

First Snowstorm Of '97 Hits Area, Stops Traffic

by Doris Cherry

The first winter storm of 1997 moved into Lincoln County on Sunday and left up to 24 inches of snow on Ski Apache and from three to 14 inches of snow throughout the area before the storm moved out of the county late Tuesday.

On Monday, blowing snow and poor visibility caused police to close Highway 70 east and west of Ruidoso, and Highway 54 south and north of Carrizozo.

State police are blaming not-so-perfect highway conditions, and careless driving on an accident on Highway 54 in Oscura where a vehicle ran into a Carrizozo school resulting in fatality (see related story).

It was hard to measure how much snow fell on the Carrizozo area because high winds made the snow which fell horizontally to drift around buildings and along streets. According to Lincoln County road department foreman Albert Hernandez, his

road crews were out scraping roads since 9 a.m. Sunday, when the snow first began.

Hernandez said Corona area county roads got about 20 inches, as did some areas on the north side of the Capitan Mountains. Transwestern Road from Pine Lodge Road to State Road 247 had from eight to 10 inches, and was cleared by midday Tuesday. However, winds late Tuesday night drifted snow across already cleared roads. Hondo area got from eight to 15 inches, Cedar Creek near

Ruidoso had 12 to 14 inches, and Ruidoso area had eight to 14 inches. Residents in the Eagle Creek area along the ski run road said they had at least 14 inches of snow.

Hernandez said the road department got some calls from residents who wanted their private driveways cleared. By law the county cannot clear private driveways, unless under extreme conditions, Hernandez said.

The only incident occurring with county road department was a minor accident on High-

way 48 at the Main Road intersection on the south side of Capitan. A small pick-up hit a snow plow, which was coming out of Main Road after getting a load of salt and sand from the state highway department yard. "It mashed the truck, but it didn't damage the snow plow, and no one got hurt," Hernandez said.

Hernandez said all main county roads, and school bus routes were plowed by Tuesday. Crews were concentrating on the minor rural areas on Wednesday, and clearing

drifts on major routes. Some problems did arise. They ran out of salt and sand and had to borrow a load from the state highway department in Capitan, one of the new motorgrader blades broke down, and the new John

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Carrizozo Drag Racing Get National Publicity

Carrizozo may be a small town in south central New Mexico but more than one million people (1,000,000) people will have the opportunity to read about Carrizozo in the February issue of Hot Rod magazine.

Carrizozo was one of the three New Mexico dragstrip tracks listed in Hot Rod magazine in the February issue.

Carrizozo was listed under The Drag Club, P.O. Box 3643, Alamogordo, NM 88201, (In Carrizozo, NM) 505-437-3936, 1/4 mile, March-November. Events listed are Bracket Class/Street Class, Every 3rd Sunday/\$35, and Test 'N' Tune (trophy class) Every 3rd Sunday/\$15.

Drag racing began at the Carrizozo Municipal Airport in 1995 with the approval of the Carrizozo town council. The once a month drag races have brought drag racers and fans to the area and the FREE national publicity about Carrizozo is an added bonus.

The Carrizozo town council has approved drag racing at the airport for the 1997 season, which will be the third year for dragsters to race in Carrizozo.

Gordy King, secretary of The Drag Club, told THE NEWS that special events are being planned for this season. Weather permitting, the first race will be held March 16, which is the third Sunday of the month.

Carrizozo dragsters are

serious about promoting the track here in Carrizozo. During the 12th annual western bracket finals held in Roswell in November, there were 42 cars from the Carrizozo track and there were 42 drivers wearing Carrizozo T-shirts. Overall the Carrizozo drag race team finished 4th out of 12 teams.

The Drag Club also sponsors a free dragster car show in Carrizozo in November, the day before the final race of the season. The annual awards banquet is held in Carrizozo after the dragster car show.

During the 1995 season, the first year drag races were held in Carrizozo, the Wheel Stander and other dragsters were on display at the intersection of Highways 54 and 380 the day before the drag races.

Gordy King said more exhibitions are being planned, possibly the Wheel Stander will return to Carrizozo and some fast cars.

Carrizozo track champion Floyd Stone was elected president of The Drag Club at the November meeting. Stone won the overall track championship at the 12th annual western bracket finals held in Roswell. He competed against all the other track champions to win the title.

Other officers of The Drag Club are vice-president David Romo, secretary Gordy King,

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CARRIZOZO SNOW. Drifts along the ball park at Carrizozo Recreation Area give the impression that lots of snow fell on the county seat. But high winds Monday kept the snow in the air, causing almost zero visibility along Highway 380, and creating fantastically shaped drifts. Nogal Peak and the White Mountains in the background got 14 to 24 inches during the four-day storm.

Bad Weather Blamed For Fatal Accident

School Bus Driver, Students Escape Injury

Slick road conditions contributed to a fatal car accident which occurred early Monday morning on Highway 54 near Oscura, south of Carrizozo.

According to state police in Alamogordo, passenger Melquiades Sanchez, 23, of Garden City, KS, was killed when the vehicle he was riding in skidded into the north-bound Carrizozo school bus driven by Ralph Baroz, 59, of Carrizozo. The 1989 Mercury four door sedan driven by Miguel Lopez, 27, of Garden City, KS was southbound on Highway 54 at mile marker 112 near Oscura south of Carrizozo, when the driver lost control of the vehicle on the slick pavement and crossed over into the north-

bound lane running into the bus at about 7:15 a.m.

The accident was reported to the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office at 7:17 a.m. State police, a deputy, and Carrizozo ambulance were dispatched to the scene. The ambulance transported the injured driver to Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital in Alamogordo. An OMI also was requested.

There were no injuries to the bus driver, or to Carrizozo High School students Courtney Maynard, 15, and her brother Medardo Maynard, 17, who were on the bus.

New Mexico State Police officer Robert Eschom, out of Ruidoso, investigated the accident. He was assisted by state police officers Charles Davine and Marty Silva from Alamogordo.

Lincoln County sheriff's deputy Jimmie Luna also responded.

Parsons Is Interim For Two Judge Positions

Swears In New County Officials

by Doris Cherry

Newly elected county officials were sworn-in at the Lincoln County District Courtroom in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo on Thursday, January 2, by interim district judge Richard A. Parsons.

Parsons made some opening remarks and showed the gag items given him by colleagues at a retirement party. He thanked the district court staff, assistant district attorney Viola Rhodes and her investigator Leandro Vega. "I had lots of support from the Lincoln County Commission," he added. "The degree of cooperation--Frank Potter--that made this thing really work."

"This is not an easy task," he said, mentioning the calls at 2 a.m. to sign warrants for domestic violence and other criminal matters. "My hours were 24 hours a day, seven days a week," he said.

"Two days ago I was the 12th Judicial District Division III judge. At midnight my regular term expired, and at the same moment I became Judge for Divisions II and III," Parsons said.

He was referring to his appointment as interim judge for both the Division II, which was held by former judge Sandra Grisham, who was not

retained in the November general election, and Division III from which he had retired. "I will stay without pay till the successors are appointed," he said.

Parsons said he was sworn as interim judge for Division II by Division I Judge Robert M. Doughty II on December 19, after his appointment was announced by the State Supreme Court Chief Justice Joseph Baca.

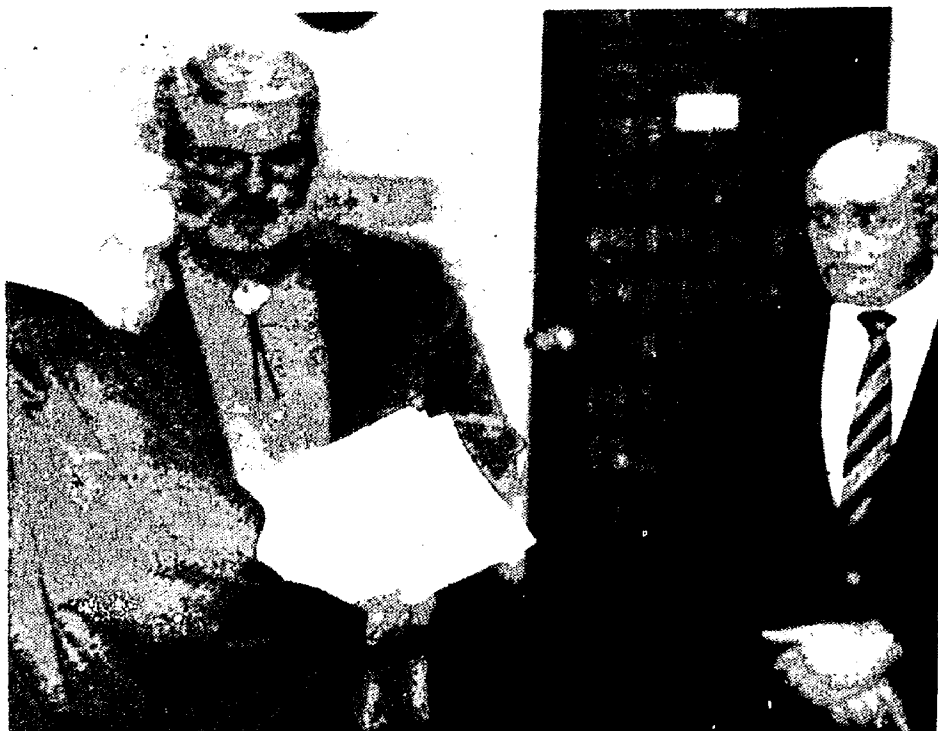
Parsons also referred to a button given him by his staff that announced he had a new granddaughter, Lindsey, who was born December 26 to son and daughter-in-law Walter and Debbie Niederberger. Parsons later mentioned other granddaughter Rachel whose mother is Karen Parsons, an attorney in Ruidoso.

The swearing in ceremony for the county officials was delayed while the certificates of election were being brought from the county clerk's office. While the crowd which filled the courtroom waited, Parsons continued.

"In the past 50 years in the law business, I've seen a number of occasions when some judges really believe taking the robe lifted them from mortal status," Parsons said, but stopped short when the certificates of office arrived in the district courtroom and the swearing in ceremony proceeded.

Parsons began the swearing in ceremony.

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LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF Tom Sullivan (center), and undersheriff Cliff Macsas (right) receive their certificates of office from Interim District Judge Richard A. Parsons after they were sworn into office during a ceremony January 2.



BURYING THE HATCHET? Interim Judge Richard A. Parsons and his newly wed wife Sheryl have some fun after the January 2 swearing-in ceremony for elected officials, with the judge's gag gift, dubbed the ultimate gavel, which he received from colleagues during a retirement dinner.

Capitan Public Hearing Set For Changes To Water Ordinance

by Doris Cherry

Capitan residents will have opportunity to comment on proposed changes to the village water ordinance during a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. Monday, January 13 in village hall.

Trustees will review, and take public input on, a proposed ordinance that will lengthen the time, from 15 to 30 days, that residents with water services have to pay their bills before the village can shut off the water. The proposed ordinance also will include a new section to require the village to give prior notice before any water is shut off.

Currently, the village operates under the 1987 ordinance that reads, "Should payment not be received within 15 days of the due date, the Village Clerk shall, in the normal course of business, have the water meter turned off."

Mayor Norman Renfro told THE NEWS that he and some trustees had received a number of complaints from residents whose water had been turned off for late payment without any notice.

"We felt the ordinance is too old," Renfro said. "The girls at city hall got a lot of flack for just doing their jobs."

Renfro said most of the complaints about water being shut off were made because the residents had received no prior notice about the shut offs.

When the complaints were

first received Renfro said he asked advice from village attorney Bob Beauvais, who then reviewed the 1987 ordinance and recommended the changes be made with a new ordinance.

Village clerk Deborah Cummins said the trustees also requested a section be added that requires the village to send notice to residents with delinquent water bills before the water is shut off.

The proposed ordinance will amend Chapter III, Article I of the Municipal Code of the Village of Capitan, which basically is the 1987 ordinance. Aside from the change to lengthen the days and the addition of the section requiring prior notice, most of the language in the 1987 ordinance will be retained.

Under the new ordinance a property owner, or an authorized agent, must apply for water installation with the village clerk. The application asks for location of the property, the purpose for which the water will be used and a permanent mailing address for the owner or authorized agent.

Other parts of the municipal code concerning water service that will not change include:

--All charges are the responsibility of the owner of the property to which the service is provided, regardless of whether occupied by tenants. The person in whose name the water service is ordered must

post a \$50 deposit prior to installation of water service by the village.

--Delinquent charges may be satisfied by drawing upon the deposit. Once the deposit is used to satisfy a delinquent charge, the village will send a notice of delinquency to the property owner. If the delinquent bills remains unpaid for three months, then the village may file a lien against the property serviced.

--If the water bill remains unpaid after the water is shut off, up to three months after the bill becomes delinquent, then the village can direct the attorney to file a lien against the property to satisfy the overdue payment.

--Once the meter is shut off for late payment, the village crews shall check the meter periodically afterwards, and if water usage is showed, the meter will be removed and a charge of \$50 will be levied for the removal. A fee of \$75 will be charged by the village to replace any meter such removed. Should any water bill remain unpaid at the time of the next billing cycle, a late charge of \$5 will be charged each month until the bill is paid in full.

--If there are any delinquent water charges and the water meter has been turned off and/or removed, service will not be reinstated until all past-due charges, penalties, interest and charges incurred, including deposit and payment for re-installation of meter, have been paid in full.

Residents are invited to attend the public hearing, and comment about the proposed amendments to the village code.

The public hearing begins at 6:30 p.m. and will be followed by the regular January meeting at 7 p.m.

Birding Workshops Scheduled For January, February

Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge, has scheduled a series of Saturday and Sunday guided tours and workshops in January and February. There is no charge but capacity is limited and reservations are required. Call 505-835-1828.

A beginning birding workshop will be offered Saturday, Jan. 11 and Feb. 1 at 9 a.m. A discussion of field guides, binoculars and the refuge bird list will precede a tour conducted by naturalists to identify birds in the field. Bring warm clothes, field guides and binoculars. The three-hour workshop is limited to 20 participants.

General refuge tours are offered every Sunday in January and February at 1 p.m.

Parsons Is Interim . . .

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in ceremony with his own personal prayer, "In God We Trust."

Sheriff Tom Sullivan, undersheriff Cliff Macasas and sheriff's deputies, dispatchers and other staff were sworn in first, followed by Assessor Patricia Serna and her staff, then Lincoln County Probate Judge Stirling Spencer, then Lincoln County District 1 Commissioner Rex Wilson and Lincoln County District 3 Commissioner Wilton Howell. Serna will serve her second four year term, Howell will serve his second, four year term. Sullivan, Spencer and Wilson will be serving their first four year terms in their respective offices.



LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Rex Wilson (center) and Wilton Howell (right) are sworn in by Judge Richard Parsons on January 2.



LINCOLN COUNTY ASSESSOR Patsy Serna (in dark jacket front) and her staff from the assessor's office are sworn into office by Interim District Court Judge Richard A. Parsons during the swearing in ceremony in the district courtroom in the courthouse in Carrizozo on January 2.

First Snowstorm Of '97 . . .

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Deere heavy loader broke down. By Wednesday, two loads of salt and sand were delivered at the county yard in Capitan.

County road employees put in a total of 120 hours of overtime during the three days of the storm, as crews were going out at 4 a.m. Hernandez said that is about \$2,500 of just overtime, which is added to the regular pay for crew members. He said before the storm he had \$7,882 for overtime in his budget, because it had been adjusted up by the county commission after the road department worked overtime during the floods last summer. "We're doing good now," he said. "But if this keeps up, we might need another adjustment from the county commission."

Adding up the cost of equipment use, labor and about 70 yards of salt, the county spent an estimated \$15,428 on the storm. "On Monday, after being out 13-14 hours, it looked like we were done (removing snow)," Hernandez said. "Then came Tuesday, and it looked like we had done nothing, as the snow kept coming."

Sierra Blanca Regional Airport reported six to eight inches of snow, which kept crews busy clearing runways on Tuesday morning.

By midday Tuesday, sunshine strong enough to break through the clouds began to melt bladed roads and paved surfaces. But fog moved into the higher elevations on Tuesday night, and in certain areas winds began to drift snow that had fallen straight down the days before.

Students got unexpected free days when Corona, Capitan and Ruidoso Schools canceled classes on Monday and Tuesday. Hondo and Carrizozo Schools followed suit Tuesday, because of the poor conditions on Monday.

Ruidoso Police reported 22 accidents, most occurring on Monday. Of those, two resulted in minor injuries to the vehicle occupants. "Most were fender benders," said CID officer Wolf Born. "I guess everyone was surprised."

Most of the accident calls in Ruidoso occurred from midnight Sunday to Monday afternoon. The main roads in the village were packed, and road crews, as usual, had piled snow in the middle of Sudderth Drive. "The crews have been busy," Born said.

Ruidoso police got some overtime during the storm doing reports on the accidents. "Monday was the worst," Born added.

Born did not have a breakdown on how many of the accidents involved local people or people from out of town.

Weather reports indicate a period of clearing weather through Thursday and Friday, but another storm is possible by the weekend. While that may cause problems for motorists, the snow is like a shot in the arm for the area's ski industry. Ski shops in Ruidoso reported business improving by Wednesday, with college students still on Christmas holidays. One manager said he was hoping for a good weekend. He said the business over the Christmas holiday was about what he expected, considering the warm weather and skimpy snowfall at the ski run.

The best advice for motorists during snowy weather is to stay at home unless absolutely necessary, and if one must leave the house, drive slowly, and avoid sudden stops and take-offs, and give yourself extra time in traveling to your destination.

By Tuesday, all highways leading in and out of Lincoln County were cleared, although there were some icy spots, where snow had drifted across on Wednesday.

Carrizozo Drag Racing . . .

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and secretary Pat Denney, King and Denney were re-elected to their offices.

Drag racing has brought national recognition to Carrizozo with exposure in Hot Rod magazine, circulation more than 1,000,000.

Albuquerque National Dragway and the Roswell Dragway were also listed in Hot Rod magazine.

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THURSDAYS
 —Alcoholic Anonymous meets at 7 p.m. at Carrizozo Senior Citizens Center. Call 648-2313 for information.
 —Adult singles group meets in Ruidoso at 6:30 p.m. For more information call 257-2505 or 258-3201.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9
 —Carrizozo Lodger's Tax Advisory Board meets at 1 p.m. at city hall.
 —Ruidoso Arts and Film Board meets at 4 p.m. in village hall.
 —Capitan Board of Education will hold a special meeting at 5:30 p.m. for a closed session to discuss limited personnel matters, superintendent's evaluation. The board will meet in regular open session at 7 p.m. in the administration building.
 —Carrizozo Woman's Club meeting postponed to January 16 because of weather.
 —Ruidoso Order of the Eastern Star #65 meeting at 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10
 —Absentee voting for the February 4 school board elections begins today. Call the Lincoln County Clerk for more information.

MONDAY, JANUARY 13
 —Capitan Trustees meet at 7 p.m. in village hall.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 14
 —Ruidoso Annexation Ad Hoc committee meets at 9 a.m. in Ruidoso village hall.
 —Lincoln County Commissioners meet at 9 a.m. in their chambers in the courthouse in Carrizozo.
 —Ruidoso Cemetery Board meets at 3:30 p.m. in village hall.
 —Carrizozo Town Council meets at 6 p.m. at city hall.
 —Ruidoso Village Council meets at 6:30 p.m. at village hall.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15
 —Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Committee meets at 6:30 p.m. in village hall.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16
 —Lincoln County Medical Center community board of trustees meets at 6 p.m. in the hospital board room at LCMC in Ruidoso.
 —Carrizozo Woman's Club meets at 7 p.m. in the woman's club building.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21
 —Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority meets at 2 p.m. in Ruidoso Convention Center.
 —Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission meets at 2 p.m. in village hall.
 —Carrizozo Board of Education meets at 6:30 p.m. in the school administration building.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22
 —Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 7 p.m. at Capitan Senior Center.

Several Apply For Two Judgeships In District

Four people have applied for the 12th Judicial District Division III judgeship, which is seated in Lincoln County.

The four are among several applicants for the two judgeships now vacant in the 12th Judicial District.

Applicants for the Lincoln County Division III judgeship exclusively are Charles E. Hawthorne, a Ruidoso attorney; Patricia S. Ortiz, a Ruidoso attorney; Karen Parsons of Parsons, Bryant and Morel law firm (and daughter of former judge Richard Parsons); and Viola Rhodes, assistant district attorney whose office is in Carrizozo.

According to published reports, applicants for the

Otero judgeship exclusively are former Division I judge Sandra Grisham who failed to receive the required 57 percent of the vote for retention; Gail Wade Brownfield, an Alamogordo attorney; and Kathryn A. Hughes, an employee in the 12th Judicial District Attorney's Office in Alamogordo.

Applicants for either the Division I or Division III judgeships include: James Waylon Counts, an Alamogordo attorney who was appointed by Gov. Bruce King to the 12th Judicial District judgeship but was defeated in the 1994 primary election; Dominic (Don) E. Dutton of

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Carrizozo Chit Chat

New Baby

Zhane Rae Vega was born Dec. 24 at Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso. She weighed 6 lbs. 9.8 oz and was 20 inches long. Her mother is Monica Wheeler. Zhane's grandparents are Steve and Rose Wheeler and JoJo and Angie Vega and her great grandmother is Elizabeth Padilla, all of Carrizozo.

International Congregation

St. Matthias Episcopal Church believes it may have the most international congregation per capita in the diocese. Of its 14 members, 10 have lived outside the United States at some time in their lives. Jane Baker has lived in Turkey and England. Rene Burton in Venezuela where her daughter Jan Bradley was born. Dorothy Forsythe spent time in Rhodesia, and Jack and Susan Frost in Mexico. Dorothy Harvey grew up in Canada and Korea, Bunt Richardson has lived in Japan, as has former military brat Marion Spencer who also lived in China, the Philippines

and Panama. Her son Steven Spencer served in the military in Viet Nam. Fr. Art Tripp, who often celebrates at St. Matthias, and his wife Nilah, served with missions in Nicaragua and Guatemala for 15 years.

Snow Cancels Bowling

Monday night bowling was cancelled because of the weather. Bowling will resume next week.

Free GED Classes

Free GED classes will meet each week at Carrizozo High School between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning January 21.

Interested students can enter the classes on any Tuesday or Thursday until early May.

The GED test is given the second Friday of each month at the Ruidoso Instruction Center - Eastern New Mexico University, 709 Mechem Drive in Ruidoso. Call 1-800-934-3668 for more information.

The Lincoln County

County Commissioners Will Meet Next Tuesday

The Lincoln County Commission will hold its first meeting of 1997 at 9 a.m. Tuesday, January 14, in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo. The meeting is open to the public.

First order of business will be the election of a chairman and vice-chairman.

At 9:30 a.m. commissioners will hold a public hearing on a proposed ordinance which will amend the Lincoln County Lodgers Tax ordinance of 1985.

Other items on the tentative agenda include:

- Consent agenda with following items: payroll register, accounts payable register, treasurer's financial report for November 1996, authorization to publish and schedule a public hearing to consider a proposed ordinance providing a property tax rebate pursuant to the Income Tax Act for Low Income taxpayers on a county option basis, and 1996-97 Title III contract and notification of grant award from the Eastern New Mexico Area Agency on Aging.

- Resolution adopting Glencoe Rural Events Center Policies and Rates.

- Parliamentary Procedures, Mr. Tonny Hamby, Carrizozo FFA Advisor.

- Presentation by commissioner Rex Wilson on Lincoln County Custom and Culture as Influenced by Livestock Grazing on Public Lands.

- Status of the Lincoln County Comprehensive Land Use Plan presented by Wilson.

- Resolution adopting a Lincoln County public records policy and rates.

- Report on Zia Senior Citizens Center.

- Sheriff's department report from sheriff Tom Sullivan.

- Classification plan presentation by Vernon Barela.

- Elected officials salaries.

- Request for lot split.

- Summary review plat approval for tract of land in section 24, township 10 south, range 15 east, requested by Kenneth and Eleanor Shockey, as presented by surveyor Tim Collins.

- Summary review plat approval for tract of land in Section 10, Township 10 south, Range 13 east, requested by S.D. David Et Al presented by Collins.

- GPS Surveying Equipment Demonstration.

- Camp Sierra Blanca facility, presentation by Butch Cassidy for Pro Force Investigations and Security, Inc.

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News invites people to submit items of interest for the Carrizozo Chit Chat column, including new residents, visitors, hospitalizations, vacations, birth announcements, news of former school students away at college, engagements, announcements, and general news. There is no charge. Please call Ruth at 648-2838 with your news items.

BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14	
Corona Post Office	12:30-2:30 p.m.
Carrizozo Otero Electric	4-6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15	
Carrizozo Otero Electric	7:30-8:50 a.m.
Nogal Post Office	8:45-10 a.m.
Capitan Smokey Bear Cafe	10:30-12:00 p.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Lincoln Post Office	2-3 p.m.
Hondo Store	3:30-5:00 p.m.

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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Snow, Elvis & Meetings

By Ruth Hammond

Newcomers to the area were surprised early this week when winter hit Lincoln County full force. Schools were closed and children enjoyed an extra day of vacation. The most dangerous part of the storm was drifts caused by the blowing snow. Too often people assume they need to be careful of deep snow but the drifting snow can cause more serious problems for drivers. The best advice is to not be out driving unless necessary. It is a good idea to not even be outside unless absolutely necessary.

Staying inside by a warm fire is even more inviting when there is a storm but some people have to be out in the weather. Lincoln County Road Department crews were working Sunday, which is usually one of their days off each week. The road crews reported to work at 5 a.m. Monday and at 4 a.m. Tuesday. These workers are to be commended for their dedication to the county by trying to clear the roads and make them safer.

Visitors from the flatlands are quite often not aware that driving on snow is different from driving on dry pavement. The first thing to remember is that snow and ice are slippery. It may be fun to slide a little bit but it isn't fun when your vehicle makes an abrupt stop in a snowbank or slides off the road. Help may not be able to reach stranded motorists for quite some time and sitting in a cold car can be more than uncomfortable, it can be deadly. It is a good idea to have a blanket in your vehicle for emergencies, whether it is your emergency or for someone else.

The other bit of news this week is that yesterday is a day that may or may not be of interest to you. It is the anniversary of the birth of Elvis Presley, known as "The King" to his loyal fans. When we mentioned that January 8 was Elvis Presley's birthday, someone said, "He's dead. He doesn't have birthdays anymore."

Elvis may or may not be dead. One person said he was alive and working at a fast food restaurant; another person said Elvis was alive and laughing at all the things that were happening. Another person said that "The King" should be mentioned in this issue of The News because if not he (Elvis) might possibly be alive and take revenge on those who forgot to mention him. Either way, Elvis "The King" Presley has been mentioned.

Many of us remember when Elvis was popular. Actually he continues to be popular because his records, now on cassette and disc, are selling more than ever. Some of the new versions are better than the original while others have been "enhanced" with additional musical instruments and these enhancements tend to be much louder than the vocals. Maybe you like the pounding noises of these "enhancements" but we prefer to be able to hear Elvis singing, with the music in the background.

Much of the new Elvis memorabilia isn't worth much except to someone who wants to keep it, but the old Sun records with original Elvis songs are supposed to be worth some money. We know where a few of those old 45 rpm records are buried in a dump in the middle of Nevada, in case you are interested.

The snow storm, which is supposed to be followed by another cold front, and Elvis Presley's birthday are just two items of interest at the start of this new year. The other thing is that the Lincoln County Commissioners will now meet on the second Tuesday of the month instead of the first Tuesday of the month as they have for years. Changing the meeting dates is supposed to make it easier for financial reports but it will cause problems for some people. While the county commissioners meet at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of the month, the Ruidoso Village Council meets at 6:30 p.m. and the Carrizozo Town Council meets at 6 p.m. that same day. It could be difficult for some people to make it from one meeting to the next meeting.

Snow, Elvis, and meetings. A great start for the new year.

The new year brings changes.



Rec Center Fund Is Depleting Rapidly

By Ruth Hammond

Carrizozo Town Clerk Carol Schlarb has asked for a retraction about reports of her statement made during the December 10, 1996 town council meeting.

Schlarb said the Rec Center fund is depleting rapidly. It was reported that Schlarb had said the Rec Center manager is depleting the Rec Center fund rapidly.

During recent town council meetings town trustees have agreed to pay for numerous improvements at the Rec Center, with the stipulation that the Rec Center manager bring in a copy of the check made to the vendor to prove the bill has been paid.

According to the contract between the town and the Rec Center manager, improvements and/or repairs are to be approved by the town council PRIOR to having any of the work done. Apparently the town council has been paying the bills without approving the work in advance.

The Carrizozo Town Council will meet Tuesday, January 14 at 6 p.m. at city hall.

Rec Center items that were previously tabled and may be on the agenda include possibly declaring the pool tables or any other equipment at the Rec Center as surplus for public sale; and possibly using lodger's tax money for expenses at the Rec Center. The money would come from the fund for building a convention center, and/or improving a facility that will be used by tourists.

The town has \$37,000 in that fund which is invested until September 1997.

If the town council can justify using the lodger's tax money from the fund by stating that tourists are using the building, the money could be used. The town council will need documentation and the town trustees must make the decision.

The town council meeting is open to the public.

Inside The Capitol

by Jay Miller

SANTA FE—"If the governor doesn't want to talk with us and we don't talk more to the governor, then I think the people are going to fire us all."

Those are the words of Rep. Luciano "Lucky" Varela, a Santa Fe Democrat and an influential member of the legislative leadership. Varela is a retired employee of the state's Department of Finance and Administration. He was a pencil pusher, toiling in the budget division, and accumulating a background that has made him most valuable in the Legislature.

Varela is a loyal Democrat, but he's also willing to speak his mind on controversial issues even if it requires a departure from the party line. And, appropriately for a numbers person, he speaks softly and precisely, never engaging in the political hyperbole we've grown so accustomed to hearing from politicians. And he harbors no grand political ambitions.

In short, Varela is in an ideal position to observe that the emperor has no clothes.

There is much wisdom in Varela's words and exactly the way he stated them. Both Gov. Gary Johnson and legislative leaders have put a spin on their lack of cooperation that makes them look like the good guys who keep running into a brick wall.

But Varela's comment reinforces what many of us think we have seen for two years. Normally when a governor wants something out of the Legislature, he sends a member of his lobbying team downstairs to float the idea to legislative leaders. That usually leads to a meeting in the governor's office or conference room to talk about details.

Legislative leaders also get in their licks with the governor's representatives concerning the sort of help they need from the "Fourth Floor," where the governor's suite of offices are located. These contacts also often end up with fact-to-face meetings between the governor and lawmakers.

But it hasn't been happening that way the past two years. Gov. Johnson has an aversion to the give and take of the legislative process. He prefers to tell lawmakers what he wants and then walk away.

The few times Johnson and legislative leaders have met directly, both sides have come away thinking they carried out their end of the bargain and the other side reneged. This suggests either

that they're not listening to each other or that they're operating on such different planes that they don't understand each other.

The governor made some revealing remarks recently in an interview. Communication is a two-way street, Johnson said, and I've been on the cooperative side at every turn. Ask me the last time that House Speaker Raymond Sanchez or Senate President Pro Tem Manny Aragon have asked me to meet with them that I have not met with them. Never has occurred. Never.

Johnson didn't mention any occasions when he had asked Sanchez or Aragon to meet with him on that two-way street. Being available to talk seems to be the governor's definition of communication and cooperation.

Without any communication, Johnson's veto pen seems to have influenced the interim Legislative Finance Committee in its development

of a 1997 budget proposal. The LFC budget contains spending cuts and no tax hikes.

But Johnson's brand of power politics can engender like reactions. The Senate Rules Committee has a veto power of its own — over the governor's appointments to boards, commissions and top staff positions. And it appears the rules committee is about to take a lot of hostages. gubernatorial appointees serve until the end of their terms or until a replacement is confirmed by the Senate.

Many Board and commission members, appointed by Gov. Bruce King four years ago, have now reached the end of their terms, but are being told by Senate Rules Committee chairman Gloria Howes of Gallup to stay put because their replacements aren't going to be confirmed anytime soon.

State government needs a lot more Lucky Varelans.

Memories Of 1996

Fort Stanton Filled With Women Prisoners

by Doris Cherry

1996 will be remembered as the year of the drought, and flood, as the year that the state promised not to bring prisoners and juvenile delinquents where they weren't wanted, only to turn around and install women prisoners in the old historic Fort Stanton hospital.

1996 will be remembered for the citizens who couldn't quite get together on their thoughts about Fort Stanton, except they want to preserve it for its historic value and make it accessible to the public.

In 1996 the county began talking to the state about assuming "stewardship" of the old Fort. By year end the talks advanced to promises of some type of legislation about a transfer to be introduced into the state legislature in 1997.

1996 will be remembered for the yellow lawns in Ruidoso, next to emerald green lawns watered with private wells that created hard feelings between neighbors. It will be remembered as the year of grey water, as Ruidosoans carried out bathtub and sink water to save their rapidly drying and dying landscaping, until the rains came and made lawns too

soggy to mow. But despite the rains, the year ended with Ruidosoans able to water outdoors only twice a week.

And the Village of Capitán sues the Village of Ruidoso

over the Eagle Creek Intercommunity Water Users Association, Inc. water rights. Meanwhile Capitán went about acquiring more water rights for the future.

1996 will be remembered for the dark nights within the national forests that first prohibited camp fires, then closed down totally on May 20 because there had been no winter snow and no rain. Only to open again in late July after the rains again returned.

1996 will be remembered as another year the Lincoln County Commissioners hired another county manager. This time they got Frank Potter, a native and experienced in the ways of government, and politics. But things soon got serious when in mid-May commissioners learned of a demand from the Internal Revenue Service that the county pay \$42,000 in back taxes, penalties and interest—which turned out to be a mix-up in how the taxes were paid and the county got back most of the money.

1996 will be remembered for the disastrous fires which swept through the Gallinas Mountains near Corona, and charred thousands of acres of timber on the nearby Mescalero Reservation in Otero County. On May 7, the Lincoln County Commission declared a fire and drought

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

EDITOR: Is the purpose to divide us? To destroy our invincibility? To destroy our trust?

Was not the Constitution founded upon the premise of the integrity of the individual? Was not our government designed to promote, protect, and to defend the freedom and dignity of the individual?

Our government, on all levels, is made up of people. We are a government of the people. Then why is the federal government, in particular the Executive Branch, not listening to the people?

Is our President by executive order destroying state sovereignty? Ask the people of Utah!

Is the Secretary of the Interior destroying the liberty, the dignity, and the freedom of the common man?

Is that why he is illegally and without constitutional authority establishing a police state in this nation by expanding the law enforcement authority of the Bureau of Land Management?

It takes strength! It takes courage! But when we, the people, stand together we are invincible!

We must tell our leaders with one voice that we need leaders who can rescue this nation from chaos and restore the confidence of the people in their government and its agencies. We must once again have trust in our government.

If this does not come about, all will be lost, and the people, and their government, will have betrayed the Founding Fathers who put their trust in the people — in you and me.

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Memories Of 1996

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emergency in the county. And then came the heavy rains that stripped away top soil, and carried dirt and silt into homes and onto Highway 70, closing it to traffic for hours on the reservation.

1996 will be remembered for the failure of the state legislature to resolve the Indian gambling issue which ultimately led to the voluntary closure of Casino Apache in Mescalero in late September. A month later the casino was again open, its closure stayed for the moment by an order to allow it to remain open until all appeals in federal court are exhausted, and the state legislature and the governor resolve the dispute over the Indian gaming compacts.

1996 will be remembered for the general election which returned a former sheriff to the post in Lincoln County and, despite an overwhelming vote for republican Bob Dole in Lincoln County, sent democrat Bill Clinton back to the White House for another four years, the first democrat to do so since Franklin D. Roosevelt. The election will also be remembered for overwhelming numbers of early absentee voters, which will change the way campaigning is done in the future.

1996 will be remembered in Carrizozo as the year voters approved a bond issue which paid for needed facilities to Carrizozo Schools, and purchase of outstanding computer technology.

1996 will be remembered as the year that the New Mexico state lottery began, and since then, the words scratchers and powerball have become part of everyday language.

1996 will be remembered for the county commission deciding to close the former Super select Sales Pavilion—Glenns Rural Events Center because of high maintenance and overhead costs and too little income, only to accept a federal grant for \$185,000 to construct an arena and a beefy \$60,000 new budget in July to re-open and again promote the facility.

1996 will be remembered as the year that Ruidosoans were given permission to thin trees on lots, for fire danger's sake. A group of citizens organized to voice their concerns and fears of fire hazards created by the heavily wooded lots and succeeded in getting a Ruidoso ordinance changed, but not by enough, the citizens said.

1996 will be remembered as the year the county grappled with a new state law requiring stricter requirements of property owners wishing to split their lots.

1996 will be remembered as the year when the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) experienced its most serious questioning when the Village of Ruidoso called for a study of what it would cost to resume picking up its own trash. Meanwhile in July, LCSWA closed its Capitan landfill for construction and yard wastes, leaving nowhere to dump large items, causing county dumpsters to overflow with trash normally taken to the landfill. Seeking help from private enterprise LCSWA contracts with a company which burns forest debris, wooden construction waste and yard wastes. But construction trash goes down the road to the regional landfill 40 miles south of Alamogordo.

1996 will be remembered as the year that the new road across the Malpais lava flow west of Carrizozo was constructed and opened quietly on an early morning.

It also will be remembered for the completion of the Capitan downtown repaving project which left the village with paved streets, concrete curbs and complaints from citizens that the floods which came in August filled their

yards with water because the curbs were not made right.

1996 will be remembered as the year that Lincoln County Commissioners approved \$400,000 now, \$400,000 in the next fiscal year, and obligated future commissions (with admissions from outgoing commissioner Sterling Spencer of the illegality of such action) to provide funds to begin remodeling and additions to Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso. They also accepted a community development block grant to build a new health clinic in Carrizozo.

1996 will be remembered as the year when Lincoln County commissioners and Village of Ruidoso councilors met with the Mescalero Apache Tribal Counsel and president Wendell Chino, at his request, to hear that the tribe and county and village are economically interconnected, and the loss of revenue for tribe means loss of revenue for the local communities.

1996 will be remembered for the dispute between Zia Natural Gas Company and the C-C Natural Gas Association, and the ultimate dissolution of the gas association into a utility owned by Capitan and Carrizozo.

But to this reporter, the most remembered events from 1996 are the pleas of Lincoln County citizens for the state to not turn Fort Stanton into a prison, only to have the women prisoners moved into the buildings which were once home to many developmentally delayed individuals.

The event that affected this reporter greatly was the death of a lovely young woman, 19 year old Jennifer Leonardelli, who was swept away in her vehicle in the Rio Salado east of Capitan on October 5, during one of the worst flooding rain storms of the year that had been noted as having one of the driest springs on record.

1996 is gone, and so have many of the stories and memories. 1997 is already with us. Most likely, many of the same issues will be on the 1997 list of memories as were on the list for 1996, such as Indian gambling and Fort Stanton.

Let's hope 1997 brings us what we need.

OBITUARIES

ELEANOR RIXON

Memorial service for Eleanor Rixon, 59, of Ruidoso was January 4, at Gateway Church of Christ with Jimmy Sportsman officiating.

Mrs. Rixon died January 2, at Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso. She was born November 21, 1937 at Tulsa, OK. She married Peter Rixon on December 28, 1988 at Las Vegas, NV.

She is survived by her husband Peter of Ruidoso; son John Thomas Russell of Los Angeles, CA; two daughters, Elizabeth Russell Howell and Tamara Crookes both of England; brother Louis Davidson of Tulsa, and four grandchildren.

MARIE TACKETT HENDERSON

Funeral services for Marie Tackett Henderson, 95, of Alto were January 4 in Oklahoma City, with Rev. Susan Joplin officiating. Entombment followed at the Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Henderson died January 1, at her home in Alto. She was born August 6, 1901. She married Howard "Deep" Henderson in August, 1930 and he preceded her in death after 63 years of marriage on July 9, 1993.

She is survived by a daughter Elizabeth Babcock of Alto and two grandchildren.

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CAPITAN NOTES



SNOW FUN! Capitan youngsters Jessica, Joshua and Alexander Castaneda take advantage of their day off from school Tuesday to play in the snow that had given them the unexpected holiday. Some six to eight inches of snow fell in the Capitan area, shutting down most vehicular travel on Monday and closing school on Monday and Tuesday. Clearing skies on Tuesday melted snow from the highways, which meant the kids were back in class on Wednesday. (See related storm story.)

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

Am not certain how today's column will read or, pardon the pun, how it will play in Peoria, as our late president Richard Nixon used to say on occasion.

My daughter, Dr. Patricia Maureen Sullivan Anderson, has been writing my column for me, bless her.

The trip to Ireland was terrific but exhausting, hence with Thanksgiving and Christmas bringing its bit of stress and the trip home via Dallas to view my new great grandson, Grady Tighe Sullivan, am a bit on the weary side of "mucho tired."

Each of the above mentioned part of the last few months have been delightful and most enjoyable to me. Only wish I could have had a bit more space in between.

Thanksgiving here in my old casa by the side of the road was special. So wonderful to have my daughter Trish, as she is called, and her especially special husband Jace along with my one and only granddaughter, Katie, here in Capitan and the added pleasure of my son Thomas Tighe Sullivan and his lovely wife Pat. I had so much to be thankful for.

Tom and Pat were the lucky winners of a turkey and they presented their prize along with other delicious goodies for the family dinner.

Only sorry that Trish and her family were not here long enough to meet some of my special friends. However, they did get to meet Gerald, a most special friend to which they all agreed, along with Esther, Brandy and Michelle and the little one. Some of the other special ones that they missed were Agatha Long, busy with her own family and engagements, my editor and family, Ruth Hammond et al, and sorry that they were not here long enough to meet my other very special friend Bart McDonough.

They did get to meet the post office staff, Mike, Betty Lou and Robin. The meeting with Betty Lou was special because my son-in-law was named Jace by his late father; Dr. Leo Anderson, who incidentally made up the name because he was very active in the Jaycees. Betty Lou has a brand new grandson and he was named Jace by his parents who are unaware that my son-in-law Jace was the original Jace. All certainly enjoyed meeting each other at the post office, especially because they are a great bunch! I often have something to relate to them about that

darned so-good looking postmaster, who is such a dog-goned special guy. And I am not the only one that feels thataway about Mike.

The time trip to Omaha via Albuquerque went off without incident, almost that is. Packed so hurriedly that I did not even think about including my hearing aid that I do not wear and swore I would not wear. But did not think about it until we were in Carrizozo. Thinking about being that close to home and plenty of time before we would be airborne, I just kept quiet.

Only when we arrived safely far away to mention it in Omaha, Nebraska did I gleefully remind my daughter that I was "sans" my hearing aid. She opened her purse and presented it to me. She noticed that I had forgotten it and just happily dropped it into her purse. I told her it was an invasion of privacy, but she just laughed.

There was something going on all the time in Nebraska and will leave the Christmas time 'til next week, if I still have a pulse. There is one canine in this area that is driving me and some others in the same neighborhood absolutely bonkers with its barking.

You may have to find someone else to write this column. I love doing it, I love the feedback, shall we say that I get from folks far and near, but my 86 year old body is not up to the constant barking of this aforesaid mentioned canine and one of us will have to be silenced.

Had a wonderful time in Dallas with grandson Mike, wife Jackie, and great grandsons, Lucas Tyler and Zack, grandson Paul, wife Diane, great granddaughter Kirbi and brand new great grandson Grady Tighe Sullivan. It was wonderful!

Will write all about that part of my Christmas trip next week, because it was a most memorable part of my trip. I am not certain how this will fit in with what my daughter Trish promised to write about the Irish trip. Anyway will leave it up to Ruth.

Am also enclosing the bulletin that Louie Padilla wrote for the senior citizens. I think it covers a lot of the events and I intend to submit it each month, with Louie's consent.

Louie is a splendid writer in his own way and I enjoy reading his bits of "this and that" and am sure you folks do too.

From Louie:
A happy and healthy New

Year to all from Capitan Zia Senior Center!!

New Year's resolutions?? If we can make and keep one resolution it has to be a promise to ourselves to make someone's life a bit more pleasant. To help our friends, neighbors and total strangers when we can. Resolve to demonstrate courtesy and respect toward each other. If we can make and keep this one resolution then, indeed for certain, 1997 will be a happy year.

Great holidays, Thanksgiving and Christmas, but somehow it's a relief when they're over. They'll be back next year and every year after.

So much to be thankful for, thanks to the seniors and everything they do. Thanks to our volunteers who give so generously of their time, effort and wisdom. Thanks to the ladies who made it possible for our homebound to enjoy a traditional dinner on Thanksgiving Day. Thanks for collecting and distributing food baskets for the needy. Thanks to the community for supporting our fund raisers. Thanks to the Brownie Scouts for their "Adopt a Grandpa/Grandma" program, and thanks, most of all, to the spirit that makes everything possible.

On a sad note...Cheryl LaBelle will be leaving the Lincoln County Zia program. Cheryl has worked diligently and has been an effective advocate for all Lincoln County seniors. Much has been accomplished while she administered the program. Good luck

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Cheryl. We will miss you. Its not a "goodbye" its just a "so long for a while."

Extend our sympathies to the Herbert Lee Traylor family for their recent loss. Herbert Lee left a legacy that will be forever.

Our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Margaret Ranch who, at the age of 94, recently passed away. Margaret had lived in Capitan since 1930 and will be greatly missed.

Our prayers for those seniors recovering: Albert Paul, Vernabelle Pease, John Martin, Myrtle Brink, and others who ail. Those who suffer, but remain silent. God bless you, get well soon!!!

So here's looking forward toward a new year. Let us hear from you. We welcome your comments and suggestions. Give us your ideas. We need to know what we can do to improve.

The pool tournaments are scheduled for January 24, Capitan at Tularosa, and February 21, Tularosa at Capitan.

Stay positive and stay healthy.

So, for this week, Adios and hope I can safely cross the street to post this. And with a bit of the Irish and a special "glad to see you again" to my very good new friends Emmett Downes and his beautiful wife Sandra, this special toast: Sure as the shamrock's a beautiful green and Irish skies are blue... Sure'n the luck of the Irish is mine Just knowin' the likes of you... And so God Bless each and every one...

Capitan School Board Members Honored By NM School Board Assn.

Capitan Board of Education members Beverly Payne Calaway and Freda McSwane recently were honored for their exemplary service by the New Mexico School Board Association.

The members were presented the Exemplary Service Award certificates during the December New Mexico School Board Association annual conference in Albuquerque.

The certificates "acknowledge the sustained and substantial efforts demonstrated in advancing the quality of Board of Education service in New Mexico."

Awards are given for attendance and participation in all training seminars, regional meetings and state meetings of the New Mexico School Board Association. Also, members who receive the awards must have perfect attendance at all their local school board meetings.

This was Calaway's second award for exemplary service, as she received one in 1994. This was McSwane's first award.

Sheriff's Report

Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan took over the reins of the sheriff's department Thursday, following his first New Year's Day in office.

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

December 31, 1986:

9:25 a.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance at a residence in Capitan to transport an 81 year old man to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso. Capitan ambulance responded.

11:39 a.m. a woman caller requested an officer to check a suspicious person at a residence in Capitan. A man took a lock off the back door and went into the neighbor's house. Capitan police responded and advised that all was okay.

12:11 p.m. a 911 caller requested an officer at a condo in the Alto area because she had made reservations for the room and had already paid and a man came and advised they had to leave. A deputy responded, and at 12:26 p.m. advised that yes she had made reservations, and yes she was paid up, but their time was up and the room is rented and reserved for someone else.

2:07 p.m. a caller requested an ambulance for a non-emergency transport to LCMC from a residence on Eagle Creek Road. Alto ambulance responded.

1:10 p.m. an alarm company advised of a fire alarm at a residence in Alto. At 1:11 p.m. dispatch called the residence and talked to a person at the house, and he advised they had left something cooking on the stove and it set off the smoke alarm, and all was okay.

3:36 p.m. Ruidoso Downs police reported a brushfire on Highway 70 east of Ruidoso Downs. Glencoe Volunteer Fire Department responded, then at 3:46 p.m. requested assistance from Ruidoso Downs Fire Department, and at 4:22 p.m. requested a tanker from Bonito Fire Department. At 4:32 p.m. Bonito Fire Department responded. At 6:22 p.m. Glencoe returned to station, at 6 p.m. Bonito returned to their station.

4:38 p.m. Corona ambulance advised it was making a transport to the Roswell hospital from a location off Highway 247.

5:16 p.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance for a 44 year old man with a 105 temperature and shaking badly at a location in Cedar Creek. Ruidoso Advanced Life Support (RALS) responded and transported the patient to LCMC.

5:44 p.m. a 911 caller reported suspicious people on Forest Road 72 past White Oaks. The caller requested an officer check out the people, possible campers, by the house. A deputy responded.

8:27 p.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance for an 82 year old man having a possible heart attack at a residence in Capitan. Capitan ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.

9:02 p.m. a caller requested animal control for dogs running at large in the Gavilan Canyon area. A deputy responded.

9:06 p.m. a caller requested an officer for peace keeping at a residence in Carrizozo where the caller had a possible domestic incident with her boyfriend. The caller advised he took the keys and went home and she was at her sister's house afraid of domestic problems. All was okay at the time. Carrizozo police responded.

11:39 p.m. Ruidoso Downs

police requested assistance at a shooting a store in Ruidoso Downs. The subject who was known left the scene in an unknown direction. The subject had a small 22 hand gun and the caller knew his identity. Deputies responded. Later the subject turned himself in to Ruidoso Downs Police.

January 1, 1987:

12:35 a.m. a 911 caller reported a domestic incident at a bar in Corona. A woman was beaten by a male subject, and they were waiting in the bar for an officer. A deputy and a state police officer responded.

12:43 a.m. a 911 caller reported a domestic incident at a location in Enchanted Forest, people at a party were refusing to leave and were starting to argue and the caller was afraid of a fight. A deputy and state police responded.

12:50 a.m. an unknown female reported a fight in progress at a residence in Carrizozo, several people were fighting and glass was breaking. Carrizozo police responded with two officers who requested backup when they arrived at the scene and found four people fighting. A deputy responded, then requested state police back-up. Another Carrizozo officer also responded.

6:04 a.m. a caller reported shots fired in Capitan. A woman was shooting a rifle towards the caller's home. Capitan police responded and advised the report was unfounded.

11:30 a.m. a 911 caller reported a grass fire on Highway 380 just east of mile marker 68 east of Carrizozo. Carrizozo fire department responded and had the fire out by 12:59.

12:19 p.m. a business reported a suspicious vehicle in the parking lot, the vehicle had been in the parking lot for a week and when it was left it had Nebraska plates. They saw a van pull up and thought the car was going to be taken care of, but the van left and then the car had Alaska plates. Carrizozo police responded and had the vehicle towed by a wrecker.

12:23 p.m. a caller reported a theft of a stereo from a vehicle at a residence in Capitan. Capitan police responded.

12:30 p.m. Ski Apache requested an ambulance for a 14 year old boy with lower arm injury. Alto ambulance responded and transported the patient to LCMC.

12:31 p.m. a woman caller requested an officer to remove a male subject from her house in Carrizozo. She advised she had talked to Carrizozo police the night before. Carrizozo police responded, talked with the subject and arrested a male subject.

2 p.m. a caller reported criminal damage to property at a ranch north of Capitan. Two gates and fences were torn down, and two vehicles were involved. A deputy responded.

4:19 p.m. a caller requested an officer at a location north of Capitan to make a report of being verbally and physically threatened by a hunter. A deputy responded.

7:54 p.m. a caller requested to talk with a deputy because she wanted a man removed from her house in Enchanted Forest. The man had shoved her up against the wall. A deputy called the woman.

January 2:

3:34 a.m. a caller requested help because he had run out of gas on Highway 285 about 20 miles south of Vaughn. Vaughn Police Department was notified.

8:45 a.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance at a

residence on Musket Ball Drive. Alto ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.

9 a.m. Corona school maintenance reported a breaking and entering in the rec room at the school. Someone forced the window open in the rec room, then left feces on the floor. Footprints were found in the building and the room was secured by maintenance. A deputy responded.

3:03 p.m. ambulance requested at the ski area for a woman on a back board and in a c collar. Alto ambulance responded and transported the patient to LCMC.

3:16 p.m. a caller reported suspicious people and suspicious activity at the dead end of Incredible Lane in Alto. The caller thinks the persons were camping and had started a fire. A deputy responded, but made no contact with subject and he went all the way to Deer Park Woods.

3:58 p.m. a 911 caller reported she had found a lost child at a residence in Capitan. The woman advised she had found a small, one or two year old boy who had wandered into her yard. The boy had a long sleeve shirt and sweat pants on, but no socks or shoes, and he was extremely cold. The boy was blond with blue eyes and didn't talk too much. Capitan police responded and took the child to meet with a Children Youth and Family Department (CYFD) officer. At 5:26 p.m. the boy was returned to the baby-sitters who met with the CYFD officer.

5:01 p.m. A Bonito Fire Department fire fighter reported a fire next to the dumpster at mile marker 11 on Highway 48. Three other fire fighters responded.

5:04 p.m. a caller reported an unlawful use of a credit card at a shop in Ruidoso Downs. A woman called and advised that the owner of the shop called and told her that a young male subject had used her husband's credit card and signed his (the boy's) name to the charge. The woman advised she talked with her husband and he went and checked and he didn't have his credit card. The boy did not have permission to be using the credit card.

5:25 p.m. a caller reported verbal abuse at a location in Capitan. The woman advised that a guy had pulled up beside her outside her apartment and cussed her and she wouldn't tolerate it. Capitan police were advised and responded.

5:42 p.m. a caller reported a horse on the side of the road at mile marker 11 on Highway 48. The horse was brown with black stockings and was shod. A deputy responded but made no contact with the horse, he also requested help from state police. Dispatch called four subjects about the horse, but it wasn't theirs.

7:23 p.m. a caller reported he lost a wallet at the ski area. A deputy responded and spoke with the caller.

8:21 p.m. an out of service vehicle was reported at the intersection of Highways 380 and 54 in Carrizozo. A woman requested a call be made to a subject in Truth or Consequences that her vehicle was out of service, and a call be made to a number in Carrizozo. At 8:58 p.m. dispatch advised that the message had been delivered.

8:25 p.m. a caller reported a suspicious person at a business. A woman requested a welfare check on the clerk at the store because a man acting suspicious and when he tried to buy beer, but the clerk refused to see it, the man became very irate. Carrizozo police responded and advised the report the subject was gone on arrival.

January 3:

6:47 a.m. a 911 caller reported a stolen red vehicle from a location on Valley View Road. A deputy responded.

8:23 a.m. a Lincoln County Detention Center officer reported a fight in the jail, and she needed a deputy. A deputy and the undersheriff responded.

10:22 a.m. a male truck driver reported an accident without injuries on Highway 82 east of Cloudercroft. State police were notified.

10:35 a.m. a 911 caller reported an accident on Gavilan Canyon. State police and a deputy responded. An ambulance, Bonito Fire Department were requested.

11:30 a.m. Nogal Fire Department fire fighter reported an unattended campfire about seven miles up Nogal Canyon. The fire fighter advised he would take care of the campfire.

1:43 p.m. a caller from Kentucky reported cruelty to animals at a property in Lincoln that is leased to a woman. A deputy responded, but found no cruelty to animals at either location mentioned by the caller.

4:55 p.m. Ruidoso Police reported a fire, a downed electric line at the top of Gavilan Canyon. Bonito Fire Department responded and had the fire out by 6:36 p.m.

5:14 p.m. Capitan police reported someone took the money bag from a grocery store in Capitan. Capitan police advised of the description of two suspicious women with dot type tatoos who were driving a small grey car.

5:49 p.m. Capitan police advised he had a drunken driver in a traffic stop and requested a wrecker to a location. The subject was arrested.

January 4:

2:52 a.m. an ambulance was requested at the sheriff's office to transport a diabetic prisoner to LCMC. Carrizozo ambulance responded.

3:08 a.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance at a residence on Main Road for a man having abdominal pain. Capitan ambulance responded and transported the patient to LCMC.

4:25 a.m. an accident without injuries was reported on 18th Street in Carrizozo. The caller left the scene but gave the plate information and went to get the subject.

Carrizozo police responded. 7:49 a.m. a walk in requested animal control at a residence on C. Ave. for a cat in a trap. Carrizozo police responded.

9:16 a.m. a caller reported a larceny, a theft of money at a shop in Carrizozo. Carrizozo police responded.

10:31 a.m. Ruidoso police reported an accident without injuries on Hale Lake Road. A vehicle was found with all its windows out, and bad damage. No one was around. State police was called and the officer advised they had recovered the stolen car.

11:01 a.m. a caller reported a suspicious vehicle 30 miles east of Corona and 11 miles north. The caller was unsure if the suspicious vehicle on the property was hunters or what. A deputy responded and advised all was okay.

12:40 p.m. a caller reported a dog bite at a trailer park. A black and white, possible pit bull dog, broke loose from the chain and bit a 12 year old girl. The owners had been advised several times that the dog was very mean. A deputy responded. And the dog, named Numbnutts was impounded at the Humane Society for quarantine.

12:51 p.m. a caller reported a one vehicle rollover on the Ski Run Road, there were no injuries but a wrecker was needed. State police were notified and a wrecker was called.

2:35 p.m. Ruidoso police requested a deputy for civil peace keeping at a mobile home park on Gavilan Canyon. A deputy responded.

3:38 p.m. a caller requested animal control for a cat in a trap at a location on C. Ave. Carrizozo police were notified.

8:02 p.m. a caller reported possible stalking. The caller wanted to speak to an officer. Carrizozo police responded.

9:56 p.m. a caller reported a prowler tried to get in the house, and he wanted an officer to check the place out. The responding deputy advised

all was okay, the dogs were barking at some all hanging around.

10:10 p.m. a 911 caller reported an accident on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso. Ruidoso police were notified.

January 5:

5:20 a.m. an EMT reported an accident, a pickup had smashed into the side of the hill at Gavilan and Warrior Drive. Ruidoso police were notified.

5:52 a.m. an accident was reported on Highway 48 near Alto Lake, a vehicle was sideswiped. State police were notified.

8:28 a.m. a caller reported a possible domestic at a residence in Carrizozo. A deputy and Carrizozo police responded.

8:26 a.m. a person from the Alto Neighborhood Watch reported gun shots fired down Lake Shore Drive. A deputy responded.

9:12 a.m. a 911 caller reported stranded motorists at mile marker 301 on Highway 70. State police were notified.

9:43 a.m. a domestic situation was reported at a residence on Highway 380 in Carrizozo. A deputy responded.

10:17 a.m. Ruidoso Police reported an accident on Gavilan Canyon Road, a suburban was off the roadway. State police were notified.

10:27 a.m. a caller reported damage to property at a Corona business. There was damage to the shop and vehicles. A deputy responded.

10:59 a.m. a 911 caller reported an accident at the end of Greenbrier Road in Alto. No one was around but there was blood on the drivers side of the vehicle. At 11:25 a.m. contact was made with the vehicle owner, who was okay.

11:07 a.m. a caller reported a one vehicle roll-over on Highway 60, mile marker 240. Torrance County Sheriff's Office was notified.

2:28 p.m. a store in Hondo reported a semi truck had an

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CORONA NEWS

Two days of snow make it seem like times that used to be. The official temperature Tuesday morning was three degrees and the moisture content of about 20 inches of snow measured almost one inch.

The regular meeting of Crown CowBelles is the second Monday of each month. Monday, the 13th the lunch will be roast of beef.

Raymond "Jake" Binyon, 79, has succumbed to pneumonia. Mr. Binyon was taken from T or C to an Albuquerque hospital where he died Sunday. He was preceded in death by his wife "Liz" and three children. Memorial services are planned for Thursday afternoon in T or C.

J.E. Robinson has been informed of the death of his sister, Velmaa Hanes of El Paso. Services are planned there Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Rodriguez and daughter Stephanie of Durango, CO were with the Rasaks and Dukes for Christmas.

The Rasaks and Dukes

are watching emu eggs hatch, four chicks each to date.

VickieSue Payne, Ashland, Ill. was a guest last week of Julie Kessler. VickieSue and father, Tim, were visiting relatives in Carrizozo during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Burton went to Clovis for Christmas Day with his mother, Mrs. Lou Thompson. Later three grandchildren came from Las Cruces to spend the remainder of their vacation. Chase, Chisum and Cheyenne Burton found Santa here.

Weston Hauser of Canyon, TX came home with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith for a week.

The Cedarvale, Corona communities welcome newcomers. Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Muncy have purchased the Leonard Hobbs home place from a cousin, Pansy Hobbs Burke. The Muncys have moved to a place north of Willard while their new house is being built. The children, cowboy third grader, Taos, and daughter, Jordan, in the first

grade have enrolled in Corona schools and ride the Lee Mulkey bus.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hillger, Las Cruces, stopped by Friday. They were enroute to Roy for the wedding of a niece.

Mrs. Loretta Proctor and Ellis Hodge were in T or C December 22 to attend the golden wedding anniversary reception hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Owen and family, honoring Juanita and Lee R. Owen. Mrs. Owen writes that the table appointments were beautiful and that they were so happy to see all their children and most of their grandchildren and other friends. She has returned to Roswell and Mr. Owen remains at the VA Center in T or C.

Mr. and Mrs. Justen Hefker, Alamogordo, stopped by with interesting Christmas packages. They were on their way to meet Amy's parents from Santa Fe for lunch at Willard.

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Manning spent Christmas with her family in Socorro and except for one misguided present had a great time.

Mrs. Pauline McCloud, Gayle May and Matthew May spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Randy McCloud in La Luz.

Mrs. Luella Meadows of Mountainair has taken daughter, Nancy, back to college in Plainview, TX and will remain there this week with her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Lackey.

Mrs. Bettye Minton, Fort Sumner spent a couple of days last week with her mother, Mrs. L.K. Merritt. She had intended to stay longer but decided to best the storm.

Chris Dobbs volunteered to shovel snow Tuesday morning with no charge for "you old people". Thank you, Chris.

The Gibbs had all their children and grandchildren plus Mr. and Mrs. Pete Brewer, Sheridan, A.R. during the holidays, but not all at the same time.

A lone Canada goose landed in the Muniz backyard Sunday, Dec. 22. Ten days later it had not made friends but was a little less timid at feeding time. The family calls this "Our Christmas Miracle".

Crown CowBelles will meet Monday, Jan. 13 at 11:00 a.m. in the school room. The hostess will furnish a roast of beef, tea and coffee for the covered dish luncheon. Everyone is invited to attend this first meeting of the year. Come and join.

Royce Washburn returned to the ranch on Christmas Eve. He is recuperating from open heart surgery and except for the flu is making satisfactory progress.

Nona and Mack Morrow of Springer stopped Christmas Eve to see their Perkins cousins. Dr. Morrow, Springer, is recovering from a near fatal stroke in June. They were on their way to Alamogordo to spend a few days with a son and family and then would go on to the California desert to visit with friends from medical and nursing school days in Kansas City.

Victor Perez participated in a breakaway roping at Moriarty this week. He won first in both go-rounds and of course, in the average. It was the first time for him to rope from Leo's big horse and that made everyone happy.

The Lee Mulkeys spent Christmas in Portales with Steve and family, Bernice McCord in Edgewood with Mr. and Mrs. Rusty McCord. The Byron Yanceys were in Roswell with the Troy Yanceys and the Charley Luerases. Russell Lueras was to be transferred to Fort Leonard Wood on January 2.

Several Apply For Two

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the Dutton and Hakanson Ltd. firm in Ruidoso; Jack D. Mastenbrook, an employee of the 12th Judicial District Attorney's office in Alamogordo; Kent Peterson, deputy district attorney for the 9th Judicial District in Portales; Marc Prelo, Prelo Law Firm in Ruidoso; and Jerry H. Ritter, assistant district attorney for the 12th Judicial District in Alamogordo.

The 12th Judicial Nominating Commission is scheduled to meet at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 22 in Alamogordo to review and evaluate the applications. The commission will compile a list of qualifiers which will be sent to Governor Gary Johnson who has 30 days to make the appointments.

Appointed judges must run a partisan political race in the first election following the appointment, where they may be challenged. If the appointees win that partisan election, thereafter they need only run retention elections which require 57 percent of the vote to be retained.

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RESOLUTION AND PROCLAMATION OF REGULAR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION AND PUBLIC SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS TAX ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Capitán Municipal School District No. 28 (herein the "Board" and the "District," respectively), in the County of Lincoln and State of New Mexico, has determined that a Regular School District Election and Capital Improvements Tax Election, (herein, the "Election") be held on February 4, 1997, pursuant to Sections 1-22-1 through 1-22-19, NMSA 1978; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that two positions on the Board are to be filled at such Election by submitting to the qualified electors of the District the names of candidates qualified to appear on the ballot for election to the positions to be filled; and

WHEREAS, the persons who desire to fill such positions on the Board shall be required to file declarations of candidacy or declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate, all in accordance with Sections 1-22-1, et seq., NMSA 1978; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 22-25-3, NMSA 1978, the Board has determined, and does hereby determine, that there should be submitted to the elector at said Election, the question of whether or not a property tax of \$2.00 per each \$1,000.00 of net taxable value of property allocated to the District under the Property Tax Code should be imposed for the purpose of capital improvements in the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 28 CONSTITUTING THE GOVERNING BODY OF SAID DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN, AND STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. On the 4th day of February, 1997, there will be held in the Capitán Municipal School District No. 28, Lincoln County, New Mexico, a regular school district election for the purpose of submitting the names of candidates for the two positions to be filled on the Board to the respective qualified electors of the District and for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the questions of whether or not a property tax should be imposed for the purpose of capital improvements in the District.

Section 2. The Voting Districts for this Election shall be as follows:

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In addition, there will be an Absentee Voter District established as described in Section 10 herein.

Section 3. The polls for said Election will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the day of the Election.

Section 4. At such Election, the following at-large positions on the Board shall be filled by the qualified electors of the District, to-wit:

- Board Member Position 1: For a four-year term starting March 1, 1997; and
- Board Member Position 2: For a four-year term starting March 1, 1997.

Section 5. A declaration of candidacy for membership on the Board shall be filed with the County Clerk of Lincoln, the proper filing officer, during the period commencing at 9:00 a.m., December 17, 1996, being the third Tuesday in December, and ending at 5:00 p.m. on the same day, pursuant to Section 1-22-7, NMSA 1978.

Section 6. In making a declaration of candidacy, the candidate for membership on the Board shall submit a sworn statement of intent in substantially the form provided in Section 1-22-8, NMSA 1978.

Section 7. A person who

desires to be a write-in candidate for membership on the Board at such Election shall file with the County Clerk of Lincoln, a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate before 5:00 p.m. on December 31, 1996, being the thirty-fifth day preceding the date of the Election.

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

PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX QUESTION

"Shall the Board of Education of the Capitán Municipal School District No. 28, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, be authorized to impose a property tax of \$2.00 per each \$1,000.00 of net taxable value of the property allocated to such District under the Property Tax Code for the property tax years of 1997, 1998, and 1999 for the purpose of the following capital improvements in the District, i.e., erecting, remodeling, making additions to, providing equipment for and furnishing school buildings, purchasing or improving school grounds and maintenance of public school buildings and public school grounds exclusive of salary expenses of employees of the District; purchasing computer software and hardware for student use in public school classrooms; and purchasing activity vehicles for transporting students to extracurricular school activities?"

Section 8. The tax contemplated by the capital improvements tax question shall be in addition to the tax contemplated by the bond question and to any tax imposed on payees, donors, service on the bonds or for any other purpose. Such capital improvements tax shall be authorized pursuant to the Public School Capital Improvements Act, i.e., Sections 22-25-1 through 22-25-10 NMSA 1978 (being Chapter 5, Laws of the New Mexico, 1975, Special Session, as amended and supplemented).

Section 9. A person is a qualified elector of the District if he or she is a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age on the day of the Election and a resident of the District on the day of the Election. In order to vote, qualified electors of the District must have previously registered with the County Clerk of Lincoln County, or a motor vehicle deputy registration officer in accordance with law. Any qualified elector of the District who is not now registered and who wishes to vote at such Election should register during regular office hours prior to 5:00 p.m. on January 7, 1997, being the twenty-eighth day immediately preceding the Election at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, or at the office of any deputy registration officer appointed by the County Clerk of Lincoln County (which may include the municipal clerks of all municipalities in Lincoln County) or a motor vehicle deputy registration officer as provided in Section 1-4-47, NMSA 1978.

Section 10. Absentee voting will be permitted in the manner, authorized by 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA 1978; provided, however, that pursuant to Section 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, qualified electors may also vote absentee in person at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, during the regular hours and days of business from 8:00 a.m., January 10, 1997, being the twenty-fifth day preceding the Election, until 5:00 p.m., January 31, 1997, being the Friday immediately prior to the Election.

Section 11. Voting shall be by voting machine, except for absentee voting which shall be by paper ballot. At least one voting machine shall be used at the polling place for each Voting District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED

this 10th day of October, 1996.

Dr. Beverly Payne Calaway
President,
Board of Education

(SEAL)
Attest: Russell Shearer
Secretary,
Board of Education

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RESOLUCIÓN Y PROCLAMACIÓN DE ELECCIÓN REGULAR DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR Y UNA ELECCIÓN DE BONOS ESCOLARES Y UNA ELECCIÓN CON EL FIN DE APROBAR IMPUESTOS PARA MEJORAS MATERIALES

CONSIDERANDO QUE, la Junta de Educación del Distrito Escolar Municipio Núm. 28 de Capitán (en este, "Junta" y "Distrito," respectivamente), en el Condado de Lincoln, y el Estado de Nuevo México, ha determinado que se llevará a cabo una Elección Regular del Distrito Escolar y una Elección de Bonos Escolares y una Elección con el Fin de Aprobar Impuestos Para Mejoras Materiales (en esta, la "Elección") el 4 de febrero de 1997, conforme a las Secciones 1-22-1 a 1-22-19 NMSA, 1978; y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, la Junta del Distrito ha determinado someter a votación en dicha Elección a los electores habilitados que se llenarán dos posiciones en la Junta con los nombres de los candidatos habilitados para aparecer en la boleta de elección para las posiciones que se llenarán; y CONSIDERANDO QUE, las personas que quieren llenar las posiciones en la Junta se requieren someter declaraciones o declaraciones de intención ser candidato de nombre llenando por escrito, todo conforme a las Secciones 1-22-3, et seq., NMSA 1978; y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, conforme a la Sección 22-25-3, NMSA 1978, la Junta ha determinado, y por medio de éste determina, que se debe presentar a los votantes en dicha Elección, la cuestión si se debe imponer o no un impuesto de propiedad de \$2.00 por cada \$1,000.00 de valor neto tributable sobre la propiedad asignada al Distrito conforme al Código de Impuestos Sobre la Propiedad para los años tributables de 1997, 1998 y 1999, con el fin de hacer las mejoras materiales en el Distrito.

AHORA, POR LO TANTO, LA JUNTA DE EDUCACIÓN DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR MUNICIPIO NÚM. 28 DE CAPITAN EL CUAL CONSTITUYE EL CUERPO GOBERNANTE DE DICHO DISTRITO, EN EL CONDADO DE LINCOLN Y ESTADO DE NUEVO MEXICO RESUELVE:

Sección 1. El 4 de febrero de 1997, se llevará a cabo una elección regular en el Distrito Escolar Municipio Núm. 28 de Capitán, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo México con el fin de presentarse a todos los votantes habilitados del Distrito los nombres de los candidatos por las dos posiciones que se llenarán en la Junta y la cuestión si se puede crear una deuda con la omisión de bonos de obligación general y con el fin de someterlos a los votantes habilitados del Distrito la cuestión si se debería imponer o no un impuesto para las mejoras materiales en el Distrito.

- Sección 2. Los Precintos para la votación para esta elección son los siguientes:
- | | |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Distrito Electoral | Elección General Núm. del Precinto |
| 1 | 1, 2A, 2B, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10 y 12C |
- Sitios De Votación Lincoln County Fair Building, Capitán, Nuevo México

Además habrá un Distrito para Votantes en Ausencia según se expresa en la Sección 10 más adelante.

Sección 3. Los Sitos de Votación en dicha Elección permanecerán abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. el día de la

Elección. Para votar, los electores habilitados del Distrito deben haberse registrado previamente en los libros del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, o un auxiliar de registración del departamento de motores vehiculares conforme a la ley. Cualquier elector habilitado del Distrito que no esté registrado ahora y que desee votar en dicha Elección debe registrarse en la oficina del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, en el Edificio de la Corte en Carrizozo, Nuevo México, durante las horas hábiles antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 7 de enero de 1997, cayendo esa fecha veinte y ocho días antes de la fecha de la Elección, o el votante se puede registrar también en la oficina de cualquier auxiliar de registración nombrado por el (la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln (quienes pueden escribir los (las) escribanos(as) municipales de todas las municipalidades del Condado de Lincoln) o un auxiliar de registración del departamento de motores vehiculares según lo permite la Sección 1-4-47 NMSA 1978.

Sección 4. En dicha Elección, las siguientes posiciones en general de la Junta se llenarán por los votantes habilitados del distrito, es decir: Miembro de la Junta Posición 1: Por un plazo de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo, 1997; y Miembro de la Junta Posición 2: Por un plazo de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo, 1997.

Sección 5. Una declaración de candidatura para ser miembro de la Junta que se llenarán en la Elección se presentará con el (la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, el oficial apropiado de registración, durante el período comenzando a las 9:00 a.m., el 17 de diciembre de 1996, esa fecha siendo el martes tercero de diciembre, y terminando a las 5:00 p.m. el mismo día, conforme a la Sección 1-22-7, NMSA 1978.

Sección 6. Al declarar la candidatura, el candidato que quiere ser miembro de la Junta someterá una declaración jurada de intención en la forma substancial conforme a la Sección 1-22-8, NMSA 1978.

Sección 7. Una persona que quiere ser miembro de la Junta por medio de ser candidato de nombre llenando por escribir en dicha Elección presentará con el (la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, una declaración de intención de ser candidato de nombre llenando por escribir, antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 31 de diciembre, 1996, que es el día treinta y cinco que antecede la fecha de la Elección.

En dicha Elección, la siguiente cuestión también será sometida a la consideración de dichos votantes habilitados y registrados del Distrito:

CUESTIÓN SOBRE MEJORAS MATERIALES DE LAS ESCUELAS PÚBLICAS

Se le deberá otorgar la autorización a la Junta Escolar del Distrito Escolar Municipio Núm. 28 de Capitán, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo México para que imponga un impuesto de propiedad de \$2.00 por cada \$1,000.00 de valor neto tributable de la propiedad asignada a dicho Distrito conforme al Código de Impuestos Sobre la Propiedad para los años tributables 1997, 1998 y 1999 con el fin de hacer las mejoras materiales siguientes en el Distrito, es decir, construir, remodelar, añadir a, proveer equipo para y amueblar los edificios escolares, comprar o mejorar los terrenos escolares y comprar programas y equipo de computadora para el uso estudiantil en las aulas escolares públicas o una combinación de estos propósitos, el mantenimiento de los edificios públicos y de los terrenos escolares excluyendo las sumas de los salarios de los empleados del Distrito, y la compra de vehículos para las actividades escolares con el fin de transportar a los estudiantes a las actividades extracurriculares?

Sección 8. El impuesto que contempla la cuestión de mejoras materiales se agregará al impuesto que contempla la cuestión sobre los bonos y se agregará también a cualquier impuesto que se imponga para pagar el servicio de la deuda de los bonos o para cualquier otro fin. Dichos impuestos para pagar las mejoras materiales serán autorizados conforme a la Ley de Mejoras Materiales de las Escuelas Públicas, es decir, las Secciones 22-25-1 a 22-25-10, NMSA 1978 (siendo Capítulo 5, Leyes de Nuevo México, 1975, Sesión Especial, según fueron enmendadas y suplementadas).

Sección 9. Una persona es elector habilitado del Distrito si él o ella es ciudadano (a) de los Estados Unidos, tiene por lo menos 18 años de edad el día de la Elección y es residente del Distrito en la fecha de la

Elección. Para votar, los electores habilitados del Distrito deben haberse registrado previamente en los libros del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, o un auxiliar de registración del departamento de motores vehiculares conforme a la ley. Cualquier elector habilitado del Distrito que no esté registrado ahora y que desee votar en dicha Elección debe registrarse en la oficina del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, en el Edificio de la Corte en Carrizozo, Nuevo México, durante las horas hábiles antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 7 de enero de 1997, cayendo esa fecha veinte y ocho días antes de la fecha de la Elección, o el votante se puede registrar también en la oficina de cualquier auxiliar de registración nombrado por el (la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln (quienes pueden escribir los (las) escribanos(as) municipales de todas las municipalidades del Condado de Lincoln) o un auxiliar de registración del departamento de motores vehiculares según lo permite la Sección 1-4-47 NMSA 1978.

Sección 10. La votación en ausencia se permitirá conforme lo prescriben las Secciones 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA, 1978; siempre conforme a la Sección 1-22-19, NMSA, 1978 los electores habilitados podrán votar presentándose personalmente en la oficina del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln durante las horas y en los días hábiles entre las 8:00 a.m., el 10 de enero de 1997, fecha que es 25 días antes de la fecha de la Elección, hasta las 5:00 p.m. el 31 de enero de 1997 que es el día viernes que antecede inmediatamente la fecha de la Elección.

Sección 11. La votación se llevará a cabo usando máquinas electorales, salvo la votación en ausencia la cual se llevará a cabo usando boletas de papel. Se colocará, por lo menos, una máquina electoral en el sitio electoral de cada Distrito Electoral.

A P R O B A D A Y ADOPTADA este día 10 de octubre de 1996.

/s/ Beverly Payne Calaway
Presidente,
Junta de Educación

(SELO)
Doy Fe:
/s/ Russell Shearer
Secretaria(o),
Junta de Educación

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NOTICE OF MEETING

Lincoln County Medical Center COMMUNITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES will meet on Thursday, January 16, 1997, at 6:00 p.m., in the Hospital Conference Room. The Agenda will be available at the Administrator's Office, on Monday, January 13, 1997.

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo will hold their Regular Scheduled Meeting on Tuesday, January 14, 1997 at 8:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution 94-12, Twenty-Four hours prior to meeting date and made available to the public.

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

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the Lincoln County Purchasing Agent at the Lincoln County Courthouse, P.O. Box 711 (300 Central Avenue), Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, until 3:00 p.m., Thursday, January 30, 1997, at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bids received after the above date and

time will be retained unopened.

BID NO. 1996-12, VAN, 15 PASSENGER
The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will review and make their final determination during a regular commission meeting scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 1997.

Specifications are available at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, or by calling Martha Guayara at 505/648-2385.

Lincoln County reserves the right to accept or reject all or 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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LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING JANUARY 13, 1997 VILLAGE HALL BLDG.

The Village of Capitán Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on January 13, 1997 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of establishing Ordinance 97-1, Eliminating Truck Traffic on Forrest Ave. over Two Tons. This Ordinance will be considered for adoption at the regular meeting on January 13, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend.

Deborah Cummins, Clerk-Treasurer, CMC Village of Capitán

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo shall hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 28, 1997 at 8:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico for the following purposes:

- Approval or Disapproval of License/Appl. No. 0000 / A-2304
Applicant Name: Sierra Blanca Brewing Co., Inc.
Business Name: Sierra Blanca Brewing Co.
Proposed Location: 503 12th Street, Carrizozo, New Mexico
Application type: Small Brewer Liquor License Application.

- Approval or Disapproval of License/Appl. No. 0000 / A-2308
Applicant Name: Sierra Blanca Brewing Co., Inc.
Business Name: Sierra Blanca Brewing Co.
Proposed Location: 503 12th Street, Carrizozo, New Mexico
Application type: Wholesale Liquor License Application.

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

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

No. CV-96-125

ASSOCIATES FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY OF NEW MEXICO INC., Plaintiff,

vs. **OLIVER L. GARMS, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF OLIVER L. GARMS, R.L. GARMS aka ROBERT L. GARMS, ROSE I. GARMS, INC.,** Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant(s): **GREETINGS:**

Be advised that William A. Carr and The Unknown Spouse of William A. Carr were dismissed from this litigation as they have no interest in the property being foreclosed. You are further notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at P.O. Box 761, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

A tract of land, being a part of Lot 22, Block 1, Western Hill Subdivision, Unit One, Lincoln County, New Mexico being the Northwesterly 50 feet of said Lot 22, Block 1, Western Hills Subdivision, Unit One, and being more particularly described by notes and bounds as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Lot 22, Block 1, thence South 32 degrees, 08 minutes East, a distance of 50.00 feet; thence North 57 degrees, 52 minutes East, a distance of 94.34 feet; thence North 00 degrees, 56 minutes East, a distance of 59.47 feet; thence South 57 degrees, 52 minutes west; a distance of 126.87 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before February 27, 1996, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Plaintiff's attorneys:
SUSAN M. WOOLLEY
ELIZABETH LOSEE
Shapiro & Melnhold
20 First Plaza, Suite 213
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102
505/766-9212

WITNESS the Honorable Richard A. Parsons Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court, Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 23rd day of December, 1996.

EUGENIA VEGA, Clerk of the District Court

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MEETING NOTICE

The Lincoln Historic Preservation Board will hold a regularly scheduled Board meeting on Tuesday, January 21, 1997, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The meeting is open to the public and will be held at the Lincoln Volunteer Fire Department Building in Lincoln. Agenda is available 24 hours prior to the meeting. Auxiliary sides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guayara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

MARTHA GUEVARA, Assistant County Manager

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LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING JANUARY 13, 1997 VILLAGE HALL BLDG.

The Village of Capitán Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on January 13, 1997 for the purpose of discussing amending Ordinance 95-3, Uniform Traffic Code regarding Section 12-8-12 Riding on sidewalks and creating Section 12-8-24, Skateboarding on Street in which will establish Ordinance 97-2. Ordinance 97-2 will be considered for adoption at the regular meeting on January 13, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend.

Deborah Cummins, Clerk-Treasurer, CMC Village of Capitán

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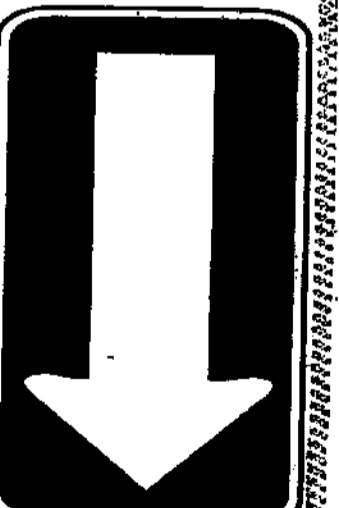
LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING JANUARY 19, 1997 VILLAGE HALL BLDG.

The Village of Capitán Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing for the purpose of repealing Ordinance 87-1, Inspections, Application for Water, Responsibility for Payments, Liens, Deposits, Notice, Water Bill, Payment, Penalty, Delinquent Charges Must be Paid in Full, establishing Ordinance 87-3. This will be considered for adoption at the regular meeting on January 13, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend.

Deborah Cummins, Clerk-Treasurer, CMC Village of Capitán

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LEGLALS

AMENDED RESOLUTION AND PROCLAMATION OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION, SCHOOL BOND ELECTION AND PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20...

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that two positions on the Board are to be filled at such Election...

WHEREAS, the persons who desire to fill such positions on the Board shall be required to file declarations of candidacy...

WHEREAS, the Board of the District has determined upon its own initiative to submit to a vote at said Election...

WHEREAS, neither the bond question herein submitted nor any other bond question has been defeated by the voters of the District...

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 22-25-3, NMSA 1978, the Board has determined, and does hereby determine, that there should be submitted to the electorate at said Election...

WHEREAS, the Board adopted a Resolution and Proclamation of Regular School District Election and Public School Capital Improvements Tax Election on November 19, 1996...

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE HONDO VALLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 20...

Section 1. On the 4th day of February, 1997, there will be held in the Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20, Lincoln County, New Mexico...

Section 2. The Voting Districts for this Election shall be as follows:

3, 12A, 12B and 12C General Election Polling Place Hondo Valley School Gym Lobby, Hondo, New Mexico

In addition, there will be an Absentee Voter District established as described in Section 11 herein.

Section 3. The polls for said Election will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the day of the Election.

Section 4. At such Election, the following at-large positions on the Board shall be filled by the qualified electors of the District, to-wit:

Position 1: For a four-year term starting March 1, 1997; and

Position 2: For a four-year term starting March 1, 1997.

Section 5. A declaration of candidacy for membership on the Board to be filled at the Election shall be filed with the County Clerk of Lincoln, the proper filing officer, during the period commencing at 9:00 a.m., December 17, 1996...

Section 6. In making a declaration of candidacy, the candidate for membership on the Board shall submit a sworn statement of intent in substantially the form provided in Section 1-22-8, NMSA 1978.

Section 7. A person who desires to be a write-in candidate for membership on the Board at such Election shall file with the County Clerk of Lincoln, a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate before 5:00 p.m. on December 31, 1996...

Section 8. At such Election, the following question shall be submitted to such qualified, registered electors of the District:

GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND QUESTION

"Shall the Board of Education of the Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, be authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the District, in one series or more, in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$325,000 for the purpose of erecting, remodeling, making additions to and furnishing school buildings and purchasing or improving school grounds and purchasing computer software and hardware for student use in public school classrooms or any combination of these purposes, said bonds to be payable from general (ad valorem) taxes and to be issued and sold at such time or times upon such terms and conditions as the Board may determine?"

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

PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX QUESTION

"Shall the Board of Education of the Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, be authorized to impose a property tax of \$2.00 per each \$1,000.00 of net taxable value of the property allocated to such District under the Property Tax Code for the property tax years of 1997, 1998 and 1999 for the purpose of the following capital improvements in the District, i.e., erecting, remodeling, making additions to, providing equipment for and furnishing school buildings, purchasing or improving school grounds and purchasing computer software and hardware for student use in public school classrooms; maintenance of public school buildings and public school grounds exclusive of salary expenses of employees

of the District; and purchasing activity vehicles for transporting students to extra-curricular school activities?"

Section 9. The tax contemplated by the capital improvements tax question shall be in addition to the tax contemplated by the bond question and to any tax imposed to pay debt service on the bonds or for any other purpose. Such capital improvements tax shall be authorized pursuant to the Public School Capital Improvements Act, i.e., Sections 22-25-1 through 22-25-10 NMSA 1978...

Section 10. A person is a qualified elector of the District if he or she is a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age on the day of the Election and a resident of the District on the day of the Election. In order to vote, qualified electors of the District must have previously registered with the County Clerk of Lincoln County, or a motor vehicle deputy registration officer in accordance with law. Any qualified elector of the District who is not now registered and who wishes to vote at such Election should register during regular office hours prior to 5:00 p.m. on January 7, 1996...

Section 11. Absentee voting will be permitted in the manner, authorized by 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA 1978; provided, however, that pursuant to Section 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, qualified electors may also vote absentee in person at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, during the regular hours and days of business from 8:00 a.m., January 10, 1997, being the twenty-fifth day preceding the Election, until 5:00 p.m., January 31, 1997, being the Friday immediately prior to the Election.

Section 12. Voting shall be by voting machine, except for absentee voting which shall be by paper ballot. At least one voting machine shall be used at the polling place for each Voting District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of November, 1996.

Victoria Sanchez President, Board of Education

Attest: Jimmy Montoya Secretary, Board of Education

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RESOLUCIÓN Y PROCLAMACIÓN ENMIENDADA DE ELECCIÓN REGULAR DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR Y UNA ELECCIÓN DE BONOS ESCOLARES Y UNA ELECCIÓN CON EL FIN DE APROBAR IMPUESTOS PARA MEJORAS MATERIALES

Sección 1. El 4 de febrero de 1997 se llevará a cabo una elección regular en el Distrito Escolar Independiente Núm. 20 de Hondo Valley (en esta, "Junta" y "Distrito", respectivamente), en el Condado de Lincoln, y el Estado de Nuevo México, ha determinado que se llevará a cabo una Elección regular del Distrito Escolar y una Elección de Bonos Escolares y una Elección con el Fin de Aprobar Impuestos Para Mejoras Materiales (en esta, la "Elección") el 4 de febrero de 1997, conforme a las Secciones 1-22-1 a 1-22-19 NMSA, 1978; y CONSIDERANDO QUE, la Junta del Distrito ha determinado someter a votación en dicha Elección a los electores habilitados que se llenarán dos posiciones

en la Junta con los nombres de los candidatos habilitados para aparecer en la boleta de elección para los posiciones que se llenarán; y CONSIDERANDO QUE, las personas que quieren llenar las posiciones en la Junta se regularen someter declaraciones de candidatura o declaraciones de intento ser candidato de nombre llenando por escribir, todo conforme a las Secciones 1-22-1, et seq., NMSA 1978; y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, la Junta del Distrito ha determinado por iniciativa propia someter a votación en dicha Elección, la cuestión de la emisión de bonos de obligación general de suma máxima y para los fines que más adelante se especifican, conforme a la Sección 22-18-2B NMSA 1978 y la Ley de Elecciones de Bonos; y CONSIDERANDO QUE, la cuestión relacionada con los bonos que aquí se somete a votación en cualquiera otra cuestión de bonos ha sido derrotada por los votantes del Distrito en una elección de bonos convocada dentro de un período de dos años antes de la Elección que más adelante se especifica;

CONSIDERANDO QUE, conforme a la Sección 22-25-3, NMSA 1978, la Junta ha determinado, y por medio de este determina, que se debe presentar a los votantes en dicha Elección, la cuestión si se debe imponer o no un impuesto de propiedad de \$2.00 por cada \$1,000.00 de valor neto tributable sobre la propiedad asignada al Distrito conforme al Código de Impuestos Sobre la Propiedad, para los años tributables de propiedad 1997, 1998, y 1999, con el fin de hacer las mejoras materiales en el Distrito.

CONSIDERANDO QUE, la Junta adoptó una Resolución y Proclamación de Elección Regular del Distrito Escolar y una Elección con el fin de Aprobar Impuestos para Mejoras Materiales en el 19 de noviembre de 1996, pero ahora ha determinado que en el interés mejor del Distrito ondar dicha Resolución a incorporar la cuestión de la omisión de bonos de obligación general.

AHORA, POR LO TANTO, LA JUNTA DE EDUCACIÓN DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE NÚM. 20 DE HONDO VALLEY EL CUAL CONSTITUYE EL CUERPO GOBERNANTE DE DICHO DISTRITO, EN EL CONDADO DE LINCOLN Y ESTADO DE NUEVO MEXICO RESUELVE QUE LA RESOLUCIÓN Y PROCLAMACIÓN DE ELECCIÓN REGULAR DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR Y ELECCIÓN CON EL FIN DE APROBAR IMPUESTOS PARA MEJORAS MATERIALES SE ENMIENDA COMO SI QUISIERA:

Sección 1. El 4 de febrero de 1997 se llevará a cabo una elección regular en el Distrito Escolar Independiente Núm. 20 de Hondo Valley, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo México con el fin de presentarle a todos los votantes habilitados del Distrito los nombres de los candidatos por las dos posiciones que se llenarán en la Junta y la cuestión si se puede crear una deuda con la emisión de bonos de obligación general y con el fin de someterles a los votantes habilitados del Distrito la cuestión si se debiera imponer o no un impuesto para las mejoras materiales en el Distrito.

Sección 2. Los Precintos para la votación para esta elección son los siguientes:

Distrito Elección Electoral General Núm. del Precinto 3, 12A, 12B y 12C Sitios De Votación Vestibulo del Gimnasio de Hondo Valley, Hondo, Nuevo México Adomás habrá un Distrito para Votantes en Ausencia según se expresa en la Sección 10 más adelante.

Junta se llevarán por los votantes habilitados del distrito, es decir:

Posición 1: Por un plazo de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo de 1997;

Posición 2: Por un plazo de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo de 1997;

Sección 5. Una declaración de candidatura para ser miembro de la Junta que se llenará en la Elección se presentará con el(la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, el oficial apropiado de registración, durante el período comenzando a las 9:00 a.m., el 17 de diciembre de 1996, esa fecha siendo el martes tercero de diciembre, y terminando a las 5:00 p.m. el mismo día, conforme a la Sección 1-22-7, NMSA 1978.

Sección 6. Al declarar la candidatura, el candidato que quiere ser miembro de la Junta, someterá una declaración jurada de intento en la forma substancial conforme a la Sección 1-22-8, NMSA 1978.

Sección 7. Una persona que quiere ser miembro de la Junta por medio de ser candidato de nombre llenado por escribir en dicha Elección presentará con el(la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, una declaración de intento de ser candidato de nombre llenado por escribir antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 31 de diciembre de 1996, que es el día treinta y cinco que antecede la fecha de la Elección.

Sección 8. En dicha Elección, la siguiente cuestión será sometida a la consideración de dichos votantes del Distrito que se hayan inscrito y estén habilitados:

CUESTIÓN DE BONOS DE OBLIGACIÓN GENERAL

"Se le concederá la autorización a la Junta de Educación del Distrito Escolar Independiente Núm. 20 de Hondo Valley, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo México a fin de que emita Bonos de una serie o más de obligación general del Distrito, en la suma

agregada principal que no exceda de los \$325,000, con el fin de construir, remodelar, agregar anexos y amueblar los edificios escolares y comprar o mejorar terrenos escolares y equipo de computadora para el uso estudiantil en las aulas escolares públicas o una combinación de estos propósitos, los dichos bonos se pagarán con los fondos derivados de los impuestos generales (ad valorem) y se emitirán y se venderán en tal fecha o en tales fechas y conforme a los términos y condiciones que la Junta determine?"

En dicha Elección, la siguiente cuestión también será sometida a la consideración de dichos votantes habilitados y registrados del Distrito: CUESTIÓN SOBRE MEJORAS MATERIALES DE LAS ESCUELAS PÚBLICAS

"Se le deberá otorgar la autorización a la Junta Escolar del Distrito Escolar Independiente Núm. 20 de Hondo valley, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo México para que imponga un impuesto de propiedad de \$2.00 por cada \$1,000.00 de valor neto tributable de la propiedad asignado a dicho Distrito conforme al Código de Impuestos Sobre la Propiedad para los años tributables 1997, 1998 y 1999 con el fin de hacer las mejoras materiales siguientes en el Distrito, es decir, construir, remodelar, añadir a, proveer equipo para y amueblar los edificios escolares, comprar o mejorar los terrenos escolares y comprar programas y equipo de computadora para el

uso estudiantil en las aulas escolares públicas o una combinación de estos propósitos, el mantenimiento de los edificios públicos y de los terrenos escolares excluyendo las sumas de los salarios de los empleados del Distrito, y la compra de vehículos para las actividades escolares con el fin de transportar a los estudiantes a las actividades extracurriculares?"

Sección 9. El impuesto que contempla la cuestión del impuesto para las mejoras materiales se agregará al impuesto que contemplará la cuestión sobre los bonos y se agregará también a cualquier impuesto que no imponga para pagar el servicio de la deuda de los bonos a para cualquier otro fin. Dichos impuestos para pagar las mejoras materiales serán autorizados conforme a la Ley de Mejoras Materiales de las Escuelas Públicas, es decir, las Secciones 22-25-1 a 22-25-10, NMSA 1978 (siendo Capítulo 5, Leyes de Nuevo México, 1975, Sesión Especial, según fueron enmendadas y suplementadas).

Sección 10. Una persona es elector habilitado del Distrito si él o ella es ciudadano (a) de los Estados Unidos, tiene por lo menos 18 años de edad el día de la Elección y es residente del Distrito en la fecha de la Elección. Para votar, los electores habilitados del Distrito deben haberse registrado previamente con los libros del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, o un auxiliar de registración del departamento de motores vehiculares conforme a la ley. Cualquier elector habilitado del Distrito que no esté registrado ahora y que desea votar en dicha Elección debe registrarse en la oficina del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, en el Edificio de la Corte en Carrizozo, Nuevo México, durante las horas hábiles antes de las 5:00

p.m. el 7 de enero de 1997, cayendo esa fecha veinte y ocho días antes de la fecha de la Elección, o el votante se puede registrar también en la oficina de cualquier auxiliar de registración nombrado por el (la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln (quienes pueden incluir los (las) Escribanos(as) municipales de todas las municipalidades del Condado de Lincoln) o un auxiliar de registración del departamento de motores vehiculares según lo permite la Sección 1-4-47 NMSA 1978.

Sección 11. La votación en ausencia se permitirá conforme lo proscriben las Secciones 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA, 1978; siempre que conforme a la Sección 1-22-19, NMSA, 1978 los electores habilitados podrán votar presentándose personalmente en la oficina del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln durante las horas y en los días hábiles entre las 8:00 a.m., el 10 de enero de 1997, fecha que cae 25 días antes de la fecha de la Elección, hasta las 5:00 p.m. el 31 de enero de 1997 que es el día viernes que antecede inmediatamente la fecha de la Elección.

Sección 12. La votación se llevará a cabo usando máquinas electorales, salvo la votación en ausencia la cual se llevará a cabo usando boletas de papel. Se colocará, por lo menos, una máquina electoral en el sitio electoral de cada Distrito Electoral.

A PROBADA Y ADOPTADA este día 19 de noviembre de 1996.

Victoria Sanchez Presidente, Junta de Educación

Attest: Jimmy Montoya Secretario(a), Junta de Educación

Published in the Lincoln County News December 5, 1996 and January 9 and 16, 1997.

LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER REPORT

The following individuals were booked into, or Released from, the Lincoln County Detention Center (county jail) in the courthouse in Carrizozo: November 8: Joe Lane, 26, Carrizozo: held for district court: no bond; released November 13 to be transported back to Central New Mexico Corrections Facility in Los Lunas; arrested by Lincoln County Sheriff's Office (LCSO). November 12: Larry Ysasi, 45, Capitan: parole violation; no bond set by Capitan police. Michael Forte, 30, Ruidoso: failure to comply with conditions of probation, assault and battery, domestic violation; \$50,000 cash bond set by Butts; released November 19 on orders from probation officer. Valerie Safian, 31, Ruidoso Downs: probation violation; no bond; released November 19 on orders from probation officer. November 14: Sabino A. Sandoval, 63, Carrizozo: protective custody of 12 hours; released November 15, time served; arrested by LCSO. November 15: Bob Wilmeth, 53, Ruidoso Downs: criminal damage to property, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon; \$10,000 cash bond set by Butts; released November 20 on orders from Butts; arrested by LCSO. Isais Acosta, 50, Las Cruces: failure to appear; \$182 cash bond set by magistrate judge Gerald Dean Jr.; arrested by LCSO. November 18: Steve Martin, refused to disclose, Carrizozo: contempt of court; court commitment of six months by District Judge

Richard Parsons; arrested by LCSO. November 19: Deborah Rae Gains, 40, Lincoln County: warrant from Roosevelt County for murder; \$100,000 cash bond set; released November 21 to Roosevelt County Sheriff's Office; arrested by LCSO. November 20: Patrick Poeling, 19, Capitan: contributing to the delinquency of a minor; \$5,000 bond set by Dean; released November 20 on orders from Dean; arrested by LCSO. Chris Castaneda, 19, Ruidoso: probation violation; no bond set by probation officer. November 21: Harvey Hernandez, 24, Hondo: arrested on bench warrant with no bond from Butts; arrested by LCSO. November 21: Jerry Romero, 23, Ruidoso Downs: probation violation; no bond set by probation officer. November 22: Jimmy Baca, 26, Ruidoso Downs: probation violation; no bond set by probation officer; released November 25 on orders from probation officer. Dana Smith, 39, Ruidoso: held for Colorado warrant with \$10,000 cash bond. November 23: Timothy Barela, 427, Carrizozo: possession of marijuana under one ounce; \$500 cash bond set by Magistrate Judge Gerald Dean Jr. posted and released same day; arrested by state police. Nancy Leonard, 42, Capitan: contempt of court, failure to comply with conditions of probation; no bond set by Magistrate Judge Bill Butts; released November 26 on orders from Butts; arrested by Capitan police. November 27: Jose Marquez, 24, Ruidoso

Downs: probation violation; no bond set by probation officer. Michael Sanders, 49, Alamogordo: failure to appear; court commitment of 90 days ordered by Dean; arrested by Lincoln County Sheriff's office. November 26: Isaac Chavez, 20, San Patricio: possession of marijuana under one ounce, possession of drug paraphernalia; \$2,000 cash bond set by Butts posted and released same day. Vicente Montes, 19, Glencoe: held for Bernalillo County, robbery with firearm enhancement, conspiracy, driving on revoked license, possession of marijuana under one ounce; \$500,000 cash bond set by Butts. November 27: Paul Hernandez, 23, Ruidoso Downs: felony DWI, driving on revoked license for DWI, probation violation; no bond set by Butts. November 30: Mark Alamanza, 23, Artesia: four day court commitment ordered by Dean; turned self in. The following individuals were RELEASED from the Lincoln County Detention Center: Jacob Glenn, 19, Placitas: booked August 6 for two counts burglary and breaking and entering; released November 14 to rehab. Paul Hernandez, 23, Ruidoso Downs: booked August 12 for driving on revoked license for DWI, probation violation, open container and defective equipment; released November 20 on orders from Butts. Frank Travis, 37, Tucumcari: booked Sept. 17 for failure to pay fines and cost; released November 16, time served. Dominic Vega, 29, Carrizozo: booked September (SEE PAGE 11)

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 23 and 30

SHOULDERS

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accident on Highway 70 by the store. State police were notified.

3:09 p.m. an alarm company reported a panic alarm sounding at a business in Carrizozo. Carrizozo police responded and advised it was a false alarm.

4:39 p.m. a caller from Alamogordo reported she was attempting to locate her runaway son who was on the bus from Ruidoso to Roswell. At 5:02 p.m. the responding deputy advised he checked the bus, but the subject was not on it.

10:58 p.m. a caller requested a motorist assist of a vehicle stuck on an icy hill. Ruidoso police were notified.

11:26 p.m. a caller reported a domestic situation at a location in Ruidoso. The wife was cutting herself with glass outside the residence. Ruidoso police were notified.

January 6:
 7:17 a.m. Carrizozo School bus reported an accident with injuries at mile marker 112 on Highway 54. State police and a deputy responded, Carrizozo ambulance responded, then requested the OMI. A subject was declared dead at the scene.

10:43 a.m. Carrizozo police secretary reported subjects joy riding on D. Ave. by the new gym, doing doughnuts and other traffic offenses. Carrizozo police officers were contacted by radio.

10:54 a.m. an accident without injuries was reported on Highway 70, a semi truck and station wagon. State police and a deputy responded, and requested Hondo ambulance.

1:45 p.m. a two vehicle accident was reported on Highway 70. The accident was caused by a semi truck. State police were notified.

3:07 p.m. a store in Hondo requested an officer for a subject with disorderly conduct. A subject was back harassing employees and customers. A deputy responded and arrested the subject.

3:11 p.m. Ruidoso police advised of an accident on Angus Hill, State police and a wrecker responded.

3:52 p.m. Ruidoso Downside police reported an accident involving a vehicle and state highway department equipment in the highway department yard. Capitan police responded.

4:31 p.m. 911 an ambulance was requested at a residence in Capitan for a 66 year old woman with chest pains. Capitan ambulance responded and transported the patient to meet with RALS and on the LCMC.

8 p.m. Ruidoso Downside police advised of a domestic at a residence on Spring Road. The subjects were separated. A deputy responded.

9:27 p.m. a Hondo police officer requested an officer for traffic control while a semi truck was pulled across the road from the bar ditch.

10:25 p.m. a 911 caller requested animal control for the neighbor's dog which was disturbing the peace at a residence. Capitan police advised he would call the caller.

January 7:
 11:52 a.m. a walk-in requested a VIN inspection of a travel trailer at south of Carrizozo on Highway 54. A deputy responded.

1:30 p.m. a caller in Osgood reported harassing phone calls to her house, and she wanted to talk to a deputy. A deputy talked to the woman by phone.

2:03 p.m. a caller reported a suspicious person walking off on the lava carrying a rifle on the Valley of Fires area west of Carrizozo. A deputy responded, but advised he made no contact with the subject.

3:07 p.m. a banker requested an officer to do a VIN inspection of two vehicles in which the bank holds the paperwork.

3:15 p.m. a caller reported suspicious activity at a residence in Capitan. The woman requested an officer to come by because she had tried to get kids to stop throwing snow balls. Capitan police responded and told the juveniles to stop throwing snow balls at the windows.

LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER REPORT

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30 for probation violation; released Nov. 12 to New Mexico corrections.

Joe Chavez, 45, Carrizozo: booked October 4 for probation violation; released Nov. 20 for transport to Las Vegas medical center.

Mark Green, 27, homeless: booked Oct. 24 for failure to comply with conditions of probation; released Nov. 20 to rehab center.

Humberto Portillo, 33, Ruidoso Downs: booked Nov. 4 for to serve 15 days court commitment by Butts for battery on household member; released Nov. 12 time served.

Richard Zelanis, 33, El Paso: booked Nov. 8 for DWI 1st aggravated, improper lane change, Army desertion; released Nov. 12 to U.S. Army in Ft. Bliss.

Elizabeth Smith, 31, Capitan: booked Nov. 9 for larceny, embezzlement; released Nov. 14 on orders from Dean.

Presiliano Cano, 44, Capitan: booked Nov. 9 for larceny, embezzlement; released Nov. 14 on orders from Dean.

Darwin Kinzhuma, 30, Mescalero: booked January 9 to serve 364 days for harassment by phone; released November 27 on orders from Butts.

Joseph Brown, 50, Ruidoso Downs: booked August 15 for battery on household member with \$25,000 bond set by Butts; released by Butts on November 26.

Terry Stokes, 42, Ruidoso: booked October 7 to serve 360 day court commitment by Butts for assault and battery on household member; released November 27 on orders from Butts.

Seth Eagle, 46, San Felipe: booked October 13 for aggravated DWI, and driving on revoked license; released November 22 after posting 10 percent of \$2,500 bond with Butts.

Deborah Rae Gains, 40, Lincoln County: booked November 19 on warrant from Roosevelt County for murder; released November 21 to Transcor.

Robert Caffee, 20, Campvillsville KY: booked October 3 to be held for court; released December 2 to Bernalillo County.

County Commissioners

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--Annual inspection of the Lincoln County Detention Center.

--Economic development presentation by Roberto Rios.

--Economic development presentation by Poe Corn.

--Capitan equipment reimbursement request from Lincoln County Medical Center.

--Update on the Lincoln County Health and Wellness Board presented by Ann Bauman.

--Report on Emergency Medical Services.

--Resolution authorizing the purchase of Dr. Jim Beall's property.

--Resolution authorizing county manager to plan, budget and apply for a litter control and beautification grant.

--Resolution authorizing county to submit application to the Dept. of Finance and Administration (DFA) to participate in the local Driving While Intoxicated/Impaired grant program.

--Resolution adopting mid-

year budget adjustments for fiscal year 1996-97.

--Appointments to: Carrizozo Health Center Advisory Board; Public Land Use Advisory Council for District I and V; Coalition of Counties; Labor Management Relations Board; Lincoln County Road Review Committee; Lincoln County Planning and Zoning Commission for District 1; Ad Hoc Committee on Water (new board, five positions).

--Discussion on the Association of Counties and New Mexico State Highway Commission as requested by Commissioner Wilton Howell.

--County manager's report.

--Visitors not on the agenda (items for discussion only.)

--Executive session for personnel, pending litigation and/or sale or lease of real property.

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