

County Elected Officials Pay Increase Is Stymied

by Doris Cherry

Once again the Lincoln County Commissioners tabled a request to increase the salaries of elected county officials, even though they receive the lowest salaries for such officials in the state's Class B over counties.

Lincoln County Commissioners, meeting Tuesday in the courthouse in Carrizozo, postponed action on a request to raise the elected officials

salaries after a motion to hold public hearings on the proposal tied with two votes for and two votes against. Chairman Monroy Montes was absent which left no one to break the tie.

By state law, as amended in 1994, elected officials in Class B Over (meaning county properties have a total assessed value of more than \$300 million) can have salaries not exceeding \$15,012 for each county commissioner; \$37,653

each for treasurer, clerk and assessor; \$39,253 for sheriff and \$13,166 for probate judge. Currently commissioners receive \$10,005 a year, sheriff receives \$31,510 a year, and assessor, clerk and treasurer each receive \$30,130 a year, which was approved in 1991.

Lincoln County elected officials have the lowest salaries of the 13 counties in Class B Over counties in New Mexico. Lincoln County elected officials last got a raise in

1991, according to information provided by county treasurer Joan Park. She said she was not against having public hearings on the proposed pay raise, but she also believed the public in general did not know the function and services offered by county elected officials.

County assessor Patsy Serna, who also endorsed the salary increase, said it would cost the county an additional \$88,398 a year to cover the

raises. The cost could be covered by the increased value of properties in the county, and subsequent higher revenue from taxes. Serna said as of December 2, the county had increased \$30 million in value over last year, which is equal to \$210,000 in additional taxes for the county.

"The elected officials haven't had a raise since January 1991," Serna said. "It's time to look at the salaries, but if we don't get an increase I'll be

here from 8 to 5 anyway."

County clerk Martha Proctor, who is about to complete her eighth year as clerk, said she and the other elected

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Lincoln County Santa Cops Workshop Open

In 1988, law enforcement officers throughout Lincoln County got together to collect donations of toys, clothes and food to give to the area's needy families, children and elderly. Because the act of kindness made them feel like Santa, the participants named their organization Santa Cops.

Like every year since 1988, Santa Cops is taking donations of food, new clothing, new toys and money.

The donations can be taken directly to the Santa Cops workshop, located in the Sierra Mall on Mechem Drive in Ruidoso, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, December 7 and Saturday, December 14. Donations may also be dropped off at the following locations in Ruidoso: Sierra Bank; KBUY radio on Sudderth Drive and Lincoln CableVision on Vision Street and Ruidoso Downs Police Department. Money donations may be mailed to Santa Cops, HC 71, Box 1021, Capitan, NM 88316.

Organizers ask that non-perishable food be brought to the Santa Cops Workshop on the Saturdays. If donors desire to bring perishable food such as fruit, meat or bread that must be brought to the workshop on Wednesday, December 18.

For donations of new clothing, organizers suggest new winter items for children and elderly, such as flannel shirts, mittens and gloves, scarves or slippers.

Deliveries of the gift packages will be made to needy families and elderly beginning on Thursday, December 19.

Anyone who wants to be considered for a Santa Cops package can pick up an application at the Ruidoso Wal-Mart or the New Mexico Income Support Division office on 5th Street in Ruidoso. The completed applications must

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Capitan Village Hall Open House Friday

Capitan Village Hall invites everyone to come by for cookies and punch between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on Friday, December 6 for its annual Open House.

The annual Open House kicks off the holiday season in Capitan where many other activities are planned.



FORT STANTON CLOSED, TO THE PUBLIC THAT IS. Tourists and visitors who drive by Fort Stanton are now greeted with this sign. Anyone coming to Fort Stanton must check in at the administration building, or they will be stopped, searched, questioned...or worse.

Rec Center To Open Soon For C'zozo Young People

by Barbara Culler

Opening the Recreation Center for the young people, a new logo for the town, and an assessment report on traffic conditions and policies were some of the topics discussed at the Nov. 26 Town of Carrizozo Board of Trustees meeting.

The Rec Center has been open for bowlers three nights a week and in the near future will be open for young people.

Resident Danny Culley commented that the new manager's improvements, including putting the bowling lanes into excellent condition, new carpet and paint, has made the center a nice place to enjoy.

Resident Johnny Culley agreed and felt it would be a nice place for the youth of the town.

The contract for the Rec Center has been signed with Sid Wright and approval was given to reimburse him \$6,500.00 for the carpeting and \$1,968.18 for other expenses and maintenance.

Town clerk Carol Schlarb stated that in the future Wright would be paid as close as possible to the first of each month. Wright was not at the meeting to accept the checks so they will be mailed to him.

The RFP (request for proposals) for engineering service for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project for the water filtration plant was awarded to Livingston and Associates of Alamogordo. The grant administrator stated that if everything stays on schedule the project should be completed by April 30.

Police chief Duane Vinson introduced the new public safety aide (PSA) Virgil Johnson to the council.

Vinson said the new No Truck Traffic signs are up on E Ave. at both ends of the street and seem to be working well.

Vinson also said the new police station is almost ready. All that needs completion are the phone lines, floor covering, and furniture put in. Around Christmas time is still looking good for an open house according to the chief.

Al Tetreat, who will be doing an Independent Traffic Assessment for the town at the request of the police chief, was introduced. An assessment is done to show the

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Christmas Recital At Nogal Presbyterian Church Sun., Dec. 8

The public is invited to attend a free Community Christmas recital at the Nogal Presbyterian Church on Sunday, December 8 at 6 p.m.

Vocalists will be Charlotte and David Lee, Agatha Long and Pam Cromwell; guitar and hammered dulcimers will be Ann Buffington; recorder will be John Duncan; story tellers are Marjorie Daniels and Leif Ancher.

Group singing of Christmas Carols will be held followed by refreshments at the Paz de Nogal.

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School Districts Plan Elections February 4

by Doris Cherry

Capitan, Carrizozo, Corona and Hondo Valley School Districts will hold elections on Tuesday, February 4 to fill positions on their boards of education.

Tuesday, December 17 is the only day that people who want to run for a position on a school board may file declaration of candidacy. The declaration must be filed between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the Lincoln County Clerk's office in Carrizozo.

Write-in candidates are allowed in all school district elections, but people who wish to run as a write-in candidate must file a Declaration of Write-in Candidacy at the Lincoln County Clerk's Office in the courthouse in Carrizozo between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Tuesday, December 31 only.

Candidates must be registered voters residing within the school district for which they file for candidacy. All board position terms begin March 1, 1997.

Board positions open at the

schools and other questions to be asked on the school election ballots:

Capitan:

Positions 1 and 2, both for four years, are open. They are currently held by Russell Shearer and Tim Worrrell.

Carrizozo:

Four positions are open, two for two year terms and two for four year terms. The two-year positions on the ballot are currently held by Gary Hightower, who is retiring at the end of two years of his four-year term, Jody Ventura,

who is resigning at the end of two years of his four-year term because he will be leaving the area, and the four year terms are presently held by Nick Serna and LeeRoy Zamora.

Corona:

Three, four year positions are open. Position 2 is currently held by president Danny Lueras, position 3 is held by vice president Melvin Johnson, and position 5 is held by member Pete Gnatkowski.

Hondo Valley:

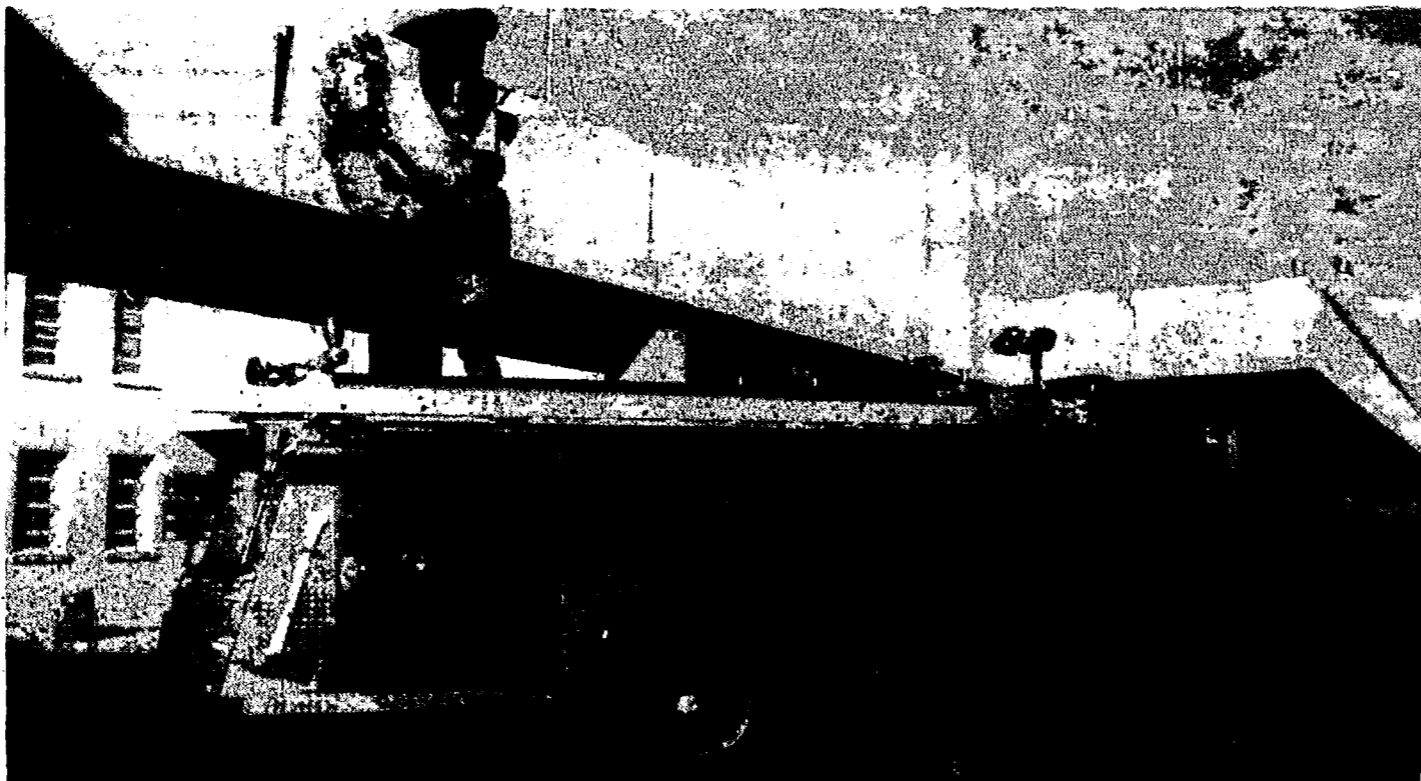
Positions 1 and 2, both for four years, are open on the school board. Position 1 currently is held by board secretary Stella Herrera. Position 2 was held by member Jimmy Montoya, who resigned from the board in a letter last week.

Two Mill Levy Questions:

Capitan and Hondo also will be asking voters to continue the Public School Capital Improvements Tax, (SB9, two mill levy) for another three years. The two mill levy provides funding to purchase equipment such as football helmets, furniture, remodeling and repairs and to purchase activity busses. SB9 money cannot be used for salaries or operational costs.

Bond Issue Question:

Hondo School District will also ask voters to vote yes or no on a \$325,000 general obligation bond issue which will allow the district to construct and equip a library expansion. The expanded library will enable the district to upgrade its computer tech-



CHRISTMAS COURTHOUSE. County maintenance staff LeeRoy Zamora (on truck) and Gabe Zamora put up Christmas lights on the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo. The courthouse crew put up Santa's sleigh and reindeer, lined the roof with luminarias, and filled the courthouse trees with thousands of tiny twinkling lights, which transforms the courthouse into a Christmas wonderland at night. Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department loaned its truck to serve as a scaffold for the light installation.



TOP CRIMESTOPPERS. Ruidoso chief of police Lariny Maddox (center) presents plaques of appreciation to District Judge Richard A. Parsons (left) and magistrate judge Gerald Dean Jr. In letters to Judge Parsons and Judge Dean from the Ruidoso/Lincoln County Crimestoppers, Inc. they are lauded for their crime prevention efforts. Judge Parsons is especially praised for his efforts in curtailing juvenile crime and his professional service to the people of the county. "We the board of directors of the Ruidoso/Lincoln County Crimestoppers, Inc. are in debt to you (Parsons) for assisting our worthwhile organization in curtailing the criminal element within the county and we will miss you subsequent to your retirement."

County Elected Officials

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officials are public servants, who would appreciate an increase in salary to meet the cost of living increases. "We're here from 8 to 5, or at times after 5 and weekends," she said. "Unlike previous years, with lawsuits involving elected officials, there have been several years of smooth sailing in the courthouse," Proctor said. "I'm proud of the job Patsy, Joan and I have done with the county commission. I accept the responsibility and liability associated with the job."

Proctor said that with an increasing population in the county, the elected officials have increased responsibilities in their offices. "But I won't beg for a raise, that's not my nature," she said.

County manager Frank Potter also reminded commissioners they had not resolved the issue of the salaries for chief deputies for elected officials. Potter said he would present a plan for the chief deputies in January when he presents the draft job descriptions and salary plan for all county employees.

"We're all proud of the services we provide," Potter said. "As Lincoln County grows, and becomes more sophisticated, I think the county officials become more sophisticated in the way they deal with the public."

Potter was concerned that without a salary increase for elected officials, Lincoln County will fall so far down the scale it will "indicate we're something less than we are."

Citizens Joe Bonnell and E.J. Fouratt supported the salary increase. "All the elected officials do their jobs efficiently, and they deserve increases," Bonnell said.

"As a taxpayer, I don't object to the raises for elected officials," Fouratt said. "When we look at all except one, have done a super job. They deserve some kind of raise. We want to attract good people to run for the jobs."

Commissioners Ray Nunley and Wilton Howell supported public hearings to let the public say what it thinks about the salary increases. But outgoing commissioner Stirling Spencer, who will assume the job as probate judge in January, said he wasn't against public hearings, but "it's clear it's something we have to bite the bullet and do. It's hard as we're a part of the bullet."

Spencer said compared to the private sector, the elected officials' salaries are totally inequitable for their supervisory positions. "This is not an arbitrary raise," Spencer said. "The statute is here for it. I ask the commission to highly consider the increase."

Spencer added that if the increase is given it may be seven to 10 years before another can be given based on county classification.

But when Howell asked for a motion approving the raises, no one responded. Then Nunley made a motion to hold two public hearings, one at the regular January meeting in Carrizozo and another special meeting in Ruidoso also in January. Commissioner Bill Schwettmann who was presiding in chairman Monroy Montes absence, seconded the motion just for discussion.

When Schwettmann took the vote on the motion to hold public hearings, it split with Nunley and Schwettmann for

holding public hearings, and Spencer and Howell against the hearings.

With no one to break the tie, it died.

Spencer then asked the proposed raise be tabled until the January meeting after new commissioner Rex Wilson is on the board and chairman Montes has returned. Nunley seconded the motion. All but Howell voted yes. He explained jokingly that he voted no because he did not want to end the year voting with Spencer.

News Around Lincoln County

Students in Who's Who

Students from Lincoln County are included in the 30th annual edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1996-97*.

Students included: Carrizozo: Amanda Baca, Sarah Funk, Katie Hightower, Keri Shafer, Jim Brown, Briton Goad, Courtney Maynard.

Alto: Joni L. Autrey, Steven Currin, Caleb W. Hull, Ricky Overdorf, Adrian V. Wallen, Donna M. Cannella, Caleb Hull, Matthew M. Mulholland, Veronica R. Roybal.

Capitan: Mandi R. Aldaz, Andra Fish, Travis D. Jaquess, Jody Sidwell, Meaghan Vinson, Casey L. Cunningham, Sabrina M. Honeyfield, Courtney M. May, Timothy S. Skinner.

Corona: Stanna Chavez, Shayla B. Marshall, Logan G. Marshall.

Fort Stanton: Mandi Aldaz, Glencoe: Anthony E. Trujillo.

Hondo: Zac M. Pafford. Nogal: Stephen D. Bush; Amanda C. Greer.

Picacho: Santa Ontiveroa. San Patricio: Maria Alvarado, Jason Candelaria, Adam Romero, Rowena N. Baca, Jason R. Montes, Bethany Sanchez.

Tinnie: Christina Chavez, Lisa Gutierrez, Cassandra Garrett, Alajandro G. Lambert.

Ruidoso: Katrina M. Adams, Brook B. Barnett, Bailey C.

Bishop: Angel R. Chavez, Kristy Donaldson, Ryan P. Edwards, Gerardo L. Espinoza, Lori M. Genta, Shannon W. Gray, Bay Hirschfeld, Stephen Houghton, Victoria Kresge, Katie J. Lukens, Melissa Miller, Roma Rogers, Heather N. Stover, Kelley Stroud, Robert M. Williams Jr., Bronwyn Barnett, Jon M. Beatty, Jessica Blaney, Nicole A. Coca, Alexander Eckert, Matthew D. Ensor, Suzanne Flanery, Leslea M. Gerth, Joe D. Grimes, Cory D. Hood, Sarah Hubbard, Mandi E. Lewallen, Johnny G. Martinez, Audrey J. Moore, Billy A. Rogge, Jimmy Stover, Lindsay L. Willard, Sherry Williams.

Ruidoso Downs: Audra A. Allison, Sundae M. Elwell, Jessie D. Figueroa, Sina T. Herrera, Denise M. Rodela, Jessica M. Salas, Jason Wilson, Shannon Conley, April M. Figueroa, Yesenia Figueroa, Jacqueline L. Onsurez, Myra J. Romero, Sneh Sharma.

Please mail news releases to P. O. Drawer 459, Carrizozo, NM 88301 or call Ruth at 648-2333 with your news items. There is no charge.

Invitation

We would like to invite all our friends to attend our 50th wedding anniversary at Santa Rita Catholic Church on Saturday, December 7, 1996, at 2:00 p.m.

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School Districts . . .

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nology to hook into the Internet, said district superintendent Barbara Casey. The bond issue would also provide funds to construct conference rooms for student testing and consultation in surroundings better than the converted closets now being used.

Voter registration for all public school elections closes on January 7, which is 30 days before the election.

Santa Cops . . .

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be returned to the Income Support Division office by Friday, December 13.

Ruidoso State Bank is working together with Santa Cops inviting everyone to share in the gift of giving. Christmas trees are located in all four Ruidoso State Bank branches; 1710 Sudderth and 707 Mechem in Ruidoso, 100 Smokey Bear Blvd. in Capitan, and 411 Central in Carrizozo. The trees are adorned with elfs holding the names of children in need. People are invited to take a name from an elf and brighten the life of a child.

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We hope you will take a name from the elf and brighten the life of a child this Christmas.

For details on the "Gift of Giving," come by any one of our branch locations.

1710 Sudderth - Main Branch
707 Mechem - North Branch
100 Smokey Bear Blvd. - Capitan Branch
411 Central - Carrizozo Branch

MEMBER F.D.I.C.

Carrizozo Chit Chat



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THURSDAYS

—Alcoholic Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. at Carrizozo Senior Citizens Center. Call 648-2313 for information.
—Adult singles group meets in Ruidoso at 6:30 p.m. For more information call 257-2505 or 258-3201.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

—Capitan Music Boosters meet at 5:30 p.m. in the school band room.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

—Capitan Village Hall Open House from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

—St. Eleanor's Catholic Church Women's Guild Christmas Breakfast at 9-11 a.m. at Cree Meadows Restaurant in Ruidoso.

—Holiday Hoedown at Carrizozo Woman's Club 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Food, crafts, fun. Santa will attend from 12 noon to 2 p.m. for photos.

—Joe and Nena Ortiz invite everyone to their 50th wedding anniversary celebration at Santa Rita Catholic Church at 2 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

—Community Christmas Recital at 6 p.m. in Nogal Presbyterian Church.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

—No school for Capitan Elementary students to allow teachers an in-service day.

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

—Carrizozo Schools Christmas Music and Art Program at 7 p.m. in the old gym.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

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

—Parent-teacher organization meeting at 6 p.m. in Capitan School library.

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

—Democratic Party of Lincoln County Christmas Party at 6:30 p.m. in Cree Meadows Restaurant in Ruidoso. Call 257-7558 by December 7 to make reservations.

—Capitan Schools Band and Choir Christmas Concert at 7 p.m. in the multipurpose building.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

—Carrizozo Masonic Lodge will have a public installation of the 1997 officers at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge Hall.

—Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 7 p.m. at Capitan Senior Center.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

—Capitan Board of Education meeting at 7 p.m. in the board conference room.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

—Capitan Christmas Capers, including Bazaar at senior center, open house at Smokey Bear Park and Friends of Smokey Christmas caroling 6:30 p.m. at the park.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

—"Christmas Canticles" a cantata, will be presented by the Community Christmas Choir at 4 p.m. at Trinity United Church in Carrizozo. Everyone is invited.

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Masonic Installation
Carrizozo Masonic Lodge #41 will conduct a public installation of officers, Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

The following officers will be installed, Worshipful Master, Morgan Maxwell; Senior Warden Lerry Bond; Junior Warden, John Maxwell; Treasurer, W.W. Gallacher Jr.; Secretary, Johnson Stearns; Chaplain, Bob Shafer; Senior Deacon, Allen Langley; Junior Deacon, Mike Shivers; Senior Steward, Billy Bob Shafer; Junior Steward, Scott Shafer; Tiler, Wesley Lindsay; Marshal, Jake Harris.

The lodge will present special pins to the following, Vernon Petty, 60 years in Masonry, 50 years with Carrizozo Lodge; Bob Shafer, 50 years in Masonry; Barney Hicks, 50 years in Masonry; Dr. Frank English, 50 years in Masonry; Barney Roper, 50 years in Masonry, Bill MacVeigh Jr. 25 years in Masonry.

A dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. to masons, their families and friends.

Carrizozo Lodge, #41, A.F. and A.M. received its charter on October 20, 1908. Its first worshipful master was William F. Gierke. Regular meetings are the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

By Bartley McDonough,
Past Master

School Music Program

The public is invited to the Carrizozo Schools Christmas Music and Art program at 7 p.m. Monday, December 9 in the old gym. The program is directed by Dolores Earwood and Cherri Goad. Polly Chavez and the mid school art class created the holiday designs for the program.

Students will sing and the band will perform traditional season favorites. A student art show will be on display in the gym.

Students will be see the music program at 1:30 p.m. on Monday.

School Sports

Saturday, December 7, the junior high boys and girls basketball teams play the Mountainair teams beginning at 1 p.m. in the old gym. Varsity girl basketball team plays the Mesilla Valley girls team at 2 p.m. in the new gym.

Tuesday Dec. 10 at 4 p.m. the junior high boys and girls teams play Cloudercroft in the new gym.

Thursday, December 12, the boys and girls junior high teams play the Capitan teams beginning at 4:30 p.m. in the new gym.

Friday, December 13, the boys and girls junior varsity and varsity basketball teams

Joe and Nena Ortiz To Celebrate Their Golden Anniversary

Joe and Nena Ortiz will celebrate their Golden wedding anniversary at 2 p.m. Saturday, December 7 at Santa Rita Catholic Church in Carrizozo.

The Ortiz's were married on December 7, 1946, at Santa Rita Church in Carrizozo. They are lifelong residents of Carrizozo where they raised two sons—Conrad of Anthony, NM and Mario of California, and daughters Tamie and Judy who live in Santa Fe and Tracy who lives in Alamogordo. Joe was a meat cutter by profession and is now retired.

Along with the couple's children, their 10 grandchildren and one great grandchild will help celebrate the anniversary.

All family and friends of the couple are invited to attend the celebration.

play Cloudercroft teams beginning at 4:30 p.m. in the new gym.

Saturday, December 14, the boys JV and varsity teams play Magdalena teams at home beginning at 5 p.m. in the new gym.

Girls and boys JV and varsity teams travel to Capitan Monday, December 16, for games starting at 4:30 p.m.

School News

Tuesday, December 17 the Carrizozo board of education meets at 6:30 p.m. in the board conference room.

Final exams begin on Wednesday, December 18 and end at noon on December 20.

Students will be dismissed early at noon on Wednesday through Friday, December 18-20.

School will dismiss for the Christmas holiday at noon Friday, December 20 and will not resume until Monday, January 6, 1997.

Decorations Installed

Carrizozo is well-lit. Otero County Electric Cooperative, Inc. crews installed the Christmas lights in town Monday.

County employees were also busy setting up all the Christmas decorations at the Lincoln County Courthouse.

The Lincoln County News invites people to submit items of interest for the Carrizozo Chit Chat column; including new residents, visitors, hospitalizations, vacations, birth announcements,

news of former school students away at college, engagement announcements, wedding announcements, and general news. There is no charge.

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ACCORDING TO N.M. STATE STATUTE 7-38-83.

TIMELINESS. —

B. ALL ACTS REQUIRED OR PERMITTED TO BE DONE BY MAIL ARE TIMELY IF POSTMARKED ON THE REQUIRED DATE.

The Lincoln County Treasurer's Office does honor the postmark, but your payments MUST be postmarked December 10, 1996.

INTEREST shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month or any portion of a month. (Statute 7-38-49 NMSA 1979)

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

By NM State law, property taxes are the personal obligation of the property owner, whether or not the tax bill was received. Mail payment or contact us at the address and phone number listed below should you have questions regarding your property tax bills. Thank you.

Joan E. Park
Lincoln County Treasurer
P.O. Box 709
Carrizozo, NM 88301.
648-2397 or 648-2525

THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Is it a Fort or a Camp?

By Ruth Hammond

There was no funeral, no last rites, no chance for a final farewell and it leaves many of us sad. Death is like that, often happening quickly without any warning, leaving us alone with emotions needing to be released, but this was not death; now it seems it might be much worse than death, if that is possible.

You ask what could possibly cause these deep feelings? None other than the loss of our own Fort Stanton. The secluded Fort nestled safely away from the harsh winters and sultry summers. The quiet Fort Stanton which provided a haven and hope of a brighter future for the families of the clients who lived there for most of their lives. The peaceful Fort Stanton which was home for hundreds of merchant marines suffering from the dreaded disease TB. The beautiful Fort Stanton, the center of activity for all of Lincoln County through most of two separate centuries.

Yes, Fort Stanton is still there, only now the state is calling it Camp Sierra Blanca. Barricades block the roads into the Fort and No Trespassing signs have been posted. The buildings have been renamed with a single letter instead of the cottage names that have been used for years and years. The Fort remains but the essence that has meant so much to many of us is now gone.

Not having access to Fort Stanton is understandable but for the state to take away the name Fort Stanton is unthinkable. The state said it would use Fort Stanton for women prisoners, not eliminate Fort Stanton. The state said the women prisoners at Fort Stanton could help preserve the facility, not change it from a Fort to a mere Camp. The state has said it would do many things but changing of the name from Fort Stanton to Camp Sierra Blanca is not only unthinkable, it is devastating.

Does anyone at the state level care about preserving history? If they do it certainly isn't evident. Changing 19th century place names is not preservation, it is a form of elimination. That sort of thing happens regularly in foreign countries but should never happen here in the United States and most definitely not here in Lincoln County. It would make about as much sense to change the name of Santa Fe to Johnsonville or Garysburg. How many people living in New Mexico would agree to that name change?

Making promises and breaking those promises seems to be the standard for governor Johnson and his select staff. Now that same group is apparently responsible for depriving an entire area of one of its most precious assets. Not only have we lost access to our Fort Stanton, the state has taken away its name.

It seems that now we have two Camp Sierra Blancas. One will be for juveniles while the other one will be for female prisoners. There has been no explanation as to how the state intends to distinguish between the two facilities. Maybe one will be Camp Sierra Blanca One and the other will be Camp Sierra Blanca Two. Then again maybe one will be Camp Sierra Blanca Juveniles and the other will be Camp Sierra Blanca Females. One other option might be for both facilities to be Camp Sierra Blanca but then it would appear both adult female prisoners and juveniles are being housed in the same facility which could be a violation of the way prisons are operated. But then again the state has a way of doing things its way, not the correct way.

If the state wanted to do things the correct way then the state would have kept the promises made instead of breaking them. If the state wanted to do things the correct way then the state would not be in the process of changing the name of the Fort. It would be nice if the state cared, but the state doesn't care at all.

We do care about doing the correct thing and we care about Fort Stanton. The state can't change our feelings about Fort Stanton regardless of what name it is called. Fort Stanton will continue to live on forever in our minds and in our hearts.

State is changing name of Fort



PLAQUE OF THANKS. Outgoing Lincoln County Commissioner Stirling Spencer (left) accepts a plaque of appreciation from fellow commissioner Wilton Howell during Spencer's last meeting Tuesday. Outgoing sheriff James McSwane also received a plaque, but he was not present at the meeting to accept it.

Spencer Bids Farewell To County Commission

by Doris Cherry

Six years on the Lincoln County Commission taught District One commissioner Stirling Spencer there is a great need for diversity on the board.

During Spencer's last regular meeting of the board of Lincoln County Commissioners held in the courthouse in Carrizozo Tuesday, Spencer was awarded a plaque of appreciation for his service. Afterwards he commented on his years on the board, and left some advice to those who will continue.

"The most important issue was the five man county commission," Spencer said. During his tenure the county went from three to five commissioners, and the change

from whole county representation, to district representation.

"Many times I didn't have the same political ideas as some of you other commissioners," Spencer said. "But I believe diversity is our strength because we can draw from all socio-economic aspects of the county to create a comprehensive government so all are represented."

Spencer predicted Lincoln County will become the number one destination point in the United States over the next five years. And the diversity already in the county with tourism, agriculture, retirement and gambling will become more diverse, Spencer said he believed the growth in Lincoln County in the next

five years will "wipe out" the growth in Santa Fe and Palm Springs. "It will be our responsibility to take care of those already seated in the county," he said. "We can make sure that happens with diversity on this county commission."

"Most important is the spoken word of Lincoln County citizens being heard, and commission actions to benefit the citizens," Spencer continued. "And to air the issues, and come to consensus to govern fairly."

Commissioner Wilton Howell who just won his second four-year term on the board, said it was an experience serving with Spencer, who made a lot of us better commissioners by questioning

our programs and hold our feet to the fire. I learned a lot," Howell said.

Commissioner Ray Nunley, who has two years left of his current term, expressed his thanks to Spencer for his honesty, integrity and consistency, and his diverse points of view, which often did not match Nunley's.

Commissioner Bill Schwettmann, who presented the plaque to Spencer after jokingly acting as though there was nothing for the outgoing commissioner, said he would miss Spencer. "I feel you will be back," he said.

Chairman Montoy Montes was absent and Schwettmann presided in his place.

Commissioners, citizens at the meeting, news reporters

and guests participated in a pot luck luncheon with county employees following the short, two and a half hour meeting.



Inside The Capitol

by Jay Miller

SANTA FE—The halls of the Capitol are bustling again. The parking lots are full. It looks like time for another legislative session.

In November and December the Legislature's 19 interim committees, most of which take their show on the road during the summer months, return to Santa Fe to wrap up business, prepare committee reports to the Legislature, adopt legislative recommendations and review proposed bill drafts.

This may seem like more interim activity than necessary but it is the reason New Mexico's Legislature can get its business done in only one or two months a year. Interim committees are the vehicle for giving serious thought to many of the issues facing the state without the distractions of a frantic legislative session. The meetings also allow lawmakers to visit communities affected by their considerations and allow New Mexicans a forum to present their concerns on issues under discussion.

The 1997 Legislature will have numerous big issues to tackle. In addition to the usual problems of stretching available revenue to meet the growing demands of schools, law enforcement, highways and the needy, lawmakers will be looking at the hot issues of gambling, prison construction, electricity deregulation, privatization of more government services, Medicaid reform and welfare reform.

And then there's the constitutional amendment we passed Nov. 5 that requires the Legislature to abolish the state Corporation Commission and the Public Utility

Commission and create a Public Regulation Commission.

And as if all this weren't enough, an old legislative bugaboo is raising its head again. It wouldn't seem that something as trivial as cockfighting could disrupt the business of a legislature, but because of the conflicting emotions this subject engenders it always consumes more than its share of attention.

This year the cockfighting issue bubbled up in Lordsburg, where an Arizona promoter announced he was going to build an arena in the area. When 50 angry residents couldn't get the Hidalgo County Commission to step in, they announced they would seek a statewide ban from the Legislature.

If the threat is carried out, it will be the fourth time since I started walking the Capitol halls 30 years ago that cockfighting has come to Santa Fe. Usually it's sponsored by a new legislator with no idea of what he's getting into. Once, however, old pro Max Coll was talked into taking on the cockfighters.

Of course Coll has never been one to walk away from a fight. In fact the Santa Fe Democrat seems to attract controversy. Currently he is involved in two lawsuits that promise to cause fits for the '97 Legislature.

In the Indian gaming law-

suit, he is paired with conservative Albuquerque Republican George Buffett. But it was Coll who was the lightning rod for Indian hostility in the recent elections. Tribes poured over \$30,000 and much shoe-leather into beating him. But from all reports, they spent no time or money on Buffett's race, which was much closer than Coll's.

The same scenario appears to be unfolding in the prison-financing lawsuit in which Coll is paired with Albuquerque Republican Jerry Alwin, who claims to be the state's most conservative lawmaker. Most of the criticism from Gov. Gary Johnson and his staff is directed at Coll. Maybe there are partisan reasons for that decision or it may be that when the governor and legislative leaders Manny Aragon and Raymond Sanchez reached agreement on the size and function of New Mexico's prisons, he thought that bound all Democrats to agree on all prison issues.

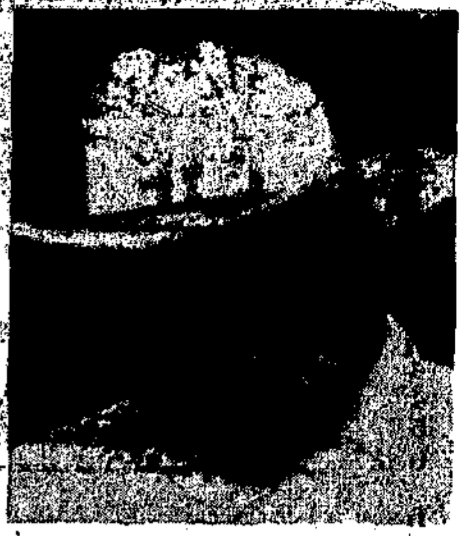
But the truth is that both Alwin and Buffett represent the concerns of many of their fellow Republicans about the legality of the gaming compacts and the legality of Johnson's novel prison-finance plan.

And now we hear Coll intends to introduce New Medicare again in '97. Much more on that later.

Calendar . . . (Con't. from P. 3)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16
—Hondo Valley Schools Christmas Program at 6 p.m. in the gym.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17
—Carrizozo Board of Education meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the board conference room.



TOM SULLIVAN

Sullivan Plans To Attend Commissioner Meetings

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County commissioners can expect no surprises from sheriff elect Tom Sullivan once he takes the reins over the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office.

Sullivan assured commissioners during their last meeting of the year on Tuesday in Carrizozo that he won't bring any surprises, instead he will bring any proposals to the group before he wants approval. "I'm not a whiner, I won't go away and pout if I don't get my way," Sullivan said. "I'll just change my proposal to present it in a different way."

Sullivan vowed to attend all county commission meetings, or send a representative if he is unable to attend. "I think it's important to be here," he told the commission. Sullivan said he would like to continue the opening ceremony he used to conduct for commission meetings when he was sheriff before.

Sullivan also said he had met with all county commissioners individually and with the county manager to talk about the problems he will inherit.

"There will be more control (of the office) with my supervision," Sullivan added. He also said he wanted to give the officers more training, because he believes recent lawsuits are the result of officers failing to take action, or taking the wrong actions.

"I'm looking forward to the next four years. I'll be here to work together and get along," he said.

Commissioner Ray Nunley said he looked forward to a productive partnership with the sheriff's office. Commissioner Wilton Howell appreciated the positive attitude.

Outgoing commissioner Stirling Spencer said he had mixed feelings about retiring from the county commission because Sullivan is "one of the most outstanding sheriffs in Lincoln County because of his administrative abilities."

Commissioner Bill Schwettmann reminded Sullivan that government works best as a team. "We will work with you," he added.

Commissioners also awarded a plaque of appreciation to outgoing sheriff James McSwane for his nine years of service as Lincoln County Sheriff, and to outgoing probate judge Bud Payne for his six years of service. Payne arrived late to receive his plaque. McSwane, although invited, did not attend.

LOCAL NEWS

Fee Wee basketball started the season Wednesday evening with a win and a loss at Vaughn. The 3rd and 4th graders won their game 45-0 (coach Brad Gage). The 5th and 6th graders lost 14-35 (coach Leo Muniz).

Linda and Rick Sisk came from Lovington to see the games and came on to Corona to spend the holiday with the John Sisks at the ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Vickrey went to El Paso Sunday to visit with a cousin, Bill Moseley, who was hospitalized for angioplasty and then suffered a stroke resulting in paralysis of one side.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Yancey spent last week in Wichita, TX with his sister, Lorene Adams and other relatives. Mrs. Bernice McCord accompanied them to Nocona to visit her cousins. They were delayed on the return by the Amarillo snowstorm.

Thanksgiving guests of the Kesslers included grandpa Kessler, Albuquerque, who entertained the group with accordion music; Mrs. Rachel Randle, Santa Fe, Billy Kessler, Moriarty, Ray Ware, Clovis, Kim and Audie Padilla and family, T or C, and from Corona Bobbie Tracey and the Grays.

Mrs. W.M. Pfeiffer did a little shopping and spent last week in Albuquerque with Mr. and Mrs. Stan Kimball.

Rev. Wilfred Lackey, Quemado, officiated at his son David's wedding there Friday. Twenty-two of the guests caught in the storm remained with Wilfred and Sue until Sunday.

Courtney and Victor Perez will accompany an aunt and uncle to Phoenix to see the Cowboy game Sunday, Dec. 8.

Mrs. Leo Muniz will com-

plete her work toward an Associate of Arts Degree in Business Administration next week. She will receive her degree from ENMU-R during commencement exercises in May.

The Christmas tea Sunday afternoon at the home of Sandra Alford was a delightful way to start the season. The event was sponsored by Corona del Rey of Women's Aglow and all decades of this century were represented by the 28 women present. Kristine Conley sang two songs, signing one. Women from Capitan, Carrizozo and El Paso attended. The food was good, the conversation better, and a large basket of items was collected. These nonperishables will be given to the three churches to be added to their holiday gift baskets.

Weekend guests of the Dukes and Rasaks were LaVerne and Alex Rodriguez from Durango, CO, and Stephanie Rodriguez, UNM.

Leta and Jerry Sharp ate Thanksgiving dinner with the Cartwrights in Edgewood. Monday they were Christmas shopping in Roswell.

Dorothy Nell Lightfoot had not yet returned home Monday, from a Roswell hospital where she had undergone an appendectomy with complications from previous surgery.

Erdine Behunin was in Tatum last week to visit her daughter, Bethany and Wayne Brazil and family and to meet her son, Steve and Alice Kiefer and family. She also got to visit with Kristi Howe, Hadley and Bryce at church on Sunday morning.

The Brazils and Kiefers came back to Corona with Erdine to spend Thanksgiving. They left Saturday for home. Steve was in a bad snow storm from Vaughn to Oklahoma City, seeing many accidents. One, a 7 semi pile-up had traffic backed up for 30 miles in Oklahoma. The highway department spent their time rescuing people. They couldn't keep the interstate clear much less the exits and secondary roads.

Erdine was in Albuquerque on Monday to visit her son, Ken and Daria Kiefer and family.

Crown CowBelles will meet at 1:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 9 for a Dutch treat lunch and gift exchange at the Willard Cantina.

Tammy and Gregg Mac Dougall and daughter Taylor joined Emmett for Thanksgiving dinner with Lee and Clint Sultemeier. Friday, all went

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CAPITAN NOTES

Greetings from the Springfield, Nebraska side of the road. I tried to talk my son-in-law Jace into writing a paragraph or two for me, but he declined with "Maybe next week, O.K.?" So you have something to anticipate be-

cause he is very smart and very, very clever.

At this moment in time I am neither, having just been removed from my bed and barely taking the time to drink my coffee, a ritual most important to my well being in

the morning especially at this early, ungodly hour. And so, how was your week?

My apologies to Ruth, my editor, for not contacting her before my hasty departure. My daughter just came in with more coffee and I complained that I had not even taken the time to drink my first cup. In her inimitable and charming way, she said as she rushed out, "never mind, just keep on typing."

They are in a hurry to get this waiting on it's way before they all set out in different directions. Jace to his office where there will be numerous calls to get answered, Trish to her office miles from her husband's office and Miss Katie to her school, another direction to drive.

Methinks I could survive nicely on just the amount they have to put out for gasoline. The fast pace they have set for themselves exhausts me just to think about it. Ah the joys of old age, that is I think it would be joyful if I had the time to just relax and enjoy it instead of just reflecting on what it would be.

If you come up with some kind of answer for the above, let me offer my congratulations. Like I said, I guess I am just letting my fingers do the walking with no assistance from the minute bit of brain power I have at this early hour in the morning. And my sincerest apologies if you have read this far. Hope to do better next week. O.K.?

The following is from the column, "Today in History" in the Omaha World Herald Newspaper. Hope you enjoy them. I do and from time to time will add some of them to my writings...

On December 2, 1942, a self sustaining nuclear chain reaction was demonstrated for the first time by scientists at the University of Chicago.

In 1804, Napoleon was crowned emperor of France at the Cathedral of Notre Dame.

In 1823, President James Monroe outlined his doctrine opposing European expansion in the Western Hemisphere.

In 1859, militant abolitionist John Brown was hanged for his raid on Harper's Ferry the previous October.

In 1927, Ford Motor Company unveiled its Model A automobile, the successor to the Model T. And I could write a book about the fun we had going to dances in the Model A in the good old days and believe me when I say those were the good ole days.

My time is running out, my coffee cup was emptied some time ago and my family are hastily preparing for departure.

Only my favorite son-in-law Jace is capable of transmitting this to Carrizozo for Thursday's edition.....sooooo, Adios and God Bless Everybody.

Capitan School Winter Concert Date Changed

The Capitan Schools Winter Concert has been changed to Tuesday, December 10.

Starting at 7 p.m. in the multi-purpose room the beginning, intermediate and advanced bands and choirs will perform pieces they have practiced this semester.

The concert was originally set for December 12, but it conflicted with the Board of Education meeting.



CAPITAN JUNIOR FHA OFFICERS (from left) are Brandi Mason secretary, Matt Peacock treasurer, Esperanza Martinez vice-president of inspiration and reception, Bobbyray Silva president, Sam Allen historian and Will Padilla member.

OBITUARIES

HERBERT LEE TRAYLOR, SR.

Visitation for Herbert Lee Traylor Sr., 89 of Capitan will be today, Dec. 5 from 4:00 until 6:00 p.m. at LaGrone Funeral Chapel in Ruidoso. Funeral services will be Friday, Dec. 6, at 2:00 p.m. at the Trinity Southern Baptist Church in Capitan. Burial will follow at the Spindle Cemetery near Capitan.

Mr. Traylor died December 2 at Memorial Medical Center in Las Cruces. He was born July 10, 1907 at Buffalo Gap, TX to Emma and R.H. Traylor. He moved to Lincoln County in 1914 from Buffalo Gap. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Ruidoso and Carrizozo and Yorkshire in Roswell. He attended the Trinity Southern Baptist Church in Capitan. He was a past school board member and village councilman in Capitan. He taught school in Lincoln County for 24 years and in Otero County for 11 years. He was the first principal of Nob Hill Elementary in Ruidoso. He retired from education in 1965 after 35 years and then worked for Bureau of Indian Affairs for three years and was a rancher. He published many books and articles on Lincoln County history. He graduated from Capitan High School in 1928, received his B.A. from Western New Mexico and his Masters from NM State University. He married Alice Hubbard on October 7, 1933 at Carrizozo.

He is survived by his wife Alice of Capitan; a son Hub Traylor of Capitan; two daughters, Idy Schweitzer of Ruidoso and Kathy Vinyard of Las Cruces; brother Earl Traylor of Odessa, TX; two nieces, one nephew, seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

FRANK TRUJILLO

Funeral mass for Frank Trujillo, 83, of Ruidoso was November 12 at St. Eleanor's Catholic Church. Burial followed at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Ruidoso.

He died November 8 at Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso. He was born July 19, 1913 at Hondo, NM. He married Lugarda Peralta in June, 1939 in Capitan.

He is survived by wife Lugarda of Ruidoso; daughter Judy Gonzales of Alamogordo; two sons, Tommy Trujillo and Mannie Trujillo, both of Ruidoso; sister Martha Montoya of Ruidoso, seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

JACK TICE

Memorial service for Jack Tice, 68, of Ruidoso was November 12 at LaGrone Funeral Chapel.

Mr. Tice died November 6 at this home. He was born March 1, 1928 in Hollis, OK. He married Mary Moore on January 29, 1956 in Morton, TX who preceded him in death on May 28, 1994.

He is survived by three sons, James David Tice of Roswell, Perry Jack Tice Jr. of Corpus Christi, TX and Michael Dean Tice of El Paso, and five granddaughters.

BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

The rural bookmobile will be in the county next week. The following is a schedule of stops:

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10:
 Corona Post Office..... 12:30-2:30 p.m.
 Carrizozo Otero Electric..... 4-6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11:
 Carrizozo Otero Electric..... 7:30-9:30 a.m.
 Nagal Post Office..... 8:45-10 a.m.
 Capitan Smokey Bear Cafe 10:30-12:00 p.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m.
 Lincoln Post Office 2-3 p.m.
 Hondo Store..... 3:30-5:00 p.m.

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CAPITAN SCHOOL NEWS

Elementary students will not have class on Monday, December 9, to allow elementary teachers an in-service work day. Middle School and High School students will attend class as usual.

Parents are invited to an organizational meeting of a Parent/Teacher group at 6 p.m. Tuesday, December 10 in the elementary teacher's lounge. The group plans to meet the second Tuesday of each month. For more information call Kala Scarafioti at 354-2438.

Elementary students will participate in the Elks Club Free Throw Contest during their regular P.E. classes on December 12. The contest has three categories: 8-9 years old, 10-11, 12-13. Students winning at the local level will go on to compete at Ruidoso Middle School at 10 a.m. December 21.

The elementary, middle and high school bands and choirs will perform at the Winter Concert set for 7 p.m. Thursday, December 12 in the multipurpose building. There will be no charge.

The Elementary Christmas Musical is set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, December 17 in the multipurpose building. "A Gingerbread Christmas" will be performed by students in grades K-2. There will be no charge, but there will be a

Capitan Chamber Annual Lighting Contest Dec. 13-17

Unwind the lights and get out the ladders to set up the Christmas light displays, it's time for the annual Capitan Chamber of Commerce Christmas Lighting Contest.

Contest judges will be out around the village sometime between December 13 and 17 to look at and vote for the best residential and commercial lighting displays within the village.

The best residential Christmas lighting display during that time will receive a \$50 gift certificate. The best commercial Christmas lighting display also will receive a \$50 gift certificate. The certificates must be spent with a Capitan business.

There are no entry fees, or forms to fill out, to be judged in the contest, just a well lighted display. Judges will be driving throughout the village during the December 13-17 time period.

Capitan Chamber of Commerce discussed the lighting contest during its regular December meeting. Member Dick Beck also reported on the Apache Trails group which has reorganized.

Chamber members commended Bonnie Hallen and Van Shambli for their preparation and delivery of 30 Thanksgiving meals to needy families in Capitan.

Members also heard a report on the upcoming Christmas events on December 14.

bake sale after the program. All students will be dis-

missed at 12:30 p.m. December 19 for the Christmas holiday.

Graduates Need To Know How To Work

Two years ago, Capitan High School conducted a needs assessment survey with parents to find out if the school was teaching their children how to succeed after graduation.

Now, the school is asking business leaders.

"It was an eye opener at our first meeting," said Capitan Family and Consumer Science instructor Jan LaRue. "What employers really want is consistency (from young people) on coming to work on time, and calling in if they are sick."

LaRue and Capitan high school business teacher Diane Riska recently met with employers who are involved with the school's "School to Career" program which allows certain students to earn school credits

while working. LaRue said she also was surprised that the employers were not so interested in a "portfolio" as they were interested in a good resume.

Employers also wanted training for students in honesty, not because the students were dishonest, rather because they did not believe it is their job to prevent theft within the store or business where they work.

Wal-Mart manager Mike Dalton, one of the school to work employers, said 80-95 percent of training for Wal-Mart employees is customer service involving interpersonal compromise and other human relations. "Training students to deal with people was the most common request," LaRue said of the employers.

All the employers said they wanted students to know stress management and skills in organization and prioritizing, LaRue added.

One employer said students should never think of a beginning position, such as a grocery sacker, as a career or a position they will be in forever. Instead young people should look at such jobs as a way to work up to a better position within the business. "They need to look at the big picture," LaRue said.

LaRue and Riska are now compiling a questionnaire which they plan to hand deliver to area businesses to document what employers want from Capitan graduates.

To further her knowledge of the School to Work program, LaRue will be attending a National School to Work Workshop in Cincinnati, Ohio this month. Sponsored by the American Vocational Association, the workshop will teach LaRue and other participants about new school to career initiatives.

LaRue is first vice-president of the New Mexico Association of Teachers of Family and Consumer Sciences which has given her a \$200 grant toward the cost of the workshop. Capitan schools will pick up the rest of the tab for the workshop.

Students and parents who are interested in the School to Career program at Capitan High School should contact LaRue, or the school counselor.

Capitan Christmas Capers Events Set For December 14th

Capitan will roll out its red carpets on Saturday, December 14, to get everyone in the Christmas mood.


"Capitan Christmas Capers" begins at 9 a.m. with a Christmas Bazaar at the Senior Citizens Center. The bazaar, sponsored by Capitan Chapter of Lincoln County Historical Society and Capitan Senior Center, continues until 3 p.m.

Merchants will have open house throughout the village. Some of the participating merchants will have drawings for door prizes at the end of the day.

Area artists will open their studios to the public for an Art Loop tour.

Smokey Bear Historical State Park on Smokey Bear Blvd. in Capitan invites everyone to its Open House from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Friends of Smokey will begin its annual Christmas Caroling in the village by meeting at the park at 6:30 p.m.

For more information about any of the December 14 activities in Capitan, call Van at 354-3104 or Bonnie at 354-2858.



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MON.	DEC. 16th	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
TUE.	DEC. 17th	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
WED.	DEC. 18th	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
THU.	DEC. 19th	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
FRI.	DEC. 20th	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
SAT.	DEC. 21st	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
SUN.	DEC. 22nd	11 a.m. - 8 p.m.
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TUE.	DEC. 24th	8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
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TUE.	DEC. 31st	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
WED.	JAN. 1st	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

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Sheriff's Report

Icy, snowy weather created hazardous driving conditions over the Thanksgiving holiday in Lincoln County, resulting in several minor accidents and several stranded motorists. The following information was taken from dispatch records in the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office in the Courthouse in Carrizozo:

November 25:
12:21 p.m. a caller requested to talk to a deputy about a threat on his life made by his sister in Houston. A deputy responded.
5:34 p.m. Capitan police requested an ambulance to check on several individuals who were at the police department. Capitan ambulance responded and transported a

person with a head injury to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.
November 26:
9:45 a.m. criminal damage to property was reported at a location in Bonito canyon, someone threw beer bottles and barb wire by the butane tank and run over a county road sign. A deputy responded.
November 27:
4:03 p.m. a caller requested to speak to a deputy concerning a domestic incident at a residence west of Capitan. A deputy responded.
5 p.m. Ruidoso Downs Police reported three head of livestock on Highway 70 east of the village. No state police were available so a deputy

responded.
6:24 p.m. a 911 caller reported a one vehicle accident with injuries at the intersection of Hull Drive and Gavilan Canyon Road. Ruidoso police were notified.
8:11 p.m. a caller reported a larceny at a gas station in Carrizozo. A van left without paying \$8 for gas. Carrizozo police responded.
11:38 p.m. a caller reported a domestic incident at a motel in Carrizozo. A male subject left the residence to leave town. Carrizozo police responded.
November 28:
3:47 a.m. a 911 caller reported an out of service vehicle at mile marker 143 on Highway 54. State police and a wrecker responded.
11:20 a.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance at a residence. Carrizozo ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.
8:51 p.m. a caller requested an ambulance at a location near Capitan for a 78 year old man with a history of heart problems. Capitan ambulance transported the patient to LCMC and Capitan police also responded.

9:10 p.m. a security company reported an open door on a residence in the Alto-area. A deputy responded and advised he was unable to secure the residence. The deputy also advised it was unknown who owned the residence.
November 29:
2:39 a.m. a 911 caller reported a possible domestic incident which occurred in Claunch. The caller advised that her daughter had cut wrists and she was on her way to LCMC. The caller was concerned her daughter's ex-husband would try to blame the caller's son. The responding state police officer went to LCMC, but the woman was not there.
6:30 a.m. a caller reported damage to private property in the Hondo area. A deputy responded.
9:24 a.m. a caller reported a pick-up turned over on Alamo Canyon Road near Hondo. State police were notified.
11:33 a.m. state police advised of an accident with injuries on Highway 380 west bound from Carrizozo. A deputy and Carrizozo ambulance responded.
12:53 p.m. a caller reported stolen property from a store in Alto. The El Paso Times newspaper machine was stolen. The caller did not want to file a report, rather wanted a deputy to keep a look-out to make a identification.
1:22 p.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance for a 42 year old man who had a bad reaction to an anti-depressant medication. Alto ambulance responded and transported the patient to LCMC.
1:49 p.m. a caller reported livestock on the highway on Highway 48 south of Capitan. A red bull was in the road. Capitan police responded and advised the bull belonged to the ranch owner who was notified at 2:09 p.m.
2:32 p.m. a caller reported a minor accident in Capitan. Capitan police responded.
4:31 p.m. a wrecker reported a one vehicle roll over without injuries. The vehicle was at a store in Hondo. State police were notified.
5:42 p.m. a caller reported an accident without injuries on Angus Hill. State police were notified.
6:14 p.m. three accidents without injuries were reported on Highway 380 east of Bingham. The vehicles had slid off the road, one was on its side. State police were notified.
7:07 p.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance for a 50 year old woman with an asthma attack. The caller again called and cancelled the ambulance because the woman was doing better.
7:17 p.m. a caller requested a wrecker for a stuck vehicle. A wrecker responded.
7:23 p.m. Otero County Sheriff's Office reported a one vehicle rollover on Highway 70 between Mesalero and Ruidoso. State police were notified.
9:05 p.m. a caller reported an accident on Highway 54 north of Carrizozo. State police responded.

November 30:
5:38 a.m. state police reported an accident two or three miles south of Corona on Highway 54. Corona ambulance responded, but cancelled the run.
10:33 a.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance at a location in Sun Valley for a 52 year old man. Ruidoso Advanced Life Support (RALS) transported the patient to LCMC.
1:59 p.m. a caller requested a deputy to keep peace while she got her things from her mother's house. Two deputies responded.
2:33 p.m. state police requested an ambulance at an accident on Highway 380 west. Carrizozo ambulance responded and transported the patient to the hospital in Socorro.
2:38 p.m. a caller reported kids shooting BB guns at

some trash cans near some apartments in Capitan and the BBs were going through the fence and hitting the dog. Capitan police responded but made no contact with the kids.
3:59 p.m. a 911 caller reported a lost seven year old boy with three dogs in the Ranches de Sonterra area.
The woman requested help in finding her seven year old grandson who had been gone about 30 minutes. State police were advised, and a deputy responded, but the call was cancelled when the woman called back advising the child had been found at 3:45 p.m.
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Sunday School..... 9:45 am
Worship Service..... 10:55 am
Sun. Evening..... Training at 6:15 pm
Evening Worship..... 7:15 pm
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

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

Santa Rita Catholic Community
FR. DAVE BERGS, pastor
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853
SATURDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart..... 5:00 pm
C'zoze Santa Rita..... 6:30 pm
SUNDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart..... 9:00 am
C'zoze 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. CYNTHIA WORTHINGTON
Corner of E Ave. & Sixth, Carrizozo, NM 258-3226
Holy Eucharist..... 9:30 a.m. Sunday

United Methodist Churches
WARREN K. SCHOENECKER, pastor
Trinity - Carrizozo
1000 D. Ave., 648-2893 / 257-5614
Sunday School (All Ages)..... 10:00 am
Worship Service..... 11:10 am
Choir Practice (Wednesday)..... 6:30 pm
United Methodist Men Breakfast
2nd Sunday..... 8:30 am
United Methodist Women Every
3rd Wednesday..... 2:00 pm
Fellowship Dinner Last Sunday of Month
..... 12:30 pm

Trinity Southern Baptist Church
FLOYD GOODLOE, pastor
Capitan (South on Highway 48)
354-3119
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship..... 11 a.m.
AWANA Wednesday..... 6:30 p.m.

CAPITAN
Adult Sunday School..... 8:30 am
Worship Service..... 9:15 am
Children's Sunday School..... 9:30 am
Fellowship Time..... 10:15 am
Adult Sunday School..... 11:00 am
Choir Practice (Tuesday)..... 7:00 pm
Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday
Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group)
1st and 3rd Tuesday..... 9:30 a.m.

Mountain Ministry Parish, Sierra Blanca Presbytery
DON & MARJORIE DANIELS, co-pastors
648-2850
Nogal Presbyterian Church:
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.
Worship..... 11:00 a.m.
Ancho Community Presbyterian Church:
Worship..... 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.
Corona Presbyterian Church:
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.
Worship..... 11:00 a.m.
Adult Bible Study & Youth Fellowship..... Wednesdays 6:00 p.m.

Christ Community Fellowship
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Sunday Morning Worship..... 10:30 a.m.

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Sheriff's Report

3:49 p.m. a caller reported two accidents without injuries up Cedar Creek. One car was hanging off the bridge and the other was in the ditch. No one was around but both had lights on. State police were notified.

7:05 p.m. a caller requested an officer because she was locked out of her vehicle in Carrizozo. Carrizozo police responded.

7:12 p.m. a caller reported a suspicious white van which had followed them from Corona to Carrizozo. Carrizozo police escorted the callers to a motel in Carrizozo.

11:48 p.m. a caller was attempting to locate a party which left Ruidoso at 8:30 p.m. on route to Corona. The search was cancelled when the caller advised the party arrived home at 12:12 a.m.

December 1:
3:08 a.m. Ruidoso police reported an individual was attempting to locate a party. The caller said his wife was supposed to pick him up at work, but she had not arrived. State police contacted an officer to check the area in case of an accident. At 3:29 a.m. the caller called back and advised that his wife had arrived. State police were notified.

4:59 a.m. a 911 caller reported criminal damage at a location off Highway 48. Two young girls had broken a window in the residence. A deputy responded at 8:35 and advised it was a friendship fall-out between the girls and the resident's daughter.

1:24 p.m. a Forest Service officer reported a juvenile girl hitch hiking at a service station in Capitan. Capitan police responded but made no contact with the girl. He was told that the 11 year old girl was hitch hiking on Highway 70 and 380, because she was running away from home. The officer advised the assigned deputy who made no contact with the child, but advised he would keep an eye out for her.

2:12 p.m. a 911 caller reported a car on fire in front of Ruidoso Woman's Club. Ruidoso police were notified.


2:37 p.m. a 911 caller reported an obnoxious driver on Highway 70, west bound. The

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Jenny had lived in the Ruidoso area all of her life. She was a sophomore at UNM, and graduated from Ruidoso High School in 1995 where she was very active, but her love was in gymnastics and student politics.
She is survived by her parents Gerald and Cathy Ames of Ruidoso; two sisters, Sarah Bron and her husband Brian of Las Cruces, and Melissa Ames of Ruidoso; and her grandmother, Mrs. Lucille Langley of Albuquerque.

LEGALS

NOTICE TO PUBLIC
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo will hold their Regular Scheduled Meeting on Tuesday, December 10, 1996 at 6:00 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, CMC/AAE
Town of Carrizozo
Published in the Lincoln County News on December 5, 1996.from Michael Lee Hicks to Michael Lee Rominger. If good cause be not shown why said application should be granted, the court will at that time enter an order granting the application.
The attorney for the Petitioner is Owen Russell, P.O. Box 1399, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345.
EUGENIA VEGA
District Court Clerk
By: Elizabeth Luera Deputy
Published in the Lincoln County News on November 27 and December 5, 1996.**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**
STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN IN THE PROBATE COURT IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES L. JONES, Deceased
PROBATE NO. 1715
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative at Corona, New Mexico, or filed with the Probate Court.
DATED: Dec. 3rd, 1996.
RAND PERKINS
Personal Representative
Published in the Lincoln County News on December 5 and 12, 1996.**MEETING NOTICE**
The Lincoln Historic Preservation Board will hold a regularly scheduled Board meeting on Tuesday, December 17, 1996, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The meeting is open to the public, and will be held at the Lincoln Volunteer Fire Department Building in Lincoln. Agenda is available 24 hours prior to the meeting. Auxiliary aides 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.
MARTHA GUEVARA
Assistant
Published in the Lincoln County News on December 5, 1996.**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**
Cause No. CV 96-212 Division III
In the Matter of Michael Lee Hicks,
NOTICE OF APPLICANT FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of December, 1996, the Petitioner will apply to the above-named court for an order changing his name**RESOLUTION 1996-13**
Superseding Res. 95-11
WHEREAS, THE GOVERNING BODY in and for the Town of Carrizozo, Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, meeting in regular session on Tuesday, November 26, 1996 has approved and adopted the Official Holiday Calendar for the Town of Carrizozo.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body for the Town of Carrizozo, hereby adopts the following as the Official Holiday Calendar for the Town of Carrizozo.

- Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday.....will be observed on Monday, January 20, 1997
Lincoln's Birthday.....will be observed on Friday, November 28, 1997
Washington's Birthday.....will be observed on Wednesday, December 24, 1997
Good Friday.....will be observed on Friday, March 28, 1997
Memorial Day.....will be observed on Monday, May 26, 1997
Independence Day.....will be observed on Friday, July 4, 1997
Labor Day.....will be observed on Monday, September 1, 1997
Columbus Day.....will be observed on Monday, October 13, 1997
Veteran's Day.....will be observed on Tuesday, November 11, 1997
Thanksgiving Day.....will be observed on Thursday, November 27, 1997
Christmas Day.....will be observed on Thursday, December 25, 1997
New Year's Day.....will be observed on Thursday, January 1, 1998

RESOLVED IN BOARD ACTION this 26th day of November 1996.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE TOWN OF CARRIZOZO
CECILIA G. KUHNEL, Mayor
JAMES W. SILVA, Trustee
RUTH ARMSTRONG, Trustee
EILEEN LOVELACE, Trustee
WESLEY B. LINDSAY, Trustee
ATTEST:
CAROL SCHLARB, Town Clerk
Published in the Lincoln County News on December 5, 1996.**RESOLUTION 1996-12**
A RESOLUTION CONCERNING GOVERNING BODY MEETING AND PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUIRED
WHEREAS, SECTION 10-15-1B, N.M.S.A., 1978 provides that "All meetings of a quorum of members of any board, commission or other policy-making body of any state agency, or any agency or authority of any county, municipality, district or any political subdivision held for the purpose of formulation public policy, discussing public business or for the purpose of taking any action within the authority of or the delegated authority of such board, commission or other policy-making body, are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times, except as otherwise provided in the constitution or the provisions of the Open Meetings Act"; and,
WHEREAS, SECTION 10-15-A, N.M.S.A. 1978 provides that "No resolution, rule, regulation, ordinance or action of any board, commission, committee or other policy-making body shall be valid unless taken or made at a meeting held in accordance with the requirements of Section 10-15-1 NMSA 1978"; and,
WHEREAS, SECTION 10-15-4, N.M.S.A. 1978 provides that "Any person violating any of the provisions of Section 10-15-1 N.M.S.A. 1978 is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollar (\$500.) for each offense"; and,
WHEREAS, SECTION 10-15-D requires that "Any meetings at which the discussion or adoption of any proposed resolution, rule, regulation or formal action occurs, and at which a majority or quorum of the body is in attendance, and any closed meetings, shall be held only after reasonable notice to the public. The affected body shall determine at least annually in a public meeting what notice for a public meeting shall be reasonable when applied to such body."
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing body of the municipality of Carrizozo, New Mexico that:
1.) Notice shall be given at least 5 days in advance of any regular meeting of a quorum of the members of the governing body or any board, commission, committee, agency, authority or other policy-making body held for the purpose of discussing public business or taking any formal action within the authority of such body.
2.) The regularly scheduled meeting of the governing body will be held at 6:00 p.m., on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in the Conference Room, of the Municipal Building, located at 100 4th Street, Carrizozo, New Mexico. In the event that the regular meeting date falls on a legal holiday, the governing body shall designate an alternate meeting date and/or time at the regular meeting prior to the holiday and shall cause advance notice of the changed meeting date and/or time to be published as provided in this Resolution.
3.) Notice shall be given at least 72 hours in advance of any special meeting of a quorum of the members of the governing body, board, commission, committee, agency, authority or other policy-making body held for the purpose of discussing public business or taking any formal action within the authority of such body.
4.) The notice requirements of Section 1, 2, and 3 of this Resolution are complied with notice of the date,**County Manager**
Published in the Lincoln County News on December 5, 1996.
NOTICE TO PUBLIC
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Carrizozo Lodger's Tax Advisory Board will hold their regular scheduled meeting December 12, 1996, at 1:00 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.
PAT VOSS,
Secretary-Treasurer
Carrizozo Lodger's Tax Advisory Board
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time, place and subject matter of any regular or special meeting are published. Additionally, the notice shall contain information on how the public may obtain a copy of the meeting agenda, said agenda to be available at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting. "Publish" means printing in a newspaper which maintains an office in the municipality and is of general circulation within the municipality. If such newspaper is a non-daily paper which will not be circulated to the public in time to meet publication requirements, or, if no such newspaper exists, "publish" shall mean posting in six places within the municipality, and one of the public places where posting shall be made is office of the municipal clerk, who shall maintain the posting for public inspection within the time limits specified. The six places notice shall be posted are:

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The municipal clerk may, in addition to posting, publish one or more times in a newspaper of general circulation, within the municipality, even though it does not maintain an office within the municipality. In addition, written notice of such meetings shall be mailed or hand delivered to federally licensed broadcast stations and newspapers of general circulation in the municipality which have provided a written request for such notices.

5.) Notwithstanding any other provisions of Section 1 through 4 of this Resolution, the governing authority may establish such additional notice requirements as may be deemed proper and advisable to comply with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act.

6.) If any meeting is closed pursuant to exclusions contained in Section 10-15-1, Subsection H, N.M.S.A., 1978, such closed meeting called by a policy-making body shall not be held until public notice, appropriate under the circumstances, and in compliance with Section 1 through 4 of this Resolution, has been given. In addition, such notice shall state the exclusions in Section 10-15-1, Subsection H, N.M.S.A. 1978 of the Open Meeting Act, under which such closed meeting is permitted.

7.) Notwithstanding any other provision of Section 1 through 6 of this Resolution, the governing authority of the Municipality of Carrizozo may call, with whatever notice is possible under the circumstances, a meeting of the governing body, and board, commission, committee or other policy-making body of the municipality to consider or act on any emergency matter which appears to be clear and immediate danger to the health, welfare or safety of the inhabitants of the municipality of Carrizozo.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 26th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1996.
This resolution supersedes Resolution 95-12.

CECILIA G. KUHNEL, Mayor
ATTEST:
CAROL SCHLARB, Town Clerk, CMC/AAE
Published in the Lincoln County News on December 5, 1996.



TULAROSA BASIN TELEPHONE CO. INC. staff welcomed visitors at an open house held in Carrizozo to acquaint area residents with the company staff and services. From left are Wes Ryan customer service tech, Lynne McIntosh customer service rep, Joe Lane engineering manager, Charlie Ferrell general manager, Mary Beth Cicala business office manager and Eddie Nichols operations manager. The company's main office is located in Tularosa.

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impact of traffic on the lives of people and the economic impact cost to the town.

Some of the things Tetrealt will be examining are: traffic policy and procedures in the police department, traffic enforcement, education both of officers and the public, policy and procedures for civil liability, working relations between judges, police and town council, traffic engineering (which includes sign placement, sight obstructions and signals), and interviewing various members of the community. Included will be a meeting to receive public input.

The Lodger's Tax Advisory Board recommended the town buy two Christmas banners to hang for the holiday. The council approved the \$160.00 expense.

The Planning and Zoning Ordinance Committee members' terms of service were approved. The mayor announced once change. At the last meeting the mayor named Ruth Hammond as a member of the committee. At this meeting she said she made an error in the name. It should have been Ruth Armstrong.

The members of the committee and their terms of service as passed by the town council: Ruth Armstrong, Ann West, Susan Donazetti and Rene Burton for one year; Mike Shivers, Patsy Sanchez and Barbara Culler for two years.

A proclamation of December 1 as Mabel Rentfrow 100th Birthday was read by the mayor.

The town will have a new logo. The chamber of commerce presented a logo that was designed using many of the ideas from their logo contest. The designer of the logo stated that the contest entries were instrumental in the design. The logo will be used

by city hall, the chamber of commerce, and the Lodger's Tax Advisory Board. It will also be available to others who wish to use it. The town will use all old stationery first. After the design was approved and passed it was redirected to the Lodger's Tax Advisory Board for further consideration.

The council also approved the open meetings act resolution, the official 1997 holiday calendar resolution, and the joint powers agreement with the County of Lincoln/Town of

Carrizozo for housing prisoners. The council also approved cancellation of the regular scheduled meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 24.



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to Roswell to visit with Linda and Lon Sultemeier and three daughters, Melrose, and from Farmington, Joetta and Fred Turner and their children and grandchildren making a Turner family of eight, at the home of Juanita Sultemeier.

Tuesday crews were busy with finishing touches in preparation for final acceptance of the recent work on sidewalks and the water system.

Kayla and Randy Luera, Pine Top, AZ are the parents of 8-lb. 2-oz. Sanannah Beth born Nov. 26th. Maternal grandparents are Faith Hight, Las Cruces and Rex Dial, Pine Top. Paternal grandparents are Sherry and Danny Luera, and not to be omitted great-grandparents, Johnnie Eramoupe and Lucy and Ernest Luera. The new baby has an older brother Troy.

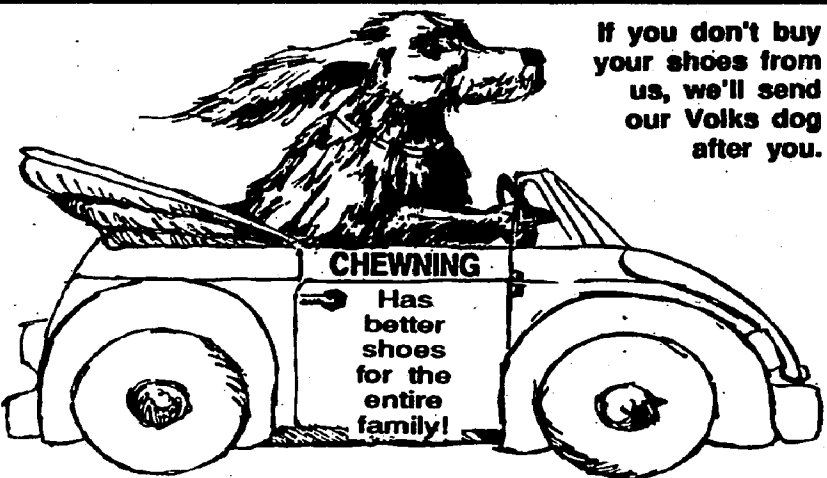
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OBITUARY

SARAH M. COLE

No services are planned at this time for Sarah M. Cole, 48, of Alto who died November 9 at her home. She was born October 5, 1948 at Seward, Alaska.

She is survived by her husband Scott Jensen of Alto; son Bill Fischer also of Alto; her mother Florence Elliott of Crawfordville, Oregon; two sisters, Patty Williams and her husband Richard of Crawfordville, and Marily Ohlde of Bremerton, Washington; and two brothers, Danny Jones and Mike Jones of Albany, Oregon.

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

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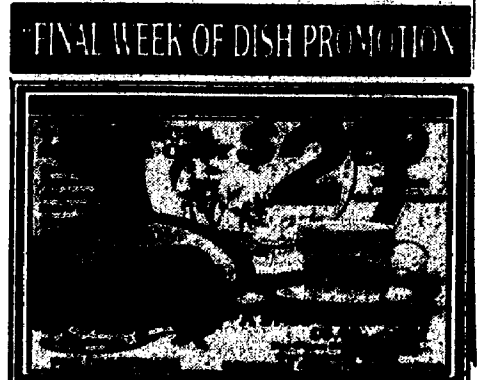
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