

Governor Closes Camp Sierra Blanca

by Doris Cherry

First it was Fort Stanton, now it's Camp Sierra Blanca. Early Monday, employees at Camp Sierra Blanca state minimum security prison near Fort Stanton were told to find new jobs by September 1, because the governor had ordered the facility to be closed.

According to New Mexico Department of Corrections public information office Mike Toms who spoke with THE NEWS on Wednesday, the governor on Monday accepted a proposal from the corrections department to close Camp Sierra Blanca (CSB). Toms said the reason for closing is that CSB is the most

costly facility in the corrections department in terms of housing prisoners. CSB, which employs 32 people, is the smallest prison facility in the state.

The minimum security prisoners at CSB will be transferred to the new 300 bed state minimum security prison being constructed next to the medium security facility in the desert west of Las Cruces. The new facility is expected to be completed by July and will provide a more "secure environ," Toms said.

Toms said all of the 32 employees at CSB have been placed elsewhere in the correction department, except one. Toms said the closure is part of the governor's plan to

"Does the governor not like us?" asked Lincoln County Commissioner L. Ray Nunley.

provide the best services for the least amount of state money.

Toms said the corrections department has no plans for the use of CSB in the future. "We tried to get Fort Stanton," Toms said, "But that didn't work."

Toms had no idea if any other state department has plans for Camp Sierra Blanca.

On Tuesday, Lincoln County Commissioners were unhappy about the closure and questioned state representative Dub Williams about the situation during a segment of their regular meeting dedicat-

ed to discussion about the upcoming state legislative session.

"Does the governor not like us?" asked commissioner L. Ray Nunley. He said he heard of the closure from employees at the camp.

In response, Williams said he had no conception the governor doesn't like Lincoln County. "These kinds of things have been happening around the state as cuts are happening," he said.

Williams said he too learned about the Camp Sierra Blanca situation Monday from an employee. While

unhappy about the closures, Williams defended the cutting back of state programs, citing statistics which show New Mexico income as 47th in the nation while being 4th in the nation for the amount of taxes. "The world of reality is these things do cost money," he added.

In his first attempt to cut costs of state programs, Governor Gary Johnson ordered the closure of Fort Stanton. Nunley said when the closure was first announced secretary of health Alex Valdez and staff member Larry Martinez were receptive to the plan to convert Fort Stanton to a long term medical care facility for the elderly. "I believe if the governor had left them alone

on this project we probably would have had the Fort occupied with 100 to 150 elderly people who desperately need some where to go," Nunley said.

"I think the governor was wrong in this approach," he added.

Nunley went on to say he thought the state should pursue the senior health care facility. "If we don't pursue this from a health care standpoint, I think we're negligent," he said.

Commissioners Wilton

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County Employees To Get Merit Raise

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners approved a \$525 one time merit pay for each county employee, including chief deputies of each department.

Commissioners approved the merit bonus during their meeting Tuesday when they took action on mid-year budget adjustments. The one-time merit pay will cost the county \$47,233.39. Commissioners had considered the merit bonus, and other salary requests, during the day long special meeting on Monday. The budget discussion was carried from Monday to Tuesday, when commissioners took action on the budget adjustments.

Commissioners would not commit to an overall salary increase for employees, as requested by elected officials and department heads in December and again on Monday. Instead, commissioners directed a study be made of the "matrix" system for employees from the surrounding counties, Otero, Socorro, Torrance and Chaves, to help develop an updated matrix for Lincoln County.

Also in the budget adjustments, outgoing county manager Carolin Cooney, whose resignation was formally accepted during the commissioners' special meeting Monday, requested the commission take action on the request from the Lincoln County school districts for \$2,600 to serve as matching funds for an applied for state arts division grant to establish an "arts in the schools" program.

Commissioners on a vote of 3-2 denied the request. Commissioners Bill Schwettmann and L. Ray Nunley voted for the request, commissioners Monroy Montes, Stirling Spencer and Wilton Howell voted against it.

Beverly Payne, president of the Capitan Board of Education, and chief deputy to the county treasurer, told commissioners the program was for all the children in Lincoln County. "I am very disappointed you defeated it," she said.

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Ruidoso Sends Its Needs List To State Legislature

by Doris Cherry

Without a doubt, Ruidoso council wants assurance from the State of New Mexico that the 1995 state appropriation of \$180,000 to the village for water and waste water development will be honored.

During its meeting Tuesday, the council listed the appropriation issue as its top priority for the upcoming legislative session. The appropriation was put on hold by the state when the governor ordered a cutback in all state departments last fall. The village had already hired a contractor, but had no money to begin the project.

State representative Dub Williams, who attended the meeting, said Ruidoso was one on a "long list of folks in the same boat" with the appropriation issue. He said he believes the issue will be taken care of soon.

Williams asked the council to be "prudent" in its requests from the state because there will be fewer funds for special projects and lots of competition for the money. Williams said the village made a wise move in pursuing the bonds for the water, waste water and recreation center projects because it shows the state the village is willing to help itself.

Williams also pledged his support of the horse racing in the gambling issue because of its economic impact to the state.

Mayor Jerry Shaw said the gaming issue is important to

Ruidoso, and she hoped the legislature would move on it. However, Shaw pointed out the village's next highest priority, the maintaining of the current state shared gross receipt tax level.

When the council learned of the state's proposal to take the one-eighth percent tax

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Ruidoso Receives Good Audit Report

Ruidoso's finances were in absolutely good order for the fiscal year 1994-95.

Auditor Ronnie Hemphill presented his audit report to the Ruidoso Village Council during its meeting Tuesday. He said all the prior year's findings have been resolved or are in the process of being resolved.

Hemphill said there were significant improvements in the utility department and personnel accounting. "You've come a long ways," he said.

Hemphill said the overall trend of the audit is positive. He pointed out a \$3 million fund equity increase mostly in fixed assets, a positive balance in the utility fund and a slight increase in cash balance.

Hemphill commended village staff for its help during the audit.

A copy of the detailed audit report can be viewed at the village administration center on Cree Meadows Drive.



CAPITAN FHA MEMBERS (from left) Nick Pacheco, Shana Morrison and Bryan Talent speak before the Capitan Trustees and residents Monday, seeking support for their FHA community project—a skate park. The students plan to enter their project in the state FHA competition.

Capitan Trustees Hear About FHA Plans To Build Skate Park

by Doris Cherry

In the next 10 years, the village of Capitan will need more water rights to meet the demands in the year 2006.

Consulting water engineer Eddy Livingston presented his preliminary water feasibility study for 1995-2006 for the village of Capitan to the trustees during their meeting Monday.

The study summarizes the village's need for additional ground water rights, evaluates surface and ground water supplies, future demands and the costs of various options for water. It also identifies possi-

ble new sources of water, including likely locations for another well, and the legal aspects of water rights.

The study shows the current cost of getting water from the existing groundwater well is \$1.16 per 1,000 gallons. However, the well is the village's sole source of water. Livingston and associate John Shomaker advised the village to drill another well. But they also said the village could have problems in transferring water rights to the well. One of the village's current purchase agreements for additional rights is under protest that continued pumping of the

well will affect Government Springs on Rio Bonito, and thus down stream users.

Livingston highlighted details of the study with transparencies which showed graphs and estimated costs of the various options. Using surface water, such as from Eagle Creek, would cost the village \$2.30 per 1,000 gallons. The cost includes a storage reservoir and filter amortized over 10 years. The surface water produces very good quality.

A new well which would provide water with good to slightly poorer quality would

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Candidates File For Municipal Elections

by Doris Cherry

The race for the three trustee positions on the Capitan village board drew the largest slate of candidates of all the county's municipal elections which will be held Tuesday, March 5.

With three positions open on the Capitan Board of Trustees, nine candidates filed. Seven candidates filed for the two, four-year positions, two candidates filed for the one two year position. In Capitan, as with all municipalities which have multiple positions open, the candidates with the majority votes will be

elected.

The candidates who filed, by municipality, are listed below:

CAPITAN:

Candidates who filed for the two trustee positions which have four year terms are: Gordon B. Ross (incumbent), Alfred LeRoy Montes, Alex B. Trujillo, Michael A. Romero, John D. Whitaker, Bernhard E.F. Reimann and Debra Ingle. Candidates who filed for the one, two-year term position are: L. C. Cozzens (incumbent) and B. Lamoyne Carpenter.

CARRIZOZO:

Municipal Judge William

Meeks will have some competition in his attempt to be elected to serve a two year term as judge. Alfred Hendrix also filed for the judgeship. Candidates who filed for the two, two year positions are: Eileen Lovelace (incumbent), Wesley Lindsay, Walter Hill and Michael Cain.

CORONA:

Incumbents A.J. Gibbs and Turner Wilson are uncontested.

RUIDOSO:

Three positions, with four year terms, are open on the council. Incumbents Robert Donaldson, Frank Cummins and J.D. James, and Robert P.

Sterchi filed for the three positions.

RUIDOSO DOWNS:

Incumbent mayor Joe Hayhurst will have some competition from current trustee Charlotte Craig who also filed for the mayor position Tuesday.

There is no contest for the two trustee positions, incumbent Judy Miller and Jackie Branum were the only candidates who filed.

Incumbent municipal judge Harold Mansell is also uncontested.

At 5:01 p.m. today, Thursday, January 11, candidates for all municipal offices will

draw lots to determine position on the ballot.

Candidates who filed Tuesday, but who wish to withdraw from the election must do so on January 16.

Anyone wishing to run for a municipal position as a "write in" candidate must file as such with the respective village clerk between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Tuesday, January 23. All requirements for candidates who filed on January 9 also apply to write-in candidates.

Voter registration closes on February 6 for the municipal election to be held March 5.

U.S. Department Of Housing And Urban Development Community Development Block Grant Program

COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND OF INTENT TO REQUEST A RELEASE OF GRANT FUNDS NOTICE

Name, Address, Zip Code of Grant Recipient: Town of Carrizozo, Post Office Box 247, Carrizozo, NM 88301. Telephone Number: (505) 648-2371. Date of Publication: January 11, 1996. Application/Grant Number: 95-C-RS-I-1-G35.

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS: On or about January 27, 1996 the Town of Carrizozo will request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to release federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) for the following project:

PROJECT TITLE OR NAME: Town of Carrizozo CDBG Street Improvements. **PURPOSE OR NATURE OF PROJECT:** Street reconstruction including overlay of hot mix asphalt, curb and gutter for storm drainage.

LOCATION OF PROJECT: Town of Carrizozo, New Mexico, 100 Fifth Street, Carrizozo, Lincoln County,

New Mexico. **ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT:** \$280,000 (CDBG funding).

PROJECT SUMMARY: Reconstruction of the following street sections: Dogwood, from 3rd St. to 4th St.; Third Ave. from 10th St. to 11th St.; B Ave. from 8th to Hwy 380; Second Ave. from Birch to Aspen; Drexel Ave. from B Ave. to E Ave.; H Ave. from 5th to 6th St.; Seventh St. from D. Ave. to E Ave.; 12th St. from B Ave. to D Ave. The project includes overlay of hot mix asphalt, storm drainage using curb and gutter and concrete valley gutters in all intersections. Parts of the project have been determined to be located in a 100 year (Zone A) flood plain based on the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Panel No. H 01 Community No. 350110, effective date: August 22, 1975.

All streets are within the corporate limits of Carrizozo. **FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:** An environmental review of the project has been made by the Grantee and is available for public examination and copying at the office noted above. Based on this review, the Grantee has determined that a request for release of project funds will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment and

hence, an environmental impact statement will not be undertaken under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (PL 91-910).

The reasons for the decision not to prepare an environmental impact statement are as follows:

The project will not adversely affect the environment and any construction related nuisances such as dust and noise will cease upon project completion.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON FINDING: All interested agencies, groups or persons disagreeing with these decisions are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the Grantee by January 27, 1996. All comments must clearly specify which decision they object to - The Finding of No Significant Impact or the Request for Release of Funds. All comments so received will be considered by the Grantee prior to its taking any administrative action or requesting release of funds on the date listed immediately above.

RELEASE OF GRANT FUNDS: The Grantee will undertake the project described above with Block Grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The grantee is certifying to HUD that the Town of Carrizozo and Cecilia Kuhnel in her official capacity, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making and action, and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the Grantee may use the Block grant funds, and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities listed in 24 CFR Part 58. HUD will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases:

- (a) that the certification was not in fact executed by the Chief Executive Officer or other officer of the Grantee
- (b) that the environmental review record for the project indicated omission of a required decision finding, or step applicable to the project in the environmental review process, or
- (c) another federal agency has submitted written comments pursuant to Section 309 of the Clear Air Act or Section 102(c) of NEPA. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58), and may be addressed to HUD or LGD/DFA, Room 201 Bataan Memorial Bldg., Santa Fe, NM 87503. Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by HUD or LGD/DFA. No objection received after 15 days from the date of request for funds listed above will be considered by HUD or LGD/DFA.

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Howell, Bill Schwettmann and Stirling Spencer also were concerned about the closure. Howell said he was concerned that no one from the state contacted Williams about the Camp Sierra Blanca closure. "We're talking about consideration," Howell added.

Howell said the state needs to do planning rather than shutting down facilities. He pointed out that since last year, the state has terminated about 250 jobs from the 3,200 total jobs in Lincoln County. "I have a problem with saving money that way," he said.

As for the Fort Stanton lease issue, Howell said the state needs to provide a more positive atmosphere for potential bidders. "I think the governor should meet with anyone legitimately making an offer," he added.

Schwettmann said if the state does not successfully find a lease holder for the Fort this time, "tell them to let us handle it," he told Williams.

Schwettmann said the Fort sitting empty is costing the state. "Any vacant building will deteriorate and become a haven for vandals," he said. "It could become a skid row center, ripe for every cult or thing against our way of life in Lincoln County."

"I'm a little bitter about it," Schwettmann continued. "People in Santa Fe are starting to forget who brought them to the dance."

Spencer also was concerned about the lack of communications from the state. "Half the good paying jobs in my district are gone," Spencer said. "I've about had it."

"We've got to be diligent to make the state understand what happens when it makes these cuts," he added. Williams said percentage wise, the number of jobs lost from Fort Stanton and Camp Sierra Blanca outnumber the jobs jeopardized when the federal government announced it would close Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque. He suggested the local governments and business people take a similar stance as in the Kirtland issue.

Commission chairman Monroy Montes said, "I don't believe Lincoln County will take a stand to block the roads (over the issue). The answer in November will be to vote."

Williams also asked commissioners about their opinions on the proposed speed limit increase and other issues. Williams was opposed to a raised limit on Highway 70, especially in the Hondo Valley which has poor access from side roads and driveways. As for higher speeds on more open highways, Williams said most of the speeds will not be determined by politicians, rather by highway engineers who will determine the speeds by the condition of the various highways. Williams also supported

ported the construction of four lanes for Highway 70.

Commissioners had mixed thoughts about the speed limits. Schwettmann thought it should be like Montana, where limits are determined by the driver based on conditions. Nunley wanted roads improved if limits are increased.

In relation to increase speed limits a citizen asked that some type of cap be considered for insurance costs which might escalate if the rates of accidents increase.

Ruidoso Sends Its Needs . . .

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which is currently retained by the municipalities it passed a resolution opposing the measure. Ruidoso would stand to lose up to \$200,000 a year if the state claims the tax. The village joins the state municipal league against the proposal.

Shaw also said state senator Pete Campos called the village the previous week to ask about the village's priority needs. As agreed during a council workshop to set the priorities, water and waste water improvements were top capital project requests, followed by a possible request for design money for the recreation center. Shaw said the village was hesitant to include the recreation center request because of the limited state revenues. However Campos recommended leaving the recreation center request. The village is reportedly the only municipality in New Mexico which approved a bond issue for \$1 million for a recreation center.

Based on the cost of a new five million gallon water storage tank at \$475,000, the village requests \$500,000 from the state for water improvements. It also requests \$500,000 for waste water improvements.

Councilors agreed to include the request of \$250,000 for the design of the recreation center for which voters obligated \$1 million in bonds.

"If we don't ask for it," Shaw said, "We won't get it."

Copies of the resolution, and a package containing the priority list were provided to Williams and Campos to take to the session which begins Tuesday, January 16 at the state capitol building in Santa Fe.

Lincoln County Needs To Sign EMS Medical Director Contract

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners delayed any action on approving a medical director for the county's emergency medical services (EMS).

Despite two proposals submitted in response to a request for a medical director issued by the county, commissioners during their day long meeting Tuesday postponed any action on the proposals because of a request from commissioner Ray Nunley who had been absent three meetings while recovering from neck surgery.

Nunley requested the county explore a cooperative agreement with the Ruidoso Advanced Life Support EMS which would supply the medical director for the Lincoln County EMS. Without announcing who had submitted the two proposals, all commissioners but Stirling Spencer went along with Nunley's request.

Spencer supported the current medical director, Dr. Spencer Hall, who was present at the meeting. But questions and comments have been made about the medical director's availability and legal guidance which are important to the EMS. Such questions revealed that the county has no contract with Dr. Hall, and resulted in the request for proposals which the county issued.

During the meeting Tuesday, Captain EMT Gwen Jones said a medical director needs to provide the guidance and training for EMTs. "Medical directorship is not an easy job," Jones said. She said it would be a big job for the Ruidoso medical director to take over the county also.

County EMS coordinator Connie Hopper, Jones and other EMTs present said the county EMS has a good working relation with Ruidoso EMS.

Despite the two proposals for the medical directorship, Montes said the issue is not a personality contest. "I don't feel we've resolved the core problem," Montes said. "The medical directorship is not the

issue." After Jones pointed out that the county EMS cannot operate above a basic level without a medical director, Dr. Hall agreed to continue his medical directorship for Lincoln County EMS until the issue is resolved.

Questions about the directorship arose after medical control was removed from an Alto EMT.

Housing Authority Board Of Directors To Meet On Jan. 20

A regular meeting of the Regional Housing Authority of Region VI board of directors will be held Sat., Jan. 20 in Roswell.

The board's meetings are open to the public. For more information call 505-622-0881.

The board will also hold a retreat for board member education on Sat., Jan. 13. No board action will be taken at the retreat and comments from the audience will not be allowed.



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—Alcoholic Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. at Carrizozo Senior Citizens Center. Call 648-2313 for information.
 —Adult singles group meets at the Marie Laveaux Restaurant at 1214 Mechem in Ruidoso for no host dinner at 6:30 p.m. For more information call 258-3246 or 354-2635.
 —Preschool Story hour from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. at Carrizozo Public School library.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

—Capitan Board of Education meets at 6:30 p.m. in the board conference room.
 —Carrizozo Woman's Club meets at 7 p.m. in the Woman's Club building. Jim Stover, director of EMS at Lincoln County Medical Center, will speak on safety. The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

MONDAY, JANUARY 15

—All government offices-municipal, county, state and federal-will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

—Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority board will meet at 10 a.m. at the authority offices in Ruidoso Downs.
 —Carrizozo Board of Education meets at 6 p.m. in the board conference room.

ENMU-Ruidoso Offers Several New College Classes And GED Tests

The Ruidoso instructional center of Eastern New Mexico University will offer GED tests Friday, Jan. 19 beginning at 8:30 a.m. Cost of the exam is \$20 payable at the office prior to the testing time. Applicants must be at least 17 years old to be eligible for testing. No GED pre-test is necessary.

For more information call 505-257-2120 or 1-800-934-3668.

Registration for college classes in the spring 1996 semester is continuing at the Ruidoso Center of Eastern New Mexico University. A schedule of classes is printed in the supplement in this issue of THE NEWS.

Registration will be held from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, including the lunch hour.

Several new classes are being offered. Upper division and graduate courses can be taken in Ruidoso via the lat-

est in interactive instructional television at the Ruidoso center.

A wide variety of community ed classes are also available. Financial aid, career counseling and class advisement appointments are still available. Financial aid, including local scholarship assistance is also available.

Interested students may register in person at the new university center at 709 Mechem or by phone, FAX, or mail through Jan. 16. For more information call 1-800-934-3668.

The Eastern New Mexico University board of regents will meet Wed., Jan. 17 in Santa Fe.

Agenda items include information reports on the University's revised mission statement, the strategic planning process for the campus, and prospects for the legislative session.

Margaret Stearns Is Canyon CowBelle Of Year For 1996

Margaret Stearns of Carrizozo was elected as the Canyon CowBelle 1996 CowBelle of the Year. Margaret was honored with this award in 1989 also. Her dedication and hard work are once again honored.

Margaret's selection as 1996 CowBelle of the Year was by a unanimous vote at the January meeting for Canyon CowBelles. New president Stacy Hendricks presided at the meeting. Hendricks and the other new officers were inducted in December at the CowBelle gift exchange/officer induction ceremony held at the Carrizozo Country Club. No regular meeting was held

that day. Knollene McDaniel, the new state CowBelle secretary, reported on the state meeting held in December.

Anne Ferguson reported on her trip to the candlelight vigil held in Santa Fe for northern New Mexico landowners. Many southern New Mexico ranchers attended to show their support for the northern landowners who are experiencing the land rights ills that are affecting landowners statewide.

The Feb. 17 meeting will be hosted by Anne Ferguson and Lisa Shivers at the Ferguson home on the Black Hills Ranch.



CANYON COWBELLES 1996 officers, from left: president Stacy Hendricks, reporter Julie Carter, legislative chairman Ruth Wilson, secretary Anne Ferguson, and treasurer Lisa Shivers. Not pictured: 1st vice-president Jane Kretchman and 2nd vice-president Bessie Leslie.

Obituary

JOHN ALLEN HIGHTOWER

John Allen Hightower, 72, a prominent Lincoln County rancher and Air Force veteran of World War II, died Friday, Jan. 5. He was born on the Woods homestead east of Ancho on Jan. 1, 1924 to Ethel and Bryan Hightower and had lived in the area all his life. He died within a five mile radius of his birthplace at his home west of Ancho.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Jan. 10 at the Community Presbyterian Church in Ancho. Officiating were the Rev. William Scholes, Rev. Don Daniels, and lay person Marjorie Daniels. Burial followed at Cedarvale Cemetery in White Oaks.

Mr. Hightower attended grade school at the Ancho School and graduated from Carrizozo High School in 1941 as valedictorian of his class. He studied mechanical engineering at New Mexico State University in Las Cruces and enlisted in the Air Force in 1942. After basic training he was accepted into the Air Force Weather Program at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque. He received a meteorology degree from Cal Tech in Pasadena, CA in 1944. He was commissioned a 2nd Lt. and was stationed at Carsbad Air Force Base forecasting the weather for AT-11 trainer pilots.

He married Vernelle Stoneman Brininstool Dec. 3, 1944. After the war he and his wife moved to Hightower's grandfather Cooper's homestead west of Ancho where they became ranching partners with his parents. The ranch has expanded and grown into the Hightower Land & Cattle Co. which sons Gary and Bill manage.

Mr. Hightower was a member (SEE PAGE 7)



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THOUGHTS

From the Editor's Desk

What's next, governor?

By Ruth Hammond

Another 32 Lincoln County families have had their futures disrupted now that governor Johnson dropped his latest bomb of closing Camp Sierra Blanca. That decision was announced on Monday, January 8. It seems as if governor Johnson's attempt to save state money is centered on eliminating all state money that had previously been spent in Lincoln County. While it may help the state budget, there are numerous additional ways the state can save money without destroying an entire county. Last week this column included many money-saving suggestions.

What is the real reason for the governor's actions? Did he close Camp Sierra Blanca because he didn't like the prisoners having air conditioning? It has been reported that governor Johnson wanted the new prisons to not have air conditioning and Camp Sierra Blanca not only had air conditioning in the offices but also had air conditioning in the prisoner's quarters.

Were there other reasons for closing Camp Sierra Blanca? Did the governor learn that the Camp Sierra Blanca prisoners watched movies four days a week? Maybe the governor objected to this form of entertainment. Did the governor learn that Camp Sierra Blanca has a recreation room for the prisoners to enjoy? Maybe the governor objected to anyone incarcerated having the opportunity to keep physically fit, just like the governor does.

Regardless of the reason, governor Johnson is running the state in a fashion similar to the way he ran his private company. HE makes the decisions because HE is the boss and that is it!

One rumor that can be ignored is that governor Johnson is mad at the Lincoln County Commission because of the way they treated former Lincoln County manager Andy Wynham. Even if governor Johnson was a personal friend of Andy Wynham it would not be good business to carry a grudge this far.

The most interesting thing is that governor Johnson's actions against Lincoln County have happened two Januaries in a row. It makes us wonder what other state office and/or facility governor Johnson plans to close in Lincoln County next January.

Closing Camp Sierra Blanca will not only be a hardship for the workers but will also cause problems for the Fort Stanton Merchant Marine Cemetery located less than a mile south of Fort Stanton. The prisoners had helped with the maintenance at the cemetery for several years. They mowed, trimmed, and did general cleaning to help make the cemetery tidy for the annual Memorial Day services held to honor all military veterans. This past year prisoners helped place 1,630 American flags on graves of those from other countries. It took three days to place the flags.

Now all that will change. The prisoners will be moved to a new prison near Las Cruces and the workers, many life-long residents of Lincoln County, will be transferred somewhere else.

And once again state-owned property in Lincoln County will be allowed to sit empty and deteriorate. The loss to the state will be more than money, it will be a loss of state honor to not utilize all property to the best advantage. It will be a loss of not only the buildings but the loss of the faith of the people for the state to do what is best for everyone. Allowing state property to sit empty is not saving money, it is a WASTE of state money.

Then again, maybe governor Johnson closed Camp Sierra Blanca for an entirely different reason. Maybe it is political, maybe it is to help increase private property values, or maybe it is to let the people know that HE is the boss. HE will do things his way, and HE doesn't like to be questioned about any of it.

Whether we like it or not, governor Johnson will continue to do things his way for another two years and 353 days and 12 hours and 54 minutes, but who's counting?

Empty state buildings waste money



Inside The Capitol

by Jay Miller

SANTA FE: State lawmakers are proceeding cautiously into cyberspace.

Although legislative staffers have fully computerized each session's bills and budgets, most of their bosses are still stumped about how to turn on a computer. But they're going to give it the old college try.

At a late December meeting of the Legislative Council, the bipartisan governing body of the legislature between sessions, leaders of both houses took the steps necessary to initiate a pilot program that is intended to eventually provide every lawmaker with a small portable computer to keep track of legislation and access volumes of research.

The first steps will be modest. Nine lawmakers will be loaned notebook computers for the '96 session. To receive them, they must attend a training session and agree to conscientiously use the equipment during the session. Several leaders expressed a desire that the computers be loaned to novices who didn't already have a machine of their own.

In the process of discussing the program, several legislative leaders confessed to not being computer literate — including House Speaker Raymond Sanchez and Senate President Pro Tem Manny Aragon. Other techno-

logically challenged lawmakers are Senate Republican leader Billy McKibben, House Republican leader Bobby Wallach, Senate Republican Caucus chairman Stuart Ingle, and Senate Democratic leader Eddie Lopez.

Talking the best game at the meeting was Senate GOP whip Skip Vernon. And Rep. Dick Knowles, a Roswell Republican, asked many intelligent questions indicating he knows his way around a computer keyboard.

The original intent of the council had been to provide computers for all members of the House and Senate leadership, plus all committee chairs who wish to participate. But that was scaled back to computers for nine lawmakers, plus an additional nine for the legislature's three permanent interim committees and the House and Senate chief clerks. Staff will be trained on those computers, which will be available for the use of interested lawmakers.

It is anticipated that several lawmakers will decide to participate in the pilot with their own equipment. After scrutinizing the many restrictions suggested for the loaned computers to assure they are used only for legislative duties, several legislative leaders said they would opt to buy their own equipment.

Cost of the computers will be in excess of \$3,000 apiece for middle-of-the-road hardware. Senate Democratic whip Tim Jennings, a Roswell rancher, complained that was more than the value of his car.

Some council members worried that too many lawmakers would be clustered around too few computers during floor sessions of the two houses. Speaker Sanchez's reply was a story about the last time personal computers were installed in the house.

One computer was put at each end of the dais for use of any lawmaker — at the request of Rep. Ralph Hartman, then a Democratic Rep. from Southern Dona Ana County. Sanchez says Hartman was the only lawmaker who ever used one. The machines were removed after Hartman retired from the legislature.

For the most part lawmakers have, and will continue, to depend on assigning staff technicians to do nitty-gritty work while they focus on the interpersonal relationships required of politicians and policy makers.

Phase two of the computer pilot program will allow interested lawmakers to take the equipment home with them following the legislative ses-

United Nations Wants Authority To Impose Taxes Around The World

The fat cats at the United Nations are tired of relying on the generosity of member countries. They want to bypass sovereign governments and tax the people of the world directly!

by F.R. DUPLANTIER

The calls for a global tax to finance the operations of the United Nations seem to be coming from all quarters. The so-called Independent Commission on Population and Quality of Life argues that the United Nations should be able to tax aviation traffic and freight, aviation fuel, ocean freight and cruises, telecommunications frequencies, communications satellites, international postal items, and trade in goods and services. At the UN World Summit for Social Development, held in Copenhagen earlier this year, Clinton appointee James Speth, head of the UN Development Program, proposed a global tax on speculative movements of international funds, the consumption of non-renewable energy, environmental permits, and the arms trade. The Clinton Administration is pushing for ratification of the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea, which would set up an International Seabed Authority to collect fees and royalties imposed on American mining firms.

James Tobin, 1981 Nobel Prize winner in Economics, has called for a tax on spot transactions in foreign exchange. Tobin predicts that "the revenue potential is immense, over \$1.5 trillion a year." Needless to say, UN bureaucrats are enthusiastic about the possibilities of this new "Tobin tax."

The Commission on Global Governance argues that "it is time for a consensus on global taxation for servicing the needs of the global neighborhood." The Commission, which is supported by government and foundation funding, calls for taxes on flight-lanes, sea lanes, and ocean fishing areas. The Commission claims that "the idea of safeguarding and managing the global commons, particularly those related to the physical environment, is now widely accepted."

The Worldwatch Institute calls for a global tax to finance "the transition to a sustainable society — including

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LETTERS to the editor

EDITOR: I would like to thank you for your informative history of Fort Stanton, NM. It was very complete.

Your article said that our proposal was rejected as being unresponsive, and we had a 14 day clarification process to answer the state's questions. We did this in what should have been a satisfactory manner. The state responded by throwing out the entire process. This was done in an effort to try and bring in additional bids.

The chairman of the selection committee has assured this corporation that if we are able to give proof of a \$200,000 financial cushion we will probably receive the lease.

We believe that by January 22nd this corporation will meet the financial requirements of the state. We will have most of the entrepreneurial groups and individuals in place by the signing of the lease, to establish the Homeless Shelter for Vets, the Longterm Juvenile Psychiatric, and the Boot Camp as alternative sentencing for youth at risk of incarceration.

Mr. John LaBombard of AFSCME has joined the board of directors. We need more helpers and partners so please contact us.

TRACY BRANNAN
Executive Director
New Mexico Outreach, Inc.

EDITOR: What is behind the county movement? Since the birth of our nation we have rightly expected the people (representatives, senators, governors, presidents and the like) who controlled important aspects of our lives to be answerable to us. In states where much or nearly all the land is federally owned rural people have little control over important aspects of their lives. The senators and representatives of all the states control the federal land and those from the other forty-nine states hold the balance of power over the federal land surrounding us and are in no

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EDITORIAL . . . "Good Morning Mr. Johnson!"

First Fort Stanton . . . now Camp Sierra Blanca. Thank you Governor Johnson!

Perhaps this is the best and only way to get this man to drop his "let's obliterate Lincoln County" obsession campaign. Maybe all it will take is a few caresses on his back side for him to mellow out instead of a few kicks.

Word was received early this week that our fearless leader had sent word down to close the minimum security prison, Camp Sierra Blanca, at Fort Stanton. This followed the closing of Fort Stanton Hospital last year by "Mr. Johnson". Note the (Mr.) in front of Johnson — have to treat this man with the utmost respect.

Question on everybody's mind is "who" and "why". The ones making the decision? The State of New Mexico Corrections Department. And the leader of this pack? "Mr. Johnson". Why? Your guess is as good as any, and there are probably many. An interesting one, and the one probably at the top of "Mr. Johnson's" list is "cost efficiency". Which goes something like this (example):

* It costs the state of New Mexico \$65.00 a day (per prisoner) to operate Camp Sierra Blanca.

* If the state of New Mexico pays the state of Texas to house these prison-

ers at a lower rate like \$45.00 a day you would be saving \$20.00 per prisoner per day. Simple.

This kind of reasoning makes sense on paper, and should be enough to wipe out "most" arguments against the move, and that is probably what our "Mr. Johnson" is counting on. But "Mr. Johnson" should be aware that "most" people in Lincoln County and the rest of the state of New Mexico know the difference between "reality" and "politics". The arguments against what "Mr. Johnson" is up to don't have to be pointed out or listed. You can make up your own mind.

The best and sometimes the only way to take care of this sort of problem is when elections come up. And elections to politicians are a lot like taxes are to taxpayers . . . half of the time you end up paying . . . and the other half of the time you get paid.

If "Mr. Johnson's" name ever shows up in a ballot for any political office in the future remember the name. "Make him pay" and "pay him back". You can make up your own mind.

Have a good day Mr. Johnson!

peter agullar

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Letters to

way answerable to us. Rural people in states with little federal land have much greater control over their economic lives than do rural Westerners where much or nearly all the land is federally owned.

Urban people in the western states have almost as much control over their lives as urban people from the rest of the country but the rural west is much like a colony of the United States of America. Often city or townspeople of the west join with the rest of the United States in trying to make the sole use of the rural west a vacation place for them.

People not from the west or urban people often fail to understand the western lands. To understand a given ecosystem you need observations (pictures and the like) made over a long period of time. We whose families have lived here for a long time often have these observations. Intelligent people with university degrees in science often come to western lands and indulge in erroneous guesses.

It is not surprising that people who want land for their exclusive use as a vacation spot are prejudiced against the practices of those people who are using the land for other purposes. It is not surprising that they ignore long-term observations. It is not surprising that they are misinformed. They have not associated with people who could inform them. The Secretary of Interior (Mr. Babbitt) will never inform these people because he is controlled by them.

I believe that people who want county government to control federal land want people who control the land to understand the land and be answerable to them in some fashion so that the rural west won't be a colony of the U.S.A.

Another option is to reduce the amount of federal land in the western states. Under federal tutelage forests near our home have become weak, sick and pest infested because of overpopulation of trees. All living things have been suppressed because of the overpopulation. States which want the use of more federal land should establish federal land within their boundaries near population centers so that all (not just the wealthy) can see, use and appreciate it.

BILL BRYAN
Corona, NM

EDITOR: I see that it is time to answer my fan mail.

How unfortunate that some of my detractors found it necessary to resort to vilification in response to my well-reasoned and dispassionate positions. The exception being the gentleman from Tinnie, who demonstrated the admirable quality of moderation in a world where everyone seems to be shouting but no one is listening.

One of my detractors seems to have difficulty with reading comprehension. Nowhere in my letter did I say that I favored increased government regulation. What I did say was that it is inevitable in a species that is heading for disaster because of its inability to control its numbers.

What we see here are people of superficial intelligence (to be charitable) who lack the ability to comprehend the economic, social and technological forces driving the modern world.

We are entering an era where the global economy and the information age will render previous lifestyles and ways of doing things obsolete.

Anyone with any knowledge of local history would be aware of the fact that three generations of my family were involved in mining and cattle operations in the White Oaks area from the mid 1880s into the 1960s. Mining and ranching are important? Tell me something I don't already know. They are not, however, more important than other segments of our economy.

This elitist idea that certain ranchers entertain that they are somehow "better" Americans than people who live in cities or follow other occupations is totally reprehensible.

I was amazed to learn that we have two constitutional scholars right here in Lincoln County.

Perhaps we should amend the Constitution and abolish the Supreme Court, which is delegated the authority to determine what legislation is or is not constitutional.

Having accomplished that we could then refer all questions of a constitutional nature to the two learned gentlemen in Ancho and Tinnie.

Someone mentioned animal rights activists — you really struck a raw nerve there. Like an overwhelming majority of the American people, I am an animal lover and I have utter contempt for those benighted souls who can only get off by slaughtering and torturing helpless creatures.

As anyone with any knowledge of psychology knows, these same people, given the opportunity, will do the same thing to humans.

These people suffer from the worst kind of cancer, cancer of the soul and one hopes that there is a special place reserved for them in the hottest regions of eternity.

DONALD QUEEN
Carrizozo, NM

United Nations Wants . . .

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environmental programs, social initiatives, and peace-keeping efforts." The Oxfam Poverty Report proclaims that "international aid should be seen as a financial entitlement, and as part of a compact between citizens in the industrial and developing worlds." The Ford Foundation wants the UN to have Special Drawing Rights from the International Monetary Fund. This "levy on the utilization of the global commons" would allow the UN to put its squeeze on American taxpayers without going through our Congress. The World Federalist Association, headed by former presidential candidate

John Anderson, recommends UN taxes on international travel and postal service.

The United Nations has no right or authority whatsoever to tax people, businesses, or transactions, but that won't stop the UN's greedy international bureaucrats from trying to usurp such authority. Too much of our country's wealth has already been squandered on this subversive organization with the cooperation of American leaders. Imagine how the UN will bleed us dry when it has its own taxing power and no longer needs to ask for our cooperation!

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- 1.) mobile homes
- 2.) livestock, and
- 3.) land used for agricultural purposes

If, for any reason, your property was not valued last year and it is subject to valuation this year, you are required by law to report it to the county assessor on forms provided either by mail or at the assessor's office.

All nongovernmental entities (property owners) which claim to be exempt from the property tax must report their property and claim their exemption for 1996 if the exemption was not claimed in 1995.

Reports for mobile homes, livestock, land use for agricultural purposes, property not valued last year and claims for exemptions by nongovernmental entities must be completed and mailed or delivered to the county assessor not later than the last day of February.

If you made improvements to your real property and:

- 1.) the improvements cost more than \$1,000 and
- 2.) a building permit for the improvements was not issued;

you must report the nature of the improvements and their cost to the assessor not later than the last day of February. These reports must be on forms provided by that assessor.

If you believe your property decreased in value during the preceding year, you must report, on forms provided by the assessor, a signed statement which:

- 1.) describes the property affected,
- 2.) states the cause and nature of decrease in value, and
- 3.) states the amount you contend the value has decreased.

This statement must be filed with the county assessor no later than the last day of February.

If the veterans exemption was claimed and allowed in 1995 no new

claim for that exemption is required to be filed. However, if that exemption was not claimed and allowed in 1995 and it is now claimed, claim must be made by the last day of February by filing with the assessor the form provided by the assessor.

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Beginning in the 1982 tax year, taxpayers are responsible for declaring their property classification to the assessor, as residential or nonresidential. When the declaration is accepted by the assessor, it shall remain as such and need not be made in subsequent years unless the classification changes. If a taxpayer has not declared their property to be residential in 1995 and desires that classification for 1996 they must complete a declaration of residential classification and return the signed declaration to the county assessor's office by the last day of February, 1996.

Certain mineral property and personal property of contractors operating in more than one county are required to be reported to the Taxation and Revenue Department, Property Tax Division of the State of New Mexico in Santa Fe. Information about property to be reported to the Taxation and Revenue Department, Property Tax Division can be obtained from the county assessor or the Taxation and Revenue Department, Central Assessment Bureau, P.O. Box 630, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87509. Phone: (505) 827-0893.

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County Directs Enforcement Of Lincoln Historic Ordinance

by Doris Cherry

The owner of a tepee and unauthorized signs at a restaurant in old Lincoln town may find himself going to court.

The tepee and signs so bothered some members of the Lincoln Historic Preservation Committee and some residents of the community that they went to the county commission seeking relief, which they got. But the residents' request for enforcement of the existing ordinance did more, it exposed the law's lack of instructions on how to get such violations into court, and who is responsible for carrying out the enforcement of violations identified by the Lincoln Historic Preservation Board.

During the regular county commission meeting Tuesday

in the courthouse in Carrizozo, Lincoln historical zone residents Jack Rigney and Colleen Salazar asked the commission to enforce the historical preservation ordinance under which the owners of the tepee and signs were issued a notice of violation at least six months ago. Rigney said the violation "sends the message that anything goes" in Lincoln which should be treated as a "gem."

County planning technician Patsy Sanchez who facilitates the Lincoln Preservation board, said she sent the notice of violations to the sheriff's office for a deputy to serve the notice to the owners. "It's not a citation, or summons to court," Sanchez said.

County attorney Alan Morel said he received copies of two non-traffic citations which were issued by the sheriff's

office, however both were voided because they were not signed by the sheriff's office. Morel said he was working with the undersheriff to correct the situation to get the violations into court.

Preservation board member David Vigil said the preservation board identifies violations, passes them on to the county, then gets no response. "The sheriff should do it, the shortcomings are in the sheriff's office," Vigil said.

Colleen Salazar, director of Lincoln Heritage Trust, was also concerned about enforcement of the ordinance which establishes the historical zone. The preservation board monitors all construction, alteration of existing structures, and development in the town and a one mile zone east and west of the town. "The ordinance is the foundation of everybody's dream who moved there," Salazar said. "We're protecting history."

Salazar said the existing ordinance needs to be enforced to get beyond personalities.

Sanchez said she and the preservation board are working on a revision of the ordinance which will address some of the violations. "People (in Lincoln) laugh at the board and the county commission," Sanchez said.

Commissioner Wilton Howell said the sheriff is the chief law enforcement officer for the county ordinances, and he didn't understand why the commission needed to take action to enforce the ordinance.

Despite the comment, commissioner Stirling Spencer made the motion to direct the county attorney to file a complaint signed by the county commission into the proper court concerning the violations of the Lincoln Historic Preservation Ordinance. All commissioners voted for the action.

As an afterthought, Nunley said he would like to consider incorporating Lincoln into its own municipality. Glenn Dennis, chairman of the preservation board, said that has been discussed several times, but most residents and others are not particularly for such a move.

Capitan Trustees Hear . . .

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cost \$1.15 to \$1.43 per 1,000 gallons based on a 10 year pay off period.

The study also explores a possible source at the American Lode Mine in the Nogal District. That however would require a huge investment for pipeline, and would require transferring water rights from the Tularosa Basin to the Rio Bonito watershed.

Specific questions were asked during the meeting about transferring surface water rights to groundwater rights, and other water issues. Village attorney Robert Beauvais asked Livingston to provide information whether Capitan could drill wells in the Eagle Creek field, and transfer its surface water rights to the creek to groundwater rights.

After two hours in the public hearing for the report, the trustees tabled acceptance of the report, then called for a special public meeting to review the study in detail. The public will be allowed to comment on the study at that time also.

Copies of the water study are available for viewing at village hall.

Capitan FHA members Nick Pacheco, Shana Morrison and Bryan Talent spoke to the trustees, seeking support of their project which will do something good for the community. They also want to do a project that might win them a chance to enter the project at the national FHA Conference in St. Louis.

"We decided on a project which is beneficial to the community," Pacheco said. "A skate park."

Pacheco said they took a survey of 400 students in grades 4-10. Of those 220 said they skate in some form. "Most ride in the streets, because we can't ride at school or Shell," he said. "The streets are not a good place."

Pacheco said the group came to city hall to ask permission to skate on the tennis court, and were given the okay. But the concrete is rough and the net gets in the way.

The survey shows that 210 said they would use a skate park.

Pacheco said he talked with police chief Carroll Durbin and officer Carlos Brito about the project. Morrison said the group is raising funds by selling calendars and painting address numbers on the curbs on 4th Street.

The students said they were seeking support, and a location to put a concrete or asphalt pad. "We'll be in charge of the liability," Pacheco said. "And to keep it pleasant looking."

A suggested location was on

some village owned property on 5th street.

"If it works out, maybe we'll represent Capitan in Missouri," Pacheco said.

Mayor Norm Renfro said the village would see if it could help.

Trustees also:
-Awarded the bid for a sewer clean out machine to Boyle Equipment of Denver for \$27,400 on a lease payment option.

-Approved application for a 1996 Community Development Block Grant for Phase 3 of the street repaving project.

-Reluctantly accepted the resignation of employee Jonathan LaMay who was moving to Abilene to work with his father.

-Approved a resolution assuring financing of the purchase of 33.73 acres of surface water rights.

NMSU-Alamogordo ABE Classes Are To Begin Next Week

New Mexico State University at Alamogordo (NMSU-A) is offering Adult Basic Education (ABE) classes, GED testing, ESL, and citizenship classes beginning the week of Jan. 16.

GED testing dates have been set. Pre-tests are required and pre-registration must be at least two days prior to the test date.

NMSU-A also has high school refresher courses, individualized math and English tutorials, and computer classes. Classes are offered in several locations in Lincoln and Otero counties in the morning and evening.

Call the ABE office at 505-437-5015 for more information.

Agency On Aging Seeks Volunteers To Become Advocates Of The Elderly

Eastern New Mexico Area Agency on Aging's Ombudsman program is looking for volunteers to become advocates for residents of long term care facilities.

Ombudsman advocate for the rights of residents in a facility. The volunteer helps to prevent abuse and neglect and promotes awareness and protection of residents' rights.

New volunteers will be trained in Las Cruces January 23-25. Anyone interested in learning more about the Ombudsman program should call Kathleen Shaber at 1-800-432-2060.

County Employees . . .

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The defeat was one of the ways commissioners will return to basic county government. A resolution drafted by Montes calls for the county commissioners to carefully and responsibly budget its limited public resources by refraining from taking any action which would alter, increase or amend the approved annual county budget in any way that would increase spending over and above the budgeted line items. Montes said the resolution was not a "contract" with Lincoln County, rather a discussion about responsible budgeting.

Commissioners questioned whether the resolution would prevent them from funding emergencies and other unforeseen situations. Schwettmann didn't like the wording, and said "refrain" was archaic.

"I kind of like it," Spencer said. He said it did not appear to him to "handtrap" the county for emergency situations. "I like refrain," he said.

Nunley said he was going to vote for the resolution, but decided not to because the commission had rejected the school arts program.

The resolution was approved on a four to one vote with Nunley casting the nay vote.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

The Town of Carrizozo invites you to attend the Second Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 23, 1996 at 5:30 p.m., at Town Hall. The purpose of the public hearing will be to discuss the 1996 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program to advise citizens of the programs objectives, range of activities that can be applied for and provide other pertinent information, to obtain the views of citizens on community development and housing needs to include the needs of low and moderate income people. The CDBG Program is designed to meet activities which will address one to three state and national objectives:

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

All counties and municipalities under 50,000 population are eligible to apply. Applicants may apply for funding assistance under categories including COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE, HOUSING, PUBLIC SERVICE CAPITAL OUTLAY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, EMERGENCY, PLANNING AND COLONIAS.

Complete information concerning this program can be obtained at the public hearing along with information on how to receive technical assistance on preparing a proposal for consideration. For further information, contact Carol Schlarb, Town Clerk, at 648-2371, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

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NOTICIA DE JUNTA ABIERTA AL PUBLICO ENERO 9, 1996 PUEBLO DE CARRIZOZO

El Consejo de Comisarios del Pueblo de Carrizozo tendra una junta publica el martes, 23 de Enero a las 5:30 p.m. en el Ayuntamiento (City Hall). El proposito de la junta publica sera para discutir el programa de Desarrollo en la Comunidad del Conjunto de Conjunto de Donacion en Nuevo Mexico (CDBG) y para avisar a los ciudadanos del las metas del programa, la escala de actividades elegibles y otra informacion pertinente. Tambien es para obtener las opiniones del los ciudadanos sobre el desarrollo de la comunidad y necesidades de habitacion, particularmente las necesidades de gente con ingresos bajos y moderados. Este ano el estado tendra aproximadamente \$14,900.00 que sera asignado estatalmente basado en un proceso competitivo.

Los objetos estatales y nacionales del programa de CDBG requieren que las actividades del proyecto se cumplen con por lo menos uno de los siguientes requerimientos: Beneficio para las familias de ingresos bajos y moderados; ayuda en la prevencion o eliminacion de barrios desafortunados y insalubres, y de cumplir con otras necesidades del desarrollo de la comunidad de origen reciente que poseen una amenaza inmediata a la salud y bienestar de la comunidad y cuando otros recursos no estan disponibles para cumplir con esas necesidades.

Las categorias de fondos publicos elegibles incluyen Infraestructura para la Comunidad; Rehabilitacion de Casa; Desembolso de Capital para Servicio Publico; Planificacion, Emergencia, y Colonias. Todos los grupos interesado estan invitados a asistir y entregar sus ideas para proyectos y proporcionar datos que apoyan su testimonio.

Con un minimo de tres dias de notificacion en avanzado, ayuda auxiliar estara proporcionada y asi estar en cumplimiento con el Acto de Americanos Incapacitados. Tambien con suficiente notificacion, un traductor estara proporcionado para los residentes que no hablen ingles.

Los residentes que no pueden atender la junta podran enviar sus comentarios a la Escribana Municipal, Carol Schlarb, en 648-2371, Carrizozo, Nuevo Mexico.

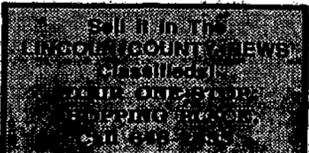
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sion so they can access research and communicate with each other and with legislative committee offices.

For security reasons, this network will be available only to legislators and their staff. Individuals and organizations interested in accessing bills, bill locators, calendars and committee hearing schedules can do so through New Mexico Technet, located in Albuquerque. The charge is around \$20 a month.



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CAPITAN NOTES

Greetings from the Omaha, Nebraska side of the road.

We have part of another chapter of *Trailing Around with Traylor* by H. L. Traylor this week.

The Death of Dr. Walker

One cold day in January 1913, a tall dark-complexioned fellow appeared wearing a black hat pulled down over his ears. His dark coat had sleeves reaching to within six inches of his wrists and coat tails extending just below his knees. His feet were in saddle stirrups below the horses belly approximately three feet from the ground. His pants were wrinkled and the horses showed signs of having been ridden for a long distance.

The way he sat in the saddle reminded one of the character *Ichabod Crane* in the story *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*.

He inquired at the store where he could find board and room. The Bennett twins were at the store and told him they lived three miles north of there, and their mother occasionally took in boarders.

About a week later, the mail hack driver delivered a large wooden box he had received at the railroad depot for Dr. Walker at Mrs. Bennett's mailbox. In it was a sizable valise containing an assortment of pills (medicine), various instruments, plus a pair of forceps and a hypodermic syringe.

According to his credentials, he was a medical graduate from one of the mid-western universities and had worked with some noted surgeons before he was stricken with tuberculosis.

It was soon known throughout the county that a circuit doctor had established his office on Little Creek. His business did well especially in the local villages. He liked Capitan and Lincoln for two reasons, the population was larger in those towns and he could always find (after attending a patient) a place where he could quench his thirst after a hot dusty ride.

Next week, more about Dr. Walker in a chapter of Herbert Lee Traylor's book.

Another installment of Ila Mae Payne's autobiography: Good, bad or whatever, they were there. The long summer days we so enjoyed. The bleak winters we had waited for to end. Springtimes when we'd long for rain to make the hills green.

How I'd wonder, after a big rain. I'd wake at night and hear hundreds of frogs; where did they come from when it had been dry so long? How quick the grass could turn

green and flowers bloom. How we loved to see the big headrise on a canyon come down.

We would drive for miles to see how many draws were running, see the big dirt tanks and dried up water holes fill, which meant plenty of water for the stock. Otherwise we'd often have to haul water, even from an adjoining ranch miles away, a dreadful chore. That thought brings up another memory I shall never forget.

It was a wonderful summer day and we were all at Pa Payne's ranch, as we often were on Sundays when everybody would feel free to take a day off. Pa Payne was away that day. Ma Payne took it upon herself to haul a load of water way over in the north pasture to some sheep. Everyone knew that when she made up her mind to do something, she'd just about do it. We went on playing games, visiting, etc. while she went her way with the team pulling the loaded water tank on the wagon.

I don't remember exactly who was there, but one was the school teacher, Allene Williams, who boarded at the ranch. All the young boys, including one or two of the Payne boys, made special efforts to shine-up when she was there. Also Alvin Harcrow, who was almost a permanent fixture around, as he'd leased pasture from Pa Payne for several years to run his sheep. He did some work around the ranch, and was always jolly fun to have around. He was quite handsome, loved to charm the ladies, and right then it was Allene. So we soon forgot about Ma Payne and the wagon load of water.

We were out on the front porch and in the yard. It didn't take long for the scene to change from jolly to panic and fear when we caught sight of the team and wagon, with the water tank leaping into the air at times, all coming like a tornado down the fence line.

Swaying from side to side, the wagon was taking out a post in the fence here and there, I wondered if anything would stop those wild eyed, foaming horses as they came into the water lot surrounding the big dirt tank. Somehow the men got them stopped, and someone took them to the corral while Alvin and one or two of the boys jumped in the pickup to go find Ma Payne.

No one dared to think of the terrible things that might have happened. But soon the men returned with a fairly calm Ma Payne, but she didn't even "wanta talk about it." She went in the house as if

nothing had happened. There was an evening meal to fix, and if we young folks chose to stay out there and chatter as if something big had taken place, that was fine, but she had things to do.

Well, since all had turned out O.K., Alvin decided to have a big laugh he'd been just aching to tell about. He told us how they'd driven almost within a car's length of her before she saw them.

The wind was blowing and she had on a big sunbonnet, and was so intent on venting her anger at those horses she hadn't seen the car till she almost bumped into it. She was in no mood to discuss what happened, but did tell them she'd unloaded the water and started to climb back on the wagon when the wind blew her jacket over her head, which scared the horses. They jerked the lines from her hands, made a great circle and headed for home.

There was another time Ma Payne decided to go on her own and ran into trouble. I was while Pa Payne was at Roswell overnight, and we were in California. She went riding down in a back pasture to see if all was well. There were no horses in the corral except my Tony.

She saddled him, and with

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Sheep Referendum Ballots Are Available At Extension Offices

New Mexico sheep and wool producers can register with county Cooperative Extension Service offices to vote on a referendum that would create a promotion, research and education program through assessments on sheep and wool sales.

The in-person voting on the U.S. Department of Agriculture's proposed Sheep and Wool Promotion, Research, Education and Information Order will be February 6 in local County Extension Offices.

"Producers can register and vote in person or request absentee ballots from the Lincoln County Extension Office," said Barry Herd, Lincoln County Extension Agent. Eligible voters are producers, feeders and importers who certify they were engaged in production, feeding or importation of sheep or sheep products (except raw wool imports) between January 1 and December 31, 1994.

To vote absentee, producers must request ballots from the Extension Office in the county of voter residence. Corporations must obtain ballots from

Capitan Chamber To Sponsor A Meet The Candidates Night

The Capitan Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a *Meet the Candidates* night February 27 at the chamber building on Second Street. The program is scheduled for 7 p.m.

The Jan. 8 chamber meeting provided a discussion of the Camp Sierra Blanca situation.

Members were reminded that the 1996 edition of the New Mexico Vacation Guide will soon be available. The chamber has an ad in the magazine.

Bob Starchi, marketing representative for the Presbyterian Health Plan, made a presentation. The Capitan Chamber of Commerce will endorse this plan and make it available to businesses belonging to the chamber.

There is an effort being made to get a directional sign installed at the Nogal turn-off on Highway 380.

The chamber announced La Quebrada Cafe is a new member.

The Christmas decoration contest was discussed. In the future, the business and residential categories each will be divided into a lighting and display section.

Local patrons continue to enjoy bingo every Thursday night at the chamber building on Second St. Bingo begins at 7 p.m.

Correspondence about the Capitan community is answered on a daily basis. For information write to: Capitan

Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 441, Capitan, NM 88316 or call 505-354-2273.

Next meeting of the Capitan Chamber will be Feb. 5 at 12:30 p.m. in the chamber building.
By Capitan Chamber of Commerce Reporter Bartley McDonough

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Obituary

John Allen Hightower

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ber of Community Presbyterian Church where he was an Elder and Clerk of Session. He was a member of the Sierra Blanca Presbytery and was a voting delegate.

He was a former Lincoln County Commissioner, first appointed by Gov. Bruce King to fill the term of Lee Straley. He was elected Lincoln County Commissioner in 1981, re-elected in 1983, and elected again in 1987.

He served on the Soil and Water Conservation Board, Carrizozo School Board, Board of Trustees at Lincoln County Medical Center and Carrizozo Health Clinic, and served 10 years on the New Horizons Developmental Board of Directors.

He was a member of the New Mexico Cattle Growers and Farm Bureau.

Survivors include his wife Vernelle of the home, sons Gary and his wife Beth, Bill and his wife Susan, all of Ancho, and seven grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Gerald Posey, Scott Shafer, Gary Mitchell, Alton Wilson, Louis King, Pete Gnatkowski, Bill MacVeigh, and Lerry Bond. Honorary pallbearers were all his friends and neighbors through the years, the doctors and nurses that took care of him for nine years.

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

Sheriff's Report

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

January 2:
2:48 p.m. an ambulance was requested up Cedar Creek for an elderly male with shortness of breath. Ruidoso Advance Life Support (RALS) responded and transported the patient to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.

6:40 p.m. two juveniles were reported missing after not coming back down the mountain at the ski area. The call was cancelled when the boys returned home.

7:48 p.m. residential alarm was reported going off on High Mesa Road. The security agency checked the area and reported all was O.K.

January 3:
7:05 a.m. an ambulance was requested on Cedar St. in Carrizozo for an elderly female throwing up. The patient was transferred to LCMC by Carrizozo Ambulance.

11:08 a.m. an ambulance was requested at the ski area for a 33 year old male with a knee laceration. Alto ambulance transported the injured to LCMC. At 1:02 p.m. Alto ambulance was in service to handle another ambulance request from Ski Apache.

11:11 a.m. a suspicious person was reported at a business in Carrizozo. The female workers were worried. Carrizozo police responded.

12:36 p.m. a caller reported two stray dogs at the Y at Highway 380 and Highway 70. One dog was a male boxer type and the other dog was a female, unknown type with a blue collar. An officer was advised.

12:59 p.m. an ambulance was requested at Ski Apache for a 22 year old man on a back board and with a C Collar. Alto ambulance transported the injured to LCMC.

2:06 p.m. domestic violence papers were served on an individual in Corona.

3:12 p.m. an ambulance was requested two and three fourths mile up Ski Run Road. A vehicle left the roadway and went into creek. Alto ambulance transported injured to LCMC. State police in Alamogordo was notified.

7:42 p.m. an ambulance was requested for a male subject who was on dialysis, came unplugged, called LCMC, was advised to call an ambulance. Hondo ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.

7:42 p.m. a caller requested help in reference to a chimney blew off roof and landed on a dog. An officer advised he was in service and the K-9 was dead.

January 4:
12:28 p.m. a caller reported someone threatened him. The male subject requested a deputy and wants to file a complaint. The call was turned over to state police, referenced subject was threatened last date at an accident that state police handled.

3:12 p.m. an ambulance was requested to transfer a patient from Carrizozo Clinic to Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital in Alamogordo. Carrizozo ambulance responded.

7:28 p.m. an ambulance was requested in Capitan for an elderly man, has shortness of breath and can't get up out of chair. Capitan ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.

January 5:
6:45 a.m. an accident with injuries was reported at mile marker 46-47 on Highway 380. The first call reported a male subject was waving vehicles down. The second report was of a possible accident. Carrizozo ambulance responded, patient refused

transport.
12:12 p.m. a caller reported a dog bit someone near Hondo school. The dog was in an enclosed yard, some friends were over and the dog bit them. Victim was all ready gone to the doctor, just need report from law enforcement. An officer was assigned.

2 p.m. a breaking and entering was reported in Alto. An officer was assigned.

5:13 p.m. skis were reported stolen at Ski Apache. An officer took a report.

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10:23 p.m. an attended death was reported. Office of Medical Investigator was notified and responded.

January 6:
9:27 a.m. a suspicious vehicle was reported in the Alto area. The doors were open and no one was around. The officer made no contact with anyone.

January 7:
1:56 a.m. an ambulance was requested for a 48 year old female with chest pains. Carrizozo ambulance transported the patient to Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital in Alamogordo. Carrizozo police also responded.

January 8:
1:02 p.m. stolen money was reported at Capitan middle school. The calling party reported money stolen from her purse. A report was taken.

1:48 p.m. an ambulance was requested at Ski Apache for a 22 year old male on a back board with a C collar. Alto ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.

2:01 p.m. a wrecker was requested on Highway 55.

4:55 a.m. a structure fire was reported at mile marker 286-287 on Highway 70. Hondo fire department responded and Hondo ambulance responded. The trailer burned to the ground. At 5:41 it was reported a person had a possible hurt hand, going to mother's house to check. At 6:10 a.m. a deputy was requested.

3:55 p.m. an ambulance was requested at a residence on B Ave. in Carrizozo for a person with a possible ulcer or appendix. Carrizozo ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.

4:58 p.m. an ambulance was requested in Capitan for a male subject, insomnia, anxiety, unable to urinate. Capitan ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.

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Corona School Honor Roll

Third 6-weeks:
12th grade: A honor roll: Lindsey Bonds, Shayla Marshall; B honor roll: Rick Bagley.
11th grade: B honor roll: Chris Daniels, Anna Garza.
10th grade: A honor roll:

Roy Bradley, John Gnatkowski, Logan Marshall.
9th grade: B honor roll: Monica Alirez, Amy Bonds, Maryah Romans.
8th grade: A honor roll: Courtney Perez; B honor roll: Bennie Garza, D. J. Hand.

7th grade: A honor roll: Charlie Tully; B honor roll: Marilee Bryan, Amanda Witt.
First Semester:
12th grade: A honor roll: Lindsey Bonds, Shayla Marshall; B honor roll: Rick Bagley.

Corona School Drama Club Dinner Theater On Sunday

The Corona School players will present two plays Sunday, Jan. 14 at the school auditorium.

The first play is a production of Dorothy Parker's one act play *Here We Are*. Two newlyweds on their honeymoon trip to New York have a rather interesting (and comical) train trip, and find that marriage may not be all they thought it would be.

The second play is A. A. Milne's *The Ugly Duckling*. (Milne is better known for his books about Winnie the Pooh.) What happens when the only child of a king and queen is an ugly (to put it kindly) daughter whom no one will agree to marry? The only remaining option is deceit, for the princess has to have a husband. And when the pro-

posed groom has similar problems, and no one at the palace has seen him before, the situation presents itself for double-deceit. The situation is Shakespearean, the results hilarious.

The fund-raiser will be presented in dinner theater format. Dinner will begin at 6 p.m. Call Kristi Howe at 849-1432 for more information.

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CORONA NEWS

Crown CowBelles this week are busy preparing for the meal of lamb to be served at the NMSU Ranch Tuesday, January 16. At least 100 from the ASI National Convention in Albuquerque are expected to tour the ranch.

You may want to watch closely for chicken pox. Two cases have been reported.

Tammy and Greg McDougall brought Taylor from Oklahoma City to spend a week at the ranch. Taylor helped grandpa Clint Sultmeier recuperate from shoulder surgery.

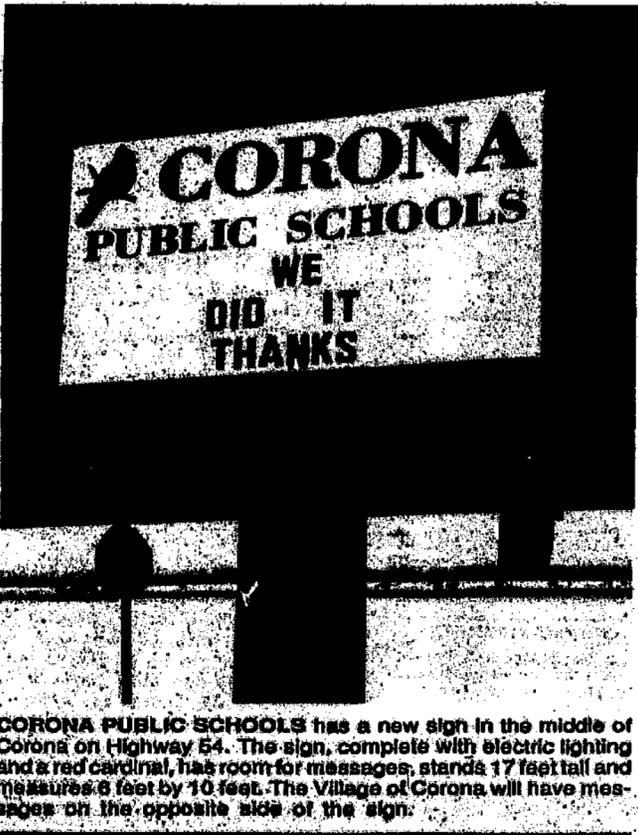
Mr. Flora Lee Bryan's holiday guests have returned

safely to their homes, Jimmy Bryan to Panama City, Jimmy Jr. to Miami and friend Maureen Donlevy to Long Island.

There is line dancing at the senior citizen building Monday mornings. The new kitchen equipment has arrived and is expected to be installed next week. Tim thinks it may be a month or even two before meals are served there. Applications for a cook are being taken.

Mrs. Anita Harper, Muleshoe, TX and Mrs. Jeff Owen, High Rolls are spending some days at the ranch during bow season.

New Sign In Downtown Corona



Church Directories

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)
JOHNNIE L. JOHNSON, pastor
Corner of C Ave. & Thirteenth, 648-2188
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'ozo Santa Rita..... 8:30 pm
SUNDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart..... 9:00 am
C'ozo Santa Rita..... 11:00 am
Corona St. Theresa..... 4:00 pm

Church of Christ
PAUL WETZEL, minister
Ave. C at 12th, 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
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

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Adult Sunday School..... 8:30 am
Worship Service..... 9:15 am
Children's Sunday School..... 9:30 am
Fellowship Time..... 10:15 am
Adult Sunday School..... 11:00 am
Choir Practice (Tuesday)..... 7:00 pm
Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday
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
Bible Study..... 9:00 am

**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
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 / 336-4627
Sunday Bible Study..... 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.

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Pentecostal Tabernacle**
ALLAN M. MILLER, pastor
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354-2025
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LEGALS

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 4, 1996, Jackie D. Atkins, P.O. Box 3156, Roswell, NM 88202, filed application No. H-579 into H-680 & H-2501-Expl. et al with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change location of well and place of use of 25.0 acre-foot per annum of shallow groundwater by ceasing the diversion of said waters from the following shallow wells:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-579-S	NW¼ NW¼ NEM	30	10S	17E
H-579-S-2	NW¼ NEM NEM	30	10S	17E

and ceasing the irrigation of 7.6923 acres of land described as part of the NEM of Section 30, Township 10 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant proposes to commence the use of the following existing shallow wells:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-680	SE¼ SE¼ NW¼	35	10S	13E
H-2501-Expl-1	NW¼ SE¼	35	10S	13E
H-2501-Expl-2	NEM SE¼	35	10S	13E

for the diversion of 25.0 acre-foot per annum of shallow groundwater for the irrigation of up to 7.6923 acres of land described as part of the NW¼ SE¼ of Section 35, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The protest or objections shall be in writing and shall set forth all protestant's or objector's reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Thomas C. Turney, State Engineer, 1900 W. Second St., Roswell, New Mexico 88201, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice.

cc: Santa Fe
C/RRR No.: Z 372 518 153

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H-579-S	NW¼ NW¼ NEM	30	10S	17E
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Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-480	SE¼ SE¼ NW¼	35	10S	13E
H-2501-Expl-1	NW¼ SE¼	35	10S	13E
H-2501-Expl-2	NEM SE¼	35	10S	13E

for the diversion of 25.0 acre-foot per annum of shallow groundwater for the irrigation of up to 7.6923 acres of land described as part of the NW¼ SE¼ of Section 35, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M.

This is a temporary application, with all rights to revert to the original place of use on March 1, 1997, subject to an earlier reversion by written request of the applicant. Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The protest or objections shall be in writing and shall set forth all protestant's or objector's reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Thomas C. Turney, State Engineer, 1900 W. Second St., Roswell, New Mexico 88201, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Qualifications-based competitive sealed proposals for design professional services will be received by the Contracting Agency, Town of Carrizozo for RFP 96-01.

The Contracting Agency is requesting proposals for Professional ENGINEERING SERVICES for Carrizozo CDBG Street Improvements including storm drainage.

Project No. 95-CR-1-1-G95
Proposals will be received at Carrizozo Town Hall, 100 Fifth Street, P.O. Box 247, Carrizozo, NM until January 25, 1996, 4:30 p.m.

Copies of the Request for Proposals can be obtained in person at the Office of the Town Clerk at Carrizozo Town Hall, 100 Fifth Street, Carrizozo, NM or will be mailed upon written or telephone request to Carol Schlarb, CMC at (505) 648-2371.

A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held.

PURCHASING AGENT:
Carol Schlarb
Date: January 8, 1996

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FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF CHAVES STATE OF NEW MEXICO

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
ex rel.)
STATE ENGINEER)
AND PECOS VALLEY)
ARTESIAN)
CONSERVANCY)
DISTRICT,)
Plaintiffs,)

vs.)
L.T. LEWIS,)
et al, and)
UNITED STATES)
OF AMERICA,)
et al.)
Defendants.)

No. 20294 and 22600)
Consolidated)
Carlsbad Basin Section)
Carlsbad Irrigation)
District Section)
SUPPLEMENTAL)
NOTICE)

TO: ALL DEFENDANTS)
IN THE PECOS RIVER)
STREAM SYSTEM)
WATER RIGHT ADJUDICATION AND TO ALL)
PERSONS CLAIMING)

Notice of this action was previously provided in March, 1995. ANY PERSON WHO HAS ALREADY FILED AN OBJECTION TO THE PROJECT OFFER MAY NOT FILE ANY ADDITIONAL OBJECTION.

The name of the plaintiff State of New Mexico's attorney is Rebecca Dempsey, Special Assistant Attorney General, State Engineer Office whose address and phone number are P.O. Box 25102, Santa Fe, NM 87504-5102, (505) 827-6150.

Witness my hand and seal of the Fifth Judicial District Court, County of Chaves, State of New Mexico.

Bee J. Clem,
District Court Clerk

By: Trudy Hale
Chief Deputy Clerk

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REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Village of Capitan is accepting sealed bids for the following piece of equipment:

1991 Dodge Ram 4x4 Standard Transmission V-8 Engine

Approximately 110,000 miles

White Color

New Tires

WATER RIGHTS IN THE PECOS RIVER STREAM SYSTEM, INCLUDING ITS TRIBUTARIES AND UNDERGROUND DIVERSIONS (the lesser of 125,200 acre feet or quantity of water necessary to supply an annual depletion of 55,573 acre feet) and priorities (Pecos River - July, 1887 for part and July, 1888 for part; Black River - 1889). The Offer also describes the claimed storage reservoirs for the Project, i.e. Lake Avalon, Brantley Lake, Lake Sumner and Santa Rosa Lake, listing their purposes, source, locations, amount of water and priorities.

BASINS, WITHIN THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

You are hereby notified that the adjudication or determination of the water rights for the Carlsbad Project has been initiated by Stipulated Offer of Judgment entered into by the United States ("US"), Carlsbad Irrigation District ("CID"), and State of New Mexico. The purpose of this Supplemental Notice is to inform all defendants in the Pecos River stream system water right adjudication and all water rights claimants in the Pecos River stream system of their right to contest all or any part of the water rights claimed for the Project and the manner in which they may preserve that right.

The Stipulated Offer of Judgment sets forth the rights of the US and CID to divert, impound and store public surface waters of the Pecos River stream system. The Offer describes the claimed purposes (irrigation, domestic and livestock uses), sources (Pecos River mainstem and Black River), points of diversion (Avalon Dam and junction of CID Black River Canal with Black River), place of use (25,055 acres within the Project boundaries), annual

Copies of the Stipulated Offer of Judgment containing in full the elements of the claimed water rights for the Carlsbad Project and a form which may be utilized for filing a notice of objection to the Offer may be obtained from the New Mexico State Engineer Offices in Roswell (505) 822-6467 and Santa Fe, New Mexico (505) 827-6150.

If you do not wish to contest any part of the water rights claimed for the Project, you do not have to take any action. If you wish to contest all or any part of the water rights claimed for the Project, you must file your objections with the Fifth Judicial District Court Clerk no later than January 31, 1996 at the following address: District Court Clerk, Fifth Judicial District Court, P.O. Box 1776, Roswell, NM 88201. Any defendant in the Pecos River stream system adjudication or claimant to water rights in the Pecos River stream system who does not file an objection shall be forever barred from making any subsequent objections to the water rights claimed for the Project.

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Minimum bid \$6,000.00.
Send bid proposals to: Clerk-Treasurer Deborah Cummins at the Village of Capitan, P.O. Box 246, Capitan, NM 88316. Place marked envelope with "RFP Bid" for vehicle inspection, please call and make an appointment at 505-354-2247. The Village has the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Bids will be accepted until January 12, 1996 until 4:00 p.m. / Deborah Cummins, Clerk-Treasurer, CMC Village of Capitan

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NOTICE OF MEETING

Lincoln County Medical Center's Board of Trustees will meet on Thursday, January 18, 1996, at 8:00 p.m., in the Hospital Conference Room.

The Agenda will be available at the Administrator's Office on Monday, January 15, 1996.

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo on Tuesday, January 9, 1996 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301 did adopt amendments to Section 3-3-23 D Titled: Sale of Water to Construction Companies to read as follows:

The following shall be

changed for the use of water by Construction Companies and any other businesses not connected to the daily use of water shall be charged \$7.50 per thousand gallon, or price can be negotiated.
CAROL SCHLARB,
Town Clerk, CMC/AEE
Town of Carrizozo

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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids will be received by the Lincoln County Manager at the Lincoln County Courthouse, P.O. Box 721 (300 Central Avenue), Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, until 3:00 p.m., Friday, February 2, 1996; at which time and place the bids will be opened publicly and read aloud. Any bids received after the above date and time will be retained unopened.

BID NO. 1995-12: Emergency Medical Vehicle (Alto EMS)

BID NO. 1995-13: Mini-Pumper (Glencoe-Palo Verde Fire)

BID NO. 1995-14: Kitchen Remodeling (ZIA Senior Center-Budoso Downs)

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will review and make their final determination during their regular commission meeting scheduled for 9:00 a.m., on Tuesday, February 6, 1996.

Invitations to Bid with Specifications are available at the Office of

the County Manager, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, or by calling Martha Guevara at 505-648-2292.
All bids must be clearly marked on the outside of the sealed envelope with the bid number(s) shown above.

Lincoln County reserves the right to accept or reject any part of any bid, waive minor technicalities and award the bid to best serve the interest of Lincoln County.

MARTHA GUEVARA,
Assistant
County Manager

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo will on Tuesday, January 23, 1996 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room will take action to enact Ordinance No. 170 Authorizing the Municipal Judge to Suspend Sentence, Grant Probation, and require Community Service.

Copies of Ordinance No. 170 is available for public inspection during normal business hours Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

CAROL SCHLARB,
Town Clerk, CMC/AEE
Town of Carrizozo

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Capitan Notes . . .

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old dog Jack rode off. It was a cold winter day. When she opened the gate and began to get back in the saddle, the wind blew her coat up, scaring Tony, and he bucked her off on her head.

She told that she might not have come to her senses for a long time if "Ole Jack" hadn't come and was licking her face. With a cold wind blowing, it must have served the purpose of a wet towel.

My Tony made lots of memories. He'd shown up on the ranch as a stray, and since I didn't have a horse of my own, and liked him, the guys decided to break him for me. It wasn't an easy job. They all figured from the start that he was a mean horse. Probably not just any old stray, but one somebody had given up on, and let go. He was a bay with stocking feet and a glass eye. That alone was supposed to make him mean.

Anyway, when they turned him over to me I showed him nothing but kindness and trust. So I think he decided that if this old gal didn't have any better sense than to trust him, maybe it would be wise to go along with that, as it did give him a good home and good care.

So, as the saying goes, we rode the range together, days, weeks, months. Sometimes when the men couldn't even get close enough to rope him, I could go to the corral, or even in the pasture, walk up to him and lead him away by the mane.

Well, there was one time he threw me off. It was a cool, fresh morning. We were rounding up some cattle to move them to another ranch. I saddled Tony, and being a little late, just mounted and started off in a lope.

Most everyone knows that even the gentlest of horses will buck a little if you do that. Fresh and frisky, air nippy, he just felt so good he had to show it. He didn't go far till he turned around and came back to where I was sitting, trying to figure out if all my movable parts would move. He noded me a time or two as though to say he was sorry and wouldn't do it again. And he didn't.

More of Ma Mae's story next week.

Thank you folks for your patience. Have not been up to par doing my column. Thank you Ma Mae and Herbert Lee for your stories that have carried the column for me.

There have been so many interruptions, so many folks to see, much entertaining to do and an entire different way of life in the Sullivan-Anderson home.

Then too, my beloved daughter, being associated with every conceivable kind of doctor there is, always has just the right one ready and able to check out dear Mother.

Last week it was my hearing. I keep telling her I hear enough, but she either doesn't hear me or she turns off her hearing when I protest getting my hearing checked. Well folks, she won out.

Next my eyes were the target this morning and of course, but of course, I need work done in that area. So when I return to Capitan depends on just how long it will take daughter Trish to get me reconditioned and overhauled.

Sayonara and God's blessings to all.

"Post-Christmas Gripes"
"Well, Gregory, Christmas once again is over. How was yours?"
"Lousy as usual, Queen Mother. Just like every year, I asked Santa for the same thing as always. And just like every year, he didn't bring it."

"What did you ask for? It looks like you got everything the North Pole had to offer."
"None, not all. And the thing about it, the elves don't even have to make this. It's already there and comin' to my house anyway."

"O.K., Gregory. Lay it on me. What do you want that you didn't get?"
"If you must know, Queen Mother, I want that red nosed reindeer!"
"Rudolph?"
"The same."

"But that's Santa's reindeer. His nose leads the way for his sleigh."

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WANTED

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners invites applications for the position of **LINCOLN COUNTY MANAGER**. The Manager is Chief Executive Officer and reports directly to the Board of Commissioners. Candidates for the position of County Manager must have an outstanding record of leadership and achievement, and a government background is preferred. The successful candidate must be proactive in implementing the policies and directions of the Lincoln County Commission and should possess integrity, energy, good health, dedication and creativity.

Compensation is competitive. Letter of interest with application and resume describing the applicant's qualifications and salary requirements should be submitted to the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners, P.O. Box 711, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, January 25, 1996. Also, please include the names and telephone numbers of 3-5 references. Obtain application at the Lincoln County Manager's Office in Carrizozo or by calling 505/648-2385.

Lincoln County is a B+ over county, continues to be fiscally sound and provides law enforcement, road maintenance and various services that espouse the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the County.

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1tc-Jan. 11

WANTED: Homes in Carrizozo. For Sale 3/4 ac. City Lot, Mobile Home Ready / Merten Investments, Inc. 821-2101.

2tp/Jan. 11 & 18

JOERICA EUNICIA NASH

Funeral service for Joerica Eunicia Nash, 4 year old daughter of Ulysses and Judy Vega Nash of Carrizozo was January 6, at Santa Rita Catholic Church in Carrizozo. Officiating was the Rev. Dave Bergs. Burial followed at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Cemetery.

She died January 2 in El Paso. She was born June 15, 1991 in San Diego, CA and had lived there until moving to Carrizozo seven months ago. She was a member of the Catholic Church.

Besides her parents she is survived by a brother Utavio Nash of Carrizozo; grandparents, Mabel and George Vega of Carrizozo; Lizzie Mae Nash and Ulysses Livingston both of Eatonton, GA, and great grandparents Marcos and Frances Villescas of Carrizozo.

A special account has been opened at Norwest Bank in Carrizozo to accept donations to help pay for medical and funeral expenses.

Arrangements were under the direction of LaGrone Chapel of Ruidoso.

EUNICE JONES FARLESS

Eunice Jones Farless, 88, of El Paso, TX died January 2 in El Paso. Mrs. Farless was born January 26, 1907, in Coryell County, TX and moved with her family in a covered wagon to New Mexico in 1915 where they settled in Lincoln County near Angus. She spent much of her life in Lincoln County living in Carrizozo many years.

Eunice attended elementary school at Angus, graduated from Capitan High School, and prepared for a teaching career at New Mexico Normal University in Las Vegas. She taught school at Angus, Ancho, and San Patricio. She was involved in Nogal Mesa Ranchmen Camp Meeting and loved to attend each summer.

Survivors include a daughter, Barbara Thomas, and her husband A.G. of El Paso; two granddaughters; one great granddaughter; five sisters, Inice Hust of Carrizozo, Mildred Riegel of Tucumcari, Opal Peters and Lucille Smith of Capitan, Mary Bell Spruell of Amarillo, TX; two brothers, Marvin Jones and Paul Jones of Capitan; and numerous nephews and nieces.

Funeral services were conducted January 9, in the Trinity Southern Baptist

Church of Capitan with Rev. Herff Epperson and Rev. Floyd Goodloe officiating. Interment followed at the Angus Cemetery. Pallbearers were Norman Riegel, LaMoyne Peters, Joe Smith, Clarence Hust, Mike Jones, Kenny Jones.

JUDY NEUHAUS

Memorial service for Judy Neuhaus, 41, of Ruidoso Downs was January 5, at LaGrone Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Jeamsie Price officiating.

Ms. Neuhaus died January 2, at Lincoln County Medical Center. She was born March 5, 1954 at Mexico City, Mexico and lived in Mexico until 1969 when she moved to the Ruidoso area.

She is survived by her mother Shirley Neuhaus of Ruidoso Downs; sister Jeanne Archuleta of Albuquerque; half-brother Charles F. Neuhaus of Georgetown, SC; and four nieces.

LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER REPORT

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

December 26:
Veronica Rodriguez, 32, Alamogordo: possession of stolen vehicle; \$2,500 bond set by Magistrate Judge Gerald Dean Jr.

December 28:
David Delano, 36, Bowie, TX: failure to comply with conditions of probation; no bond set by District Judge Richard Parson; arrested by LCSO.

December 29:
Martha Stocks, 49, Mesalero: DWI 3rd, no seat belt, driving while license revoked, open container, no insurance; \$4,000 bond set by Judge-Dean.

Orlando Lopez, 27, Albuquerque: possession of marijuana; \$500 bond set by Magistrate Judge William Butts posted December 30 and released.

December 30:
William Parrish, 19, Ruidoso: careless driving, aggravated battery/assault, domestic violence; \$5,000 bond set by Judge Dean; arrested by Lincoln County Sheriff's Office (LCSO).

December 31:
Steven Aragon, 19, Carrizozo: careless driving, other citation; \$200 bond set by Judge Dean; arrested by LCSO.

January 1:
Esteban Baca, 41, Capitan: DWI 3rd, driving on revoked or suspended license; \$2,500 bond set by Judge Dean; arrested by LCSO.

The following individuals were RELEASED from the detention center:

Jeremy W. Kamplain, 22: booked Dec. 1 on warrant out of T or C; open container, DWI aggravated, probation violation; released Dec. 22 to be transported to New Mexico Corrections Facility in Grants.

Jason Brillante, 21, Ruidoso: booked Dec. 15 to be held for court; released Dec. 22 on orders from Parsons.

Beverly Patterson, 44: booked Dec. 15 on probation violation; released Dec. 21 on orders from probation officer.

Hans J. Dubay, 20: booked Dec. 15 on probation violation; released Dec. 21 on orders from probation officer.

Alan A. Baxter, 46: booked Dec. 15 on probation violation; released Dec. 21 on orders from probation officer.

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IN ORDER TO RECEIVE A PROPOSAL PACKET, CONTACT:

Martha Guevara, Assistant County Manager
County of Lincoln
Post Office Box 711
Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301
Phone: 505/648-2385

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FOR RENT: in Carrizozo. 2 bedroom house with big yard. \$175.00 a month. Call 648-2165.

1tp/Jan. 11

HELP WANTED: Lincoln County Zia Senior Citizens Centers in Ruidoso Downs and Corona have openings for cook positions. Applications and job descriptions are available at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Center, 393 Hwy. 70 W, Ruidoso Downs, NM; and the Corona Senior Center, Hwy. 54 N, Corona, NM. Applications must be submitted by 3:00 p.m., January 26, 1996. Lincoln County Zia Senior Citizens Centers is an Equal Opportunity Employer and in compliance with ADA, Title II A.

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1tc-Dec. 28

HAY FOR SALE. Three Rivers Ranch. 648-2448.

1tn-Apr. 27.

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EMPLOYMENT

The Village of Capitan is seeking applications for a full-time general laborer. \$1,000-1,200/Mo. w/benefits. Uniforms provided. Must have some knowledge of the operation of a blade, backhoe and mower. A CDL license recommended but not required. Must reside in Capitan. Complete job description and application are available at the Village of Capitan, Village Hall, 114 Lincoln Ave., P.O. Box 246, Capitan, NM 88316. Phone 354-2247. Applications will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on January 19, 1996.

W/DEBORAH CUMMINS
Clerk-Treasurer, GMC
Village of Capitan

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4tp/Dec. 28-Jan. 18

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2tn/Nov. 9-Jan. 25

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2tp/Jan. 4, 11

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Strong Families Help Build Strong Schools For The Love Of Gregory

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The U.S. Department of Education has joined with more than 60 organizations in a nationwide partnership to promote greater family involvement in learning.

The partnership will provide useful information to families about how to help children learn at home and at school. It will also encourage schools, businesses, and communities to establish a supportive environment for family involvement in education.

When he announced the formation of this partnership, U.S. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley released a research report documenting the importance of family involvement in learning.

The report points to 30 years of research showing that "greater family involvement in children's learning is a critical link to achieving a high-quality education and a safe, disciplined learning

environment for every student." It notes that family participation improves students' learning "whether the child is in preschool or the upper grades, whether the family is rich or poor, whether the parents finished high school."

The following is a summary of the report.

First, take a time inventory, to find the extra time you need so the family can learn together. Commit yourself to learning something with your children.

Second, commit yourself to high standards and set high expectations for your children -- challenge them in every possible way to reach for their full potential.

Third, limit television viewing on a school night to a maximum of two hours even if that means that the remote control may have to disappear

on occasion.

Fourth, read together. It is the starting point of all learning.

Fifth, make sure your children take the tough courses at school and schedule daily time to check homework.

Sixth, make sure your child goes to school every day and support community efforts to keep children safe and off the street late at night.

Seventh, set a good example and talk directly to your children, especially your teenagers, about the dangers of drugs and alcohol and about the values you want your children to have. Such personal talks, however uncomfortable they make you feel, may save their lives.

"So he can get headlights like everybody else that drives around in the dark!"

"Gregory, you never cease to amaze me. What on earth are you going to do with Rudolph, provided you get him?"

"Charge people two bucks a head to see his nose light up. A course a ride through the starry sky on his back will be extra."

"Always thinking about your bank roll, eh Gregory? Always going to get rich quick."

"Yep, that's me in the flesh. Someday I'll be a regular entrep... entrep..., oh you know, a rich man."

"Entrepreneur?"

"That's it."

"Well, I hope you will be charitable with your money and help others."

"A course! Giving to charity is a great tax-write off. A great way to beat Uncle Sam around the bush. And I'm going to give you \$20 a week. No, no, don't thank me. You deserve it."

"You needn't worry. I hadn't intended to thank you."

"Yep. I'm generous to a fault. But I will have my own expenses, ya know, like hiring somebody to make it snow everyday. And a course the batteries for Rudolph's nose won't come cheap. But I can make up some of that money by renting Rudolph out to Santa every Christmas. A course, Santa probly doesn't have much of a cash flow, so I'll have to take it out in toys. Or elves."

You're going to have Rudolph and elves. You might

as well go for it all. The sleigh, the red suit, the 'Ho, Ho, Ho', and become Santa yourself."

"Not on your life, Queen Mother! That sounds like a lot of work. I'll just stick to the original plan. I think it will work out better for all concerned."

"Especially you, huh?"

"Bingo, Queen Mother. I've learned a lot in my long life. But the most important thing I've learned is, look out for number one."

"Boy, when somebody found you in the cabbage patch, they should have left you there, Gregory."

"Well if they had, you can bet I'd have turned that patch a cabbage into a fortune by now. Just as a thought, what is cabbage going for on the market these days, Queen Mother?"

"I don't know, Gregory. But do me a favor. Stop watching the Business Channel on TV. You're beginning to scare me."



CORONA CUB SCOUT PACK 16 members and leaders: front, l-r, Ryan Painter, Michael Finley, Wayne Finley, Dusty Burroughs, Patrick Palomarez. Back, l-r, den leaders Gail May and Roseta Gilmore, Matt May, Randy Warren, den leader Liz Painter, Chris Dobbs, and Cubmaster Doug Dobbs. Each of the boys completed the first year achievements which were presented during an awards program in the fall where the cub scouts performed skits for the community. Future activities include a pinewood derby where the cub scouts will race home-made go-karts, much like a soapbox derby.

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