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Campos Says Session Is Interesting & Hectic

The 1995 legislative session is still several weeks away from adjournment, but already this has proven to be one of the more interesting, more hectic, sessions in recent memory, according to Senator Pete Campos.

Campos said, "We are continuing to grapple with the possible closure of Fort Stanton. We are continuing to seek ways of improving the education of our children and maintaining New Mexico's fair

tax burden. We are continuing to reach for the delicate balance that will allow Indian tribes to improve their economy through gaming while preserving the viability of our horse racing industry—our state's fourth-largest industry."

Campos added, "The majority in the legislature is also striving to begin and maintain an effective, efficient working relationship with the governor."

"In my dual role as the state senator from District 8 and majority party caucus chair, my workdays, evenings and weekends are filled with committee meetings, homework and leadership meetings designed to accomplish those goals. Frequently, we as legislators are asked to be in two places—or even more than two—at once," Campos said.

Campos is a member of both the Senate Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Select Gaming Committee. Each committee is scheduled to meet at the same time: 8:00 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

The following is a brief rundown of the major areas of

Fort Stanton As A Movie Studio Is New Proposal

Stan Monks of Alto compiled a concept paper Feb. 13 about the feasibility of using Fort Stanton as the site for a major film studio.

Monks list of attributes that are attractive to film makers, includes: excellent climate, excellent light due to lack of smoke and industrial pollution, low costs of labor and real estate, wide variety of scenery, and stable environment.

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Roundhouse Report

by DORIS CHERRY

Horse racing fans, horse owners and others associated with the horse racing industry converged on the Roundhouse Wednesday, asking for legislation that will be fair to the horse industry.

Senator Pete Campos serves on the Senate Select Gaming Committee. "At this point there are numerous bills dealing with different forms of gaming for different segments of the population," Campos said.

"The Select Gaming Committee, along with the entire legislature, has been forced into making some very hard decisions," Campos added. "Those include regulatory control for gaming, locations,

types of games including lottery, video gaming, cards and table gaming."

Proposals being considered are estimated to bring some \$30 million and more in revenues to the state.

Campos at this point prefers any of the 40 gaming bills introduced that combine all forms of gaming. "I would hope there will be consensus on which forms of gaming would be most productive for the state of New Mexico."

While there has been no commitment from Gov. Gary Johnson on the gaming issues, he has indicated he will give fair consideration to gaming at race tracks and fraternal

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CARRIZOZO SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER DEWEY BROWN (left) received a plaque of appreciation for his years of service on the board from board president Nick Serna during the Feb. 21 board meeting.

Carrizozo School Staff Receives Pay Increase

by Ruth Hammond

Carrizozo School staff will receive a salary increase of two percent for the 1994-95 school year. The budget had included a one percent increase and the new equalization schedule allowed for the additional two percent increase. Staff worked on the holiday Feb. 20 to qualify for the pay increase. The announcement was made during the Feb. 21 school board meeting.

Rob Hollis was re-employed as building principal for another two years. He has served as principal for one year.

The board also hired Kim Gremillion as track coach for the remainder of this school year.

A plaque of appreciation was presented to board member Dewey Brown for his years of service on the board. This was his last meeting as a board member.

"It was a good experience and I enjoyed it," Brown said.

In other business the board accepted the resignation of Michael Goins.

A set of 27 Walt Disney books donated by Micki Kirton was accepted.

Superintendent Elna Stowe reported the school's three year asbestos reinspection was completed. A written report is to be received in three to four weeks and will be made available to the public.

The board approved the

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PAT VEGA attended the Feb. 21 Carrizozo School Board meeting as a member of the audience. Her first meeting as a board member will be March 28.

LCSWA Plans To Begin New Recycling Projects

Commissioner Howell sat at his last meeting as a member of the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) board on Feb. 21.

LCSWA Manager Joe Lewandowski reported that with a 99 percent recycle rate on "white goods" (appliances) LCSWA had the best recycling rate for appliances state-wide. He indicated that the Capitan landfill bonds might be paid off halfway through the 15 year repayment period allowed for in the terms of the bonds, if present trends continue.

On the advice of Lewandowski, the board voted not to purchase for \$110,000 a parcel of land next to the Capitan landfill site, due to future plans which would make better use of recycling and therefore result in making the Capitan site easily capable of at least three more years as a landfill.

The board gave approval of Lewandowski's plan to use a shed to store paint and thinner from private citizens who would not otherwise have a safe place to get rid of these materials, and allow private citizens to go to the shed for free materials for small projects

such as painting fences. The board approved the plan to provide the public service.

Lewandowski also requested the board approve a plan for used oil recycling. The plan would allow private citizens to bring waste oil to LCSWA. LCSWA would give the oil to a Texas company in the business of recycling oil products. Under this plan LCSWA

would still be liable for any hazardous spills of the used oil being transported until receipt by the Texas firm. The board approved the oil recycling plan. Details of these LCSWA recycling plans and LCSWA public services will be provided to the media for the public.

Lewandowski reported that the town of Carrizozo would be making a final decision on Requests for Proposals (RFP) at the Feb. 28 regular meeting. Carrizozo Mayor Kuhnel, in attendance at the meeting and a member of the LCSWA board, confirmed this.

Lewandowski requested authorization from the board to take necessary action if the town of Carrizozo awards the proposal to LCSWA. The

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Porter Sponsors Bill For Study To Use Fort

Some New Mexico veterans are homeless, and often suffering from depression, or other problems.

House Bill 615, sponsored by Rep. William E. Porter, D-Las Cruces, could help find a residence for those veterans. The bill calls for a study of converting Fort Stanton Hospital into an interim residence for unemployed, homeless veterans.

"Many veterans, especially World War II veterans, are suffering from major disruptions in their lives with the loss of a spouse or job," said Porter. "There needs to be some place for the veterans to go, to get over their depression, and where their immediate physical needs could be

taken care of and get them interested in life again."

State-owned Fort Stanton Hospital, which until last year was a school for people with developmental disabilities, is facing closure by governor Gary Johnson. The center for homeless veterans is one of several options now being considered for use of the multi-million dollar facility.

"This seems like the ideal opportunity to solve the veteran's problems, and the use of Fort Stanton," Porter said.

HB 615, which asks for \$10,000 for the study, is co-sponsored by 26 representatives and endorsed by the New Mexico Veterans Association. The bill received a unanimous

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Dunlap Goes To Palestine To Help With Ag Fair

by RALPH DUNLAP

Ralph Dunlap has just returned from three weeks in Israel working with the Palestinians on the West Bank and in Gaza. They are planning on having their first agricultural fair in late March. This is to be an annual event.

Dunlap was under the sponsorship of VOCA, Volunteers in Overseas Cooperative Assistance. He went over with several plans for an agricultural fair and small suitcase of material on fairs but none of the material applied to what they wanted in a fair.

The first week he visited with Palestinian farmers and officials of the Palestinian National Authority, Palestinian Agricultural Relief Committees and Palestinian Agricultural Marketing Association.

Dunlap said they were all very enthusiastic about having a fair. They have a surplus of agricultural products especially citrus fruit and vegetables. Most of the vegetables are raised under plastic using drip irrigation. There also is an ample supply of labor to do the intensive cultivation necessary to raise these crops. About 50 percent of the Palestinians are engaged in agriculture.

Dunlap said many different ideas were mentioned as to what should be in the agricultural fair. After many conversations, a draft set of recommendations were developed. These were then translated into Arabic because the Palestinians were more comfortable with it in Arabic for discussion. Plans were made to meet in

Jericho at 9:00 a.m. on Monday morning, Jan. 23. These plans were abruptly changed when two Palestinian radicals killed themselves along with about 30 Israelis near Netanya. Road blocks were set up over all parts of Israel. No Palestinian was allowed past the road blocks; therefore the Palestinians were unable to go to work. These road blocks were still in effect when Dunlap left on Feb. 2.

He had to change his procedures and meet with each Palestinian separately. Being an American, he could go through the road blocks. This situation made it impossible to meet with representative of the four organizations that were to make up the fair board at the same time.

As an alternative, Dunlap

wrote out detailed instructions for all aspects of the Palestinian Agricultural Fair and left them with monsour Garabeleh of CDP, Cooperative Development Project, to review with the other representatives. They will form the fair board which will make the many major decisions regarding the Palestinian Agricultural Fair. The one unresolved need was the money needed to put on the Fair. The estimated budget was \$85,000 but only \$30,000 had been committed.

After three weeks in Israel, Dunlap came back with a better understanding of the Palestinian situation. "The Israeli-Palestinian situation is very complex. It is one country but two entirely separate

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LINCOLN RESIDENT RALPH DUNLAP shows a copy of the Arabic newspaper that included a write-up about Dunlap's trip to Palestine to help organize their first Ag Fair. Dunlap and his wife Rosalie enjoyed the three weeks they were in Palestine.

Campos Says Session Is . . .

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interest and concern Campos said he will concentrate during the final half of the session:

Fort Stanton

Campos has introduced legislation (Senate Bill 1002) that would convert the Fort Stanton Hospital and Training School and the nearby Camp Sierra Blanca into a substance abuse treatment facility. He said this proposal would save money, since the budgets of the two facilities would be combined and then slightly cut. It is only one of several proposals being considered to preserve Fort Stanton.

"Most importantly, however, this proposal would fill a major need of our state. Nearly all of the adult criminals currently behind bars have histories of drug or alcohol abuse. Frequently, substance abuse has played a significant role in their criminal activity.

If we as a state are ever to truly break the cycle of violence, we must aggressively tackle the substance abuse problems of criminals," Campos said.

Gaming

"The Senate Select Gaming Committee has heard hours of testimony on this controversial subject. Members of the committee are genuinely concerned about two overriding issues: (1) preserving our state's unique culture and beauty; and (2) preserving the economic viability of New Mexico's horse racing industry," Campos said.

"These are and will continue to be difficult tasks. And, unfortunately, much of the legislature's authority over gambling has been eroded by the governor's unilateral decision to approve casino gambling on Indian reservations." Campos concluded, "I'm confident, however, that the

good men and women of the legislature, with your help, will be able to reach a consensus on this issue that is in the best interests of all New Mexicans. Preserving the economic health of Lincoln County has always been and will continue to be a top priority."

People can write to Sen. Pete Campos with comments and concerns on these or other issues at: Room 300, State Capitol, Santa Fe, NM 87503.

LCSWA Plans . . .

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board concurred with this request.

Lewandowski suggested that quarterly meetings might now be most cost effective and less time consuming for board members and for LCSWA staff. Ruidoso Mayor Jerry Shaw suggested a more seasonal meeting schedule, monthly during spring and summer months and bi-monthly during fall and winter months. After short discussion of the meeting item, the board voted to have monthly meetings April through September and to have bi-monthly meetings October through Mar.

An election of officers item on the agenda, due to the resignation of Howell, was tabled after Mayor Shaw suggested yearly elections were only two months away anyway. It was agreed by the board that this was the best course of action, to wait for the yearly election of officers for the board to be held in April, and to have the vice-chairman, Frank T. Cummins provide the leadership on the board until that time.

A plaque of appreciation was presented to Howell from board members on behalf of the board and the public.

Howell presented to the board Albert DuBose as the person appointed by the Lincoln County Commissioners to fill the board vacancy. DuBose made a few quick statements about how smooth he felt the LCSWA was now operating and suggested that this would make his time as a board member easier.

The next meeting of the LCSWA was set for March 20 at 10 a.m.

Carrizozo School Staff . . .

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sick leave policy. Stowe said staff had input in the re-writing of the policy which will allow 10 days of sick leave per year for all full time or nine-month employees.

"The weapons in school policy was approved. Board member Jody Ventura asked if pocket knives would be considered a weapon. Hollis said if it was for a potentially violent use it would be taken from the student.

"Three drafts of proposed calendars for the 1995-96 school year were presented. Stowe said the staff will vote on the three and the one the staff chooses will be presented to the board for approval.

Board president Nick Serna asked if contracts for athletic events have been set. He asked that games be kept away from the middle of the week. His concern was middle of the week games when stu-

dents have to get up the next day to go to school.

Board member Ventura was also concerned about middle of the week athletic events.

Hollis said some games are Thursdays and Saturdays but he would look at it.

"Hollis presented a proposal to change the schedule from seven to a six period day. He said with the drop in enrollment and budget it would be a way to cut back.

Students need 23 credits to graduate. The six period day would allow 24 credits during the four years of high school.

Stowe and Hollis also provided information about the satellite program the school will be getting with grant money.

Ventura asked if the school plans to offer more extended computer classes. These may be available from the satellite. Hollis also said students

could take computer classes at ENMU in Ruidoso and receive credit.

The school will be able to record classes from the satellite program for later use if necessary.

Vo Ag teacher Dale Mitchell reported the FFA team took first place in the district pari-pro contest in November.

The March school board meeting will be held March 28 at 6 p.m. instead of the usual third Tuesday of the month. The reason for the change was because the school offices will be closed for spring break March 20 - 24.

Carrizozo School News

Parents of Carrizozo School children are invited to attend a play at the school Tuesday, Feb. 28. Two different plays will be presented, depending on grade level.

Preschool through 2nd grade performance will be from 1 to 2 p.m. The 3rd through 6th graders performance will be from 2:15 to 3:13 p.m. A teacher in-service will be held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

"The free Performing Arts in Education event is made possible by the Southeast New Mexico Performing Arts, Communication and Education Foundation (PACE) and the Lincoln County School systems.

The plays will also be performed at Capitan School March 2 and Corona School March 23.

Carrizozo School music department members will participate in the 1995 honor band festival at Cloudcroft High School March 3 and 4. The students will be given the opportunity to rehearse and perform in a larger band than usual. The concert will be presented Saturday evening.

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groups of people living there. This makes for many problems. For instance, Why should the many Palestinians not be able to go to work because two radicals killed themselves and about 21 Israelis. Over 90% of the Palestinians and Israelis want to live in peace. The road blocks that stopped the Palestinians from going to work, I feel, only aggravated the situation," Dunlap said.

"Another bad situation is the exporting of Palestinian Agricultural products. The Israelis make it very difficult for Palestinians to export. They hold up export permits. They empty boxes of fruit and

vegetables to inspect them causing bruises resulting in an unmarketable product. The day before I left, The Gaza area was trying to export some carnations but they were not allowed to leave Israel because they did not have an export permit. I do not know if they have a permit yet."

"I enjoyed my trip to Israel and never felt threatened by the situation. On weekends I went to many parts of Israel, purchased olive wood articles and visited the many places mentioned in the Bible," Dunlap said.

His wife, Rosalie, made the trip to Palestine with Ralph.

Historical Society Wants Fort Buildings Preserved

The board of directors of the Lincoln County Historical Society sent a letter to Governor Gary Johnson stating their concerns about the care and preservation of the historic buildings at Fort Stanton.

"As the last remaining intact historic fort dating back to the Indian wars, Fort Stanton is especially worthy of preservation," the letter states.

The letter also notes, "Fort Stanton is an irreplaceable and incomparable historic facility with 11 buildings still standing that were built in the 1870s and 1880s when the Fort served as a military post.

"Fort Stanton's significance in its 140 year history encompasses major facets of New Mexico history. It played a major role in the Indian wars in the southwest. During the Civil War it was abandoned by the Union Army and briefly occupied by the Confederates."

"The Buffalo Soldiers, just beginning to gain the recognition they deserve in our nation's history, were stationed at Fort Stanton. Famous people such as Kit Carson and "Black Jack" Pershing served at Fort Stanton."

"Fort Stanton played a role in the Lincoln County War. Billy the Kid was incarcerated at Fort Stanton. Following its military years, Fort Stanton became the first federal hospital in the United States devoted exclusively to the treatment of tuberculosis (TB). During World War II Fort Stanton became the first internment camp for aliens in the United States."

The historical society says it is essential that New Mexico not lose this rare collection of well-preserved buildings, which quickly deteriorate and are subject to vandalism. These old buildings are fragile; they would not last long if neglected, and New Mexico

would lose an important part of its heritage. (SEE PAGE 12)



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do-pass from the Labor and Human Resources Committee Tuesday, and will now go to Appropriations Committee.

Support for HB 615 can be expressed by calling Rep. Porter at 986-4254, or writing Representative William Porter, Room 207, State Capitol Building, Santa Fe, NM 87503.

Ft. Stanton As Movie . . .

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Monk's list of benefits of locating a film studio at Fort Stanton include: economic by creating 300 to 700 jobs as well as support services such as the building trades, good distribution and local businesses; an increase in the county tax base; low environmental impact on the area such as low water usage and minimal effect on ranching; historic aspects would be preserved for period buildings and locales for sets and films; promoting tourism by using Lincoln County's scenic locales in films; and tours of studios.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24
 —Mass with Bishop Ramirez Parish Visit at 7 p.m. at Santa Rita Catholic Church in Carrizozo. A reception for Bishop Ramirez will be held after mass in the Parish Hall.
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28
 —Carrizozo Town Council meets at 6 p.m.
 —Ruidoso Village Council meets at 6:30 p.m.
 —Free adult basic education classes 5 to 8 p.m. in Carrizozo High School room 6.
MONDAY, MARCH 6
 —Friends of the Ruidoso Public Library annual meeting at 6:30 at Community Methodist Church in Ruidoso with performance by the Community United Methodist Church Bell Choir. The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.
 —Republican Party of Lincoln County 'First Monday' dinner at Cree Meadows. For reservations call Ginny Vigil at 653-4609 or Bev Nys at 258-4372 by noon March 4.



WINNERS OF THE Knights of Columbus free throw competition, sponsored by Ruidoso Council #6597, held January 15 at Ruidoso High School gymnasium: from left, standing: Elena Aguilar (13 yr. old girls); Corey Saenz (13 yr. old boys); Kyle Sparks (14 yr. old boys); Holly Kelly (11 yr. old girls); Krystal McNutt (12 yr. old girls). Front row: Kayci Brunell (10 yr. old girls); Joshua Adams (10 yr. old boys); Dereck Serna (11 yr. old boys); and T. J. Montoya (12 yr. old boys). These youths were qualified to compete at district in Alamogordo.

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Winners Named For C'zozo Science Fair

The week of February 13th Carrizozo Schools held the annual science fair with judging Feb. 17. There were 18 entries from 6th through 12th grade. Winners were:

High School
 Environmental, 1st place, Jeff Maynard, 11th.
 Chemistry, 1st place, James Brown, 11th; 2nd place, Eldon Offutt, 9th.

Physics, 1st place, Eric Chavez, 9th.
Behavioral sciences, 1st place, Joanie Bingerman, 9th; 2nd place, Tabitha Means, 10th.

Medical and Health, 1st place, Keri Shafer, 10th.

Overall winners: 1st place, Keri Shafer, 2nd place, James Brown, 3rd place,

Joanie Bingerman, 4th place, Eldon Offutt.

Middle School
 Chemistry, 1st place, Cara Baker, 8th grade, 2nd place, Holly Schlarb, 3rd place, Patrick Hightower and Brandon Langley, 5th.

Environmental, 1st place, Jason Harkey, 5th.

Physical sciences, 1st place, Adrian Goad, 5th; 2nd place, Andrea Harkey and Bianca Baca, 5th; 3rd place, Matt Offutt, 5th.

Overall: 1st place, Adrian Goad, 2nd place, Andrea Harkey and Bianca Baca, 3rd place, Matt Offutt, 4th place, Cara Baker.

Each entrant will receive a Certificate of Participation and the winners in each Division and Overall will receive other awards including trophies and other prizes. The 1st and 2nd place winners of each High School division are eligible to enter the Regional Science Fair at Portales.

Debbie Bond Wins FFA State Contest

Agricultural education and FFA activities help make students more valuable employees and business owners/operators, according to Debbie Bond, 16, of Carrizozo, state winner in FFA *New Horizons* magazine's "Up With Agriculture" writing contest. Bond receives \$50 as the state winner. The chapter advisor is Dale Mitchell.

More than 1,300 students competed in this year's contest.

FFA *New Horizons* is the official publication for FFA members who are students of agricultural education.

FFA is a national organization of 428,109 members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business, and technology of agriculture. The organization has 7,545 local chapters located throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands. FFA's mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education. Local, state, and national activities and award programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom.

Debbie Bond's winning entry: "FFA is the premier leadership organization of the world. At camps, contests and workshops, FFA members strive for excellence. During their quest to win plaques, medals or achieve goals, FFA members learn discipline, dedication, communication skills and traits essential to succeeding in the work place. Leadership is a word often stressed in FFA. Leading a group takes more than a strong voice and a politician's smile. It takes a fair, impartial person who is willing to go the extra mile. FFA produces employers and employees who have enough pride within themselves to motivate, encourage and lead those around them."

Sierra Blanca DAR Members To Attend State Conference

The Sierra Blanca DAR met at Ellis Store in Lincoln for their February meeting with 13 members and four guests present. The upcoming annual State DAR Conference was discussed. It will be held in Albuquerque March 2, 3 and 4.

The National Society DAR President General, Mrs. Donald Shattuck Blair, will be the guest speaker on Friday evening March 3.

Eight members from the Sierra Blanca DAR Chapter are going to attend the conference. The delegates elected to the conference are Wanda Duke and Lanita Rasak both of Corona. Flo Durand of Roswell is the alternate.

DAR Helps Alabama School Get Cafeteria

The Kate Duncan Smith DAR School is located on Gunter Mountain in Northeast Alabama, and includes grades K-12. The school gives educational opportunities to children from a large rural area in the Appalachian foothills. Emphasis is given to patriotic education in the curriculum.

The new cafeteria began as a dream five years ago. It was completed with the help of the DAR, local community and the Marshall County Board of Education.

In attendance at the dedication was Mrs. Donald Shattuck Blair, President General N.S.D.A.R. (National Society Daughters of the American Revolution).

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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Churches Will Be Hurt

By Ruth Hammond

When can a "takeover" be considered "attractive?" The big businesses DO NOT consider a takeover as being "attractive" and will fight to keep it from happening. Some people make their money by being in the "takeover" business. Stock market statistics rise and fall at the mention of a "takeover."

Now here we are in Lincoln County, listening to our state leaders, health secretary Alex Valdez in particular, tell us, "we have gone to great lengths to make a takeover as attractive as possible." He was referring to Fort Stanton, (see his letter to the editor at the bottom of this page) and the fact that Gov. Gary Johnson has decided to close Fort Stanton regardless of what the people want and regardless of what the people need.

Maybe Mr. Valdez thinks that people losing their homes and everything they have worked for is "attractive" but I DO NOT find anything "attractive" about my friends and neighbors being treated the way they are by the state. The definition of the word "attractive" is: pleasing, winning, having the power or property of exerting physical attraction, having the quality of attracting interest or affection. Maybe my dictionary is wrong but the term "attractive" does not even come close to what the state is doing.

Mr. Valdez also says, "we will continue to make every effort to do everything possible in support of employees who may lose their jobs due to the closure of Fort Stanton Hospital." Not once does he mention helping the numerous businesses in Lincoln County that will be affected when the bulk of their customers move away from the area. Not once does he mention what will happen to the school children who will be denied classes when the enrollment declines drastically. Not once does he mention the churches that will face monetary crisis when they no longer have these people helping and donating to their churches.

According to Gov. Johnson, the state will save \$3 million when Fort Stanton is closed. That \$3 million is what the state was paying but no mention was made of the \$5 million that was paid by the federal government at Fort Stanton. That \$5 million together with the state's \$3 million paid salaries that was spent in Lincoln County for housing, utilities, clothing, food, fuel, and other necessary living items. That \$8 million generated more than \$400,000 in gross receipts the first time it was spent.

Officials have said that every dollar that comes to an area is turned around eight times before it leaves the area. According to my figures, that means by the 8th time that \$8 million is spent the total gross receipts would have been \$3.2 million.

Don't know about you but it seems to me that a return of \$3.2 million in gross receipts for a \$3 million investment would be worthwhile. At the same time it would keep people working where they want to work, would allow them to live in their homes where they want to live, AND it would help businesses continue providing services in this day of uncertainty.

The churches are an entirely different situation. Churches may give people the spiritual guidance they need, churches may give people the opportunity to feel closer to their creator, churches may even help people come to terms with mortality and the fact that there is a God, but would the state consider churches as an important part of life? Probably not.

Several churches in the area are having to make adjustments to their budgets. Maybe preachers are supposed to be poor, just as Jesus Christ was poor, but they still need food and housing. The separation between church and state will be even more evident when the Fort Stanton employees leave the area, but then it won't be the state's concern any more than the clergy are a concern of the state and any more than the brain damaged are a concern of the state. Amen.

Will state close churches?



LETTERS

to the editor

EDITOR—This letter is for Governor Gary Johnson. I would like to thank Governor Johnson for shutting down Fort Stanton. Don't get me wrong, you see I have truly enjoyed my days at Fort Stanton. I have had some wonderful experiences with the people we have served over the years. I've laughed with them, cried with them and even for them as I see them leaving to learn the hard lessons of life. We've joked around together, played together, learned together and became true friends and companions.

Not all the times have been the best for you see I have also been spit on, hit, bitten and knocked to the floor. There have been occasions where I have gone home after work wearing some not so nifty substances.

Yes, Governor Johnson they were often trying times for myself and my co-workers. I would like you to know that in the 5 1/2 years at Fort Stanton I have never put up with as much fecal material from the residents as I have from you and your Department of Health officials in the last two months.

Thank you Governor Johnson for opening my eyes and getting me out of this rat race you call state government. I will now have the opportunity to further my education and spend more time with my three lovely children. I truly believe you've done a tremendous favor for me!

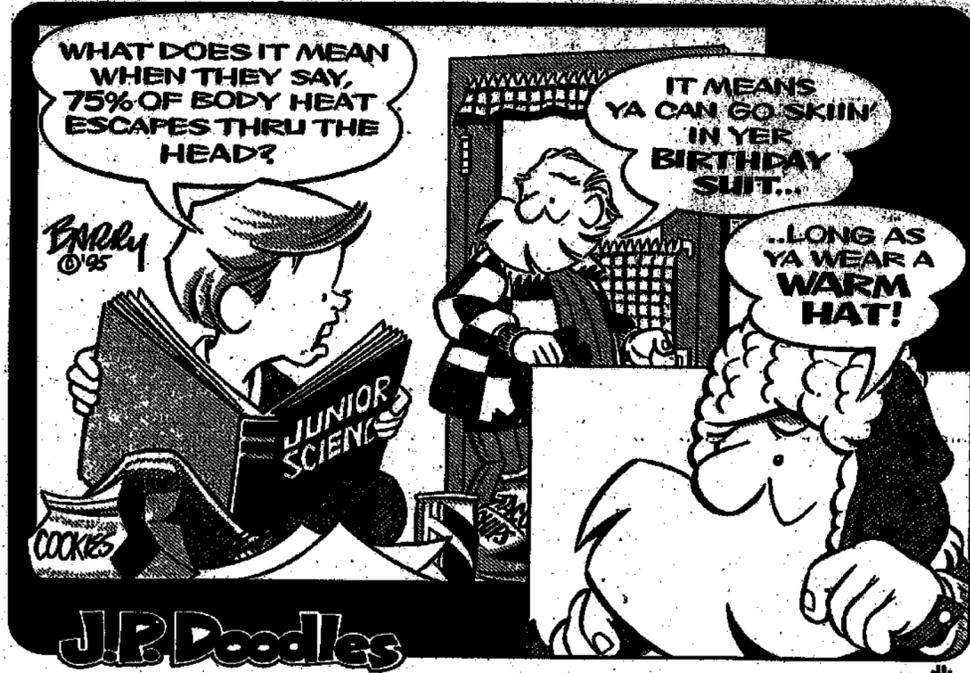
JANET M. DELGADO,
Fort Stanton.

EDITOR—As Secretary of the Department of Health, I want to assure the citizens of Lincoln County that we will continue to make every effort to do everything possible in support of employees who may lose their jobs due to the closure of Fort Stanton Hospital and Training School. We will also do everything possible to identify organizations interested in utilizing the facility in a manner benefiting the citizens of the state.

Our first priority with regard to employee support is to assist employees in finding meaningful jobs within the Department of Health and other state government agencies. Given the paucity of health care resources in Lincoln County, we believe it is in the best interest of the state to retain, as much as possible, the valuable health care expertise represented by the facility's staff. These individuals are persons who have worked hard at Fort Stanton, and I believe they are resources the state should keep if at all possible.

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LETTERS POLICY! Letters to the editor of THE LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS are encouraged. Each letter MUST be signed and must include the writer's telephone number and address. The phone number and mailing address will not be printed, but the writer's town or village will be included with his/her name. Letters will be edited for grammar and spelling. Letters may have to be shortened without changing their meaning. The editor has the right to reject any letter.



Inside The Capitol

by Jay Miller

SANTA FE—There's been some grousing about Gov. Gary Johnson not being committed to the spaceport that's being planned for an area near White Sands Missile Range a little northeast of Hatch.

But my discussions with Economic Development Secretary Gary Bratcher indicate he is staying up with the situation and making the contacts necessary to move the project as quickly as it can and to convince possible users that the state is very interested in them.

Granted, Johnson and Bratcher want to see a business plan that will provide sufficient economic justification to proceed with a significant state investment. But since a small part of that investment will be with my tax money, I'd like to see it used prudently.

The Las Cruces business community previously had pulled together enough figures and data to convince itself that the project was a good deal, but it just wasn't enough to satisfy the state folks who will be putting up the original financing.

The time required for preparing the necessary environmental impact statements was underestimated considerably in early timetables. Not only are environmental factors at issue, but roads leading into the site from both the north and south reportedly cross archaeological sites that will have to be bypassed when the roads are improved.

But the delays shouldn't put New Mexico at the competitive disadvantage aerospace companies have alleged in their eagerness to get started.

Most of New Mexico's spaceport advantages are not ones that will go away or on which other states can pass us by.

Our proposed site's 4000-foot altitude, for instance, is not something that California and Florida can manufacture in their states. Rocket scientists say they gain a pound of payload for every foot above sea level.

Weather and other geographical conditions are another advantage that won't go away. New Mexico's Southern Rio Grande Valley has a much better record than its competitors for clear skies, no hurricanes and minimal earthquake danger.

New Mexico's open spaces also are a major advantage. Florida has plenty of open ocean space but land-based recovery has many pluses over losing equipment at sea.

Another big advantage is that our spaceport proposal is for commercial use only. Dealing with the military involves

much extra time, cost, and inflexibility.

Whereas New Mexico's political machinery moved too slowly during the King administration, it is speeding up at the executive and legislative levels now. This speed and commitment is so much more than competitor states that aerospace firms are bound to find us their best bet, despite what they may be saying at the time.

At the Jan. 23 meeting of the governor and lawmakers with representatives of Las Cruces and private business, it appeared to me that spaceport supporters had much about which to be optimistic.

The governor and legislative leaders were enthusiastic despite fears that this mostly-Albuquerque crew would be disinterested in anything outside their Grand Duchy. The necessary legislation has been introduced and top-level support has been promised.

Rep. Gary King's public pledge to do everything he can to make the spaceport a reality should have been good news for Las Cruces represen-

tatives. For at least two years rumors have circulated that the Southern New Mexico efforts have been hampered by King's wife Yolanda, who oversees space activities for Phillips Laboratory in Albuquerque.

But Dr. Yolanda King is an important cog in NASA's participation in development of the McDonnell Douglas Delta Clipper, which figures prominently into the spaceport's planning.

The only word of caution was issued by Sen. Tim Jennings of Roswell. The Senate majority whip noted at the hearing that the spaceport will be one more massive state project along the Rio Grande Corridor.

Jennings agreed that the spaceport is ideally suited for the Western edge of White Sands Missile Range, but he warned that the state must understand that the rest of New Mexico has the most critical economic development needs.

That is something to remember when it comes to the location of other state projects.

Big Game Proclamation Contains Several Errors

The 1995-96 Big Game proclamation, now available to the public at Department of Game and Fish offices and about 220 license vendors, contains errors that should be noted.

License vendors have been notified of the errors so they can advise interested hunters.

The Sandia Game Refuge is NOT open to muzzle-loader hunting (or regular-season bow hunting) this year (Areas with Special Closures During Bow, Muzzle-loader Hunts, p. 18). Unit 8, excluding Sandia State Game Refuge, is open only for muzzle-loader and deer-entry-permit bow hunting this year. In fact, anyone caught carrying a loaded firearm in the game refuge can be fined \$100. The Sandia District of the Cibola National

Forest is closed to all use of firearms, and anyone caught firing a weapon there can be fined \$50.

According to the big game hunting regulation, the Sandia Refuge is closed to bow hunting for deer, but department administrators plan to seek an amendment to the regulations that will allow deer bow hunts in the Sandia State Game Refuge, as in the past. A similar amendment may be included for bear hunting (by bow) in the Sandia State Game Refuge, as was the intent.

The Sandia District runs from Placitas to Chilili and from Albuquerque to Edgewood. Carrying a loaded firearm or discharging a fire-

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High Cost Of Regulations Moratorium Is Proposed

by STEWART TRUELSEN

Imagine this if you will...an army of 130,000 federal regulators armed with laptop computers who descend on America's farms to restrict, regulate and interfere with agricultural production. The result is of minimal value to consumers and the environment, and it costs farmers \$18-20 billion a year.

This isn't farfetched. For farmers and ranchers in this country it's reality. They can't dig a ditch, hire a farmworker, or let a cow drink from a stream without the worry that they are doing something wrong.

According to American Farm Bureau chief economist John Rosemann, the \$18 to \$20 billion farmers spend yearly complying with federal regulations is more than ten percent of their production expenses. It's more than they spend on fertilizer and lime, electricity, short-term interest, repairs and maintenance, storage and transportation and many other inputs.

By putting a pencil to it, it soon becomes clear why agriculture isn't as profitable as it should be. It's costing too much to comply with federal regulations.

Those in Congress who are so bent on slashing the agriculture budget need to look closely at this. For every dollar that farmers receive in farm program payments, they are out two dollars in compliance costs.

Some farmers would like to do away with all regulations and regulators, but we know that can't happen. "I think we have to be honest that we've had some gains with the regulatory regime that we have been under," says economist Rosemann. "We can't deny that water's better and air is better. The problem with all that is that it has come at a very high cost. It's inefficient and in many cases totally ineffective."

Right now, Farm Bureau is supporting legislation to place a moratorium on all federal regulations except those directly affecting human health and safety. The moratorium would be retroactive to the last election and places a six-month hold on new regulations while Congress reviews them.

Farm Bureau is also supporting regulatory relief legislation that includes cost-benefit analysis, risk assessment and compensation to property owners whose rights are violated by regulators arbitrarily pursuing what they think is in the public interest.

Congress is considering these measures in several bills. Real relief looks promising. Just to be sure Congress knows the whole story, Farm Bureau is asking for field hearings around the country to expose examples of regulatory overkill. Let congressmen hear some of the horror stories that are out there.

It's time to knock down the high cost of federal regulations.

Stewart Truelsen is director of broadcast services for the American Farm Bureau Federation.

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For the Love of Gregory

by JoAnn Rice

Editor's Note: This column relates a five-year-old's conversations with his grandmother.

"Riding The Range"

Saturday, Gregory was excited about a show he had seen on television.

"You shoulda been there, Queen Mother. It wuz all about reptiles."

"What is a reptile," I asked.

"You know, like turtles, an' alligators, an' snakes. Do you know how many different snakes there are in the world?"

"No. How many?"

"Well, its a bunch, I'm tellin' ya. Snakes that bite ya, snakes that choke ya, an' snakes that jus' plain scare ya to death."

"You like snakes, 'eh."

"Nooo. I don't wanna habe 'em anywhere aroun' me. But I would like a alligator for a pet. A big one so I could ride on its back. Boy, I bet people would get outa my way if I wuz ridin' a alligator down the street."

"Most likely," I agreed.

"An' I could go anywheres I wanted by myself 'cause I'd habe a ride an' pertection. Boy, if I jus' knew how to get my hands on a good sized alligator, I'd be all set. Where do you think I could get one, Queen Mother?"

"At an alligator farm."

"Good! Then lets go. How much do you think one would cost?"

"Oh, Gregory, if you could catch it, I'm sure they would let you have it for free."

"Are they hard to catch,

Queen Mother?"

"Oh probably not. All you have to do is jump in the water, and wrestle it until it gives up, and they drag it up on the bank."

"Rassle?! Rassle a alligator?! Maybe I'll jus' pay for mine an' somebody else can catch it."

"Good idea," I said. "What are you going to feed this monster when you get him home, and where is he going to sleep?"

"Oh, thats no problem. He can habe all my begetables. I don't like 'em anyways. An' he can sleep in my other bed. I'll jus' fill up my swimmin' pool an' put it beside him, so he can jus' roll off into it if he wants to."

"Well, Gregory, it sounds like you have it all figured out. Except for one thing. How are you going to get this giant reptile past your mom?"

"A good question, Queen Mother. Hmm. I'll habe to think on that."

"Right. It might be pretty hard to hide a two hundred pound alligator. And before you ask, no, you aren't keeping him over here."

"What? Are you a mind reader now too?"

"When it comes to you, Gregory, it isn't too hard."

"Nebor mind, Queen Mother, you jus' rent a truck an' get ready to go to the alligator farm. I'll han' le Mom. But by this time nex' month I'll be ridin' a alligator. I can practically gaurantee it."

"Well, if it's all the same to you, I won't hold my breath."

Big Brothers/Big Sisters Opens Office In Ruidoso

A steering committee has been established for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lincoln County to open a local office in Ruidoso. With assistance from ENMU-Ruidoso, where the Big Brothers/Big Sisters office will initially be located, the steering committee will work putting together a program which matches children ages 6-17, predominantly from single parent homes who are experiencing adjustment problems or simple loneliness, with a stable, caring adult.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters is a national organization, 525 agencies strong, serving primarily single parent children.

Many single parent children do not need a Big Brother or Sister because they have a close, constructive relationship with their absent parent, extended family, or other supports. Big Brothers/Big Sisters is for children who don't have all of these supports.

The second steering committee meeting was held Jan. 17. The fund raising committee and publicity committee discussed their plans regarding methods with which to raise the \$25,000 in start up costs required to open the office, as well as county wide publicity, and school involvement.

Individuals interested in sharing the experiences of Big Brothers/Big Sisters or in assisting financially with the success of this venture are urged to call Ma. Allen at (505) 336-8401. Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lincoln County is receiving mail at P.O. Box 104, Ruidoso, and donations are being accepted at Norwest Bank.

Two Carrizozo Grads Qualify For Dean's List

More than 2,900 Texas Tech University students qualified for the academic honors lists at the end of the 1994 fall semester.

Students making the dean's list included two Carrizozo graduates: Brett Lee Barham, junior, pre-veterinary. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Barham.

Scott Edward Brown, freshman, animal sciences. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Dewey P. Brown.

Students finishing 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

Big Game

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arm is also illegal in Albuquerque Open Spaces areas.

Correct dates for elk hunts E-1-199 through E-1-205 (p. 31 of the proclamation) are Nov. 18-22. The season is intended only as a five-day season, not a 10-day season extending through Nov. 27.

Deer entry permit hunt C-1-089 (p. 29) is in the Colin Neblett Wildlife Area. A misplaced line erroneously shows the hunt with others in Sub-Unit 2A.

Cougar, p. 21. The Colin Neblett portion of Unit 55 is closed to cougar hunting, as is the Colin Neblett portion of Unit 54.

The Humphries/Rio Chama areas are in Unit 4, not in Unit 10 as described in hunts E-1-228 and E-1-231.

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TOM TROST AND JACK KING were honored during their last meeting as members of the Capitan School Board Feb. 9. From left: King, Trost, school employee Francis Traylor wearing Charlie Chaplin look-a-like thick rimmed glasses with bushy eyebrows and a big nose, and school superintendent Diana Billingsly.

Trost And King Feted By Group

An outpouring of appreciation from parents, teachers and friends was shown to Tom Trost and Jack King at the Feb. 9 regular meeting of the Capitan Board of Education. This would be the last meeting at which Trost and King would participate as members of the board.

Trost is a ten year veteran of the board. He expressed deep-felt thanks for support from teachers, parents and the community stating the ten years "...has gone fast..."

King, ending four years of service on the board, expressed his thankfulness that the community in which he volunteered his efforts was "...a good Christian community with good Christian values..."

After a closed executive session to discuss personnel matters, Trost and King returned to the public in attendance, being greeted instead

by a crowd of Charlie Chaplin look-a-likes with thick black glasses, big noses, mustaches and bo'l ties. This combined with refreshments, cake and coffee, and photographs by the News 101 news team of Capitan High insured that this time would be preserved.

With standing room only, the meeting was destined to have been filled with many special moments. People from Capitan and the outlying areas of the school district filled the room to show their special brand of appreciation. The meeting concluded with Trost's attempt to end it. Putting things into perspective for all present, someone from the audience marveled saying something like "Gee Tom, you won't be President, but we'll still be here!" The levity of the moment was so well-timed and marked the closing of one era and the beginning of another.

Obituaries

EVELYN W. MILLER
 Graveside services for Evelyn W. Miller, 88, of Ruidoso Downs were Feb. 22 at the Mayhill Cemetery. Mrs. Miller died Feb. 17 at Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso.

She was born Nov. 13, 1906 at Mayhill, New Mexico to Cora and Victor Hadley. She was a cattle rancher living in Mayhill until moving to Deming in 1983 and lived there until 1985 when she moved to Ruidoso Downs. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

She married George E. Miller "Jed" in 1925 at Deming, and preceded her in death on Jan. 2, 1983.

She is survived by five nieces, Doris M. Bookout of Tularosa, Dixie Wilson and Arnell Lewis of King, Oregon, Jedy Baker of Vienna, Austria and Jeanen Weszig of Northeast Maryland.

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

AARON STURGEON
 Graveside services for Aaron Sturgeon, 86, of Roswell were Feb. 21 at South Park Cemetery. Mr. Sturgeon died Feb. 18 at the Ruidoso Care Center.

He was born June 1, 1909 at Hermleigh, Texas to Susie and Loumous Sturgeon. He was a farmer and landscaper.

He married Theima Nichols on Dec. 24, 1934 and she preceded him in death on Feb. 12, 1992.

Survivors include a son and his wife Dwain and Pat Sturgeon of Ruidoso; a daughter-in-law, Honey Ruth Sturgeon of Roswell; two grandsons and

three great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son A. C. Sturgeon. Arrangements were under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

DONALD EDWARD JENKINS
 Funeral services for Donald Edward Jenkins, 71, of Ruidoso Downs were Feb. 18 at Community United Methodist Church in Ruidoso. Officiating was the Rev. Craig Cockrell. Burial followed at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Mr. Jenkins died Feb. 15 at Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso. He was born Dec. 29, 1923 to Florene and Milton Jenkins. He served in the Army Air Corp during World War II. He graduated from Tulane University and lived in McComb, Mississippi until moving to Hillsboro, N.M. in 1985. He moved to Ruidoso in 1990 and was a retired school teacher and principal.

He married Evelyn Westbrook on Aug. 29, 1948 at McComb, Mississippi.

He is survived by his wife Evelyn Westbrook Jenkins of Ruidoso Downs. Two sons Milton Jenkins of Ruidoso Downs and Steven Edward Jenkins of Truth or Consequences; two daughters and son-in-laws, Suzanne J. Fuller and Leroy M. of Truth or Consequences and Dorothy J. Franicevich and Joseph J. of Grana, Louisiana; two sisters and brother-in-law, Mildred J. and Claude M. Strahan of Baton Rouge, Louisiana and Hilda Pittman Duncan of Franklinton, Louisiana; a brother, Stanley Pittman of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; three grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

MEMBERS TO THE DEPARTMENT

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By taking immediate measures to afford employees job opportunities we have been successful in transferring 14 employees in vacant positions within the Department of Health. Another 18 employees are scheduled for interviews which will likely result in transfer to other positions within the Department. We expect this number to increase significantly. Additionally, we are preparing to submit to the New Mexico Legislature a severance package for employees which will, if approved, provide financial assistance in meeting relocation and training costs for employees who find employment elsewhere. Also, those employees with at least 23 years of state government service will have the option of purchasing service credits for retirement. Under our severance proposals, terminated employees would also receive payments for annual and sick leave balances and assistance in health insurance premium payments.

Among the private organizations touring the facility are a number interested in using the site to provide neuropsychiatric services for adolescents and children, residential treatment services for adolescents and children, therapeutic foster parent services, and primary health care services. One organization is interested in using part of the facility for a language training center.

The Department of Health's highest priority is the continued use of the facility for provision of health care services through the private sector. In an effort to encourage these organizations to utilize the facility, we have gone to great lengths to make a takeover as attractive as possible. We are doing everything possible to afford Fort Stanton employees the opportunity to negotiate employment arrangements with the interested organizations.

Additionally, we are going forward with activities to assure the most effective maintenance and preservation of this historical landmark, regardless of the ultimate use identified for the facility.

To be successful in these efforts, we must have the continued participation of local elected officials as well as the continued support of the residents of Lincoln County. We recognize that this is a very difficult time for employees of the facility as well as for the local community. We believe, however, that through the ongoing diligent efforts of the community and the Department we can assure the continued existence of the facility as a vital participant in the delivery of services to citizens of New Mexico.

J. ALEX VALDEZ,
 Secretary of Health.

EDITOR—Chalk up one for the John Birch Society whose official motto is "less government, more individual responsibility, and with God's help, a better world."

Imagine, a president of the United States telling the world "government must be smaller in size." Birchers have claimed that for over 30 years while the growth of big government has been constantly upward.

While we have no assurances that the Clinton administration will reduce the size of government, we have the Democrats' number one spokesman, President William Jefferson Clinton, agreeing before the world, "We have too much government!"

The Birchers are right, and the President is right, what America needs is less government, much less government. Americans need to shoulder more individual responsibility. Then with God's help, and only with God's help, we will build a better world.

RAYMOND C. WILSON,
 San Juan Bautista, CA.

EDITOR—I was assigned to the White House during both the Carter and Reagan Administrations. While there, I was amazed at the effort our government and the national news agencies spent trying to manipulate the public. Unfortunately, this manipulation often worked.

I became very interested in our Federal Government and began an extensive study of the Federal Government, U.S. Constitution, historical documents and the intent of our founding fathers. I even completed two college courses in U.S. Government.

I have found that many authors, educators, reporters, politicians, judges, lawyers, etc. are often inaccurate in their interpretation of the U.S. Constitution. Often these people make deliberate false statements, about the Constitution, merely to achieve their own agendas.

Sadly, most people do not even have a basic knowledge of their "own" U.S. Constitution; my copy consists of a mere eight pages. I do not expect you to believe all that I have written in my past letters. Hopefully, you will study your constitution and arrive at your own conclusions. My main intent has been to get people involved.

Our founding fathers were no different than you and I, with the exception, that they were neither pessimistic nor apathetic. Fortunately, for us, our founding fathers were subjected to tyranny; therefore, it was quite easy for them to author the finest constitution in history. They merely included the things that they liked about the British Government and deleted or modified the things that they disliked. We have strayed from the intent of our founding fathers, because the majority of us have never lived under tyranny.

I am often told that I am wasting my time writing letters to the editor and my elected officials. This may be true; however, I can go to my grave knowing that at least I tried to correct some of America's problems. President Kennedy once said that he put more stock in ten letters from the public than he did in all the polls, combined. Many people will spend an hour complaining about the government and then say that they do not have the time to write or call their elected representatives.

You may provide your children with an education and vast material wealth; however, if you do not provide them with at least the same freedoms that your currently enjoy, then you have provided them with little.

FRANKLIN L. BOREN,
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P.S. I do not belong to any political party, organization or movement, because I do not believe in "mob rule."

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CAPITAN NOTES

BY MAUREEN SULLIVAN

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

Just ran into Bob Ray in front of the market and congratulations are definitely in order. Bob was just chosen employer of the month at the Shell Station where he has worked the past three years. Bob and I go back a long way, distance-wise that is. You see we are both from the tall Corn State, good old Iowa, as the Iowa Corn Song says. However although we share our Iowa heritage, we never met until we moved to Capitan, even though we were raised about 18 miles apart. The only drawback though is that Bob is years and years younger than me. What he refers to as the good old days way back then, are much farther

back for me than they are for Bob. We did dance, however, at some of the same old spots, but in different time capsules. Anyway Bob, it has been a pleasure to meet and know you and visiting with you now and then at the market or post office does bring back a bit of welcome nostalgia.

Visitors on Feb. 4 at Ed and Bea Payton's home were Bea's daughter Sue, husband Michael and children Erin and Clay Montgomery from Taos. They all spent one day at White Sands and also visited the Museum of the Horse. They ended their visit by treating Ed and Bea to a lovely dinner.

On Saturday, Feb. 11, Ed and Bea visited Ed's sister Helen and husband Leaman Metcalf in Roswell - then they drove to Hobbs and spent the Saturday night with Ed's brother Rusty Patron and his family. They returned home to Capitan on Sunday evening. On Feb. 18, Ed and Bea entertained dinner guests from Roswell. Ed's sister Helen and husband Leaman Metcalf and Leaman's daughter Georgia and husband Roy Hains and Ed's son Roy and friend C. J. and daughter Alys and her friend Katrina. Looks like you have been quite busy during the month of February Bea and Ed. Now, what did you do in your spare time?

Mollie Mason, Elaine Beaudry, Jo Blazer and Maureen Sullivan certainly enjoyed their lunch on Monday at the Inn of the Mountain Gods. It is so lovely up there and the scenery so beautiful that you feel you are almost in another dimension.

Louise LaRue and Mary Lunsford just returned from a short trip to Odessa, Texas. Louise visited her brother and Mary got to visit and hold her new grandbaby. She also enjoyed her visit with her daughter Cody and husband, but those new grandbabies are the main attraction.

Another interesting bit from Ila Mae Scarborough Payne's autobiography.

"I was born Feb. 24, 1914 in the middle of a big ranch near Seymour, Texas. No doubt my first lullabies were cattle lowing and coyotes howling and the wind rustling through

the mesquite and tall grasses. I had older brothers and they helped take care of me. One day I was out there in the yard trying to catch a butterfly. When I couldn't I would just sit down and start to cry. Then Mom would make the boys go and catch one for me. And they never let me forget it either.

About that time, I fell out of a chair face down on an old baking powder tin and cut my lip and chin real bad. We lived in town then and Pa was running a fruit and vegetable wagon. He'd go to the outskirts of town and to the farms to sell produce. He left early that morning so was quite a ways out when a rider on horseback overtook him and told him what had happened. He whipped the horses around in the middle of the road and took off at full speed, slinging baskets and buckets of cargo all about. People came running out to grab the free goodies. He got home by the time the folks got me to the doctor's office, but the doctor wasn't in.

He was just a country doctor serving two or three little towns and he happened to be in town, but was out on a call. His office was just a little place, up a short flight of stairs. He had no operating table, so he told Papa and Mama one of them would have to hold me while he gave me some chloroform and took some stitches. I must have been sick, pale, bloody mess by then. Pa took one look and headed for the stairs and passed out about halfway down and rolled the rest of the way. And it sure did not make him very happy when Mom told him what had really happened."

Another excerpt from Ila Mae's biography will appear next week. So stay tuned.

Some of we older folks, shall we say, like to reminisce about the good old days and how much nicer it was to live way back then. Well as far as living more safely and more serenely, they have a point, but as far as everything being so terrific in the good old days, listen up to the following.

Washing and Ironing.
We'd soak those clothes in a tub of hot soapy water, then battle 'em (beat them) with a battlin'stick, then rub 'em up and down on a rub board. That was just to loosen the dirt. Then we'd put 'em in a big old iron pot and boil the 'round' out of 'em, then wring 'em through two or three washes and hang 'em up. The next day we'd iron 'em. Every week we'd do that. Carroll County, Georgia, 1905.

A rub board is a washboard. A battlin'stick is a small paddle three or four inches across at the bottom. Usually somebody in a family would whittle it out of a piece of board. The laundry soap was homemade. They filled an ash

NMSU Degree Is Awarded To Capitan Grad

LAS CRUCES--More than 1,600 New Mexico State University students were awarded degrees after the fall 1994 session.

Degrees are awarded upon completion of course work required by the university, colleges and academic departments.

Degree recipients from Capitan are Erik Hollis Fuchs, B.S. in Agriculture, Range Science and Michael Andrew Valenzuela, Bachelor of Business Administration, Marketing.



CAPITAN SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS were greeted by several people wearing thick rimmed glasses with bushy eyebrows and big noses when they returned from a closed session during the Feb. 9 meeting. The occasion was a farewell party for former board members Tom Trost and Jack King at their last meeting.

hopper with wood ashes from their stove. Then they poured water through the hopper and caught the drippings at the bottom. As the water dripped through, it turned to lye, which is a harsh cleaning agent. Then they cooked the lye with the grease from bacon rinds, ham skins, and other fat. As it cooled, it turned into a very strong soap. People had been making soap this way for thousands of years.

At that time you could buy a washing machine for three or four dollars, but all it did was loosen the dirt. Instead of battling and rubbing, you worked a crank back and forth. But before that, you still had to soak the clothes, and afterwards still had to boil 'em and rinse them two or three times. Anyone out there want to exchange their automatic washers in for one of those 'good ole days' models?

Basketball used to be the only sport that I actually enjoyed watching. (My late husband always said that was because it was the only game that I really understood.) Well perhaps he was right, but I am fast losing my enthusiasm for my favorite sport because instead of watching where the basketball is going, my eyes are glued to those new (?) long and baggy basketball shorts. Any moment I expect a player to trip over his pants. Why don't they just make pedal pushers for them and be done with it?

As slow as I am getting to be I think I should start now and get ready for Christmas 1995. Of course that is being most presumptuous. Perhaps I have already had my last Christmas and being ahead of the game, as it were, would be for naught, wouldn't it?

And so for another week let us close on this bit of poetry:

Winning Ways
We walk along life's highway
Meet the bitter and the sweet.
Rejoice with those who've made it.
Pity those who've met defeat.
And as we journey down the road,
See sadness, joy and pain,
We wonder why some lose the race
While others, goals attain.
We know misfortune comes to all
And problems we must weigh;
The Lord will stand beside us
Every minute of the day.
So walk the road with head held high,
Though life, at times, seems glum;
But if you keep the faith
you'll find,
Your battles can be won.
Angie Monnens.

And so adios for another week and may the Lord make your burdens light.

Newsom Named To Dean's List At Baptist University

Capitan resident Jennifer Leigh Newsom, a pre-physical therapy major, has been named to the Dean's full-time honor roll at Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee, Okla., for the 1994 fall semester.

Chris Shanks Earns Degree In December

Christopher Howard Shanks, son of Howard and Mary Shanks of Capitan, was a December 1994, graduate of Abilene Christian University with a degree in Range Management and Agronomy.

He also made the Dean's List with a 4.0 his last semester. He plans to enter graduate school in the fall.

His wife, Jacinda, will graduate in May 1995 with a degree in Elementary Education. Christopher was a 1990 graduate of Capitan High School.

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New Officers Elected For Capitan 4-H

The Capitan 4-H Club met on Sunday, Feb. 12, at the fair building in Capitan. The 1995-96 officers that were elected are: president Julie Barham, vice president Casey Cunningham, secretary Wesley Armenta, treasurer Joe Burchett, reporter Cara Baker, and parliamentarian Ashley Millar. The County Council voting delegates are Ashley Millar, Sarah Davis, and Jayla Miller.

It was emphasized that the county council meetings are open meetings for any parent or 4-H member to voice their opinions and let their ideas become known to the council. The next county council meeting will be at the REA building in Carrizozo at 2:00 p.m. on Feb. 26.

The upcoming FFA judging invitational in Carrizozo and Capitan were mentioned, and sign-up lists were sent around. Project materials were sent around at the end of the meeting. The next meeting will be March 12, at 2:00 p.m. at the fair building in Capitan.

Cara Baker
4-H Reporter

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Sheriff's Report

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

Feb. 14:
2:11 a.m. ambulance was requested in Fawn Ridge for 35-year old male with back pains. Has had broken back. Alto Ambulance transported patient to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.

5:46 p.m. wrecker was requested, two citations were issued, no report.

8:20 p.m. a fight was reported in progress in front of the Carrizozo School gym, unknown number of participants. Carrizozo Police responded, it was a loud discussion, no fight. All was O.K.

Feb. 15:
4:28 a.m. ambulance was requested for an older man, possible stroke. Carrizozo Ambulance transported patient to LCMC.

Officer was requested in reference to vandalism on property south of Carrizozo. Deputy took report and photos. Someone turned dog loose, recovered dog, returned dog to owner. Case still pending.

6:00 p.m. criminal damage to property in Riverside was reported. Person advised he had been asked by owner of residence to check on property, owner out of town on emergency. Person advised front door of residence found wide open. Deputy responded, believe nothing taken, valuable items in home, TV, VCR, etc., all in house. Only damage is to door on west side. No contact with owner of property, unknown if damage old or new.

6:03 p.m. an accident with-

out injuries was reported on ski run road. A pickup occupied with three people struck a pole, advised they would wait for a wrecker and officer.

6:09 p.m. domestic disturbance reported. Deputies responded, spoke with subject, no contact made with spouse.

8:46 p.m. ambulance was requested for an infant with a high fever and aspirating - vomiting in Carrizozo area. Carrizozo Ambulance transported patient to LCMC.

Feb. 16:
12:43 a.m. ambulance was requested in Hondo area. Hondo Ambulance transported patient to LCMC and back to residence.

4:57 a.m. ambulance was requested in Ruidoso for male subject, attempted to light furnace and it back-fired. Patient was transported to LCMC.

A case number was requested in reference to a battery case.

2:22 p.m. breaking and entering was reported at Riverside Bar. Deputy responded.

3:04 p.m. an accident without injuries was reported on Highway 54, five miles south of Corona. Was first reported as an accident with injuries, one subject was on side of road unconscious. Corona Ambulance and State Police responded. Patient signed refusal form.

9:40 p.m. Search and Rescue initiated off Paradise in Ruidoso. Vehicle was located unoccupied on Monjeau Trail. Alto Ambulance, and deputy responded.

Feb. 17:
10:37 a.m. ambulance was requested at Ski Apache, patient on back board with hip and leg injury.

Possible child abuse reported. Deputy responded.

1:17 p.m. ambulance requested at Ski Apache for patient on back board with possible hip dislocation. Capitan Ambulance responded.

4:20 p.m. breaking and entering reported at White Oaks. Two deputies responded.

3:59 p.m. criminal sexual contact was reported. A deputy responded.

11:32 p.m. a prowler was reported in the area of Riverside, prowler tried to open door. Deputy responded, State Police unit responded to back up deputy. Area was checked, no contact made with prowler.

Feb. 18:
12:42 a.m. a loud party was reported in a condo at Eagle Creek, teens, abusive and hostile towards caller. Deputies made contact, all was O.K.

9:32 a.m. a deputy was requested in reference to items taken from front yard in San Patricio. Calling party knows who done it. Deputies responded.

10:48 a.m. ambulance was requested on B Ave. in Carrizozo for male in 20s, fainting. Carrizozo Ambulance responded, patient signed refusal. Officer was requested at 11:05 a.m.

2:17 p.m. theft was reported at Fort Stanton Hospital.

2:55 p.m. criminal damage to property was reported in White Oaks. Deputy responded.

4:40 p.m. deputies responded to a call about violation of restraining order near Palo Verde. No contact was made.

8:41 p.m. noisy neighbors were reported in Carrizozo.

Deputies responded.

11:38 p.m. loud party reported at Eagle Creek, called last night, subjects were not drinking, subjects playing. At 12:11 a.m. some kids have been run off, they have been warned next time, new address.

Feb. 19:
11:18 a.m. abandoned utility trailer reported north of White Oaks. Caller was to contact registered owner in Arizona or Rodeo, NM regarding status on it. Deputy responded.

12:15 p.m. victim advised deputy of three wheelers running up and down Cedar Creek Road. Deputy took call.

1:24 p.m. motorist assist requested 20 miles out on Highway 54.

1:31 p.m. motorist assist requested on Ski Run Road. Caller advised black and gold van was out of service, transmission out, at Little Horseshoe Curve, mile marker 2-4. No incident.

2:21 p.m. wreckers requested in reference to out of service vehicles on Ski Run Road.

2:24 p.m. ambulance requested at Ski Apache for 11-year old male with head injury, loss of peripheral vision. Med I transported patient to LCMC.

3:46 p.m. officer requested in Carrizozo in reference to brother of calling party spraying paint remover in his driveway and he's afraid it will ruin the paint on his new car. Carrizozo police and sheriff deputy responded. No other information.

6:26 p.m. grass fire reported on Biscuit Hill. Glencoe Fire Department, Ruidoso Downs Fire Department, and deputies responded. Fire was spreading fast and is very near structures. Fire units were unable to locate fire. No further action taken.

Phone harassment was reported in White Oaks. Matter was handled by phone.

10:14 p.m. ambulance was requested at second camp south on Highway 54. Carrizozo Ambulance transported patient to Gerald Champion Hospital in Alamogordo.

11:28 p.m. shots were fired in Capitan. Four to five kids in a pickup, and car were fighting, heard shots fired, called Capitan Police. Deputies and Capitan Police responded.

Feb. 20:
8:19 a.m. alarm sounded in Capitan, 911 alarm.

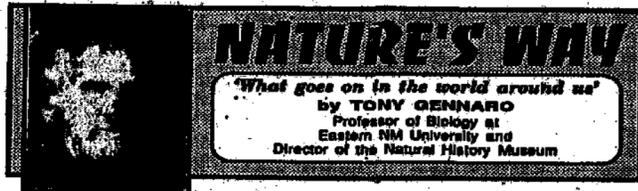
11:04 a.m. ambulance requested at Ski Apache for 35-year old male with head injuries, on a back board and C collar. Alto Ambulance transported patient to LCMC.

10:27 a.m. livestock, three head of cattle, in cemetery, grazing, at mile marker 268 on Highway 70. No contact was made with owner.

3:50 p.m. ambulance requested at Ski Apache for patient on back board and C collar with possible hip injury. Alto EMS was paged, one EMT was available. Ruidoso Advanced Life Support transported patient to LCMC.

5:21 p.m. call was received concerning a civil matter. Deputy advised they settled it with an agreement, no other information. No reports taken.

8:35 p.m. structure fire



The House Fly

The fly, numbering about 100,000 species, is one of the smallest flying insects. One species, the house fly (*Musca domestica*), has been with humans as long as they have existed. This fly is recognized by four dark stripes, each about 1/8 inch long, running lengthwise on top of the segment behind the head.

Most individuals are not fond of house flies. They are not welcome in our homes, and they are not welcome on our food. There is really good reason for this attitude. The fly consumes and lays its eggs in human and livestock fecal material or excrement and other waste products. It wouldn't be so bad if flies were to remain in areas of filth, but, unfortunately, they also frequent foods. As a result, one can expect that disease producing organisms on excrement will be transferred to these foods. Obviously, any food that we share with flies is likely to contain unhealthy organisms.

You can imagine that the house fly has been accused of transmitting a large number of diseases, including typhoid fever, dysentery, cholera, conjunctivitis, and others. No one really knows how guilty they are, and only few studies support this conviction. However, let's be logical, the fly's close associations with filth and attraction for humans makes it a likely suspect.

Despite these accusations, some things have to be said in their favor. Probably a fly's body is not a playground for disease producing organisms because they clean their body excessively. Plus, disease producing organisms are constantly exposed to atmospheric drying and even ultraviolet radiation. Now if I ask you, "do you still want a fly on your sandwich," I suppose your answer would still be no. I agree. Neither would I.

Setting the house fly's faults aside for a moment, some of their unique features emerge. The life cycle of a house fly from egg to adult is 10-20 days, with eggs being laid several times per year. Climate is an important factor which determines how many times eggs are laid. For example, the number of generations of eggs increases with warmer climates. If all the offspring from a single pair of house flies survived, in one generation these offspring could produce a layer of flies 47 feet high over an area about the size of Arizona and New Mexico together. Now, that's prolific.

Here's something else unique. The mouth parts of a fly are on the end of a tubular organ which remains withdrawn in the fly's head when it is not feeding. When the fly locates a likely meal, this organ telescopes downward, in the same way we would extend the legs of a tripod, and fleshy lobes on the end of this organ puff out. Imagine this being similar to an air bag being inflated within a vehicle. At the same time the mouth parts are being extended, the fly vomits on the food to facilitate digestion. Then, these lobes press down on the vomit and food which is sucked up into openings on the underside of the lobes. Isn't that a delicious thought? Also, these puffy fly lips are designed to filter materials which enter the mouth. Thus, even on excrement, flies have a choice of acceptance or rejection.

Well, unique features or not, the numbers of flies must be controlled. Prevention seems to be the way to go. For example, proper sewage disposal, sealed garbage containers, screened windows and doors, disposal of pet excrement, and even effective garbage collection is important. Prevention is the most effective way because the house fly easily becomes resistant to insecticides. When all is said and done, there is still one very effective way to kill flies—the S and S method, that is STALK and SWAT—with a fly swatter.

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reported one half mile west of Wal Mart on Highway 70 by Elks Club. Deputy assigned.

7:37 p.m. prisoner reported in custody, warrant subject, in Ruidoso Downs.

8:52 p.m. fire reported half way between Carrizozo and San Antonio. Contacted Stallion Range security, they are aware, will handle. Have been handling all day.

Lincoln County DETENTION CENTER REPORT

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

Feb. 13:
Anthony L. Flores, 41, Tularosa: disorderly conduct, sentenced to five days by Judge Hardison. Released Feb. 16, time served.

James Howard Browneller, 32, Amarillo, TX: DWI 1st, sentenced to two days by Magistrate Judge William Butts. Released Feb. 14, time served.

Monte Aldrich, 22, Ruidoso: probation violation. No bond.

George Padilla, 29, Ruidoso: DWI 4th, sentenced to six months by District Judge Richard Parsons.

Anthony Estrada, 29, Ruidoso Downs: public affray, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, battery, assault on a peace officer, sentenced to 728

days by Judge Butts.

Feb. 15:
Mark Davis Green, 27, Albuquerque: criminal damage to property, reckless driving, leaving scene of accident, \$10,000 bond: set by Judge Butts.

Feb. 17:
Lanny Lee Martin, 58, Carrizozo: mail fraud, and wire fraud, federal warrant, Ft. Smith, Arkansas. Released to FBI, Roswell Feb. 18.

Arthur Jiminez, 38, Roswell: DWI aggravated, 3rd, sentenced to 30 days by Judge Butts.

RELEASED:
Feb. 13:
James R. Masci, 32, Camorro/Camp Sierra Blanca, arrested Feb. 9, hold for Camp Sierra Blanca. Released to Camp Sierra Blanca.

Feb. 14:
Vernon Baker, 36, Albuquerque

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FORT STANTON FACTS & FICTION

The weather has been unbelievable for the past week. Temperatures have been like summer. Touring the north side of the mountains on Saturday and Sunday was a real treat. Dave and Della Bonnell, Paul Marie and girls

came by on Saturday morning and we spent the day visiting where my folks lived for many a year. Looking through old memories, eating a big lunch at Audrey and Eddies, letting the girls ride the cows, play with the puppies, ride the

horses and taking lots of pictures was a very enjoyable Sunday. We missed Pat's company because he knows every rock, crevice, creek, draw, person, and all the history of those hills and ranches. Returning to Capitan at dark we were weary but sure had a good time. Della was celebrating her birthday one day early. Hope you had a happy one.

Provine Hill needs to be renamed "Boo Woo Boo Hoo" Hill. About three weeks ago, Janice and Barry Herd were in Hondo when, Dixie, their blue heeler jumped out of the pickup and couldn't be found. This had happened once or twice before and they hoped she would return. Then on Friday of last week one of Hannah's puppies that was going home to Las Cruces, jumped out by the bull barn and was lost too. We were all looking all week for the two dogs. On Monday we went north of the mountain again to do some more touring and arrived home about 5 p.m. When I opened the door there was a puppy in the kitchen. I was tired and decided that Crystal Eldridge, who had taken a couple of the puppies, had returned one of them. On the second glance, I noticed it was the little puppy who had been lost. Many thanks to Sherrie Huddleston and Candy Trujillo, who work at the bull barn and had kept an eye out for him, called Pat and told him they had found the puppy by the Baptist Church under a tree. His bottom is sure sore, but other than that he is so happy to be home and we are happy he was found. Thanks to you both. Janice reported that Dixie had been found earlier in the day so Boo Hoo hill is back in the barking business.

The going away party on Friday, Feb. 17 was held in the dietary at 1 p.m. The party was held for the employees who have or will be leaving before March 24. Cecilia Smith, Gloria Griego, Ron Slater, Dr. Hidaka, Mike Gomez, Ruth Talent, Manny Hernandez, David Arrellano, LeRoy Page, Gloria Rice, Ramona Delgado, Evelyn Garvey, Mona Kau Wesser, Dusty Curtis, Messy Hernandez, Tom Trost, Jack King, Ken Bridge, and Teresa Baca were the guests of honor. I didn't get to make the party, but understand the food was very good as usual. A few sad faces and a few tears were seen as several knew they would probably not be employed at the Fort any more and would be no longer saying good morning and good day. We will miss you all but we wish each of you better and bigger things for the future.

Several different private health cares are coming in to look at the place. Everyone should thank Ray Nunley for his help as I see him very often with the groups, at least trying for something so the Fort will hopefully not be abandoned.

Gloria Griego who has started working at the head start in Ruidoso took off from her new job to attend the party. She came by to give me a red carnation, and say so long. That really meant a lot. Gloria. Thanks a million. That's what the host of Q at noon says real often. He reported on the news today that "Homer Pichens" who flew the plane to Washington with

if I had heard this news. She asked me to come by the country store to pick something up. She had crocheted Kerri a little blue and pink

baby doll for her birthday. It is really a work of art. Willie keeps busy with her hundred projects. She also reported the grand opening of the Capitan Country Store was a great success as well as a lot of fun. They had a drawing every hour for free cokes, slices of pie, chips and salsa, and French fries from the Smokey Bear Restaurant. They also gave three \$5 gift certificates, one which was won by me, (Thanks). The big drawing was for a \$25 gift certificate and two steak dinners at the restaurant. Ron West won the gift certificate. Even though the staff was kept busy for the five days with lots of activity they had a good time and thank everyone who came in and special thanks to Debbie who does a lot for Capitan.

Edna Greer was the "special girl" at her 80th birthday party on Saturday afternoon. Many stopped in to enjoy cake and all kinds of goodies made by her daughter Raylene and grandson Zeke. While I was there Ken and Joyce Cox, Pam Emery, and Ken, Liz Montes, Jack and Wynn King, Marcia Miller, Phoebe and Nina Taylor all visited and enjoyed the afternoon. Pauline Whitaker, Nina Taylor, Edna

Greer, Bessie Jones, and several others, have recently celebrated their 80th birthdays and one of them seem to be a day over 50. Know they will all still be a going when we are all six feet under.

About 20 friends of Shirlene Fitzner enjoyed a Valentine's party on Feb. 11, at her home in Ruidoso Downs. Several of us who planned to attend were sick or had other commitments.

My patrons and myself were surprised to have L.D. Helms come out to finish the job around the post office which was started awhile back. L.D. put in the handicap ramps, changed some door knobs, bolted down my mail box and bench, did a lot of painting plus called in three bids for the parking lot. Pat Huey was the big winner. He came out and within a couple of hours had the parking lot looking

great and in much better shape to drive on. The bars for the handicap ramp are likely to be hit when cars pull in the driveway but so far they are still intact. With a little brown paint on the porch and doorway we will be ready for a brand new beginning. L.D. has been working on Nogal, Tinnie and now Glencoe, finishing up the jobs started by Raul Torres.

Things have been pretty quiet here at the Fort with two long term care patients left and 12 clients. Understand most of them will be placed real soon. Til next week be happy and wish our Fort Friends the Best. Amelita Jenkins is recuperating at her son's home in Texico. She has leukemia. For those who want to send her a card, her address is c/o Sam Jenkins, P.O. Box 37, Texico, N.M. 88135.

Detention Center

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querque/Camp Sierra Blanca, arrested Feb. 8; hold for Camp Sierra Blanca. Released to New Mexico Corrections.

Charles Douglas Christan, 47, Middlebrook VA/Camp Sierra Blanca, arrested Feb. 8, hold for Camp Sierra Blanca. Released to New Mexico Corrections.

Joe Gilbert Rivera, 48, Santa Fe/Camp Sierra Blanca, arrested Feb. 9; hold for Camp Sierra Blanca. Released to New Mexico Corrections.

Joseph I. Trahan, 19, Ruidoso Downs, arrested Dec. 15, 1994, DWI, improper equipment, probation violation, failure to comply with conditional release. Transport-

ed to New Mexico Corrections. Todd Dentler, 24, Ruidoso: arrested Jan. 17, parole violation. Transport to New Mexico Corrections.

Raymond A. Benavidez, 27, Albuquerque/Camp Sierra Blanca, arrested Feb. 7, hold for Camp Sierra Blanca. Released to New Mexico Corrections.

Feb. 16: Darlene V. Williams, 31, Roswell arrested Feb. 7, probation violation. Release order by Judge Parsons.

Feb. 17: Donald Edgar, 34, Ruidoso, arrested Feb. 6, forgery, two counts. \$10,000 bond. Release order Judge Butts.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, shall hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, March 2, 1995, beginning at 9:00 A.M., in the Commissioners Meeting Room at the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive input on Community Development Block Grant Programs.

The public is invited and encouraged to present requests for funding of needed and eligible projects. For further information regarding eligibility of projects or other questions, contact the County Manager's Office at 505/648-2385.

CAROLIN A. COONEY, Lincoln County Manager.

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NOTICIA AL PUBLICO

El Condado de Lincoln, Nuevo Mexico, quiere informar e invitar a todos los interesados a participar en una reunion del consejo de la entidad, el dia dos (2) de Marzo, 1995, a las nueve (9:00 A.M.) de la mañana, en el edificio de los Comisionados, situados en Carrizozo, Nuevo Mexico. Esta reunion considerara propuestas de proyectos para aplicacion de 1995 fondos del Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). El estado de Nuevo Mexico ha recibido fondos de la cantidad de \$14,200,000.

El programa de Community Development Block Grant fue establecido en 1974 bajo el Title I/Housing

& Community Development Act para asistir 1) a comunidades y a residentes de pocos o moderados recursos, 2) aydar a eliminar barrios bajos, sucios y manchados 3) y tambien estos fondos se pueden usar en condiciones de emergencia que pongan en peligro inmediato a la salud y bienestar de la gente.

El programa esta administrado por el estado de Nuevo Mexico, Department of Finance and Administration, Local Government Division. El publico esta invitado a hacer presentaciones, peticiones y recomendaciones al consejo acerca de los proyectos que se quieren aplicar para el proximo ciclo de CDBG fondos. El maximo total por cada aplicacion es \$400,000 excepto aplicaciones en la categoria de un plan de proyecto que tienen limite fijo de \$25,000.

Se usted o su organizacion tienen un proyecto que pueda ser elegible para consideracion, use esta invitacion a hacer su presentacion y peticion en esta reunion publica. Para los residentes que no hablan ingles, y requieren un interprete, contacten a la oficina de administracion, una semana antes de la reunion.

Para la gente que no puede atender la reunion publica, sus comentarios se recibirán en la siguiente direccion:

CDBG Grant Program Requests, Lincoln County, P.O. Box 711, Carrizozo, NM 88021

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Church Directory

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

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)

JOHNE L. JOHNSON, pastor
Corner of C Ave. & Thirteenth, 648-2186
Sunday School..... 10:00 am
Worship Service..... 11:00 am
Thursday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

Santa Rita Catholic Community

FR. DAVE BERGS, pastor
213 Birch, 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

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

St. Matthias Episcopal Church

REV. ROBERT BATTON
Corner of E Ave. & Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
1-258-4144
Holy Eucharist..... 9:30 am Sunday

United Methodist Churches

TOMMY JAREZ, pastor
Trinity - Carrizozo
1000 D. Ave., 648-2893/648-2848
Sunday School (All Ages)..... 10:00 am
Worship Service..... 11:10 am
Choir Practice (Wednesday)..... 6:30 pm
United Methodist Men Breakfast
2nd Sunday..... 8:30 am
United Methodist Women Every
3rd Wednesday..... 9:30 am
Fellowship Dinner Last Sunday of Month
..... 12:30 pm

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Worship Service..... 9:15 am
Children's Sunday School..... 9:30 am
Followship Time..... 10:15 am
Adult Sunday School..... 11:00 am
Choir Practice (Tuesday)..... 7:00 pm
Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday
Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group)
1st and 3rd Tuesday..... 9:30 a.m.

Evangelistic Assembly

REV. DR. C.L. FULTON, Pastor
REV. DR. WILLIE MAE FULTON, Missions Dir.
ELDER JIM MILLER
711 E. Ave., Carrizozo, NM, 648-2339
Sunday..... 2:30 pm

Mountain Ministry Parish, Sierra Blanca Presbytery

DON & MARJORIE DANIELS, co-pastors
648-2650
Nogal Presbyterian Church:
Worship 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.

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.

Capitan Church of Christ

LESLIE EARWOOD, minister
5th & Lincoln / 338-4827
Sunday Bible Study..... 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship..... 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.

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..... 8:00 pm

LEGALS

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO NO. CV-90-240 Div. II COUNTY OF LINCOLN, Plaintiff,

PATRICK L. YOUNG and ELEANOR YOUNG, husband and wife; LAKESIDE CORPORATION; a New Mexico Corporation; and RUIDOSO STATE BANK, a New Mexico Banking Corporation,

Defendants. NOTICE OF SPECIAL MASTER'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of March, 1995, at the hour of 10:00 A.M., the undersigned Special Master will, at the front entrance door of the Ruidoso Municipal Building, Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, sell all right, title and interest of the Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash.

The property to be sold is situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is more particularly described, as follows:

Lot 125, Unit 5, DEER PARK VALLEY SUBDIVISION, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on the 17th day of April, 1981;

TOGETHER WITH easements, reservations and restrictions of record.

The foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 24, 1995, being an action to collect a paving assessment lien on the above described property.

Proceeds from the foregoing sale will be utilized to satisfy the judgment against the Defendants as follows:

a. \$1,035.46, representing the amount owed to Plaintiff for its paving assessment lien, late fees in the amount of \$2.72, attorney's fees in the amount of \$750.00 together with New Mexico gross receipts taxes in the amount of \$51.09, plus costs of foreclosure in the amount of \$168.51, for a total amount of \$2,007.78, plus interest thereon from the date of the judgment to the date of the Special Master's sale at the rate of 15% per annum; and

b. \$2,475.49, representing the amount owed to Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club, Inc. for membership dues, plus interest thereon from the date of the judgment to the date of the Special Master's sale at the rate of 15% per annum.

In addition thereto, the bidder at such sale will be responsible for paying the Special Master's fee of \$200 and attorney's fees and costs expended from the date of entry of the judgment until the date of sale, including those of publication.

Any judgment creditor has the right to bid at the sale and to apply all or any part of his respective judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

The Plaintiff has the right to bid the amount of its judgment, in its entirety or in part, in lieu of cash at said sale.

AURELIA LUERAS, Special Master. Published in The Lincoln County News on February 9, 16 and 23 and March 2, 1995.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall hold Public Hearings beginning at 9:00 A.M., on Tuesday, March 7, 1995, in the Commission Meeting Room at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, to consider the following proposed ordinance:

1. Proposed Ordinance Providing a Property Tax Rebate Pursuant to the Income Tax Act for Low-Income Taxpayers on a

County Option Basis. 2. Proposed Amendments to the Lincoln County Zoning Ordinance No. 1988-4.

All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. Copies of the proposed ordinances 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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IN THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT No. DR-94-217 Div. III

MARY S. ELLIOTT, Petitioner,

vs. ROY L. ELLIOTT, Respondent.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: ROY L. ELLIOTT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE PETITIONER HAS FILED A PETITION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE IN THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED PROCEEDING WHEREIN YOU ARE NAMED THE RESPONDENT.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the general object of this action is the Dissolution of Marriage, as more particularly set forth in the Petition for Dissolution of Marriage on file in the above-captioned cause, in the District Court of Lincoln County.

Please take further notice that if you intend to contest the dissolution you must respond to the Petition within twenty (20) days from the date of service. Failure to respond within that time shall be treated as a default and your consent to the divorce will not be required. The name of Petitioner's attorney is as follows:

The Holmes Law Firm by Todd A. Holmes, P.O. Box 4065, Alamogordo, NM 88311, (505) 437-2801.

WITNESS the Honorable Richard A. Parsons, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, this 22nd day of December, 1994.

MARGO LINDSAY, CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO NO. CV-94-254

LIBERTY SAVINGS BANK, F.S.B. a federal savings bank, Plaintiff,

vs. VIVIAN P. DOMINGUEZ, a single man; and PATRICIA C. DOMINGUEZ, a single woman, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, commonly known as The Springs #10E, Ruidoso, New Mexico, and more particularly described as follows:

Unit 10 of THE SPRINGS, a Condominium Project, Phase One Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico as the same is set forth and established by that certain Declaration dated August 21, 1981, and being filed for record on September 4, 1981, in Book 73

of Miscellaneous Records, pages 727 to 750z, both inclusive, and the Amendments thereto filed for record on October 5, 1981, in Book 74 of Miscellaneous Records, pages 363 to 364, both inclusive, and on October 25, 1983, in Book 88 of the Miscellaneous Records, pages 1079 to 1086, both inclusive; and the plat of The Springs, a Condominium Project filed for record on July 2, 1981, in Cabinet D, Slide No. 20, all records of Lincoln County, New Mexico.

TOGETHER with said unit's undivided 4.56% interest in and to the common area facilities of The Springs, a Condominium Project, as set forth in the above mentioned Declaration and Amendments thereto.

The sale is to begin at 10:00 a.m., on the 24th day of March, 1995, at the northeast entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Town of Carrizozo, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment in favor of Liberty Savings Bank, F.S.B., in the principal sum of \$103,007.01, plus interest thereon through January 19, 1995, in the sum of \$9,244.70, and accruing thereafter at the rate of 7.375% per annum (\$20.81 per diem) until paid; plus late charges through November 1994 in the sum of \$130.80; plus attorney's fees and costs incurred by Plaintiff in connection with the bankruptcies filed by Defendants Vivian P. Dominguez and Patricia C. Dominguez in the sum of \$3,493.36; plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through January 19, 1995, in the sum of \$929.15, with interest thereon from date of Judgment until paid at the rate of 7.375% per annum; plus costs incurred by Plaintiff through January 19, 1995, in the sum of \$346.68, with interest thereon from date of Judgment until paid at the rate of 7.375% per annum; plus reasonable fees and costs as they shall accrue from date of Judgment to date of sale, as awarded by the Court.

The sale is subject to a one (1) month right of redemption in favor of the Defendants Vivian P. Dominguez and Patricia C. Dominguez as specified in the Judgment filed herein.

NICK VEGA, Special Master Post Office Box 383, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301 (505) 648-2217.

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO NO. CV-90-198 Div. I

Plaintiff,

vs. PATRICIA REYBOLD, a single woman; LAKESIDE CORPORATION, a New Mexico Corporation; and RUIDOSO STATE BANK, a New Mexico Banking Corporation, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MASTER'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of March, 1995, at the hour of 10:00 A.M., the undersigned Special Master will, at the front entrance door of the Ruidoso Municipal Building, Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, sell all right, title and interest of the Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash.

The property to be sold is situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is more particularly described as follows:

Lot 181, Unit 8 DEER PARK VALLEY SUBDIVISION, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on the 17th day of April, 1981;

TOGETHER WITH easements, reservations and restrictions of record.

The foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 3, 1995, being an action to collect a paving assessment lien on the above described property.

Proceeds from the foregoing sale will be utilized to satisfy the judgment against the Defendants as follows:

\$1,158.89, representing the amount owed to Plaintiff for its paving assessment lien, late fees in the amount of \$0.48, attorney's fees in the amount of \$750.00 together with New Mexico gross receipts taxes in the amount of \$41.09, plus costs of foreclosure in the amount of \$176.22, for a total amount of \$2,136.68, plus interest thereon from the date of the judgment to the date of the Special Master's sale at the rate of 15% per annum.

In addition thereto, the bidder at such sale will be responsible for paying the Special Master's fee of \$200 and attorney's fees and costs expended from the date of entry of the judgment until the date of sale, including those of publication.

Any judgment creditor has the right to bid at the sale and to apply all or any part of his respective judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

Plaintiff, vs. PATRICIA REYBOLD, a single woman; LAKESIDE CORPORATION, a New Mexico Corporation; and RUIDOSO STATE BANK, a New Mexico Banking Corporation, Defendants.

TOGETHER WITH easements, reservations and restrictions of record.

The foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 3, 1995, being an action to collect a paving assessment lien on the above described property.

Proceeds from the foregoing sale will be utilized to satisfy the judgment against the Defendants as follows:

\$1,158.89, representing the amount owed to Plaintiff for its paving assessment lien, late fees in the amount of \$0.48, attorney's fees in the amount of \$750.00 together with New Mexico gross receipts taxes in the amount of \$41.09, plus costs of foreclosure in the amount of \$176.22, for a total amount of \$2,136.68, plus interest thereon from the date of the judgment to the date of the Special Master's sale at the rate of 15% per annum.

In addition thereto, the bidder at such sale will be responsible for paying the Special Master's fee of \$200 and attorney's fees and costs expended from the date of entry of the judgment until the date of sale, including those of publication.

Any judgment creditor has the right to bid at the sale and to apply all or any part of his respective judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

The Plaintiff has the right to bid the amount of its judgment, in its entirety or in part, in lieu of cash at said sale.

WES BROWNFIELD, Special Master

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, Lincoln County, New Mexico calls for sealed proposals on 3 cu. yd. sideloader dumpsters.

Interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the Manager's office at the headquarters for the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, at 222 Second St., P.O. Box 2405, Ruidoso Downs, N.M. 88346. Phone: (505) 378-4697.

Sealed proposals must be received by the general manager no later than 1:00 p.m., February 27, 1995, at which time the proposals will be opened at the headquarters office.

The Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any proposal, waive minor technicalities, and award the proposal to best serve the interests of the Authority. Proposals must comply with the N.M. Procurement Code.

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MEETING NOTICE

The Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee will hold a regularly scheduled Board meeting on Tuesday, March 14, 1995, beginning at 10:00 A.M. The meeting is open to the public, and will be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse (Commissioners Meeting Room) in Carrizozo. Agenda is available 24 hours prior to the meeting. Auxiliary aids are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

CAROLIN A. COONEY, Lincoln County Manager.

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo will hold their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 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, Town Clerk, CMCAAE, Town of Carrizozo.

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MEETING NOTICE

The Lincoln Historic Preservation Board will hold a regularly scheduled Board meeting on Tuesday, March 7, 1995, beginning at 7:00 P.M. The meeting is open to the public, and will be held at the Dr. Wood's Annex in Lincoln. Agenda is available 24 hours prior to the meeting. Auxiliary aids are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

CAROLIN A. COONEY, Lincoln County Manager.

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The Corona Schools held the annual spelling bee Friday, Feb. 17. Charlie Tully was grand champion and Emily Armstrong, reserve champion. First and second place winners in the classes were: 1st grade, Ryan Painter, Jared Pringle, 2nd grade Adrianna Contreras, Michael Finley, 3rd grade Rachel Lueras and Victor Perez, 4th Shalene Lopez and Chauncy Jinks, 5th grade Emily Armstrong and Stephanie Plant, 6th Charlie Tully and a tie for second between Andrew Bagley and Amanda Giarruso, 7th grade Courtney Perez and Sarah Stewart.

Fred Porter was pronouncer, Jeanene Gibbs and Geraldine Perkins, judges. The PTO gave these three certificates for dinner for two at the Senior Center dinner that evening. The PTO served punch and coffee, cookies in the shape of apples and chalk boards made by Martha Garza, to parents and students following the bee.

Mike Kessler, Julie, April and Amy spent the weekend in Liberal, KS where they visited relatives and attended the wedding of a cousin, Kevin Kessler. They toured the recently opened air museum there.

Margaret Holleyman reports a fun night at their senior bowling for your sweet heart party. They had net earnings from the dinner, bowling and from the sweet heart pillow made by Terry Barrajas and won by Russell Lueras.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Goodrich came over from Albuquerque to have lunch Tuesday with Mrs. Robin Pfeiffer.

W.G. Thomson is at his home here after an absence of



CORONA CARDINAL BASKETBALL Homecoming King and Queen were Marcus Johnson and Ronda Miller. From left: last year's queen Shayla Marshall, flower girl Savannah Wilson, crown bearer Dustin Pringle, queen Miller, and King Johnson.

more than a year during his wife's last illness.

Seth and Max Brewer spent several days with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gibbs who took them home to Albuquerque, Sunday, and helped Seth celebrate his third birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Shawn Perkins had Lor's mother, Mrs. Pete Harrison of Clovis as their weekend guest. All enjoyed the Rocky Mountain Elk Show in Albuquerque which Sunday, an exhibit which several from Corona attended.

Friends here were sorry to hear of the death of Manuel Sanchez which followed open heart surgery in December. Jose Manuel Sanchez was born July 29, 1943 in Duran. He graduated from Corona High School and went to work in Albuquerque where he worked for Galles Chevrolet

for 27 years. He is survived by his wife of 25 years, Helen Lara, and two daughters, Annette and Loretta, all of the family home in Albuquerque, his mother, Lola Sanchez,

Corona, and three sisters, Nadine Trujillo, Patricia Chavez, and Della Packerham, several nieces and nephews, all of Albuquerque. Rosary and funeral services were in Albuquerque with interment Sunday in Duran.

Crown CowBelles will meet Thursday, March 1 at the Crown Cafe.

Elbert Owen and Carol McConnell were in Roswell Saturday to attend graveside services for Elbert's brother, Pat Owen, of T or C. Funeral services were held in T or C Friday. Elbert and one sister of this large family survive.

Roundhouse Report (Continued from Page 1)

organizations.

FORT STANTON:

"Our approach for use of Fort Stanton is an adolescent substance abuse treatment facility," Campos said. He introduced Senate Bill 1002, which calls for converting the facility as the treatment facility. His bill is one of several proposals for the facility.

PROJECTS FUNDING

As for appropriations bills for local projects, Sen. Campos said that money is tight. Revenue estimates are another week away, Campos said. "Keep in mind that the governor also has a say so in funding," Campos said. "We are looking for a consensus between the house and the senate of what will become funding priorities, and tie those with the General Appropriations Bill."

On Monday, the House of Representatives, on a 44-23 vote, approved House Bill 3, which will fund public education.

The biggest difference this year for the education funding, is that it is separated in its own bill. For years, public education funding was included in the overall general appropriations act for state government.

HB3 includes funds for a six percent salary increase for teachers.

Gov. Gary Johnson said that he will veto HB3 because it includes the six percent increase, twice the amount he proposed at three percent.

Gov. Johnson said the state cannot afford this increase, if tax payers are to get any kind of rebates this year.

During the debate on the house floor for HB3 Monday, Rep. Dub Williams spoke in support of education but did not in support of HB3 which would require more money than proposed by the governor.

Rep. Williams said that more money does not necessarily mean better quality of life. Instead, he said that students need a "good strong dose" of love of themselves and each other; stability and sincerity; discipline in their lives, schools and society. By keeping to this philosophy, education will get a lot more done that just having more money.

Last Thursday was the last day for legislators to introduce bills. Rep. Williams was able to submit several bills before the deadline.

House Bill 917, District 56 Capital Projects, seeks severance tax bond fund for \$100,000 for improvements for erosion control for Bonito Lake in Upper Hondo Soil and Water Conservation District; \$55,000 for erosion control on Rio Salado between Capitan and Indian Divide in Upper Hondo Soil and Water Conservation District; \$23,500 for community park and outdoor classroom in Corona in Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District; \$70,000 for white water system im-

provements in La Luz; \$1,806,000 for design, construction and equipping of an indoor arena for the Lincoln County Community Events Center (former Sales Barn) in Glencoe; \$229,000 for roads in West Monterrey subdivision in Tularosa.

Williams also introduced: House Bill 977, graduation requirements; House Bill 1082, Fort Stanton Intervention Program; House Bill 1083, water adjudication services; House Bill 1090, economic development and gaming control act; House Bill 1114, amend Forest Conservation Act; House Bill 1141, school discipline policies; House Bill 1141, video amusement games.

Copies of these bills were unavailable at press time because of the backlog in legislative council which prepares the bills.

Several Lincoln County residents were in Santa Fe this week, some for the New Mexico Farm and Livestock Bureau reception and breakfast. This reporter saw Ralph and Rosalie Dunlap here for the receptions and other business.

Constituents can contact either Senator Pete Campos or Representative Dub Williams by calling the State Capitol Building at 986-4600, or by writing



VA Has Toll-Free Persian Gulf Information Helpline

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) today established a toll-free number to inform Persian Gulf War veterans and their families of available medical care and other benefits. The toll-free information line is 1-800-PGW-VETS (1-800-749-8387).

Albuquerque VA Regional Office Director Ray W. Hall said, "We want Persian Gulf veterans to know VA will take every initiative necessary to let them know how we can help them. The toll-free number gives them quick access to timely information."

The helpline, headquartered at a new Persian Gulf Information Center at the St. Louis VA Regional Office, is staffed with Persian Gulf War benefit specialists who are available weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. (CT). The helpline includes a series of recorded messages that will enable callers to obtain information 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The helpline is part of a comprehensive outreach program established to assist Gulf veterans. The Veterans Benefits Act of 1994, which President Clinton signed into law Nov. 2, called for the

implementation of the helpline and publication of a newsletter with information on research on illnesses of Gulf veterans and their families and benefits available through VA. VA had already begun publishing the newsletter, the Persian Gulf Review, in 1992 and distributes it to all veterans on the Persian Gulf Registry. There are currently more than 39,000 veterans on the registry, which VA established in 1992 to identify patterns of illnesses among Gulf veterans.

VA also is providing information on VA benefits, medical care and research, including assistance for Persian Gulf veterans, on an electronic bulletin board system available 24 hours a day. VA-ONLINE can be accessed by callers with a personal computer that includes a modem and a communications package. The toll-free number for the bulletin board is 1-800-US1-VETS (1-800-871-8387).

Outreach also will be conducted through special mail-

ings to Persian Gulf Registry members. VA will begin these mailings with a letter from Secretary of Veterans Affairs Jesse Brown informing veterans that VA will review claims previously filed by those who believed they were exposed to an environmental hazard while serving in the Persian Gulf theater. The letter also advised those veterans who have not filed claims to do so if they believe they are entitled to benefits.

VA conducts a number of benefit briefings with active duty service personnel, reservists and National Guard members. Information about the new helpline and the medical services and benefits available to Persian Gulf veterans will be discussed in these briefings, including those conducted in support of the Transition Assistance Program, which VA jointly sponsors with the Departments of Defense and Labor to assist separating service members in making a smooth transition to civilian life.

Disaster Loans May Be Available To Businesses

Drought and severe weather conditions which occurred during the winter, spring, and summer of 1994 caused many farmers and ranchers to experience reduced incomes which may have had an adverse economic effect on businesses depending upon these producers.

Businesses depending on farmers and ranchers in some New Mexico and Texas coun-

ties can now apply for low interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). Lincoln, Otero, and Chaves counties are included in the list of counties that were affected by drought and severe weather conditions between Oct. 1, 1993 and Aug. 1, 1994. Businesses have until June 26, 1995 to apply.

These loans are available to

help small businesses meet normal operating expenses that cannot be met due to the effects of the disaster. Some businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers may have experienced decreased sales, reduced gross profit margins, increased accounts receivable or difficulty in moving inventories at normal levels. To the extent these problems have caused the business difficulty in meeting its normal obligations, the loans may be of assistance.

Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for this loan program but may be eligible for disaster assistance through other federal agencies.

To obtain an application or receive additional information, interested business owners may call the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

Press Service Hires Advertising Director

New Mexico Press Service has hired William L. Johnson to direct its newspaper advertising sales efforts. Johnson started Jan. 16, focusing on helping regional advertisers place display ads in newspapers throughout the state. New Mexico Press Service is the for profit business affiliate of the New Mexico Press Association, which is a trade organization for this state's community daily and weekly newspapers, including the Lincoln County News.

Press Service manager Rob Piggott notes that Johnson was hired to upgrade the ad bureau office and lend his expertise in making it easier for regional businesses to advertise in the various community newspapers of the state.

Johnson says that he expects to expand on the Press Service ad bureau's "One Order, One Bill, One Check Service," which gives adver-

tisers the convenience of running in any or all newspapers throughout the state with just one ad order to New Mexico Press Service.

Johnson adds, "we hope to work with the state's newspapers and advertisers in offering long term frequency and volume contracts, as well as expand into statewide newspaper promotions and special supplements."

Johnson comes to New Mexico Press Service from the Albuquerque Publishing Co., where as Operations Director he was responsible for the company's business operations. The Albuquerque Publishing Company, under the terms of a joint operating agreement, is the business arm of the Albuquerque Journal and the Albuquerque Tribune. Johnson's entire career has been involved on the business and advertising side of community newspapers in Kansas, Colorado and Utah.

Historical Society Wants . . .

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The historical society urges Gov. Johnson to employ the resources of the state as well as local entities to find a use for Fort Stanton which is compatible with the care and preservations of the fort, its buildings, and its historic contents. In the interim, and as a minimum protection, a small staff needs to be employed to maintain the buildings and grounds and to provide security.

The historical society said it stands ready to help if needed to assist in the inventorying and storage of historic records and artifacts of the museum,

or in any other way.

"It is important that these remnants of our heritage stay in Lincoln County for the benefit of all," the letter states. "Let us all work together to save this unique treasure and preserve this part of our western American heritage for generations to come."

The historic society also sent a copy of their publication *Fort Stanton, the Military Years* to the governor. The society plans to publish a follow-up booklet on the hospital years.

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