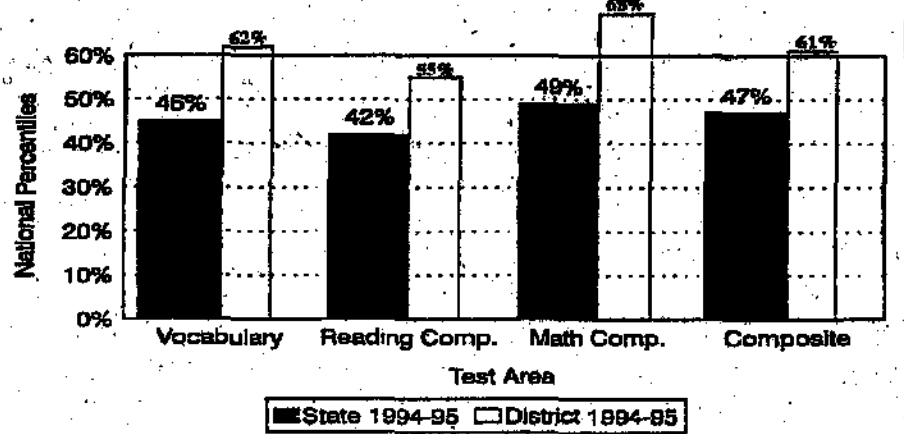
INVITATION TO ALL CITIZENS OF CAPITAN

The Capitán Municipal Schools Board of Education, Superintendent, administrators, and school personnel invite all citizens to participate in district planning, school activities, and other special events. Parents and others wishing to visit schools and classrooms are requested to contact the school principal upon arrival. Assistance will be provided in locating specific individuals and/or classes. For information concerning district and school functions, please contact the administrative office, 354-2939.

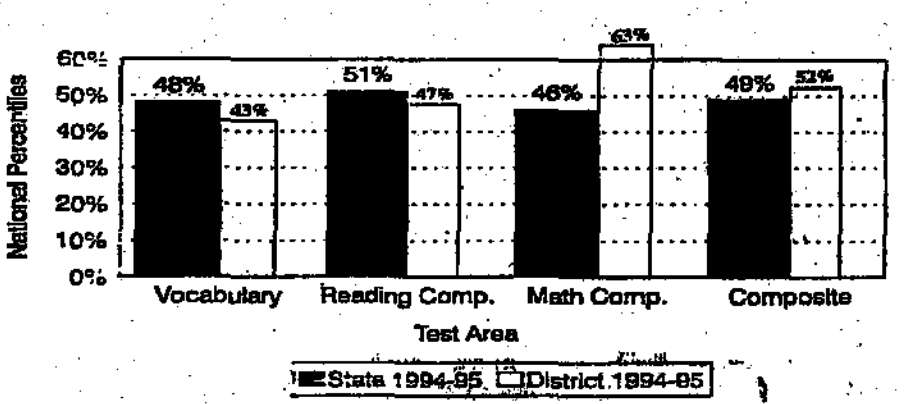
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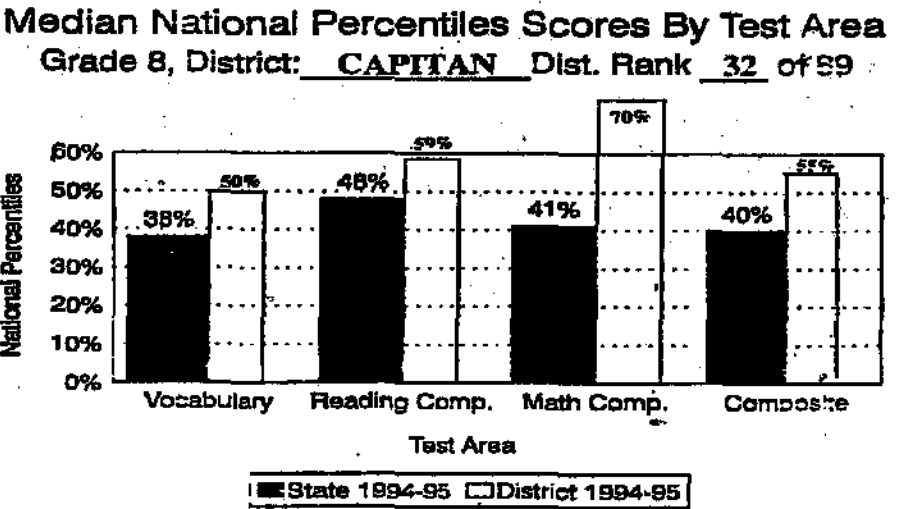
1994-95 Iowa Test of Basic Skills Median National Percentile Scores By Test Area Grade 3, District: CAPITAN Dist Rank 7 of 89



1994-95 Iowa Test of Basic Skills Median National Percentile Scores By Test Area Grade 5, District: CAPITAN Dist Rank 13 of 89

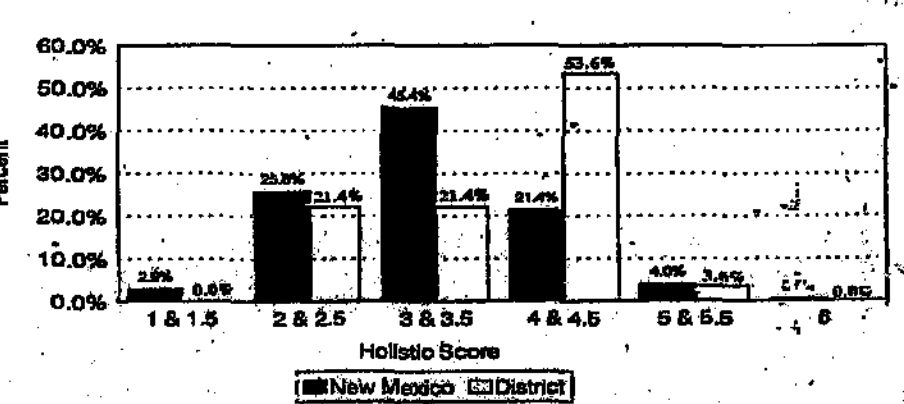


1994-95 Iowa Test of Basic Skills Median National Percentiles Scores By Test Area Grade 8, District: CAPITAN Dist Rank 32 of 89



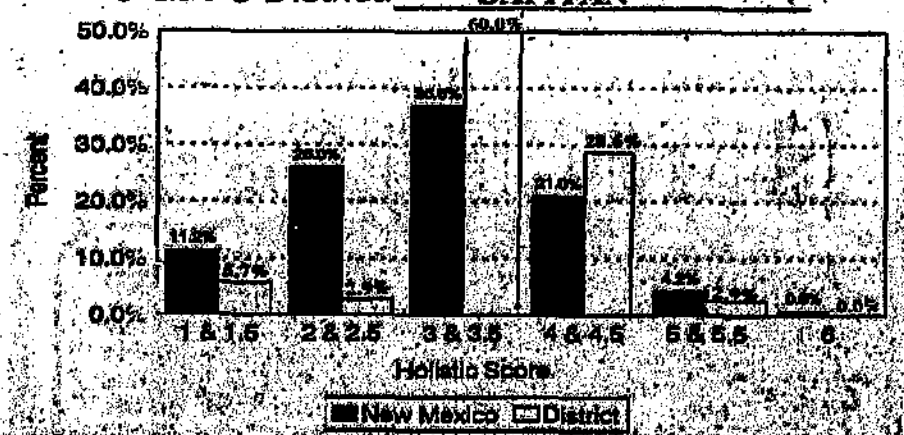
NEW MEXICO PORTFOLIO WRITING ASSESSMENT

Percent of Students at Each Holistic Score Grade 4 District: CAPITAN



NEW MEXICO PORTFOLIO WRITING ASSESSMENT

Percent of Students at Each Holistic Score Grade 6 District: CAPITAN

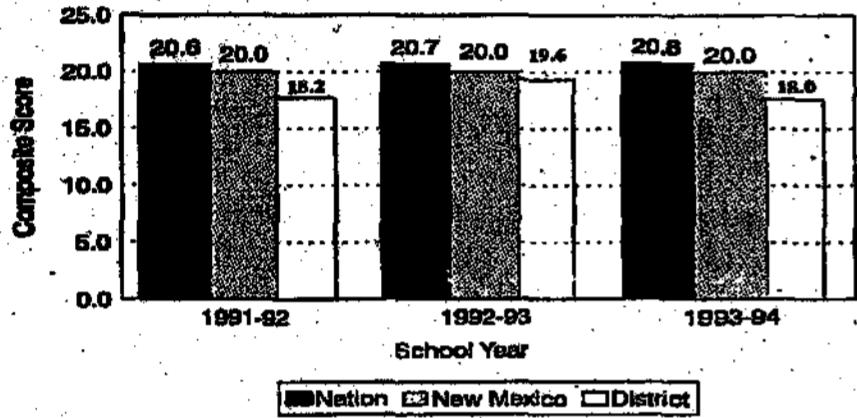


CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS
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HIGH SCHOOL COMPETENCY EXAMINATION
GRADE 10: PERCENT PASSING ON FIRST ATTEMPT
CAPITAN

Subtest	1992-93		1993-94		1994-95	
	State	District	State	District	State	District
Reading	95.0	93.0	95.3	100.0	96.4	100.0
Language Arts	92.9	90.0	92.3	91.7	96.2	98.0
Math	94.0	96.0	93.6	95.8	94.9	98.0
Science	92.1	90.0	92.5	97.9	93.7	100.0
Soc. Studies	94.9	94.0	93.5	97.9	93.2	89.8
Composition	98.4	97.0	95.7	97.8	97.6	100.0
All Subtests	84.1	86.2	81.6	87.5	86.5	89.6

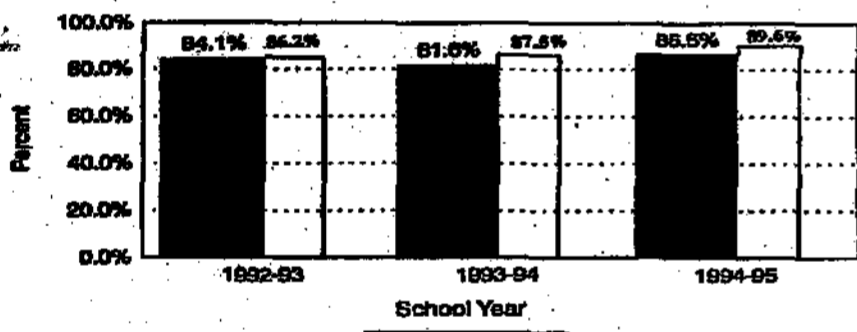
MEAN ACT COMPOSITE SCORES BY YEAR
College Bound Students
CAPITAN



Source: DOE ACTSAT Report, 1993-94
DOE, October, 1995

Percent of 10th Graders Passing All HSCE Subtests by Year

District: **CAPITAN**
District Ranking: **34** of 89 Districts



Excludes Special Education And "C" Student Scores
DOE, October, 1995

Jal Takes 34-6 Win Over Tigers

by Doris Cherry

It was almost a repeat of last year.

The Capitán Tigers again lost to the Jal Panthers, 34 to 6 in the Class A regional playoffs Saturday in Jal.

"It's hard to comment when you end the season when you're not ready," Tigers head coach Ed Davis told **THE NEWS**.

Davis said the Capitán team was not ready to play. "I don't think they ever recouped from the Animas game (where the Tigers lost)."

"They needed to stay focused, not live in last year's game."

Last year the Tigers played Jal in a far different situation. It was for the state Class A football championship. This year's game with Jal was for the regional playoff, which would determine which four teams would advance on to the state playoffs.

Instead of Capitán going forward to the state finals, Jal will play Fort Sumner, and Animas will play Escalante. The winners of those two games will square off for the state final. Both Jal and Animas have long traditions of winning state titles.

For Davis, the fact that the Tigers, and his 12 seniors, will not go to the state finals is a bitter pill to swallow. "In the last three years, we've lost four [district] games," Davis said. "Not many schools in New Mexico can say that."

"We did a lot to turn around the football program at Capitán," Davis continued. "I hope we can continue."

After the Jal game, senior Neil Montes encouraged the younger players to keep plugging and playing the game. He told the players to remember when Capitán, five years ago, was 10 and 10 in the record and "everybody was kicking our butts."

Davis said the Tigers need to prepare themselves mentally to create a winning tradition. "Saturday, we got our butts whipped," he said.

The only bright point in the game came in the third quarter, when quarterback Montes carried the ball over for a touchdown after an 85 yard kick off return. "I wished we

played the same way in the first half as we did in the second," Davis said.

But the Jal powerhouse proved its football superiority, again, and ended the Tigers 1995 football season. For coach Davis, the 1996 football year starts this week as he puts the boys not involved in basketball into off season training.

Next year, the Tigers football team will be a young club. "We'll lose 12 seniors," Davis said. "It will be hard next year, we have only six juniors, but have 16-18 freshmen coming in."

Davis credited this year's big senior class and its good athletes.

"It's been a quick year, I can't believe it's over," Davis said.

The Tigers ended their season with only two losses, to Animas for the district title, and to Jal in the regional playoffs.

The 1995 Tiger squad members were seniors Neil Montes, Ernie Trujillo, Josh Peralta, Mike Dixon, Jerome Mendoza, Alan Hazel, Kati Bagby, Scooter Wilson, Wayne LaBelle, Gabe Murry, Jeremy McGarvey, Justin King and Keith Cox; juniors Eric Helms, Jeremy Hoover, Drew Smith, Jayson McSwane, Jeff White, Nolan LaRue and Kyle Jones; sophomores Cody Joiner, Natham Thomas, Jake Grey, Kris Davis, Zeke Greer, Jason Montes, David Worrell, Brian Siedel, Tim McGarvey, Matt Daniels, Bryce Perry and Lance Jones; freshmen Nick Pacheco, Wade Smith, Klay Jones, James Tacey, Patrick Kennedy, Robert Page, Jady King, Martin Gonzales, Fernando Saiz, Mike Martinez, Justin Kennedy, Justin Joiner and Raymond Harris.



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1983 Lady Grizzlies VB Team Went To State

Carrizozo's Lady Grizzlies are going to the state contest this year. The team won the ticket to the tournament by winning the district championship and coming out runner-up in the Region D tournament Saturday.

This will be the first time in 12 years that Carrizozo will be represented at the state playoffs. The last time Carrizozo went to the state volleyball tournament the Lady Grizzlies team ended up third in the state.

That was in 1983. The Lady Grizzlies won their way to the state tournament by winning the district, and the regional championships that year.

The 1983-84 Grizzly Yearbook tells about the district championship. The caption under the volleyball pages in the Grizzly yearbook reads, "Two seniors, two juniors, one sophomore, three freshmen

and one eighth grader fought the odds. Through hard work and determination the team of nine swept the district and regional championship titles and went on to place third at state.

"Their season record was 18-7.

"They participated in the Capitán tournament taking third place after defeating Magdalena, losing to Socorro and then defeating Fort Sumner. Christetta Chavez and Mary Jane Ferguson were selected to be on the all-tournament team.

"At the round robin held in Capitán, the Grizzly girls came out seeded no. 2 in the district, winning to four district opponents and having to forfeit the Cloudercroft game because the Grizzlies had scheduled too many games during the regular season.

"The [Lady] Grizzlies were-

n't expected to get past district with Cloudercroft and Capitán favored. The [Lady] Grizzlies went to the district tournament in Cloudercroft ready to play and eliminated the rival Capitán in a close three game match. Carrizozo advanced to the district championship game where they met Cloudercroft. The determined Lady Grizzlies downed Cloudercroft in three games to become the district champs.

"At the regional tournament held in Fort Sumner, the Lady Grizzlies came out on top again with the regional championship title after defeating Mountainair and then Fort Sumner.

"In the first round of the state tournament the Lady Grizzlies defeated Coronado, but on the second day they lost to Tatum. They played Fort Sumner for third place and defeated them for the

third time in their season, placing third in the state tournament.

"Christetta Chavez was named to the first team All-State team as hitter/blocker. Mary Jane Ferguson was named to the third All-State team.

"The Lady Grizzly squad was coached by Ron Becker and Rhonda Farley."

The 1983 Lady Grizzlies volleyball team members were Judy Vega, Marcella Sandoval, Mary Jane Ferguson, Christetta Chavez, Debbie Najar, Jamie Patterson, Lynn Gallacher, Julie Vega, Karon Baroz, Melissa Greer and Vickie Vermillion.

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LEGAL

LEGAL NOTICE is hereby given that on September 12, 1995, Nancy Duley and the New Mexico State Highway & Transportation Dept., lease, filed application numbered T-274-A(T) into T-1654 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to temporarily change location of well, place and purpose of use of 7 acre-feet per annum consumptive use of ground water within the Tularosa Underground Water Basin by ceasing the irrigation of 3.6 acres of land, located in the NW 1/4 SW 1/4 of Section 28, Township 7 South, Range 10 East, N.M.P.M., from well T-274-S, located in the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 29, Township 7 South, Range 10 East, and commencing the diversion and consumptive use of 7 acre-feet of water from well T-1654, located in the SW 1/4 NE 1/4 SW 1/4 of Section 21, Township 8 South, Range 10 East, for highway construction and related purposes under Highway Project No. NH-054-2(14) 1 1/2 from 4.5 miles southwest of Junction 380, approximately 6.8 miles, from Section 17, Township 8 South, Range 10 East to Section 17, Township 9 South, Range 9 East. Said water rights shall revert to the move-from well, place and purpose of use on December 31, 1996, or upon completion of the project, whichever is sooner.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the objector's water right shall have standing to file objections or protests. Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be contrary to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the state of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The protest or objection shall be in writing and shall set forth all protestant's or objector's reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 133 Wyatt Drive, Suite 3, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this notice.

Mexico 88005, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this notice.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo is interested in leasing the Town of Carrizozo Recreation Center to qualified experienced operator. Please direct inquiries/proposals to:
**Town of Carrizozo
Mayor and
Board of Trustees
P.O. Box 247
Carrizozo, New Mexico
88301**

Deadline for inquiries/proposals is November 24, 1995, 4:00 p.m.
**CAROL SCHLARB,
CMC/AAE
Town Clerk
Town of Carrizozo**

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LEGAL NOTICE is hereby given that on September 12, 1995, Nancy Duley and the New Mexico State Highway & Transportation Dept., lease, filed application numbered T-274-B(T) with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to temporarily change place and purpose of use of 18 acre-feet per annum consumptive use of ground water within the Tularosa Underground Water Basin by ceasing the irrigation of 9.2 acres of land, located in the NW 1/4 SW 1/4 of Section 28, Township 7 South, Range 10 East, N.M.P.M., from well T-274-S, located in the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 29, Township 7 South, Range 10 East, and commencing the use of said well and 18 acre-foot diversion and consumptive use of water for highway construction and related purposes under Highway Project No. TPA-TPE-380-1(20), from 7.3 miles east of the Lincoln Socorro county line (CN-1493) east approximately 4.2 miles, from Section 1, Township 7 South, Range 9 East to Section 28, Township 7 south, Range 10 East. Said water rights shall revert to the move-from place and purpose of use on December 31, 1996, or upon completion of the project, whichever is sooner.

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

OF

WILLIAM TREGO VARDEMAN, DECEASED

PROBATE NO. PB95-38

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE BY ANCILLARY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, TO:
Jo Olive Vardeman, Joe Bill Vardeman, Robert Don Vardeman, Jana Kay Vardeman Diamond, Tami Sue Vardeman Huckoby; the unknown heirs of William Trego Vardeman, deceased, and all unknown persons claiming any lien upon or

right, title or interest in or to the Estate of William Trego Vardeman, deceased.

GREETINGS:
You and each of you are hereby notified that Jo Olive Vardeman, Ancillary Personal Representative of the Estate of William Trego Vardeman, deceased, has filed a Petition for Order of Complete Settlement of Estate by Ancillary Personal Representative; and you are further notified that on Monday, the 11th day of December, 1995, at 9:00 o'clock a.m., at the District Courtroom in the Courthouse at Carrizozo, Lincoln County, New Mexico, the District Court of said County and State, pursuant to an Order duly made and entered, will hear objections, if any, to said Petition for Order of Complete Settlement of Estate by Ancillary Personal Representative, and the settlement thereof, and the release and discharge of said Ancillary Personal Representative, and will proceed finally to determine the testacy and heirship of said decedent, the ownership of his estate within the State of New Mexico, the interest of each respective claimant thereto or therein, and the persons entitled to the distribution thereof.

Jerry L. Williams, Post Office Box 910, Lovington, New Mexico, 88260, is the attorney for the Ancillary Personal Representative.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 3rd day of November, 1995.

SALLY FINARELLI
Clerk of the District Court
Lincoln County,
New Mexico

By: **Elizabeth Lueras**
Deputy
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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN No. CV-95-222 Div. III
RUDOLPH MELVIN SANCHEZ,
Plaintiff,

GROUP I:
S.C. GRAY, s/k/a SARAH GRAY, OMA LAIR, JULIA GALLEGOS REYES, NELLIE GUEVARA; and their heirs, devisees and assigns;
GROUP II:
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GROUP III:

ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFF,

Defendants.
SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: The Defendants named in Groups I, II and III above

GREETINGS:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Plaintiff, Rudolph Melvin Sanchez, has filed a Complaint for Quiet Title in the Twelfth Judicial District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No. CV-95-222. The object of the action is to quiet title against each of you as named Defendants in order that Plaintiff acquire clear title in and to the following described real property situate in Lincoln County, New Mexico:

Lots 9, 10, 11 and 12, the North Half (N1/2) of Lot 13, and the North Half (N1/2) of Lot 14, Block 85, of the Town of Captain, Lincoln County, New Mexico;

You are further notified that unless you enter an appearance, plead or otherwise respond in this cause on or before December 21, 1995, judgment will be rendered against you by default and the relief prayed for in the Complaint will be granted to Plaintiff in conformity with the allegations of the Complaint. Plaintiff is represented by:

Lee Griffin
LEGAL SERVICES INC., P.C.
1206 Mechem Drive
Ruidoso, New Mexico 89345

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on November 3rd, 1995.

SALLY FINARELLI
Clerk of the District Court
By: **Elizabeth Lueras**, Deputy

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the governing body of the Town of Carrizozo will hold their Regular Scheduled Meeting on Tuesday, November 14, 1995 at 8:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution 94-14, Twenty-Four hours prior to meeting date and made available to the public.
Carol Schlarb, CMC/AAE
Town of Carrizozo

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall hold Public Hearings beginning at 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, December 5, 1995, in the Commission Meeting Room at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, to consider the following proposed ordinances:
1.) PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LINCOLN COUNTY SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 1994-2.
2.) PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING ORDINANCE NO. 1994-8.

All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. Copies of the proposed ordinance may be obtained from the County Manager's Office at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.
MONROY A. MONTES,
Chairman
Lincoln County
Commission

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Lincoln County DETENTION CENTER REPORT

The following people were booked into, or released from, the Lincoln County Detention Center (county jail) in the courthouse in Carrizozo:

October 24:
Anthony Romero, 19, Ruidoso: conspiracy, allowing self to be served; no bond set by District Judge Richard Parsons.

October 25:
Artesia: failure to appear, conditions of release revoked; \$10,000 bond set by Magistrate Judge William Butts; released October 26 on orders from Butts.

October 25:
Christopher Padilla, 31, Roswell: arrested on warrant for failure to appear; \$6,000 bond set by Magistrate Judge Gerald Dean Jr.; released October 30 on orders from Dean.

October 27:
Darryl Hendrix, 27, Knox City, TX: warrant for embezzlement; \$10,000 bond set by Butts.

October 27:
Brian D. Catt 19, Tularosa: public nuisance; court commitment of 24 hours by Otero Magistrate Judge Jerry Hardison; released October 28 time served.

October 28:
Dudley E. Schroff, 40, Tularosa: court commitment of six months by Judge Parsons.

November 3:
William McCall, 44, Ruidoso Downs: arrested on warrant for distribution of marijuana; \$5,000 bond set by Dean; released same day on orders from Dean; arrested by sheriff's officer.

November 4:
Jenna McCall, 23, Ruidoso Downs: five counts of distribution of marijuana; \$25,000 bond set by Dean; released same day after posting bond; arrested by sheriff's officer.

November 5:
Patrick A. Sandoval, 46, Ruidoso: three counts of distribution of marijuana; \$15,000 bond set by Dean; arrested by sheriff's officers.

November 5:
Keith W. Hardin, 30, Ruidoso: six counts of distribution of marijuana; \$50,000 bond set by Dean; arrested by Dean.

November 6:
4:22 a.m. a caller reported an animal down on Gavilan Canyon just past a riding stable. This caller advised a collie was alive, but wouldn't move, like its hips were possibly broken. Ruidoso police were requested to send an officer. Later dispatch got a call from Ruidoso police that the responding officer contacted the owners who retrieved the dog. Dispatch contacted the caller to advise him the

Lincoln County Sheriff's officer.

October 29:
Rito Samora Jr., 39, Carrizozo: no insurance, DWI; \$1,600 bond set by Dean posted same day and released; arrested by state police.

October 30:
John C. Cabot, 84, Ruidoso: aerosol spray abuse or possession 2nd offense; \$10,000 bond set by Butts; arrested by Ruidoso Police.

Jack Russell, 36, Captain: bench warrant for failure to comply with conditions of release, failure to pay; no bond set by Butts; arrested by sheriff's officer.

October 31:
Robert C. Achterberg, 18, Ruidoso Downs: unlawful taking of a motor vehicle; \$5,000 set by Butts; released October 31 on orders from Butts.

November 1:
Harry Atma, 48, Clines Corner: DWI, negligent use of a firearm; \$2,500 bond set by Dean posted November 2 and released; arrested by sheriff's officer.

Jeffery B. Vanover, 30, Ruidoso: five counts distribution of methamphetamine, one count of conspiracy; arrested by sheriff's officers.

Hans J. Dubay, 20, Ruidoso Downs: probation violation. Ricardo Arreola, 18, Anthony, TX: probation violation; released November 6 on orders from Judge Parsons.

November 4:
Raul DeLeon, 19, El Paso, TX: trafficking a controlled substance (marijuana) with intent to distribute, conspiracy; \$100,000 bond set by Dean; arrested by Carrizozo police and a deputy.

Arturo Leos, 21, El Paso: trafficking a controlled substance, conspiracy; \$100,000 bond set by Dean; arrested by Carrizozo police and a deputy.

Clyde Baca, 39; Las Vegas, NM: bench warrant for failure to appear; released November 6 on orders from Butts.

November 6:
Luis F. Perez, 28, Ruidoso Downs: distribution of marijuana and cocaine; \$50,000 bond set by Dean; released same day on orders from Dean; arrested by sheriff's officer.

Gerald Sandoval, 45, Ruidoso: receiving stolen property, unlawful taking of a motor vehicle, contempt of court, violation of conditions of release; no bond; arrested by Ruidoso Police.

Daniel Salcido, 22, Hondo: court commitment of seven days by Butts for driving on revoked license; arrested by Ruidoso police.

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Sheriff's Report . . .

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possible carbon monoxide leak at a house. Ruidoso Downs fire chief advised he had a tester and would go check the house in Palo Verde Slopes. The chief advised he did check the house and found a gas leak by the heater. He notified the propane company and advised that the family was going to stay with in-laws for the night. Everyone was okay for now. The chief advised the propane company which was coming the next day.

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dog and its owners were getting together again.

6:19 a.m. Santa Rosa dispatch reported a fire at Calinas Canyon five miles south of Red Cloud Campground turnoff. Cibola National Forest was advised.

6:31 a.m. a caller reported trespassing on the Tyree Ranch in the Corona area. A pickup was parked in their pasture and the caller requested an officer from Game and Fish or a deputy patrol the area. Game and Fish was notified.

9:04 a.m. a deputy requested a case number for a runaway.

9:30 a.m. a deputy requested a case number for damage to property report.

10:10 a.m. a caller reported a one vehicle roll over on Highway 48 between Swiss Chalat and Alta Store. There were no injuries. State police were notified.

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CORONA NEWS

CUB SCOUT PACK 16 AWARDS NIGHT

The Cub Scouts of Pack 16 in Corona had an award night on October 23. The boys received patches for achievements they earned during the past year. Receiving their Tiger and Bobcat awards were: Dusty Burroughs, Chris Dobbs, Wayne Finley, Ryan Painter, and Patrick Palomarez. Receiving their Bobcat and Wolf patches were: Michael Finley and Matt May. Randy Warren, new to the pack this year, earned his Bobcat, the first award on the Webelos trail.

Cub Scout Pack 16 is led by Doug Dobbs, Cubmaster, and Den Leaders Rosetta Gilmore, Gayle May, and Liz Painter.

The Trick or Treaters Tuesday evening were delightful in manners and costumes. The ones we liked best were the little football player and his sister, the "Ghost of Football's Past".

Crown CowBelles met Thursday, Nov. 2 at the Crown Cafe for the specialty, green chile stew. Twelve members came for the election of officers.

President Wanda Duke announced that she would be going to Albuquerque Friday and asked for anyone to accompany her. She was going to work with chefs and the Beef Council in their Holiday Ole.

The ASI dinner for Jan. 16 was discussed and a price to be negotiated depending on the cost of lamb. Lee Sultemeier, chairman, asked for baby food jars for the Crown Meat Magic to be sold at the dinner and later for Christmas gifts.

Crown will pay Margie McKenzie postage for any Operation Respect materials she sends.

Secretary Lanita Rasak reminded members to pay dues and to turn in tickets for the quilt drawing. The quilt will be given at the December meeting.

The nominating committee, Lee Sultemeier, Loretta Proctor and Geraldine Perkins, offered the following slate of officers for the new year: President Lee Sultemeier, 1st VP Muriel Pounds, 2nd VP Shelly Frost, Secretary Thomasine Romans, Treasurer Sabra Davidson. The report was accepted and officers elected by acclamation.

tion. They will be installed at the next meeting.

The Committee for Cow-Belle of the Year 1995—Geraldine Perkins, Muriel Pounds, Katie Sultemeier and June Tyree offered the name of Jane Doe. There were no nay votes and Jane's identity will be revealed at the next meeting.

The December meeting and Christmas party will be at 11:00 a.m., Monday, December 4 at the ranch home of Lee Sultemeier with Shelly Frost and Loretta Proctor co-hostesses. There will be dinner, installation of officers and a gift exchange.

John and Courtney were visited last week with his sister, Renee Kessler and family. John has finished basic training and "A" school at the Great Lakes Naval Base and is enroute to Norfolk, VA.

Clara and Charles Porter were here last week to visit with relatives and to finish moving things to their home in or near Stringtown, OK.

Mrs. Jack Heffer, Carrizozo, was here Tuesday to visit with friends and do some shopping at the Presbyterian Christmas Bazaar.

Pat and Freddie Schmidt, San Antonio, are spending a week with his grandmother, Mrs. L.K. Merritt.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Kealin are camping at the home place during hunting season.

Johnnie Faye Harelson and husband were here from Los Alamos Tuesday as guests of Robin Pfeiffer to help with the bazaar. Johnnie Faye brought more than a few interesting items.

Mrs. A. J. Gibbs spent last weekend in El Paso with son, Ken Gibbs.

Mrs. Joseph Erramouspe was in Tatum with her parents, Mrs. and Mrs. Tony Gabel, last week but came home before the volleyball regionals in order to be here for the first hunting season.

Women's Aglow regular meeting will be Saturday afternoon at the school with Yolanda Hirsch to speak. All women are welcome to hear her speak on Israel.

Byron Yancey underwent gall bladder surgery Monday

in the Ruidoso hospital.

The school has started work on erecting the Cardinal marquee.

Lady Tigers Lose Bid

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weeks," he said. "And we had a lot of fun."

Masse said the players improved a lot over the season, and gained a lot of confidence. The team will lose three seniors, Shelby Gowen, Catherine Sidwell and Chris Worrell. "We will miss them," Masse said. Chris is so quick on the back row, making so many good saves and doing a good job overall. Catherine did a good job at the net and she did a super job after coming back for an early season ankle injury.

Next season, Masse expects to start off where the team left off this season. "We'll be real competitive next year," he said. "Several girls who were sitting on the bench and waiting, are not that far behind the seniors in their ability. With a year of basketball, track, weight lifting, and summer ball, they can step up and take over," Masse said.

"A lot of people in the district said we weren't going to be any good. I think we surprised them," Masse concluded.

The 1995 Lady Tigers volleyball team members were: seniors Worrell, Gowen and Sidwell; juniors Joni Autrey, Andra Fish, Mandi Aldaz, Julie Barham, Casey Cunningham, Trisha Siedel; sophomores Monica Johnson, Michelle Wilson, Jessica Robertson, Ann Holt and Coye Robbins.

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Capitan Notes

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as did poor Elena. Well the old adage "All's well that ends well" did not prove true in this case. After they left within a half hour with a "be sure and come visit us in Nebraska," it was cons, or so it seemed, before I could get to sleep.

The next day being Monday, and my old casa already sort of cleaned up for company, I decided to just rock with the punches for a day.

The next day I went to Senior Citizens with Emmeline and Dick and Thelma Stephens was taking blood pressures of all the old folks. She asked me if I wanted mine taken. I declined, as I felt wonderful and why worry about something I did not want to worry about?

She said in her inimitable way, "Sit down Maureen."

I sat down and she was alarmed at how high it was and said I had better get myself to my doctor but quick

like. There was no way I could get myself to my doctor in Ruidoso at that moment so I came home and with heavy heart just plunked in the chair.

I tried unsuccessfully to get through to the doctor. The next day I tried again and was told they were swamped, but they would call if there was a cancellation.

Next morning, feeling I was on the verge of cardiac arrest, I dialed again. Luckily they could see me on Thursday in the afternoon. As always, I dialed Elaine to see if she could transport the "almost corpse" over and she said, "of course." God bless her.

All's well that ends well is apropos. The pressure had receded to within reasonable bounds and the doctor pronounced me very healthy for my age and to go home and quit worrying.

The next morning, bright and early and feeling exceed-

ingly chipper, took my freshly brewed coffee to the porch to look at the scenery and a darned black cat went right in front of me. Without even sitting down in a chair, I turned tail and dashed back inside my casa, to ponder and wonder what the ensuing day would bring.

I was to go to the center for lunch with Dick and Emmeline. Are you ready for this? About 11 a.m. I went back upstairs to get cleaned up because you remember Emmeline and Dick leave their driveway at precisely 11:30. So as I was behind, as usual, was rushing.

I took out my partial and hurriedly cleaned it and plopped it back into my mouth and when I smiled to see if it was clean, my mouth looked back at me like a junior size Carlsbad Caverns. The very front tooth on the bridge was missing and was probably on it's way down to

the Rio Grande. Result? I cancelled the aforementioned lunch date, tried to get a dentist on the phone, but on Friday that is like looking for a needle in a haystack. So I hid and moped.

I read and accomplished a few things that had been staring me in the face for weeks and finally survived until Monday morning so I could call a dentist again. He had installed the aforementioned tooth once before when I knocked it out and bless him, he said if I could get there pronto he would take me. Pronto meant dialing Elaine, who else, and within 45 minutes we were on our way. And the dentist was a life saver, my knight in shining armor and above all my rescuer of a damsel in distress.

And so am hoping for a bit of serenity for the remainder of the week. And on that note will wish all of you the best of the best and a most happy and pleasant Veteran's Day.

Lease Proposals

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Lease negotiations are scheduled to begin Monday, January 22.

While response to the general secretary's office has been great, in Lincoln County, members of local school and municipal boards have been hearing a lot from a potential proposer for Fort Stanton. Dan Lopez, executive director of Desert Hills Center for Youth and Families in Albuquerque, and consultant for Children Youth International, has told local audiences his plans to make the Fort into a treatment facility for troubled juveniles with emphasis on vocational programs. He said up to 300 people could be employed.

But there is no formal proposal in the general services office from Desert Hills as yet. "Most proposals come in at the deadline," Jackson said.

When visiting local groups, Lopez said he was the only proposer in "the running."

When contacted at his Albuquerque office Monday, Lopez said his company is still planning to submit a proposal for leasing the Fort. However, a recent announcement by the secretary of Children Youth and Families about requesting \$5 million for the state to build a juvenile jail in southern New Mexico has dampened the enthusiasm of the publicly-traded Children Youth International which is one of Lopez's partners in the plan.

"While I don't anticipate any competition [with the juvenile jail] as we would address the non-violent juvenile," Lopez said.

But Lopez said his company has shown the greatest interest in the Fort, and for the neighboring communities.

Lopez told local Lincoln County groups if his company is the successful proposer for the Fort, it plans to hire 150 locals within the first six months.

State Freeze On Projects

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privatization of state government, such as the Construction Industries Division which currently provides construction inspections for the state. He said the county has an opportunity to make revenue by having its own construction inspector, and charging its own fees for construction permits. Also, such a local inspection program would better identify new constructions. "Some 30 percent of the state is covered by inspectors, that leaves 70 percent not checked," Gosling said.

Elias earlier in the meeting had discussed the current financial situation in the state, which the governor perceives to be a crisis. Elias said the situation is a cash

flow problem. "The problem isn't that the state is short of money, rather it is a matter of cash flow and revenues."

Elias said the state is "pretty well off" with plenty of money in reserves and from the surplus to take care of the budget and capital outlay projects approved by the 1995 legislature. "The governor decided not to use the reserves and surplus as in the past to take care of the financial situation," Elias said.

Elias recommended the commissioners take their concerns to their state legislator and ask him to contact the governor, and the Department of Finance and Administration.

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