

Ruidoso Wants To Meet With County

by Ruth Hammond

Ruidoso Village Attorney John Underwood returned from his two month lobbying trip to the state legislature in Santa Fe. He spoke to the Ruidoso Council at their March 25 meeting and said the supplemental gross receipts tax bill had passed the House and Senate and is on the governor's desk to be signed. He said he didn't anticipate any opposition for the bill that will affect Ruidoso and Raton, but he

will feel a lot better when the governor signs the bill.

The bill will allow Ruidoso and Raton to extend the special gross receipt tax of one-eighth of one percent in order to finance future water improvements. Originally the special gross receipt taxes were imposed to finance water improvements which have been completed. The bill, if signed by the governor, will allow the village of Ruidoso and city of Raton to re-bond against the special gross receipt taxes and continue im-

portant work on water systems.

Underwood also reported on other bills and said 300 bills died on the Senate floor during the filibuster on prisons the last day.

He said there were over 1,000 hours of hearings on the gaming bills and "part of the Brazilian rain forest was lost in the process," referring to the boxes and boxes of papers he brought home from the legislative session.

Underwood explained the gaming bill and said it has a

delayed effective date and will not go into effect until the Indian gaming compacts are approved. Portions of the gaming bill probably won't go into effect until late winter or early spring.

Underwood told the council he appreciated the chance to be in Santa Fe during the legislative session.

After a public hearing for Ordinance 97-02, term limitations for board and commissions, councilors approved changing to limits of three terms. Councilor Bob Sterchi

cast a no vote. He said he thought two full terms were enough, and said, "it is for the president of the United States and the governor of the state."

The zone map amendment for lots 7 and 8, block 3, White Mountain Estates, Unit 4, SD, was approved after a public hearing. The requested re-zoning did not conflict with the master plan nor adversely impact neighboring properties and there were no objections.

The property had been zoned R-4 high density residential and was re-zoned to R-

3 multi-family residential. Councilors denied a request made by Claud Miller for waiver of moratorium on subdivision of land. He wanted to divide lot 644A of Skyland

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ROUNDDHOUSE RUMBLES

by Doris Cherry

It's undoubtedly quiet in the Roundhouse in Santa Fe right about now. About the only ones left are the house-keeping staff on second floor, the year-round staff at the legislative council service on the third floor and staff on the fourth floor at the secretary of state office, the offices of the education, finance and other committees and the governor's office.

The governor's office is taking its time to finish its job with the results of the 60-day session. The governor has until the end of the day on April 11 to either sign, or veto, the 370 measures that passed both the House and Senate before adjournment on March 22. As of April 1, the governor had signed 42 of these measures into law and had vetoed four House bills and four Senate bills.

A total of 206 House Bills and one House Joint Resolution; and 164 Senate Bills and two Senate Joint Resolutions (constitutional amendments) were passed through both the House and Senate this 60-day session. Those 370 bills were the only ones of more than 2,600 bills and resolutions introduced that went to the governor's desk.

As of April 1, no bill from either our Rep. Dub Williams or our Senator Pete Campos had been acted on by governor Gary Johnson.

This reporter found out about these bills from the Concordance of the 43rd Legislative 60-day session. The concordance is compiled by the New Mexico Legislative Council Service. Kudos to that office, in particular Tracey Kimball. After finally getting over the jet lag of being-at-home-after-the-session, this reporter called the legislative council service at the state capitol building on April 1 for a concordance which lists the bills that were passed through both House and Senate and were sent to the governor; and which bills have been either signed or vetoed by the governor.

By April 2, the concordance was in this reporter's mail box in Capitan! Incredible, overnight mail from Santa Fe!

Anyway, thanks to that office for all of its hard work, which is plenty. During the session the legislative council service offices seemed to be open all the time--from early in the morning until very late at night. And did remarkably well with keeping the daily locators as up to date as possible through that final day.

Our legislators had some bills that made it through both House and Senate and are sitting on the governor's desk for action.

The most famous of this year's bills--House Bill 399, Governor's Gaming Act, carried by Dub Williams--is still on the governor's desk. Williams' HB 1065, Amend Private School Definition, carried on behalf of the Ruidoso Montessori School, also passed both House and Senate and awaits action.

Senator Campos had better luck. His SB 947, Amend Supplemental Municipal Gross Receipts Tax carried on behalf of Ruidoso and Raton passed both Senate and House and awaits action. The bill allows the municipalities to extend their special gross receipt tax of one-eighth of one percent in order to finance future water improvements. Originally the special gross receipt taxes were imposed to finance water improvements which have been completed.

"The measure will allow the village of Ruidoso and city of Raton to re-bond against the special gross receipt taxes and continue important work on water systems," Campos said.

Campos also got passage of his SB 956, Pave and Construct definitions concerning highways; SB 1022 Amend Municipal Election Code and a constitutional amendment which could appear on the ballot; Senate Joint Resolution; Judicial Standards Commission.

If the bills are signed into law by the governor this reporter will give the readers a little more details on what

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DISTRICT JUDGE KAREN PARSONS has settled in to her new office in the county courthouse. Parsons, who was sworn as district judge on March 14, already sentenced her first offender to prison, and has dealt with several domestic violence cases. So far she is enjoying her new position.

C'zozo To Advertise For Police Officer

by Barbara Culler

The Carrizozo Town Council held a special meeting on March 31 at the city hall conference room. Trustees Ruth Armstrong, Wesley Lindsay, and James "Willie" Silva were present with trustee Eileen Lovelace as mayor pro tem.

The special meeting was concerning proposals for managing the Carrizozo Recreation Center and personnel matters. This was held in closed session with the results announced after the session.

Three proposals were submitted on the recreation center. The three proposals came from the following: Johnny Cully, John LaMay and Chuy Castaneda, and Christina Full. The trustees accepted all three proposals and will be making appointments with each of them as soon as possible to negotiate. The trustees stated that among the things they would like to discuss with those submitting proposals were their backgrounds and what their plans were for the center.

Personnel matters that received attention were:

--Approval of certified police officer Frank Conley's resignation and advertising for a certified police officer to replace him. April 4 is to be Conley's last day.

--Approved the mayor's recommendation to hire

Rodney Zamara, who has his lifeguard certification, as one of the lifeguards for the pool and Melissa Leslie as cashier at the pool. The town will advertise for another lifeguard.

The next scheduled Carrizozo Town Council meeting is April 8.

Army Group To Be In Carrizozo For Two Weeks

A group of 24 from the U.S. Army will be in Carrizozo April 12 through April 29 to participate in Roving Sands 97, which is a major air defense artillery exercise.

Roving Sands 97 is a joint effort by all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces and focuses mainly on air defense artillery.

The group of 24 that will be in Carrizozo will simulate the enemy and will be wearing jet black uniforms with red name tags and jet black booney hats when they leave Carrizozo each morning about 11:30 a.m. They will return at about 10:30 p.m. each day.

During the morning before they leave Carrizozo they will be doing calisthenics and physical training at the motel and possibly running through town.

County Subdivision Public Hearing Set

by Doris Cherry

At 9 a.m. Tuesday, April 8, Lincoln County Commissioners will convene in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo for a regular scheduled meeting.

Commissioners will take comment during two public hearings. At 11 a.m. is the hearing on the proposed ordinance creating an advisory board for the Glencoe Rural Events Center.

The public hearing for the proposed ordinance modifying the county subdivision regulations to comply with the new state laws will begin at 1 p.m. The subdivision regulations will affect anyone who sells land in Lincoln County in the future, regardless if the seller considers the property a "subdivision."

County manager Frank Potter said the changes will be a "big shock" to all property owners wishing to sell even a small parcel of land. County attorney Alan Morel said the changes will eventually make it much easier on property owners to divide and sell their land. More than 15 hours of open meeting time has been devoted to discussions on the proposed changes. County Planning and Zoning (P&Z) held two lengthy meetings and commissioners held one hearing already. "We have had excellent hearings with good attendance from realtors, contractors, and other members of the public," Morel said.

Comments and recommendations made during the hearings have been incorporated into the proposed subdivision amendments, Morel said. Copies of the proposed ordinance will be available by Friday at the county manager's office in the courthouse in Carrizozo.

Morel said he also will provide copies of computer disks with the proposed ordinance to the board of realtors and contractor's association. While the ordinance will change how property is sold in Lincoln County, it does have some bonuses such as standardized forms for disclosure statements and other required information.

"The document will be great!" Morel said. "I think once everyone gets used to it, they'll find it works better than now."

The biggest change the ordinance will make is to change the definition of "subdivision." If approved, dividing a tract of land into two or

more parcels is a "subdivision." However, the ordinance has 13 exceptions to this rule, such as property for a cemetery, or inside a municipality, or a 35-acre tract if it will be used for agricultural purposes within 12 months, or if the split is larger than 145 acres. The ordinance also increases the penalty on violators with fines up to \$10,000.

While toughening the fines and requiring all sellers of property to go through a standardized process, the proposed changes will make it easier on smaller property splits. From just subdividing one parcel

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Man Dies After Accident With His Handgun

Lower Eagle Creek resident Don Ferris was pronounced dead at Lincoln County Medical Center late Friday, March 28, the victim of an accidental gunshot wound.

According to Lincoln County Sheriff's reports, Ferris, 63, was unloading his truck at his home in the Shangri La subdivision area. His handgun was sitting on top of pile of things. As Ferris began unloading the things out of his truck, the pistol fell out and discharged, hitting Ferris in the side.

Ferris' wife Sandra called 911 at 9:28 p.m. Alto ambulance, two deputies and a state police officer responded. Ferris was transported to Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso, where he was pronounced dead from the wound. Police ruled the death as accidental.

Undersheriff Cliff Macsag said it was an unfortunate accident. He urges gun owners to be cautious in handling their guns because they can discharge accidentally.

Spring Forward! Daylight Savings Time Will Begin

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Set your clocks AHEAD one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday, April 6. Better yet, set them ahead before you go to bed on Saturday. Daylight Savings Time continues through the summer and ends the last week end in October.

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addition into two lots. There are two businesses on the one lot, a furniture store and a car lot. The reason given for the denial was that the village is in Phase 3 of the water contingency plan.

The council agreed if the village went into Phase 2 of the water contingency plan Miller could go to the Planning and Zoning (P&Z) to start the process for subdividing the lot. At the end of the meeting it was announced the village would go into Phase 2 the next day.

The resolution authorizing the establishment of the capital improvements advisory committee was presented. The committee would advise and

assist the village in adopting and implementing development impact fees.

The resolution as presented stated the committee would consist of five members with at least 40 percent to be representatives of real estate, development or building industries.

Councillors agreed they would like to see seven members instead of five and approved the resolution as amended. The resolution will be ready for the next meeting.

Councillors Bill Chance and Joe Gomez and village manager Gary Jackson were appointed as village representatives to meet with Lincoln County officials regarding

funding for certain village services to county residents.

An example of the services provided by the village is fire protection services that are provided in the so-called "no man's land" which is in Lincoln County but not included in any fire protection district. The service has been provided at Ruidoso taxpayer's expense.

Jackson recommended the village request Lincoln County to appoint two members of the county commission and the county manager and that the two groups meet to discuss the possibility of funding. The meetings should be held as soon as possible since both entities are in the process of preparing their fiscal year budgets.



Arcie and Irene Barham

Barham's Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Arcie Barham of Carrizozo will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary April 5. They were married April 5, 1947 in Riverside, CA. They lived and worked in Riverside for about a year before moving to Santa Fe where Arcie managed a horse operation and worked for the state highway department. Their three children, Becky, Gordon and Joel were born in Santa Fe and Espanola.

The Barham family moved to Carrizozo in 1954 where Arcie was employed by Mrs.

Pat Dunning as manager and horse trainer and he showed Milliron Quarter horses. Their children attended and graduated from Carrizozo High School. One son, Joel, died in 1978.

Irene and Arcie, along with their son Gordon, own and manage the Milliron Lazy Three Ranches. Their daughter Becky Torres is a teacher and lives with her husband and daughter in Alamogordo. Irene and Arcie have three grandchildren.

Commissioners Approve Count Of County Miles

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County takes care of 819.22 miles of roads. Most of those, 634 miles, are dirt/gravel. There are 113 miles of roads in subdivisions. The county gets help to maintain 70 miles of U.S. Forest Service roads.

Monday night Lincoln County Commissioners met for a brief five minutes to approve that list of roads in order to get the list mailed to the New Mexico State Highway Department. For the county to participate in any state funding for roads, it must submit the list of county maintained roads by April 1. Hence the hurried, last minute special meeting.

County manager Frank Potter told THE NEWS that the county didn't get the letter from the state highway department about the deadline for county road listing until about two weeks ago. Because the regular commission meeting isn't until April 8, commissioners called the special meeting to approve the list and get it mailed by deadline.

The meeting held at the county sub office in Ruidoso was indeed short. Because no one had a key for the building, commissioners and the county clerk met outside on the sidewalk, to make a motion and approve the listing. No other business was considered or discussed.

Last year the county received \$14,000 from the state for these roads, although it had budgeted for \$17,000. In

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MAURINE SAMS LARE

Funeral services for Maurine Sams Lare, 93, of Ruidoso were March 31 at Community United Methodist Church with the Rev. Craig Cockrell, pastor, officiating. Burial followed at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Maurine died March 27 at her home. She was born April 19, 1903 in her grandmother Gaine's home in Kennard, Nebraska. She married Roy Lare on July 30, 1926.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 67 years, Roy Lare, and infant daughter Barbara Joan, her brother Duane Sams, and a sister Maxine.

She is survived by two sons and their families, Max and Joann Lare and family of Farmington, Boyd and Jackie Lare and family of Albuquerque; and a sister, Ferné Young of Auburn, Nebraska.

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

County Subdivision . . .

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from one property to subdivisions of less than 24 parcels of 10 acres or less will be subject only to a summary review procedure with the county planning officer and county manager, at the discretion of the county commission. However, Morel said the commissioners want to continue review of proposed subdivision in that high range.

Copies of the exceptions and all other changes to the county subdivision laws also will be available at the meeting Tuesday.

Another item on the tentative agenda dealing with the Glencoe center is review of the new specifications for the construction of a horse arena at the Glencoe Rural Events Center. All previous bids for the project were rejected during a special meeting held March 24 in Ruidoso. Bids came in over the amount available for the project.

Commissioners will also consider Request for proposals for: --auctioneer services; --radio maintenance contract; and --1997 model 4x4 pickup club cab.

Other items of business include a report on Emergency Medical Services, an appeal to the Lincoln Historic Preservation Board's variance denial; a report from Dr. Arlene Brown on the Health and Wellness Board; a request from Sheriff Tom Sullivan concerning the Humane society and the need for animal control; 1997 Fire Protection Fund distribution applications; Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Lincoln County, State of New Mexico and New Mexico office of the Bureau of Land Man-

agement presented by Commissioner Rex Wilson.

Commissioners will consider road review committee recommendations for roads in White Oaks, Loma Grande and Deer Park Woods; approve appointments to the Public Land Use Advisory Council (PLUAC) for District V; three appointments to the Planning and Zoning Commission; and one commissioner to the New Mexico Association of Counties Board.

A budget adjustment, resolution and approval of summary review plans also are listed.

BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 8:	
Corona Post Office	12:30-2:30 p.m.
Carrizozo Otero Electric	4-8:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9	
Carrizozo Otero Electric	7:30-8:30 a.m.
Nogal Post Office	8:45-10 a.m.
Captain 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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Carrizozo Chit Chat



THURSDAYS
 —Alcoholic Anonymous, 7 p.m. Carrizozo Senior Citizens Center. Call 648-2313 for information.
 —Adult singles group, 6:30 p.m. Ruidoso. For more information call 354-2635 or 258-4680 or 257-5077.

THURSDAY, APRIL 3
 —Say No To Drugs Program, 1 p.m. Capitan Schools new gym. Parents invited to attend.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5
 —Trinity Site Tour; unescorted tour 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. through Stallion Gate off Highway 380; guided tour from Otero County Fairgrounds, Alamogordo at 8 a.m.
 —Lincoln County Republican Party Convention, 10 a.m. Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.
 —Carrizozo Knights of Columbus dance, 8:30-midnight; Santa Rita Parish Hall, admission.

SUNDAY, APRIL 6
 —Daylight Savings Time begins, set clocks forward one hour.

MONDAY, APRIL 7
 —Capitan Chamber of Commerce, 12:30 p.m. chamber building on Second St.
 —TOPS, 5:30 p.m., Otero County Electric Cooperative building in Carrizozo.

TUESDAY, APRIL 8
 —Lincoln County Commissioners, 9 a.m. Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.
 —Ruidoso Annexation Ad Hoc committee, 9 a.m. village hall.
 —Lincoln County Lodger's Tax Committee, 10 a.m. Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.
 —ACT (Action for Children and Teachers) group, 3:15 p.m. Capitan elementary teachers lounge. Parents invited.
 —Ruidoso Cemetery Board, 3:30 p.m. village hall.
 —Carrizozo Town Council, 6 p.m. city hall.
 —Ruidoso Village Council, 6:30 p.m. village hall.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9
 —Capitan FCE, 9:30 a.m. Nina Ross home. Bring sewing machine.
 —Ruidoso Library board, noon, library.
 —Eagle Creek Water Board, 6:30 p.m. Capitan village hall.
 —Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Center.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10
 —Kindergarten Pre-registration, 9 a.m. to noon, Capitan Schools old gym.
 —Lincoln County FCE Cultural Arts Show, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Carrizozo Women's Club building.
 —Lincoln County Senior Olympics singles bowling, 1 p.m. Ruidoso Bowling Center.
 —Carrizozo Lodger's Tax Advisory Board, 1 p.m. city hall.
 —Ruidoso Arts and Film Board, 4 p.m., village hall.
 —Capitan School board meeting rescheduled for April 17.

Carrizozo School News

Carrizozo middle school sponsored an art fair exclusively for 6th, 7th and 8th grade students March 14. The middle school 96-97 school year has been organized in a separate building away from the high school. Hosting the art fair in Manire building were 6th grade teacher Patricia Coale, 7th grade teacher Bryan Wetzel, 8th grade teacher Alice Day, principal Randy Earwood, education assistant and art facilitator Polly Chavez, and student parent Tina Greene.

The day long event was an effort to allow students to experience a variety of arts. Eight county artists were invited to share their art form with students, tell how they create art and explain techniques and give demonstrations. Participating were Cathy Eisen of Nogal, clay; Georgia Lagg of Nogal, woodwork; Ivy Heymann of White Oaks, pottery; Cathi McIntosh, drama coach and students, Ruidoso High School; and from Carrizozo, John West, silversmith; Ann Buffington-West, weaving, dulcimer; Jamie Gieb, puppetry; and Suzanne Donazetti-Payne, copper sculpture.

Peter Corp

Navy Airman Apprentice Peter H. Corp, son of William L. and Karen Corp of Carrizozo, recently reported for duty with Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron Three, Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma City. He is a 1995 graduate of Carrizozo High School.

Just Married

Berline Gallegos, daughter of Mrs. Landee and Mrs. Carlos Gallegos of Carrizozo, married Dwayne Clay of Alamogordo March 28. The wedding was performed by Carrizozo Municipal Judge Bill Meeks at the Otero County Electric Cooperative, Inc. building. Maid of honor was sister of the bride, Charlotte Rowin. Best man was Ruben Gallegos, brother of the bride. The newlyweds plan to live in Alamogordo.

Fire Dept. Report

The Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department report for February: one business meeting, one training meeting where John Tate held a Haz-Mat training session dealing with chemical spills, etc., responding to six emergencies for a total of 11 man hours, and scheduling an enchilada dinner. Bill Rogge of the Forest Department is to assist the fire department in obtaining a Scat Unit as a First Responder vehicle.

The Lincoln County News invites people to submit items of interest for the Carrizozo Chit Chat column; including new residents, visitors, hospitalizations, vacations, birth announcements, news of former school students away at college, engagement announcements, wedding announcements, and

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OBITUARY

JOSE "Joe" BARELA PORTILLO

Joe Portillo, 85, of Carrizozo, died Monday, March 31, at his home. Mr. Portillo was born March 20, 1912 in Tularosa to Ricardo and Maria Barela Portillo, and had been an area resident most of his life.

He retired as a foreman from Southern Pacific railroad after 31 years and had also been a cowboy for several area ranches in the Carrizozo and Deming area. An avid gardener, he enjoyed several hobbies including dancing, guitar playing, playing pool and visiting with his friends and he especially loved to play solitaire. Mr. Portillo was a member of Santa Nino Catholic Church and a former

member of the Knights of Columbus in Carrizozo.

Survivors include his wife, Sophia of the family home; two sons and their spouses, Joe and Michelle Portillo, Jr. of Tularosa, George Gilbert and Margaret Portillo of Carrizozo; 13 daughters and their spouses, fiances or partners, Helen and Steve Baldonado of Blue Water, NM, Chea Smith and Bill Payne of Carrizozo, Terri and Tilman Smith of Elephant Butte, Mary and Dominic Miglionico of Lakeridge, VA, Chris and Scott Joas of Carrizozo, Carmen Ramirez of Carrizozo, Priscilla and Tom Mitchell of La Luz, Anne Serna of Carrizozo, Carol Schlarb and Rick Virden of Carrizozo, Punkin and Robert

Schlarb of Carrizozo, Darla Portillo of Carrizozo, Kaye Portillo and Danny Narvaez of Carrizozo, and Shelly Portillo of Tucumcari; a brother, Frank Portillo of Tularosa and a sister, Goya Vigil also of Tularosa, 42 grandchildren and 50 great grandchildren. Mrs. Portillo was preceded in death by his parents and one son, Richard Portillo in 1983.

The Mass of the Christian Burial was conducted on Wednesday, April 2, in the Santa Nino Catholic Church at Three Rivers with Fr. Dave Bergs officiating. Interment followed in the Three Rivers Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers were Chris Schlarb, Justin Portillo, Mark Vega, J.R. Portillo, Jacob Portillo, Danny Maldonado, Kevin Zamora and Craig Collins. Honorary pallbearers were Frank Portillo II, Frank Portillo III, Dominic Miglionico, Kenneth Miglionico, Robert Miglionico, Nathan Portillo and Cory Collins.

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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

What gross receipts?

By Ruth Hammond

There are times when we don't stop to think and there are times when we want to believe what we are told, even if we know there is no possible way we are being told the truth. That is what happened last week. We were told the county would receive gross receipts from all that business that would be brought into the county from the activities scheduled at the Glencoe Rural Events Center, formerly a Sales Barn. We were told that the gross receipts the county collected could be used to help the road department improve county roads and to help the sheriff's department with law enforcement. We were told that bringing gross receipts into Lincoln County was the reason the county was spending hundreds of thousands of dollars at the Sales Barn. Of course it was only a projection but it sounded good.

We were told the county received lots of gross receipts each year from the people attending the Cowboy Symposium and we agreed to get the exact figures from the county treasurer's office. We wanted to publish that information for our readers.

This is what we learned this week: The only gross receipts taxes Lincoln County gets is the environmental services gross receipts tax of one-eighth of one percent the county approved in 1990 to help fund operations of the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA). All five municipalities in Lincoln County approved the same environmental services gross receipts tax of one-eighth of one percent. The revenue from that tax has to be used for LCSWA. In case anyone doubts that the revenue from the environmental gross receipts tax is dedicated as to how it can be spent, it is in the state statutes; 7-20B-17 for the county, and 7-19D-10 for municipalities. None of these gross receipts can be used for road improvements or for law enforcement.

What we didn't stop to think about is that the county gets most of its money from property taxes. We didn't stop to think that each year THE NEWS publishes the county budget with the list of revenues and expenditures and that the gross receipts line item is what is called an "in and out" line item. The amount the county receives is paid to LCSWA, as is required by state law.

We really wanted to believe that the county commissioners had a legitimate excuse for spending hundreds of thousands of dollars on the Sales Barn. We really wanted to believe that the true reason the county commissioners budgeted \$93,973.00 the last fiscal year for the Sales Barn for salaries and operational expenditures was to help the county economy. We really wanted to believe that we might be getting the true story even though we knew there was no possible way we were told the truth.

Now, it makes us wonder what other "projections" will be made about the Sales Barn. Will we be told that Elvis will be one of the first stars to appear there? Will we be told that the county equipment being used to help one person improve his property near the Sales Barn will benefit the residents in the Corona area? Will we be told that the county maintenance costs have increased for the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo when \$9,200.00 of those costs are being spent at the Sales Barn?

The county is starting the budget process and within a few weeks we will know how much money the county plans to spend for the Sales Barn this next fiscal year. We will also know the amount of revenues "projected" but this time we will know that the county WILL NOT receive gross receipts from anything that is connected with the Sales Barn. Maybe another "dream scheme" will evolve and they can try to convince us that the Sales Barn will be good for the county but this time we should stop and think. We will want to believe what we are being told but we need to check the facts first. We need to remember that they used the term "projections" before and will use it again.

Is it that difficult to tell the truth?

Letters To The Editor

EDITOR: How many of you viewed the spectacular heavenly display on March 23?

We were treated not only to the ever awe-inspiring beauty of the full moon in all its glory, but then to its gradual eclipse as the shadow of the earth fell across 92 percent of its surface.

And if that was not enough, in the west could be seen the comet Hale-Bopp, a heavenly wanderer of ice and dust that is the brightest in a century.

In centuries past, such occurrences caused great consternation and sometime hysteria among primitive peoples who had no understanding of the natural laws governing the movements of such bodies.

In some societies it was believed that a giant dragon was devouring the moon (or sun) or that their god or gods were angered, leading to the sacrifice of sheep, or people, to appease them.

Gradually, mental giants of the past, such as Giordano, Bruno, Galileo, Kepler, Newton and others proved that the universe is governed by natural law, not by hungry dragons or angry gods.

Bruno, an Italian monk, was burned at the stake by religious authority for teaching that the earth was not the center of the universe and that the universe was infinite.

Galileo almost suffered a similar fate but recanted to save his life. He taught that the earth turned, revolved around the sun and was not the center of the universe. (All true).

Kepler, the German genius who first described the laws of planetary motion, spent much of his time, energy and intellect to keep his mother from being burned as a witch.

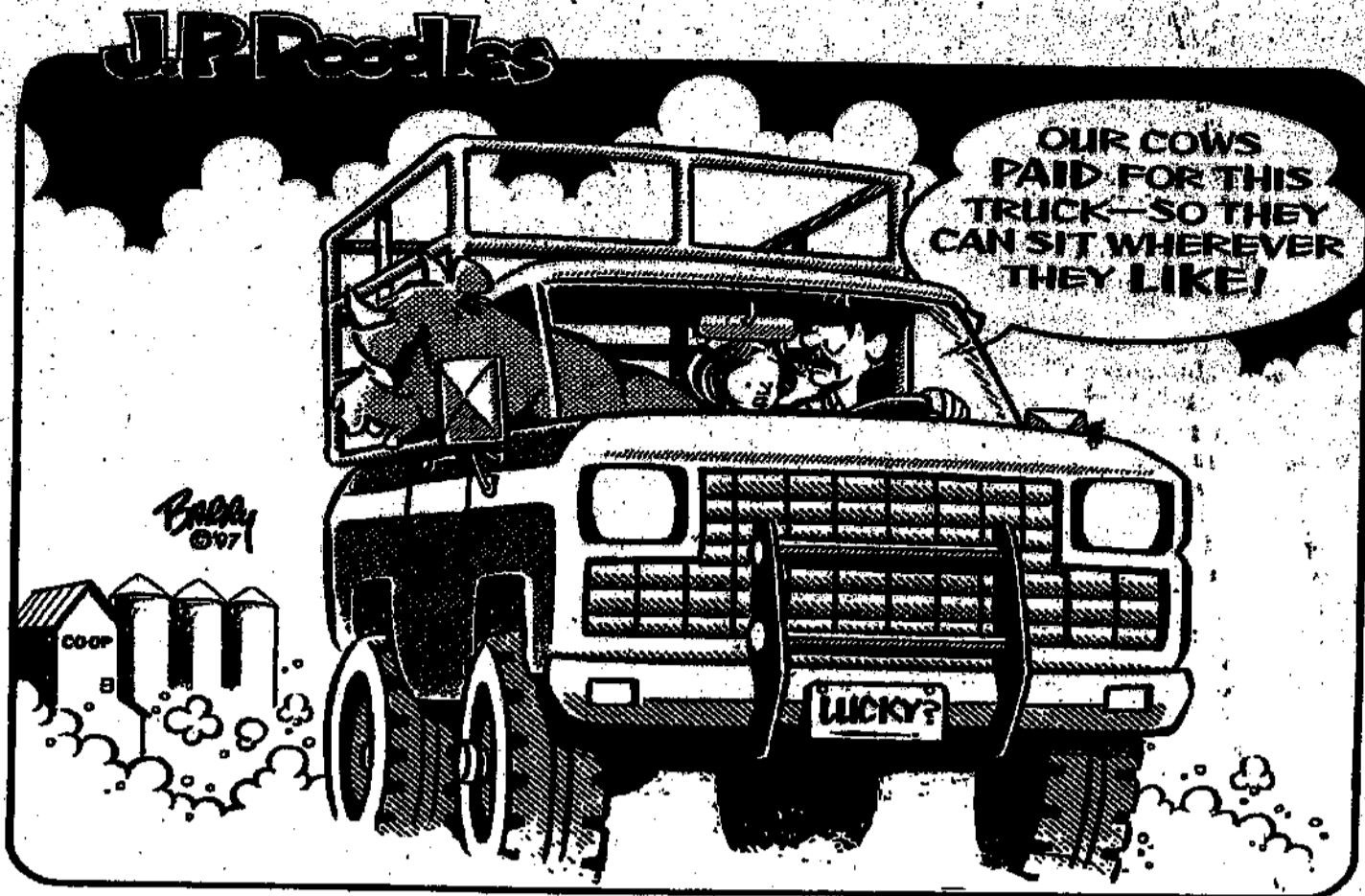
This struggle for freedom of inquiry continues today, right here in New Mexico.

The gutless wonders in the New Mexico Legislature have tabled (killed) a bill that would have required the teaching of evolution in our public schools.

Fearful of antagonizing the small, but powerful, Christian fundamentalist lobby, who keep trying to force their religious beliefs on all of us, they caved in.

Are we to return to the days of superstition, ignorance and the sacrifice of sheep and people to gods and hungry

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Inside The Capitol

by Jay Miller

SANTA FE—What part of "no" don't you understand?

The popular put-down of four years ago has been resurrected by Gov. Gary Johnson, who insists he is a great communicator because no one can fail to understand his message.

Johnson says the problem is not his failure to communicate, it is the fact that he and Democrat lawmakers have different philosophies and they don't like to hear him say no.

Somehow a simple no never was sufficient with my kids, my employees, and certainly not with my bosses. They always wanted to know why. They wanted to talk about it. They wanted to see if we could work something out.

Lawmakers are inclined to want the same treatment. Politics is about compromise. It's about finding ways for all sides to get as much as possible out of each situation. That often takes intense negotiation. And face-to-face negotiation.

Johnson exhibited his communication difficulty during the mid-session prison "uprising" when his representatives painstakingly negotiated an agreement with legislative leaders that Johnson rejected a day later. The next day the Senate retaliated by refusing to confirm his corrections secretary nominee.

The governor's inability to define his wants with sufficient clarity for his staff to understand what they should be negotiating for very likely resulted in a loss of a highly competent person who could have straightened up the prisons.

But Johnson says he's still best at communicating with the public. And he's right. He cashed in on anti-government feelings by continuing to run against politics even though he plays a very good game of politics himself. By playing the game differently, he can get away with saying he's not playing politics. He's part Libertarian, part populist, part anarchist and part demagogue. And it works. He fosters disrespect for government, but still gets a laugh every time he talks about people waving to him with one finger in Santa Fe.

During the legislative session Johnson took his show on the road for six town hall meetings "to get in touch with the people," as he called it. He was successful personally, but the 1997 Legislature might have been more successful had the governor spent some time getting in touch with lawmakers.

Johnson still enjoys the

support of GOP lawmakers although enough House Republicans joined with Democrats to override the veto of the prisoner release bill. Senate Republicans stuck with Johnson but insisted on a meeting the following morning to voice their displeasure about the conflicting signals he was sending.

Of course the Legislature had its own communications problems, especially in the Senate. No one is sure to this day what Senate leader Manny Aragon was thinking when he gave away all the Senate's pet projects in the budget bill in favor of the governor's pet projects.

Albuquerque Republican Sen. Bill Davis got tagged with the last day's filibuster, but the verbose attorney consumed nowhere near the time of Aragon himself throughout the session. Some of the Senate communication was

awfully rancorous, especially in the final days when shouting matches erupted.

Lt. Gov. Walter Bradley, who presides over the Senate, tried to keep comments civil. After a particularly onerous complaint from Sen. Davis the final night, Bradley stormed from the rostrum and returned wearing a judge's black robe and a long white wig and carrying an oversized gavel. "Now I've figured a way to get control," he said. Tensions cooled considerably.

Bradley's move was reminiscent of one by Gov. Garrey Carruthers' communication chief, Selma Sierra, during the final night of the 1987 session. After listening to tempers flare, Sierra delivered a little box to Sen. Billy McKibben that said, when opened, something like "bullshit." McKibben found it an excellent tension-reducer for everyone the rest of the night.

Property Valuations Mailed By Assessor

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County property owners by now have received an annual Notice of Valuation from the Lincoln County Assessor's Office. These are not tax bills. Rather they are statements of the value of worth of a property, as determined by the county assessor's office.

The office mailed out 26,723 notices during the last week of March, an increase of about 1,000 notices from last year, said county assessor Patsy Serna and deputy assessor Doug Whittaker. Those 26,723 properties had a combined value of \$406 million on March 25. The county picked up about \$60 million in value over the last year, Serna said.

Property owners should take some time to review their notices of valuation, which may have changes because of the mandated re-appraisal. By state law, every two years assessor's are required to re-appraise their county properties. If any improvements had been made to the property, or properties in the neighborhood had increased in value, there could be changes on the value of the property.

Serna said taxpayers should compare the 1997 notice of valuation with their 1996 notices. If they have any questions about the notice, or if they wish to protest the amount, taxpayers should contact Serna's office. Taxpayers have until April 30 to

protest the valuations.

Property owners may also qualify for an exemption. Head of families and veterans can receive exemptions of \$2,000 each, which is taken off the taxable value of the

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NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

Capitan School News

ACT-Action for Children and Teachers meets at 3:15 p.m. April 8 in the teacher's lounge.

A \$100.00 gift certificate was presented to Capitan Elementary second grade class, Mary Shanks teacher, for participating in the 11th annual *Be My Valentine for Life-Buckle Up* campaign. The Capitan Elementary School kindergarten class; Dottie MacVeigh teacher, was the winner of an ice cream party for their participation in the campaign.

Kindergarten registration and pre-school developmental screening will be held from 9 a.m. to 12 noon Thursday, April 10.

Saturday, April 12 is NET DAY which will provide computer wiring to 45 classrooms and offices for network access to the Capitan school library. Volunteers are needed to help with popping tiles, vacuuming, pulling wires, etc. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers. Six ladders (eight feet) are needed for the project. No children under 16 are allowed in the buildings for insurance purposes. Contact Becky Borowski if interested in volunteering.

County Budget Schedule

Lincoln County is beginning the budget process. The time schedule: April 7-department preparation and management review with elected officials and department heads, and treasurer's revenue projection to management; April 14-proposed preliminary budget distribution to county commissioners; April 21-county commission budget workshop starts at 9 a.m. and lasts until completed; May 13-public hearing/preliminary budget adoption starts at 9 a.m. and lasts until completed; May 14-submit preliminary budget to DFA.

Angie Hutchison

Angie Hutchison of Capitan has been accepted as a new member of the delta pi chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha. Angie is a freshman at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales. She is a graduate of Capitan High School.



Angie is one of the eight new members of the Beta Upsilon pledge class. The chapter has 55 members.

Angie is an education major and will be initiated into Zeta Tau Alpha International Woman's Fraternity at the end of the spring semester, 1997. Her mother is Lynn Hutchison of Capitan.

Sedillo Graduates

Army Pvt. Rodney P. Sedillo has graduated from the heavy wheel vehicle mechanic course at Fort Jackson, Columbia, SC. His parents are Shirley M. and John P. Sedillo of Capitan. Rodney is a 1995 graduate of Capitan High School.

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New Carrizozo School Board Officers Elected

by Ruth Hammond

The Carrizozo School Board has new officers now that the four new school board members have taken office. Steve Harkay was elected president at the March 18 meeting. Other officers elected are vice president Eldon Offutt and secretary Pat Vega.

Katie Hightower reported on the FFA judging contest held March 8. She said 33 FFA chapters and five 4-H clubs from around the state participated. Hightower also said throughout the day Carrizozo received compliments on the improvements in the computer lab and the clean campus. Several people remarked that it was a quality contest.

The Carrizozo FFA may make a profit of \$1,200 on the contest. Hightower said it was a good experience to have Carrizozo remembered for something positive.

Teacher Alice Day and 8th

grade student Kayla Hammond presented information about the SQS, Strengthening Quality in Schools program, complete with a display.

The SQS adventure for the 8th grade, the class of 2001, began with surveys to determine what parents and students felt was needed to help improve the teaching and learning of the class of 2001.

Hammond said the program began with, "What qualities the class thought needed improvement." She said the grade point average (GPA) for the class went up and individual GPA's went up. She also said absences went down except for the last nine weeks when there were absences that were sports related.

Day said they hope improvements continue when the 8th grade moves out of the middle school next year and goes to high school.

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dragons?

Let us hope that the people of New Mexico reject this madness and opt for a return to reason, sanity and science.

Even the Pope, spiritual leader of the Roman Catholic Church, the largest Christian denomination on earth, has stated that there is nothing in evolution that conflicts with church teachings.

In other words, God may have created the heavens, the earth and all the creatures thereon, but evolution was the process He used.

Although I wrote this letter before the recent madness in California, it has some relevance.

How sad that those people, rather than learn to think for themselves and to study natural law, chose to sacrifice their lives to the delusions of a charismatic madman.

To borrow the words of Bob Dylan, "When will they (we) ever learn".

DONALD QUEEN
Carrizozo, NM

Roundhouse Rumbles . . .

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the bills involve.

Campos declared the 1997 legislative session a "mixed success." He credits the body for its approval of a prudent budget that emphasizes education and the approval of gaming. But he was disappointed with the failure to approve the prison construction plan and \$545,000 worth of construction projects in his Senate District 8. "This was a difficult session with many challenges," Campos said. "But with perseverance, hard work and a little bit of luck, we managed to make the best of it."

Campos summarized other legislative action: Budget—the legislature and governor agreed upon the state budget of nearly \$3 billion for the fiscal year which begins July 1. Nearly \$1.4 billion is for public schools, although funding for pay raises for teachers and other state workers was vetoed out by the governor on March 19.

Prison—The prison proposal that would have provided for construction of a 600-bed medium security prison in Santa Rosa and an 800-bed medium security prison in Hobbs died in the Senate in the final 24 hours of the session. Campos was optimistic the governor will use existing state law to build the prisons in Santa Rosa and Hobbs. On the final day, the governor indicated he would present information about this in the near future, but we've yet to see it.

Gambling—"The action (on gambling) came after years of debate and deliberation," said Campos, who served on the Senate Select Committee on Gaming during the last two sessions. "This was not an easy issue for many of the members of the legislature. It is my hope, that with this vote we have taken a step toward a stronger economy that recognizes the varied economic needs of our multi-cultural state," Campos said.

A Senate Bill of interest which passed is SB 1115 Amend WICHE program; those students on WICHE will be glad this one passed; now if the governor will sign it.

Some other bills of interest that were signed into law are: Drivers License Renewal Grace Period sponsored by Rep. Gary King (D-Moriarty) gives drivers license holders an extra 30 days to renew their licenses; Amend Beef Council sponsored by Rep. G. X. McSherry (D-Deming), restricts membership to the beef council to beef producers; Open Meetings Act and School Activities, sponsored by Rep. Raymond Sanchez (D-Albuquerque) will require local school organizations, such as boosters, to adopt annual open meetings-resolutions which state which day and time meetings will be held.

This reporter will not list all the measures which went to the governor for action, or ones that have been signed by the governor. If any reader would like to have a concordance, they need only call the Legislative Council Service, at (505) 986-4600 during regular business hours and request a Concordance to the 1997 session be mailed to the reader's address.

Roundhouse Rumbles will have its last column for the year on April 17, to update THE NEWS readers on the governor's actions by the April 11 deadline, and to give some final comments and details of the bills that became law in 1997.

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CAPITAN NOTES

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

Easter has come and gone like the wisp of an eyelash, but isn't that the way most holidays disappear after the days and days of anticipation and preparation? Then all of a sudden you have a few free moments on your hands and sometimes do not quite know what to do with them.

I spent my Easter Sunday with my dearest and closest friend, Agatha Long. She has been my dearest and closest friend for a long, long time and no pun intended for repeating the L O N G.

We do go back a long ways to be exact to the very onset of my settling into Capitan, against my wishes. It was the wishes of my offspring that decided that Capitan was the place for me. At first I felt dejected, deserted, disappointed and very depressed at what I left in Iowa City, Iowa.

How soon we adapt to Capitan and it's lovely and friendly people. How soon, almost that is, we almost forget that we were not natives of Lincoln County and find ourselves now sorta of kinda resenting the influx of other folks that have decided to make our little community their community also and so life goes on, as it should, new people with new ideas.

Easter Sunday dawned bright and clear and especially beautiful. Agatha and I attended services at Sacred Church at 9 a.m. That was a bit on the early side for both of us because we usually attend the brief services on Saturday evening.

As the crowd continued to pour in and as every available space was taken I kept looking at the handsome young man sitting next to me. Imagine my surprise when we stood to shake hands with everyone to realize that the handsome young man was Isidro Peralta and Isidro was one of the very first persons that I met 15 years ago when I first moved to Capitan.

Agatha and I stopped for an hour at my house by the side of the road and then drove on down to Lincoln where we had reservations for dinner at high noon. We were a bit on the early side and the place was hustling and bustling with Easter folks all wanting the same things, to be seated and to be served.

So we decided to examine the new little bar that has been opened up and it was lovely. Colleen Salazar was the beautiful hostess with the mostest and tall and handsome Joe came up and greeted us especially.

While we were "ooing" and "aahing" about the place that always evokes a lot of admiration from strangers and old timers alike, we visited with David and Charlotte Lee, both looking like they had discovered the fountain of youth and then in walked John West and Anne Buffington West and they looked like they were fresh from the big city. It was good to see and visit with all of them.

Then our table was called and we passed right by Capitan Municipal Judge Jack Johnson and his lovely wife and daughter, Chuck and Jane. It so happened that the day was not only Easter but it was Chuck's birthday as well, so they were having a double celebration. Each of them looking mighty spiffy.

We were just finishing our dinner when Preston and Willa Stone with their beautiful daughter Tracey and a friend David Worrell stopped

at our table. We prevailed upon them to join us as we were about to leave. It was a wonderful few moments and Willa has always been such a favorite person to me. I like her immensely. I have like her from the first time her late mother introduced her to me and such a pleasure to have them join us. She reported her father, who still resides in Roswell, is doing just fine. He was such a nice gentleman.

My, oh my, how the time flies and believe me when I say the older you get, the faster it flies.

We then returned to Capitan and visited an hour or so and soon another Easter Sunday had come and gone.

Dropped into Donna Keller's beautiful shop and as usual was almost completely overwhelmed. It is such a beautiful place and so many beautiful things to see. Natch I was in a hurry and could only spend a moment or so. She told me that Erin, Phil and Donna's daughter, is in graduate school in Corpus Christie and they spent Easter weekend with her. Erin is studying marine biology and will receive her Masters Degree in December. Erin is a 1992 graduate of Capitan High School and we are all very proud of her. Donna reported that she and her husband Phil had a wonderful time.

Just heard that Barbara Day and her daughter Beverly will be leaving our fair city soon and are moving to Texas. Barbara has been a medical investigator here in this area and we will all certainly miss her and her expertise. But Barbara, our best wishes and prayers go with you to your new residency and just don't forget your many friends here in Capitan. You can always come back for a visit, you know.

Saw Louie for a moment or two and all the news he had for me this week was the following list of birthdays celebrated at the center. So here's Louie's list: March 1, Virginia Danielson; March 4, Lois Aldrich and Nora Silva (those two never look a day older than the last time I saw them. How do you two do it? Had a bit of a visit with Nora Saturday, always such a pleasure to see her.); March 5 is the day set aside for Albert Paul and Fred Savedra to celebrate and we wish them well; Danny Peterson made his debut into society on the 9th of March and Nita Morris and Lester Magnone selected. March 11 for their debut; on March 15 Immogene Hall was born and Frances Lays chose the next date, March 16; Carol Thennes and Betty King both selected St. Patrick's Day, the 17th of March for their birthdays; and following the next day, the 18th, is the birthday of Asalia Freeman and our dear Maggie, also known as Margarito Trujillo; Jane Allred chose the 22nd; Joe Thennes chose the 23rd; Sherman Stewart the 25th; and the 27th was the selection for Steve Hezmell, Juanita Magnone and Lucy Sevredra; and ending the month of March were Marguerite Johnson on the 28th and Harvey Marcum on the final day, March 31st. And our congratulations to each of you and it is indeed a pleasure getting to know you.

And so for another week, sayonara and may the Good Lord keep you in His care. And will close with a bit of the Irish:

May the Strength of God protect us,
May the Wisdom of God instruct us,
May the Hand of God protect us,
May the Word of God direct us,
May the Salvation, O Lord,
Be always ours this day
and for evermore, Amen.

Written by Saint Patrick.

It's Daylight Savings Time again!
Set your clocks AHEAD one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday, April 6. Better yet, set them ahead before you go to bed on Saturday. Daylight Savings Time continues through the summer and ends the last weekend in October.

OBITUARY

Services for Lois B. Womack, 93, were held in Merkel, TX March 27. Formerly of Capitan, Mrs. Womack died in Lincoln, Nebraska following flu complications.

Mrs. Womack was born in Belton, TX March 8, 1904. She married Emmett S. Womack in Merkel on September 8, 1923.

They moved to Fort Stanton in 1930 where they both worked for the U.S. Public Health Service. Emmett Womack preceded her in death in February, 1997, also a son, Joe Don Womack in August, 1996.

Survivors include a daughter, Jenell and Joe Bills of Hubbard TX; three sons, J. Emmett and Carla of Redding, CA, L.T. and Ruth of Lincoln, NB, R. Edward and Ellen Fay of Capitan; a daughter-in-law Shelia, widow of Joe Don of Wrightwood, CA; 14 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews, including L.C. Cozens of Capitan, NM.

NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

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National Library Week
Special programs will be held at the Ruidoso Public Library for National Library Week. *Say it with Music* will be held from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. on April 16 and will be an hour of song, music and stories. All children age 6 and older are invited to attend. *Stories Around* will be held from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. April 17 and will be community friends share their favorite stories. Free refreshments and surprises will be at both sessions.

Service Medal Awarded
Army Capt. Samuel H. Hammond III has been decorated with the Meritorious Service Medal which is awarded for outstanding non-combat meritorious achievement in service to the United States.

Hammond is company commander of the U.S. Army Recruiting Company at Buffalo, NY. He is the son of Samuel H. Hammond Jr. of Picacho.

The Lincoln County News invites people to submit items of interest for the *News Around Lincoln County* column; including new residents, visitors, hospitalizations, vacations, birth announcements, news of former school students away at college, engagement announcements, wedding announcements, and general news. There is no charge.

Please mail news releases to P. O. Drawer 459, Carrizozo, NM 88301 or call Ruth at 648-2333 with your news items.

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Sheriff's Report

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

March 24:
9:27 p.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance at a location near mile marker 284 on Highway 70, where a seven year old boy with asthma was having trouble breathing. Hondo ambulance transported the boy to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.

10:48 p.m. a caller reported suspicious vehicles in front of a residence in Carrizozo. The caller believed the persons in the vehicle were dealing or doing drugs. Carrizozo police responded.

March 25:
1:24 a.m. an alarm company reported a fire alarm sounding at a museum in Lincoln. State police was notified, and Lincoln Fire Department was called. The call was canceled by the Lincoln fire chief as it was a false alarm.

8:01 a.m. state police requested an ambulance and wrecker at mile marker 141 on Highway 54 north of Carrizozo. An ambulance and

wrecker responded.
9:54 a.m. Corona schools reported an accident without injuries involving a school bus that occurred the night before. State police were notified.

12:18 p.m. Socorro State police requested assistance in stopping a gas skip in Socorro, which was headed to Lincoln County on Highway 380. The officer advised that the subject is armed and dangerous in a stolen vehicle. A deputy Carrizozo and Capitan police were notified. At 1:13 p.m. the deputy requested an ambulance. At 1:18 p.m. Carrizozo police requested a Medical Investigator. At 2:16 p.m. the OMI arrived for the subject who had killed himself at the traffic stop.

1:08 p.m. possible domestic violence at a location in Carrizozo. A male subject requested an officer regarding his mother. Carrizozo police responded.

2:31 p.m. a caller reported a tree down across the driveway onto the frontage road at mile marker 270 on Highway 70. State highway department was notified and responded and had the tree removed by 3:49 p.m.

3:13 p.m. Corona Village reported an accident without injuries involving a travel trailer and semi trailer at mile marker 127 on Highway 54 north of Corona. Two deputies responded and requested a wrecker.

3:35 p.m. the ski area requested the advanced life support ambulance for a 39 year old man with a lower leg injury. Ruidoso Advanced Life Support (RALS) responded and transported the patient to LCMC.

7:34 p.m. a 911 caller reported an accident without injuries five or 10 miles north of Corona on Highway 54. A subject was walking down the road toward Vaughn and no one was around the vehicle. Torrance County sheriff's office was notified.

11:47 p.m. Carrizozo police requested a motorist assist at a location 20 miles west of Carrizozo on Highway 380. A vehicle was out of gas and a citation was issued for no license. A deputy responded.

March 26:
1:46 a.m. Otero County Sheriff's Office advised of a shooting incident at Mesalero Inn. One man was down,

possibly shot. Ruidoso police were notified and later confirmed a person was shot.

2:55 a.m. Carrizozo police advised of an open door at a business. Another officer responded, and they advised the door was closed but they were unable to secure it.

5:02 a.m. Otero County Sheriff's office advised of a 911 call for an ambulance at a parking lot in Carrizozo. A 72 year old man had fallen in his motor home and dislocated his hip. Carrizozo ambulance and state police responded.

9:08 a.m. an ambulance was requested at a location on High Mesa for a subject who fell and broke a bone in his foot. Alto ambulance was paged, but requested RALS be called. RALS transported the patient to LCMC.

1:39 p.m. a 911 caller reported theft of firewood from a business location in Capitan. The caller advised a kid in an older green sedan was stealing wood from in front of the business. Capitan police responded, then advised they had arrested three subjects, and they were on their way to the detention center in Carrizozo.

2:06 p.m. a caller reported trespassers on a ranch in the Salazar Canyon area. Two male subjects were on motorcycles above the ranch headquarters. A deputy responded.

3:51 p.m. a caller reported trespassing at a ranch in the Hondo area. People were trespassing on the grandfather's ranch and they wouldn't leave. A deputy responded.

4:39 p.m. a caller requested a motorist assist in changing a tire at mile marker 106 on Highway 54. A wrecker responded.

5:22 p.m. a wrecker was requested on Mon Jeanu lookout road for a vehicle which was stuck. A wrecker was dispatched.

8:17 p.m. a caller requested a welfare check of a person at an apartment in Capitan. The caller hadn't been able to reach the person by phone. Capitan police were notified.

March 27:
A caller requested to speak to an officer about an incident with his daughter. A deputy took a report.

6:28 p.m. a caller requested to speak to a deputy regarding a forgery with a satellite system. A deputy was dispatched.

10:23 p.m. state police requested an ambulance at a business in Carrizozo for a woman who has passed out. Carrizozo ambulance responded and transported the patient to LCMC.

11:53 p.m. a caller in Carrizozo wanted her dog home, or she would file larceny charges. Carrizozo police were dispatched.

March 28:
7:04 a.m. a caller requested a wrecker for a vehicle which ran out of gas north of Carrizozo on Highway 54.

9 a.m. the ski area requested an officer to take a report about a woman who was bitten by a dog in the parking lot. The woman did not want anything to happen to the dog. The first aid station checked the woman out, and she advised she would not go to the hospital. The incident was handled by phone.

9:29 a.m. a 911 caller at a lodge in the Alto area, requested a deputy about problems with two bus loads of Mexican visitors. A deputy responded.

A visitor from Mexico advised of a stolen snow board on March 24. A report was taken.

1:37 p.m. a deputy advised of harassing phone calls in the Lincoln area.

3:30 p.m. a 911 caller requested an officer to check out a subject who was beating on and jumping up and down on a red truck at a business in Capitan. Capitan police responded and advised the beater was the owner of the truck.

4:17 p.m. a deputy advised

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First Baptist Church	Adult Sunday School..... 8:30 am
HAYDEN SMITH, pastor	Worship Service..... 9:15 am
314 10th Ave, Carrizozo, NM	Children's Sunday School..... 9:30 am
648-2968 (church) or 648-2107	Fellowship Time..... 10:15 am
Sunday School..... 9:45 am	Adult Sunday School..... 11:00 am
Worship Service..... 10:55 am	Choir Practice (Tuesday)..... 7:00 pm
Sun. Evening..... Training at 6:15 pm	Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday
Evening Worship..... 7:15 pm	Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group)
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm	1st and 3rd Tuesday..... 9:30 a.m.
Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)	Mountain Ministry Parish,
JOHNNIE L. JOHNSON, pastor	Sierra Blanca Presbytery
Corner of C Ave. & Thirteenth, 648-2186	DON & MARJORIE DANIELS, co-pastors
Sunday School..... 10:00 am	648-2650
Worship Service..... 11:00 am	Nogal Presbyterian Church:
Thursday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm	Worship..... 11:00 a.m.
Santa Rita Catholic Community	Ancho Community Presbyterian Church:
FR. DAVE BERGS, pastor	Worship..... 9:00 a.m.
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853	Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.
SATURDAY:	Corona Presbyterian Church:
Capitan Sacred Heart..... 5:00 pm	Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.
C'ozo Santa Rita..... 6:30 pm	Worship..... 11:00 a.m.
SUNDAY:	Adult Bible Study & Youth
Capitan Sacred Heart..... 9:00 am	Fellowship..... Wednesdays 6:00 p.m.
C'ozo Santa Rita..... 11:00 am	Christ Community Fellowship
Corona St. Theresa..... 4:00 pm	ED WINSON, pastor
Church of Christ	514 Smokey Bear Blvd./Capitan
PAUL WETZEL, minister	Inter-denominational
Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2998	Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School..... 10:00 am	Sunday Morning Worship..... 10:30 a.m.
Worship Service..... 11:00 am	Capitan Church of Christ
Evening Worship..... 6:00 pm	LESLIE EARWOOD, minister
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm	5th & Lincoln / 336-4827
St. Matthias Episcopal Church	Sunday Bible Study..... 10:00 a.m.
Rev. CYNTHIA WORTHINGTON	Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.
Corner of E Ave. & Sixth, Carrizozo, NM	Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.
258-3226	Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist..... 9:30 a.m. Sunday	Spirit of Life Apostolic
United Methodist Churches	Pentecostal Tabernacle
WARREN K. SCHOENECKER, pastor	ALLAN M. MILLER, pastor
Trinity - Carrizozo	209 Lincoln Ave, Capitan, NM
1000 D. Ave., 648-2893 / 257-5614	354-2025
Sunday School (All Ages)..... 10:00 am	Tuesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm
Worship Service..... 11:10 am	Sunday School..... 10:00 am
Choir Practice (Wednesday)..... 6:30 pm	Sunday Evening..... 6:00 pm.
United Methodist Men Breakfast	Trinity Southern Baptist Church
2nd Sunday..... 8:30 am	FLOYD GOODLOE, pastor
United Methodist-Women Every	Capitan (South on Highway 48)
3rd Wednesday..... 2:00 pm	354-3119
Fellowship Dinner Last Sunday of Month	Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.
..... 12:30 pm	Morning Worship..... 11 a.m.
	AWANA Wednesday..... 6:30 p.m.

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FORT STANTON

by Betty Lou Joiner

Everyone woke up last Tuesday morning to a big surprise with lots of snow falling and with the ground covered. Not too unbelievable as we always have this on Easter, just before or just after. Hope this will settle a lot of the dust that was blowing the day before.

Robin and I were glad to

see last Saturday afternoon as we worked by ourselves while Mike was gone for a week. He went to Albuquerque two days to begin working on the budgets for many of the NM offices. Sure hope he can increase the hours allotted, as we continue with lots of growth. The Farmer's Country Market just keeps getting busier and

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busier and bringing new folks to our little town.

Officers for the 1997 LCRC: Pres., Mike Hernandez; V.P., Tiger Stanbrough; Sec., Mary Prudencio; Treas., Tommie Turner; Board Members, Shane Parker and Cloyce Salazar, are very enthusiastic about serving the cowboys and cowgirls riding in the playdays this year. The playday dates schedule so far are: May 17, May 31, June 28, July 12, July 26, and August 16.

The clinics will begin at 8:00 a.m. If you are over the age of nine and have attended a clinic on speed events you are not required to attend. Anyone who is going to participate in the rough stock events or is under the age of nine must attend.

The books will close during the playdays at 8:30 for the stock; 10:30 for the roping events, and 12:30 for the timed events.

Membership dues will be collected on the first clinic held on April 12. An information sheet, by-laws and rules will be handed out when you pay these.

At the dance held last Saturday there was good music and lots of young men and women attending the first fund raiser. Scott Daniels was the lucky winner of the boots raffled off. Kersti found her two handsome young rough cowboys to dance with as soon as she entered the fair building. All night she was dancing with Wyatt Lindsay or Tammy Candalario's little boy. They made more steps than we could ever count. Dancing from 8:30 til 11:45 wore mom and dad out by just watching. Other fund raisers will be happening in the near future. Please support this great club and thanks to this year's officers for taking on the big job!!!

The Lincoln County Fair Board has some big preparations in the making for the 41st Annual Smokey Bear Stampede and the 5th Annual Old West Ranch Rodeo. Donations are hoping to be obtained from businesses with a banner representing your business to be displayed during the rodeos and other major events during the year.

If you would like to help out the community contact the following 1997 Fair Board officers for more information: President, Shorty Sanders; V.P., Jerry Burchett; Sec.-Treas., Allen Sultemeier; Board Members, Scott Daniels, Billie Bob Shafer, Frank Chavez, Craig Whipple, or Gerald Montes.



The first triangle stamp to be issued by the postal service has been a big seller. The pink and blue stamp is commemorating the big stamp show in San Francisco, CA. My third graders are planning to enter a contest with the writing of an essay by using stamps. Only 10 or 12 have chosen to try this but know they will do a great job. Anyone else interested can write the American Philatelic Society at P.O. Box 8000, State College, PA 16803 for an entry form and more information. Big cash prizes for the school will be given. The essay will be on the subject "Stamps: A Country's Messengers". The essay can address the subject generally or from the point of view of a specific message, such as how stamps promote positive values or combat national or international problems. Each

theme will be presented on eight pages, 8 1/2 by 11 inches. The theme must include 350 words and a minimum of 15 stamps. The age group is 8 to 12 years old. Know for a fact that stamps have millions of messages to send each year. Love, president info; endangered animals, kinds of flowers, state history, flags of all kinds are only a few.

The first two practices for the Sheriff's Posse parade unit will be April 5 and April 19 at 9:00 a.m. at the fair grounds.

Til next time I write. Motivation / Vision. (An old Chinese proverb): *If your vision is for a year, plant wheat. If your vision is for ten years, plant trees; If your vision is for a lifetime, plant people.*

Clement of Hanford, CA; and three nephews. Arrangements were

under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.



A.B. and Phyllis Zumwalt of Hondo will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary April 5 at Nogal Presbyterian Church from 2 to 4 p.m. hosted by their children, Buckley and Carol Zumwalt of Carrizozo, Shermana and Glen Philpott of Siloam Springs, Ark., Dunny and Clara Zumwalt of Las Cruces, Rusty and Mackie Zumwalt of Tinnie, Jack and Yvonne Zumwalt of Artesia. A.B. and Phyllis have 13 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. They were married April 16, 1947 in Ruidoso. A.B. is a self-employed mechanic and welder, semi-retired. Phyllis retired from the post office in September. They had a dairy farm in Estancia for a few years and have lived in Lincoln County in Nogal and Hondo.

OBITUARY

H. DON FARRIS

Funeral services for H. Don Farris, 63, of Ruidoso were April 2, at First Christian Church with the Rev. Bill Kennedy officiating. Burial followed at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Ruidoso.

Mr. Farris died March 28, at Lincoln County Medical Center. He was born August 28, 1933 near Ruidoso. He married Sandy Russell on March 14, 1971 in Las Vega, NV.

He is survived by his wife of 26 years, Sandy; daughter Lisa Anne Farris of Las Cruces; two step-daughters, Linda Rankin and Gail Prestegard both of Huntington Beach, CA; sister Geraldine

LEGALS

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo will hold their Regular Scheduled Meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 1997 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED IN ACCORDANCE with Resolution 96-12, 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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STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT LINCOLN COUNTY No. 26-02-97-0061 GC

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF RUIDOSO Plaintiff

vs. BOB DUGGER Defendant

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

On April 25, 1997 at 10:00 a.m. at the front steps of the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, Lincoln County, New Mexico, I will offer for sale and sell the below-described property to the highest bidder for cash or immediately available funds. Amounts due on the date of sale are \$5883.60 including interest at the rate of 20% per annum to date of sale, plus costs of sale estimated to be approximately \$250.00.

Said sale is pursuant to a judgment in the captioned cause filed October 29, 1996, in the Magistrate Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico wherein the following property was seized under a Writ of Execution by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department:

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- * 1 Emerson Computer Monitor Model 1400EM Serial #00904803
- * 1 Tandy DMP 202 Printer Model #2010 Serial #20451
- * 1 Quality Computer Keyboard Serial #19215
- * 1 Volks 6420 Phone modem Serial #04013
- * 1 JVC controller Serial #05500283
- * 32 Compact Discs
- * 1 Gold/Mother of Pearl Mens ring
- * 1 Turquoise/Silver Mens ring
- * 1 Gold/Black Onyx w/ diamond chip Mens ring
- * 1 Accutron Silver Watch

- * 1 Midland Color Television Serial #161000626
- * 1 Gray plastic toolbox w/misc tools
- * 3 Men's suits & trousers

TOM SULLIVAN Lincoln County Sheriff

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MEETING NOTICE

The Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee will hold a regularly scheduled Board meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 1997, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The meeting is open to the public, and will be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo. Agenda is available 24 hours prior to the meeting. Auxiliary sides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

MARTHA GUEVARA Assistant County Manager

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NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BID

NOTICE is hereby given that competitively 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, May 1, 1997, at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. Any bids received after the above date and time will be retained unopened.

* BID NO. 1996-17: RE-SURFACING ROADS IN FAWN RIDGE SUBDIVISION

* BID NO. 1996-18: RE-SURFACING COUNTY ROADS A-005 AND A-008

* BID NO. 1996-19: RE-SURFACING ROADS IN ALTO LAKES GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB SUBDIVISION

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, May 13, 1997.

Specifications are available at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, or by calling Martha Guevara at 605/648-2385.

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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MEETING NOTICE

The Lincoln Historic Preservation Board will hold a regularly scheduled Board meeting on Tuesday, April 15, 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 Guevara 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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REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Captain-Carrizozo Natural Gas is accepting sealed bids for a 3M Personal Copier with stand, one paper tray, and five ink cartridges.

The copier may be seen at the business office at 217 Lincoln in Capitan, NM between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. A minimum bid of \$50.00 will be

required.

Reference "Copier" on the outside of the sealed envelope and deliver it to the business office or mail it to: Kay Strickland, Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas, P.O. Box 540, Capitan, NM 88316.

Sealed bids will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 11, 1997 and will be awarded on Wednesday, April 16, 1997 at the monthly board meeting of the Board of Directors.

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Carrizozo Lodger's Tax Advisory Board will hold their regular scheduled meeting April 10, 1997, at 1:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 88301.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED IN ACCORDANCE with Resolution 96-12, Twenty-Four hours prior to meeting date and made available to the public.

PAT VOSS, Secretary-Treasurer Carrizozo Lodger's Tax Advisory Board

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LEGAL NOTICE

CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS NOTICE OF SPECIAL BUDGET HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Education of Capitan School District #28, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, will on Thursday, April 17, 1997, 7:00 p.m., MDT, at the Capitan School Board Room, present and publicly review a budget increase for the 1996-97 fiscal year.

This is a public hearing and all school patrons are invited to attend. Done at Capitan, New Mexico, this 13th day of March 1997.

CAPITAN BOARD OF EDUCATION Beverly Payne-Calaway President

ATTEST: Freda McSwane, Secretary

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CARRIZOZO FFA TEAMS won first in district competition on March 21 in Alamogordo. First place district wool team members are (on back from left) Rob Shafer, Bryan Hightower, Mary Beth Bond and Mollie Hightower. On the front row from left are first place Horticultural Produce team members Katie Hightower and Keri Shafer. Other Horticultural team members are Mollie Hightower and Mary Beth Bond; Cheyenne Dixon (front on right) was high point individual in Horse judging at the recent Moriarty Invitational. The students will compete at the state FFA event this weekend in Las Cruces.

Carrizozo FFA Heads To State

By Doris Cherry
Carrizozo FFA teams headed to Las Cruces Wednesday to participate in the four day state FFA Career Development Events at New Mexico State University.

Carrizozo's district winning wool and horticultural produce teams will try for state honors at the state event. The wool team of Rob Shafer, Bryan Hightower, Mollie Hightower and Mary Beth Bond and the horticultural produce team of Katie

Hightower, Keri Shafer, Mollie Hightower and Bond both won first place at the district competition in Alamogordo on March 21.

Carrizozo FFA member Cheyenne Dixon also competed as high point individual in horse judging at the Moriarty Invitational.

Other Carrizozo teams competing at the event are: meats—Keri Shafer, Eli Avila, Cheyenne Dixon and Jordan Dixon; livestock—C. Dixon, J. Dixon, Lane Dixon, Patrick

Hightower and Branden Langley; horse—C. Dixon, J. Dixon, L. Dixon, P. Hightower and Langley; entomology—R. Shafer, B. Hightower and M. Hightower; pasture and range—Adrian Goad, Robert James, Matt Offutt and Jason Harks; ag mechanics—A. Goad, James, Offutt and Harke; wildlife—Briton Goad, Eldon Offutt, Eli Avila.

The awards program for the judging events is set for 9 a.m. Saturday, April 5, at Corbett Center Ballrooms.

CORONA NEWS

At 11:00 a.m. Saturday, April 5 the children of Fred Lackey will host a 90th birthday party for him at the Cedarvale Piggott Building. In place of a gift, bring your favorite covered dish to share. Bread, meat, drinks and the birthday cake will be furnished. All are invited to attend. Fred's birthday is actually April 9.

Kelly Brewer and sons, Max and Seth, spent several days last week with the Gibbs and Fullers. It was the boys' spring break.

Alva Winchester spent three days last week with the Dickie Winchesters. He probably enjoyed the snow after the fall and winter in Arizona.

Helen and Allen Campbell stopped Thursday evening. They had spent the month of March in Alamogordo with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Campbell. Thursday they were returning to Alamogordo after putting a daughter and grandson on a plane in Albuquerque for their Denver home. The Allen Campbells managed an RV campground in Florence, AZ from September through February, and Saturday left for San Diego to attend an RV convention and visit Allen's aunt, the former Felma Belzer. They will be joined by another couple who will travel with them up the coast to Vancouver, British Columbia. There they will check weather conditions and decide when to

continue to Alaska and to a point above the Arctic Circle. Retirement is great fun.

In spite of the very cold weather the Easter Sunrise services were inspirational to all who attended. The big bonfires and hot drinks were appreciated. The Reverend John Spruill brought the message on Wade Hill, and Brother Don Hamilton, Duran, spoke at Cedarvale. Milton Romans had built a large rugged cross from a beam out of a nearby building,

and someone had placed lilies at the foot of the cross. There were three mocking birds in an old dead tree and they sang their little hearts out as the humans did. The music was beautiful. This Cedarvale service is to be an annual tradition.

Sue, Patsy and Janey came to help their brother, Jerry Sharp with the shearing while their mother, Leta Sharp, was in Arcadia, OK with the Les Sharps.

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New Carrizozo School

The *Friend of Education* award was presented to Linda Greer. She helps with education, teachers, students, etc. The draft policy: board protocols on roles and lines of communication was presented

to the board for review. Action may be taken at the April meeting. The board accepted the donation of books for the library from Mikki Kirton, a new resident of Carrizozo.

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The board accepted a donation from Faye Garcia of circus tickets for boys athletics. Garcia was noted as being a number one fan.

School superintendent Paula Papponi presented information about the quality of education survey, which goes out to all parents each year. The board may make suggestions for five questions to be included in the survey. Five questions may be added by the school sites; elementary, middle school, and high school. The suggested questions are due at the April meeting.

Tentative dates for the budget workshop are April 17 and 24 at 6 p.m.

Board members discussed getting a cellular phone for district/school use. The board agreed the school needs to look into some form of emergency communication.

Calling areas and prices from three different cell phone companies were discussed. Board members Eldon Offutt, Steve Harkey and Gray Gallacher are to check with three different companies for information and present it at a later meeting. They will check to see if any of the cell phone companies offer a governmental rate for schools.

Papponi publicly thanked the school board for attending the school board institute.

Tony Hamby was named staff member of the month.

School principal Randall Earwood presented information about the science fair. Senior Katie Hightower was a winner.

School librarian Gerald Horacek reported on the recent book fair. He said students bought more than \$1,000.00 worth of books and the school will receive \$800.00 in books free.

Earwood presented a textbook adoption update. A textbook adoption committee includes all elementary and middle school teachers, a representative from the high school and a parent.

The committee has spent the last several months reviewing and evaluating each publisher and hopes to make recommendations at the next school board meeting. After spring break all samples will be displayed in the board room.

After a closed session to discuss personnel, the board accepted the resignation of Doug Jarrard as history and Spanish instructor. Jarrard plans to retire.

The board also approved a correspondence course for a student as presented.

Property Valuations

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property. The exemptions are listed in fine print on the back of the notice of valuation. On the back property owners also are asked to list the number of livestock on the property.

"If a property owner has not received a notice of value, the individual should contact the assessor's office. It is the taxpayer's obligation to find out why he or she did not receive a notice," Serna said.

This year, property owners in the Ruidoso-Alto-Capitan area may find changes in the value of their lands and homes. Some areas of the county increased greatly in value. In some of the Ruidoso-Alto neighborhoods, property values increased by 50 percent. The re-appraisal is based on market values. "We locate, identify, and put a fair market value on the property," Whittaker said. "That's our duty."

Taxpayers who want to protest the valuations listed on the notice should contact the assessor's office for a "protest form." The form must be returned to the assessor's office by April 30. Serna said she would be glad to set up appointments with property owners at their locations if needed. "Mostly call my office for more information about the values," she added.

Property owners should also check their property description, address, exemptions and valuation descriptions listed on the front of the notice. If there are any changes on the notice, or if changes need to be made, the property owner should contact the assessor's office before April 30.

Taxable value of property is

only one-third the full appraised value of the property and improvements. And the appraised values are always two years behind, Whittaker said. "The value you will read on the notice was the full value as the property was worth in January 1995," he said.

In June, the assessor's office must send the county's valuation to the New Mexico Property Tax Department. That department then sets the property tax rates based on county levies, school levies, general obligation bond levies, and other taxes. About the second week of September, the state sets the property tax rates.

"Property owners need to look at the notice," Serna said.

"This is not a tax bill. If you feel it is unfair, then prove us wrong," Whittaker added.

Property taxes do not all go to the county. Many of these taxes go to the municipalities, Whittaker said. For instance, last year in 1996, 30 percent of the property taxes collected in Carrizozo went to the town, 31 percent when to the school, the county received 24 percent and the state received five percent, the Medical Center received nine percent. In Ruidoso in 1996, 42 percent of the taxes collected went to the village, and the school received 22 percent.

Each year taxes can change because of bond issues approved for municipalities, schools or the state, or because of improvements.

Property owners with questions should contact Serna's office at 648-2306 before April 30.

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LEGALS

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 26, 1996, Ruidoso Downs Racing, Inc., P.O. Box 448, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88346, filed application No. H-381 into H-272 at al (T) with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to temporarily change location of well, place and purpose of use of 30.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater by ceasing the diversion of said waters from the following described shallow wells:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-381	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	20	11 S.	14 E.
H-381-S	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	29	11 S.	14 E.
H-381-S-2	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	29	11 S.	14 E.

and ceasing the use of said waters for domestic and irrigation purposes at the race track in parts of Sections 20 and 29, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M. The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of said 30.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater from the following described shallow wells:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-272	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	38	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	25	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-2	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	2	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-3	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	2	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-4	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	11	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-5	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	14	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-6	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	15	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-7	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	10	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-8	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	14	11 S.	13 E.

to be used for municipal purposes in the Village of Ruidoso water distribution system.

This is a temporary application for a period of five years, with all rights to revert to the original points of diversion, place and purpose of use on or before October 31, 2001, subject to an earlier reversion by written request of the applicant.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The protest or objections shall be in writing and shall set forth specific reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Thomas C. Turney, State Engineer, 1900 W. Second Street, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, not later than ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Valid objections or protests must be legible, signed and include a complete mailing address. If no valid objection or protest is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application for impairment to existing water rights, public welfare of the state and conservation of water within the state prior to final disposition of the application.

cc: Santa Fe
C/RRR No.: P 067 543 207

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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 18, 1997, Eagle Creek Inter-Community Water Supply Association, Inc., P.O. Box 1076, Alto, New Mexico 88312, filed application No. 0178 & 783 into H-686 et al, with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change point of diversion from surface to groundwater by ceasing the diversion of 500.0 acre-feet per annum of surface waters of Eagle Creek, which has its point of diversion located in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 31, Township 10 South, Range 18 East, N.M.P.M., and supplemental shallow wells H-1497 located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 31, Township 10 South, Range 18 East, N.M.P.M., and H-1497-S located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 31, Township 10 South, Range 18 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant proposes use of the following existing wells:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-685	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	8	9S	14E
H-685-S	Blk. 24, Original Capitan Townsite	10	9S	14E
H-685-S-2	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	18	9S	15E
H-685-S-3	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	12	9S	14E

for the diversion of 500.0 acre-feet per annum of groundwater for municipal purposes within the Village of Capitan.

Eagle Creek Inter-Community Water Supply Association, Inc. will enter a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Geological Survey to install a surface water gauging station below the confluence of Government Spring with the Rio Bonito to assure a sufficient flow of surface water within the Rio Bonito to provide irrigation water supply for downstream surface water rights diverted from the Rio Bonito.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The protest or objections shall be in writing and shall set forth specific reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Thomas C. Turney, State Engineer, 1900 W. Second Street, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, not later than ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. If no valid objection or protest is filed, the state engineer will evaluate the application for impairment to existing water rights, public welfare of the state, and conservation of water within the state.

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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 20, 1997, Sun Mountain, Inc., P.O. Box 1948, Hobbs, NM 88240, filed application No. H-694-S-2 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to drill a supplemental shallow well 8 inches in diameter and approximately 600 feet in depth, at a point in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 30, Township 10 South, Range 14 East or in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 25, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., for the purpose of supplementing the following existing shallow wells:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-694	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	30	10S	14E
H-694-S	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	30	10S	14E

for the continued diversion of up to 193.2 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for subdivision, domestic, and golf course purposes for Lincoln Hills County Club Subdivision, located as follows:

Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
Pt. SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	25	10S	13E
Pt. W $\frac{1}{4}$	29	10S	14E
Pt.	30	10S	14E

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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 18, 1996, Ruidoso Downs Racing, Inc., c/o Atkins Engineering Associates, Inc., P.O. Box 3156, Roswell, NM 88202-3156, filed application No. 01315 & H-381-Comb-Set al (T) with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to temporarily supplement existing surface diversion, under State Engineer Office File No. 01315 and the following existing shallow wells:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-381	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	20	11S	14E
H-381-S	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	29	11S	14E
H-381-S-2	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	29	11S	14E

by using the following existing shallow wells:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-53	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	20	11S	14E
H-53-S	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	29	11S	14E
H-54	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	30	11S	14E
H-55	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	29	11S	14E
H-56	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	30	11S	14E

for the continued diversion of up to 144.032 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater, used for domestic and commercial horse operation purposes at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Facilities located in Sections 20 and 29, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., and for the irrigation of 15.6 acres of land described as part of the E $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 30, and part of the W $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 29, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M.

This is a temporary application subject to expiration on Nov. 1, 2004.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The protest or objections shall be in writing and shall set forth specific reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Thomas C. Turney, State Engineer, 1900 W. Second St., Roswell, New Mexico 88201, not later than ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. If no valid objection of protest is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application for impairment to existing water rights, public welfare of the state and conservation of water within the state.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Village of Capitan Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on April 14, 1997 at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall Bldg. The purpose of the public hearing is to discuss the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) objectives. The CDBG program will 1) Benefit Principally Low and Moderate Income Persons. 2) Aid in the Prevention or Elimination of Slums or Blight. 3) Meet other Community Development Needs Having a Particular Urgency because Existing Conditions Pose a Serious and Immediate Threat to the Health or Welfare of a Community Where Other Financial Resources Are Not Available to Meet Such Needs. The CDBG Program will allow localities to apply for assistance under seven funding categories; 1) Community Infrastructure. 2) Housing. 3) Public Service Capital Outlay. 4) Economic Development. 5) Emergency. 6) Planning. 7) Colonias. The CDBG Program will be discussed in length. The public is encouraged to attend. /s/ DEBORAH CUMMINS Clerk-Treasurer, CMC Village of Capitan
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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 21, 1996, C.S. McCrossan, Inc., P.O. Box 1717, Las Cruces, NM 88004, filed application numbered T-3116 (T) with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to appropriate a total of 30 acre-feet of ground water during calendar years 1997 and 1998 within the Tularosa Underground Water Basin in Socorro County by use of a well 975 feet in depth with 6-inch casing, located in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 19, Township 6 South, Range 8 East, N.M.P.M., for highway construction purposes under NMSHTD Project No. TFM-380-1(30)39 US 380 Reconstruction across Sections 8, 9, 13, 14 and 15, all in Township 6 South, Range 7 East and Sections 18, 19, 20 and 28, Township 6 South, Range 8 East, all in Socorro County.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The protest or objections shall be in writing and shall set forth specific reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Thomas C. Turney, State Engineer, 1900 W. Second Street, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, not later than ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. If no valid objection or protest is filed, the state engineer will evaluate the application for impairment to existing water rights, public welfare of the state, and conservation of water within the state.

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tions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The protest or objection shall be in writing and shall set forth all protestant's or objector's reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 133 Wyatt Drive, Suite 3, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. If no valid protest is filed, the state engineer will evaluate the application for impairment to existing water rights, public welfare of the state and conservation of water within the state.

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LEGAL

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
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NEW MEXICO

No. CV-96-12

UNITED STATES)
OF AMERICA, ACTING)
THROUGH RURAL)
ECONOMIC AND)
COMMUNITY)
DEVELOPMENT,)
f/a FARMERS HOME)
ADMINISTRATION,)
UNITED STATES)
DEPARTMENT)
OF AGRICULTURE,)

Plaintiff,

vs.

McCULLOUGH)
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FOXWORTH-)
GALBRAITH, INC.,)
AND BUCKNER)
ELECTRIC,)

Defendant(s).

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on April 16, 1997, at 10:00 a.m., at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all

the right, title and interest of the above-named defendants and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Lot 4, Block 13 of Pinecliff, Unit 4, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown on the Amended Plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on August 7, 1967, in Tube No. 284; SUBJECT TO: All outstanding easements, rights-of-way, mineral leases, mineral reservations and mineral restrictions of record

The address of the real property is 121 Reese Drive Box 15, Ruidoso, New Mexico. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on December 9, 1996, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by the above plaintiff and wherein plaintiff was adjudged to have a

lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$51,454.46, plus interest from October 16, 1996 to the date of sale at the rate of 8.00% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance or keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. Defendants Foxworth-Galbraith, Inc. and Buckner Electric have valid liens against the Property, subject only to the lien of the Plaintiff.

At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, assessments, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.
Dated: March 13th, 1997.

NICK VEGA
Special Master
P.O. Box 383
Carrizozo, NM 88301
505/448-2217

Published in the Lincoln County News on March 20 and 27, and April 3 and 10, 1997.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lincoln County Road Review Committee has rescheduled their meeting to Monday, April 7, 1997. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. at the White Oaks Bar parking lot and proceed from there to view the White Oaks streets proposed for vacation. The Committee will then proceed to Loma Grande Acres to view the cul-de-sac proposed for vacation. They will then proceed to Dear Park Woods Subdivision to view the fire escape easement proposed for vacation. Roads proposed are as follows:

- 1.) White Oaks: a. Jicarilla Street from Willow Street past Jefferson Street to end of Jicarilla Street.
- b. The alley north of Jicarilla Street between Block D and 54 and between Block E and Block 55 to end of alley.
- c. The alley in Block 40 and the alley in Block 41.
- d. Jefferson Street between Blocks 55 and 58.

2.) Loma Grande
a. The cul-de-sac at the end of El Vado Road between Tract 3 and Lot 13A, Block 3 of Loma Grande Acres, Unit 3.

3.) Dear Park Woods:
a.) Easement adjoining Lots 168, 169, 170, and 171 and a portion of lots 178 and 177, Unit 9, Dear Park Woods Subdivision.

POSTED ON OFFICIAL BULLETIN BOARDS AND KBUY RADIO,
Published in the Lincoln County News on Thursday, April 3, 1997.

JUAN LOPEZ,)
Petitioner,)
vs.)
CYNTHIA LOPEZ,)
Respondent.)

NOTICE OF SUIT
THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: Cynthia Lopez.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that there is now pending in the 12th Judicial District Court, Lincoln County Court House, Carrizozo, New Mexico, a lawsuit in which Juan Lopez is the Petitioner and you are the Respondent. The general object of the suit is a divorce, including an equitable division of community property and community debts, and attorney's fees to be awarded against you.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that unless you file a responsive pleading or motion before May 29, 1997, judgment will be rendered in this cause against you by default.

The attorney for Petitioner is Patricia S. Ortiz, 301 Mechem #5, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345, 505-257-3525.

Alice Baca Baxter
Court Administrator
By: /s/ Joy Leslie
Deputy
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Lincoln County News

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2tc/Mar. 20 & 27

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SANITATION WORKER I Lincoln County Solid Waste is accepting applications for Sanitation Worker I, full-time and part-time Temporary Positions available. Apply in person at Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, 222 2nd Street in Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico. Position closes, Friday, April 4, 1997 at 5:00 p.m. LCSWA is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
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FUND RAISER
Carrizozo Fire Dept., CHEESE ENCHILADA SUPPER, Friday, March 28 at Zia Senior Center, 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. \$4.00 adults, \$3.00 seniors and kids. Proceeds for annual Fireworks Display.
1tc/Mar. 27

HELP WANTED: at Outpost Bar and Grill. Cook, utility person, and cleaning person, three positions open. Contact Harold at 648-9994, mornings.
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FOR SALE: '75 Ford Club Wagon Van, looks good, runs bad; as is \$700 OBO; '79 Datsun P/U runs good, \$750 OBO; '78 Datsun P/U w/fiberglass topper, needs carb repair, \$600 OBO; Buy 2 get 3rd FREE. '76 Datsun P/U motor in back. Call 354-2673.
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Good solid competition horses for sale at all times for barrels, poles, roping. (505) 653-4098.
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NOTICE OF EMPLOYMENT
Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo is now accepting applications for a Certified Lifeguard for the Jane Turner Memorial Pool. Job Descriptions and applications may be obtained at City Hall. Deadline for applications is April 4, 1997 at 4:00 p.m. The Town of Carrizozo is E.O.E. in compliance with ADA Title II-A.
MARGARET LABELLE
Deputy Clerk
Town of Carrizozo
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WANTED: The Town of Carrizozo is now accepting applications for a full time Certified Police Officer. Applicant must reside within Town Limits of Carrizozo upon employment. A complete job description and applications are available at City hall located at 100 4th Street. Deadline for submitting applications is, April 11, 1997 at 4:00 p.m. The Town of Carrizozo is an Equal Opportunity Employer in compliance with ADA.
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Free Tree Seedlings Available Saturday

Free tree seedlings will be available through Congressman Steve Schiff's free tree give-away day this Saturday. These free tree seedlings can be planted anywhere, but elevation limits do apply to some species.
The native species available will be Netleaf Hackberry, New Mexico Olive, and Gambel Oak. The non-native species are Bur Oak, Shumard Oak, and Afghanistan Pine.
The free bare root tree seedlings will be at the Indian Cultural Center on 12th St. N.W., just north of I-40, in Albuquerque Saturday, April 5 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Call Pat Gooch at Tree New Mexico, 505-265-4554 for more information or to make arrangements to set up a day between April 7 and 11 to pick up the free tree seedlings if unable to go Saturday.

Sheriff's Report

(Continued from Page 7)

of drugs and juveniles at the industrial park in Carrizozo. The officer advised he had a vehicle stopped and he had confiscated an ounce or less of marijuana. Another deputy responded, and advised he was taking two juveniles home and dispatch needed to advise a parent to pick up his son.
5:28 p.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance at a business in Carrizozo for a 28 year old man who had hurt his back. Carrizozo ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.
5:59 p.m. an officer was requested at a business in Carrizozo for a person who was locked out of vehicle. Carrizozo police responded.
6:37 p.m. an alarm company advised of a motion sensor going off at a location in Alto. Two deputies responded and advised all was okay, a mouse had set it off.
7:42 p.m. a deputy and Carrizozo police advised of a traffic stop on Highway 380 near the golf course. The driver's license check revealed the person was a wanted subject.
8 p.m. a deputy advised of a woman who wanted to talk to an officer about an assault with a deadly weapon. Another deputy responded.
8:28 p.m. a 911 caller reported an accidental shooting at a location in Lower Eagle Creek. The victim was unloading his vehicle when his pistol fell out and discharged, hitting the victim in the side. Alto ambulance, two deputies and a state police officer responded. The subject was taken to LCMC.
March 29:
9:50 a.m. a caller reported a dog running loose in Carrizozo, and the dog was aggravating her two chained dogs and was chasing her horse. Carrizozo police responded.
10:31 a.m. a caller reported two out of service vehicles on the Claunch highway. The two pickups had signs which read "call police". A deputy responded.
10:35 a.m. a caller reported a male subject had a campfire right next to Highway 48, and he was smoking a pipe. Ruidoso police were notified.
11:31 a.m. a caller reported she was locked out of her vehicle at a house in Carrizozo. Carrizozo police responded.
3:01 p.m. Bonito Lake security advised of trespassers, and requested a deputy to assist him with the trespassers who wouldn't leave the location by the roadway at a store near Bonito lake. A deputy responded.
5:09 p.m. a male subject walked into the Ruidoso Police department and asked to talk to a deputy about a domestic incident in the Sun Valley area. A deputy responded.
5:56 p.m. a 911 caller reported possible harassment at a location on High Mesa. A caller needed a deputy to talk to a woman about kids and people harassing her. A deputy responded.
7:10 p.m. a caller reported a dog bite. A little boy needed to talk to a Capitan officer, and the mother advised she would watch the little girl who was bitten and take her in to the hospital by private vehicle if needed. Capitan police responded.
7:40 p.m. a deputy advised of a neighbor dispute at a ranch in the Glencoe area. Two other deputies responded.
8:24 p.m. 911 was called, then hung up. Dispatch called back and an elderly woman advised she had made the first 911 call and it was hung up. She advised she was having problems with a grandson, then she hung up. Dispatch tried the number again, but it kept ringing with no response. Capitan police responded and

advised there was a little dispute on a card game.
9:37 p.m. a caller advised of an assault and battery at a location in the Corona area, but the caller did not want to file charges now, but would if it happened it again.
March 30:
3:04 a.m. a caller requested a ride from Sierra Blanca Airport to her residence, because her vehicle had broken down. A deputy responded.
3:08 a.m. a caller requested animal control at a location on the south side of Capitan. The caller wanted an officer to do something about his neighbor's dogs which had been barking for the last three nights. The caller didn't know if the dogs were being taken care of because the owner was out of town. He requested something be done, or he would take matters into his own hands. At 6:43 a.m. the man called again and advised the dogs were still at it and his patience was wearing thin. Capitan police advised they left a message on the owner's machine that if the message wasn't returned by that evening, they would pick up the dogs and take them to the pound.
9:39 a.m. a caller reported a dog running loose in Palo Verde Slopes. The dog was in her yard and was harassing her dogs. A deputy responded.
10:29 a.m. a caller advised of six to eight horses headed toward Highway 380 at mile marker 96. Possible owners were called, and the caller finally advised he had herded the horses away from the road and down to the river where they were headed east.
11:46 a.m. a caller reported people shooting crows out of the trees in Gavilan Canyon. The caller wanted a deputy to check out the situation. The deputy responded, and requested a background check of three subjects. One had two outstanding warrants out of Roswell for failure to appear and possession of marijuana under one ounce.
12:10 p.m. a caller requested an officer to help a person who was locked out of a vehicle in Capitan. Capitan police responded.
5:15 p.m. a deputy advised he had made a traffic stop that resulted in a driver's license check that revealed the license was revoked with an arrest clause. The deputy arrested the subject at the location on Highway 54 on the south part of Carrizozo, and transported the subject to the sheriff's office.
6:09 p.m. a caller from Chickasee OK, requested a welfare check of two subjects in Gavilan Canyon. A deputy responded, found the people and advised they were okay, they would call their daughter after dinner. Dispatch called the daughter and advised her all was okay, and they would call after dinner.
6:15 p.m. Otero County Sheriff's Office advised of an out of service vehicle at mile marker 142 on Highway 54. A deputy and a wrecker responded.

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Corona News (Continued from Page 9)

Tommy and Melissa Mulkey bought the Crown Cafe from Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Joy. They have closed the cafe this week for a paint job and will reopen for business April 7. Melissa will remain temporarily with Cortez Gas Co., and Tommy will stay with his State Highway job.

Easter weekend guests of Mrs. Pauline McCloud, Cedarvale, included the Bob Burroughs and Gayle and Matthew May of Corona; Chip and Elaine O'Dell and children from Logan; and Jennifer from Chattanooga, TN; Randy and Crystal McCloud from La Luz; Rebecca and Scott Dean and son Cody of Albuquerque. This week the O'Dells and Mrs. McCloud are visiting in the four corners area.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Kimball of Albuquerque, and Scott Kimball of Phoenix came for the weekend with Mrs. Robin Pfeiffer who returned with them to Albuquerque Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Pfeiffer planned to see her doctor Monday, visit with Ken Roberts in Belen Tuesday, and return home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harelson had their daughter, Peggy, and grandson here for a week while Jonathan was on spring break and Peggy rested after a bout with the flu. The Harelsons took them home to T or C and remained with them through Easter Sunday.

Here for dinner and church Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Yancey and Mrs. Bernice McCord, were Crystal and Charley Lueras, Angie and Russell Lueras and their friends, Amy and Joe.

Mrs. L. K. Merritt returned early Tuesday from Fort Sumner where she saw her doctors and visited with family members.

Bob Burroughs returned Friday night from Ute, Iowa where he spent a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Burroughs. Mrs. Burroughs is recovering from cataract surgery. Mr. Burroughs remains hospitalized but is said to be better.

John Holman, Post Falls, Idaho was here for two weeks visiting with his sister, Linda Powell, and repairing another sister's house, the former

Knights of Pythias building.

Crown CowBelles will meet at 11:30 a.m. Monday, April 14. Steve Patton, Melrose artist, will give the program.

Corona del Rey Aglow will meet at the school rec room at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, April 12. Tamara Sawyer of Albuquerque will speak. Mrs. Sawyer is from Father's Heart Ministry.

Gilbert Bryan of Hobbs and daughter Rebecca were here for Easter with Flora Lee Bryan and the Bill Bryans.



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Municipal Judge Report

Municipal judge Bill Meeks judicial report for February included three warrants (bench/criminal), 17 summons issued, 61 cases docketed, one marriage performed, three licenses pulled and one day jail time used.

Financial summary for February: \$1,847.00 general fund fines levied and \$686.00 court costs levied; \$2,795.00 general fund collections, \$756.00 court costs collected, and \$355.00 community service worked, \$239.00 time payment owed, and \$1,156.00 unpaid February assessments. Community service \$350.00 is also owed.

Total fees paid to the town for disbursement include \$540.00 correction fees, \$162.00 court automation, and \$54.00 judicial education.



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Ruidoso Manager Reports On Vision For Ruidoso's Future

by Ruth Hammond

Ruidoso Village Manager Gary Jackson reported to the village council at the March 25 meeting that the area is experiencing growth.

Jackson presented a report on the Visioning Process; A "Vision for Ruidoso's Future." He said the November 1996 issue of *Snow Country* magazine listed Lincoln County as number nine out of the top 12 fastest growing counties in the "Snow Country" region, consisting of counties in Utah, Colorado, Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Montana and New Mexico.

Jackson said the time has come to establish a community "vision", a process of structured public input, collaboration and community consensus building on a variety of issues, beginning with the identification of the core values of the community.

Jackson will be proposing to the mayor and council to implement a visioning process in the immediate future. He said the most valuable resource in any society is its people. Thus it is the people of Ruidoso that make this community work and will define Ruidoso's future.

Also during the meeting, mayor Jerry Shaw announced that anyone interested in serving on a board or commission should call village hall. There are vacancies on the airport board, cemetery board, labor relations board, scenic byways committee and planning commission.

The report from the solid waste committee was presented. There were 160 responses to the solid waste survey.

Councilor Robert Donaldson said the negotiating committee of councilor Bob Sterchi, Donaldson and Jackson had

tried to set up a meeting with the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) board or representatives from the LCSWA board and no meeting has been scheduled.

Consent regular items were approved:

--schedule a public hearing for April 29 for zone map amendment, lots 1-5, block 3, Forest Heights Subdivision to change zoning from C-2, community business to M-1, low density mobile home;

--resolution 97-10 adopting the disadvantaged business assistance program for all contracts involving activities with airport development grant assistance under the federal aviation administration (FAA);

--memorandum of understanding (MOU) for the non-directional beacon facility at Sierra Blanca Regional Airport. The agreement is for the operation and maintenance of the facility and provides instructions for aircraft accident/incident procedures and the date for the facility as well as the contact persons for the FAA, the maintenance technician, and the sponsor;

--awarded the bid for reconstruction of the vehicle maintenance building to low bidder Diamond Y Construction from Roswell. The low bid was in the amount of \$87,000 with alternate one for built in cabinets and desks being \$8,900.00 and alternate two for radiant heating instead of forced air in the garage part being \$3,300.00.

The architect reviewed the bids and recommended the council award the contract base bid plus the two alternates in the amount of \$106,082.01, including tax.

Funding for the project is from insurance money. Fire

had destroyed much of the building in the spring of 1995. Five contractors submitted bids. The village received a protest from a competitor and the claim was unfounded;

--authorized out of state travel for the chief of police to go to Phoenix, Arizona to attend the Rocky Mountain Information (Network executive board meeting May 27, 28 and 29);

--accepted a donation from Holloman Air Force Base (AFB) of an F4 Aircraft for static display at the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport;

--application for a \$9,000.00 commission grant from the United States Justice Department. The grant will provide funding for a part-time crime victim reparation worker in the police department. Funding comes from fines and assessments from federal violators and does not utilize state tax dollars. The cost to the village is in-kind and the village's only commitment is to provide a work space for the part-time employee. The one year grant is renewable at the discretion of the village.

Commissioners Approve . . .

(Con't. from P. 2)

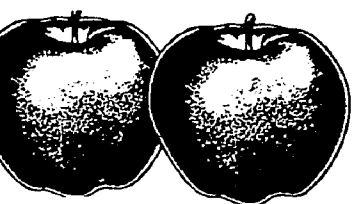
addition to the state funding, the county gets motor vehicle division fees (MVD). Last year the county got about \$50,000 from the MVD fees.

Lincoln County offices are beginning their annual task of developing a new budget for the upcoming fiscal year which begins July 1. By April 7, county treasurer Joan Park is scheduled to have her projection of county income into the county manager's office, which will be the first step to developing the new budget.

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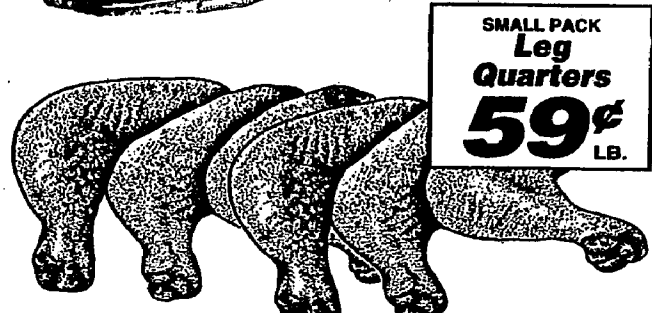
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